

PENTECOST, a Jubilee Celebration



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There is a plan for all of mankind. It was given to God's inherited people—the kingdom of Israel hundreds of years ago. It is laid out step by step in God's Holy Days.

1. **The Passover** was implemented to show that only those who accept the blood of Christ will be saved.
2. **Days of Unleavened Bread** teach us that we must consume only the truth – the pure Word of God that humbles us and keeps us teachable.
3. **The Feast of First-fruits** is the first great celebration that gives us hope of eternal life. Our loving Saviour died for our sins, His sacrifice was accepted by the Almighty God, the price for our sins was paid, and Jesus our Messiah was resurrected. He symbolized the barley harvest, the first of the first-fruits.
4. **Pentecost** is the fourth great celebration. It is the celebration of the giving of the Holy Spirit to those who accept the sacrifice of Christ. These are the first-fruits of mankind to be resurrected upon the return of Christ, the wheat harvest.

Counting 50 days, after the Sabbath of the Passover, is Pentecost. On this Jubilee day, a wheat harvest is celebrated. That Jubilee day mirrors the Jubilee year when the two houses of Israel will be re-united into one kingdom again. The Holy Spirit came and was received by one group of 3,000 people who accepted the sacrifice of Yashuah Hamashiach, Jesus Christ.

THE LONG AWAITED RESTORATION OF THE KINGDOM OF ISRAEL REMAINS HIDDEN.

The kingdom of Israel was torn apart hundreds of years earlier. One house continued in rebellion and was eventually divorced from the family, the other was caught up into the arrogance of self-righteousness. Neither house lived the way of God, but a rebirth lay fifty days from the celebration of the resurrected Christ that makes possible a renewed people and a restored Israel.

After Christ's resurrection, he appeared to the disciples over a forty-day period. During one of the appearances, the disciples asked, "**Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom of Israel?**" (Acts 1:6).

They asked a valid and timely question. They knew they were to be a kingdom of priests, a holy nation and they knew the Prophets of old prophesied the reunion, but **when**—that was the 50 million-dollar question.

Jesus said, "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority" (Acts 1:7).

This same message was echoed when Jesus said, "But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come... therefore, stay awake" (Mark 13:32-33, 35).

"Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour" (Matthew 25:13).

"For you yourselves know full well that the day of the Lord will come just like a thief in the night... But you, brethren, are **not in darkness**, that the day would overtake you like a thief; for **you are all sons of light and sons of day**. We are not of night nor of darkness; so then **let us not sleep as others do**, but let us **be alert and sober**... let us be sober, having **put on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet, the hope of salvation**. For God has not destined us for wrath, but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep, we will live together with Him" (1 Thessalonians 5:2-10).

Nobody knows the time or the hour when Christ will return only our Father in heaven because it is top secret; the enemy cannot be forewarned. But, upon Christ's return, the kingdom of Israel will be restored.

The reason why the kingdom of Israel could not be restored then and now is because they and we, today are not ready. Jesus said, "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father

promised, which you have heard me speak about. For John baptized with water but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit” (Acts 1:4-5).

The day of Pentecost commemorates the receiving of the Holy Spirit that gives us a heart of flesh, igniting a genuine desire to obey God: speaking and walking in the way of God. From 33 A.D. onwards came the enormous task over two thousand years of preaching the gospel of the Kingdom of God to the whole world, and then the end shall come (Matthew 24:14). When Christ returns, the kingdom of Israel will be restored, but **who** will be in this kingdom? That is truly the 50-million-dollar question.

This future re-united kingdom of Israel can only comprise of those who accept the sacrifice of Christ and are baptized with the Holy Spirit. No more rebellion and stiff-necked stubbornness or arrogant self-righteousness will be tolerated. These people will humble themselves in that day.

“In those days, **at that time**, the **people of Israel** and the **people of Judah together** will go in **tears to seek the Yahuah, their God**. They will ask the way of Zion and turn their faces toward it. They will come and bind themselves to the Lord in an **everlasting covenant** that will not be forgotten” (Jeremiah 50:4-5).

“I am going to take the **stick of Joseph**—which is in the hand of Ephraim and the Israelite tribes associated with him and the **stick of Judah** and the Israelite tribes associated with him and joint them, making them a single stick of wood...I will take the Israelites out of the nations where they have gone. **I will gather them from all around and bring them back into their own land**. I will make them **ONE nation** in the land... there will be **ONE king** over all of them and **they will never again be two nations or be divided into two kingdoms**” (Ezekiel 37:18-22).

