

Illuminate – Pt. 4
From Passover to Pentecost

I. Intro:

A. “You are the light of the world...let your light shine before men, that they may see your good [works] and praise your Father in heaven.” -Matthew 5:14,16 NIV

B. Stay tuned for Communion at the conclusion of this message.

C. Why do I have a peace? FOLLOW THE BREAD CRUMBS.

- a. Knowing the ways of God.
 - 1) “When God comes close”
 - 2) First the attack then the blessing.
 - 3) “Follow peace” – supernatural peace/rest.

- b. Signs
 - 1) God sometimes uses signs and wonders
 - 2) People in our church being unusually stirred
 - 3) Sign of the dove
 - 4) Church member heard “Passover”
 - 5)

- c. Prophetic Words
 - 1) Prophets still exist
 - a. Agabus** in Acts 11 and 21
 - b.** Prophesied a famine that came to pass

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- c. Prophesied what would happen to Paul when he went to Rome.
- d. *“All the men of Judah, with their wives and children and little ones, stood there before the Lord. Then the Spirit of the Lord came on Jahaziel son of Zechariah, He said: “Listen, King Jehoshaphat and all who live in Judah and Jerusalem! This is what the Lord says to you: ‘**Do not be afraid or discouraged because of this vast army. For the battle is not yours, but God’s. Tomorrow march down against them...**’ You will not have to fight this battle. Take up your positions; stand firm and see the deliverance the Lord will give you, Judah and Jerusalem. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged. Go out to face them tomorrow, and the Lord will be with you.’ ...Early in the morning they left for the Desert of Tekoa. As they set out, Jehoshaphat stood and said, “**Listen to me, Judah and people of Jerusalem! Have faith in the Lord your God and you will be upheld; have faith in his prophets and you will be successful.**” -2 Chronicles 20:13-17, 20 NIV*

2) Chuck Pierce –

- a. “Plague-like invasion through April

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- b. Real Passover
- c. Wealth transfer
- d. Church will regain it's voice by August 2020

i. *“A good person leaves an inheritance for their children's children, but a sinner's wealth is stored up for the righteous.” - Proverbs 13:22*

ii. *“To the person who pleases him, God gives wisdom, knowledge and happiness, but to the sinner he gives the task of gathering and storing up wealth to hand it over to the one who pleases God. - Ecclesiastes 2:26*

3) Jim Laffoon – Dec. 2018 “Great crisis w/in 17 months”

D. What I believe is coming

- a. Standing on the brink of the greatest outpouring of the Holy Spirit the world has ever seen!
- b. God is sending the “cleaners”
- c. “Day of the saints”
- d. Ordinary believers being used by God in extraordinary ways!
- e. Vanuatu – on Monday The strongest cyclone to ever hit their largest island **Espiritu Santo** then

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moved southeast over the island of **Pentecost** hours later.

f. ““ ‘In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy.’” - Acts 2:17-18 NIV

II. The Passover – the blood of a lamb

A. The meal commemorating (and celebrating) the **central saving act** of God for the people of Israel.

- a. Blood protected from a plague in Egypt
- b. Death angel “passed over” those whose house was marked by the blood.

B. Meal of symbolism

- a. Bitter herbs – reminder of the bitterness and hardships they endured as slaves in Egypt.
- b. Unleavened Bread – symbolic of the haste in which they left Egypt.
- c. Wine – reminder of God’s promises that he would redeem Israel
- d. Lamb taken into the home
 - 1) Purchased on Palm Sunday
 - 2) Became familiar with the famil

C. Jesus eats the last supper with His disciples.

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- a. One would be betray him.
 - b. One would deny him.
 - c. All the others would desert him
- D.** The central element = the blood
- E.** Blood very important in the Bible
- a. Life is in the blood
 - b. Not to be eaten or drunk = sacred
 - c. The blood speaks of sacrifice
 - d. Garden of eden God clothes Adam and Eve from the skins of an innocent animal
 - e. The blood makes atonement for sin (restores relationship)
 - f. The blood was used to cleanse the article in the temple

III. Receive Communion

“On the first day of the Festival of Unleavened Bread, when it was customary to sacrifice the Passover lamb... Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take it; this is my body.” Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and they all drank from it. “This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many,” he said to them. “Truly I tell you, I will not drink again from the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God.

Mark 14:12, 22-25 NIV

“For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread,

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and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.""

1 Corinthians 11:23-25 NIV