PENTECOST CELEBRATES THE RECEIVING OF GOD’S HOLY SPIRIT GIVEN TO THE CHURCH.

Above their heads on that first day of Pentecost **flames like tongues of fire** rested. That day three thousand people were added to this **unique body of people—baptized with the Holy Spirit**. Jesus told his disciples, "You are the light of the world" (Matthew 5:14). In John 8:12 he said, "I am the light of the world."

When they spoke, all were amazed because they heard them in their own language. This miraculous event followed the flames like tongues of fire resting above their heads. When truth is spoken; it shines so bright that nothing can be hidden—darkness is gone. When the pure truth is spoken, it is understood fully as if it were spoken in the mother tongue. There isn’t confusion or battling to push personal meanings, or holding onto the traditions of men, or preaching for self-righteous elevation.

They are one body of repentant people from: the house of Judah and Israel who over two thousand years of religious confusion, persecution, and martyrdom, **still have more to overcome**. They are the seven lampstands—the seven churches of Revelation.



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TO EPHESUS: You have forsaken your first love. Remember the height from which you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first... **To him who overcomes, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God** (Revelation 2:1-7)

TO SMYRNA: I know your afflictions and your poverty—yet **you are rich!** I know the slander of those who say they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan. Do not be afraid of what you are about to suffer. I tell you, the devil will put some of you in prison to test you, and you will suffer persecution for ten days. Be faithful even to the point of death, and I will give you the crown of life... **To him who overcomes, you will not be hurt at all by the second death** (Revelation 2:8-11)

TO PERGAMUM: You live where Satan has his throne, yet you remain true to my name... I have a few things against you. You have people there who:

- Hold to the teaching of Balaam who taught Balak to entice the Israelites to sin by eating food sacrificed to idols and by committing sexual immorality
- Hold to the teaching of the Nicolaitans.

To him who overcomes, I will give some of the hidden manna. I will also give him a white stone with a new name written on it, known only to him who receives it (Revelation 2:12-17).

TO THYATIRA: You are doing more than you did at first... but, you tolerate Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess. By her teaching she misleads my servants into sexual immorality and the eating of food sacrificed to idols. I have given her time to repent, but she is unwilling. So I will cast her on a bed of suffering, and I will make those who commit adultery with her suffer

intensely, unless they repent of her ways. I will strike her children dead. To those who do not hold to her teaching and have not learned Satan's so-called deep secrets, hold onto what you have until I come. **To him who overcomes and does my will to the end, I will give authority over the nations. He will rule them with an iron scepter... I will also give him the morning star** (Revelation 2:18-28).

TO SARDIS: I know your deeds; you have a reputation of being alive, but **you are dead. Wake up!** I have not found your deeds complete in the sight of my God. Remember, therefore, what you have received and heard; obey it, and repent. **There are a few among you who have not soiled their clothes. They will walk with me, dressed in white, for they are worthy. He who overcomes will be dressed in white. His name will never be erased from the book of life. I will acknowledge his name before my Father and his angels** (Revelation 3:1-6).

TO PHILADELPHIA: I know your deeds. See, I have placed before you an open door that no one can shut. I know that you have little strength, yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name... You have kept my demand to endure patiently. I will also **keep you from the hour of trial** that is going to come upon the whole world to test those who live on the earth. **To him who overcomes, I will make a pillar in the temple of my God. Never again will he leave it. I will write on him the name of my God and the name of the city of my God, the new Jerusalem... and my new name** (Revelation 3:7-12)

TO LAODICEA: You are neither hot nor cold... So, because you are luke-warm, I will spit you out of my mouth. You say, "I am rich; I have acquired wealth, and do not need a thing." But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked. I counsel you to buy from me gold refined in the fire, so you can become rich; and white clothes to wear, so you can cover your shameful nakedness; and salve to put on your eyes, so you can see... **To him who overcomes, I will give the right to sit with me on my throne** (Revelation 3:14-21).

The renewed church celebrates the day of Pentecost **working to overcome**. The overcomers are the bride of Christ who will rule with him. These people are removing the misconceptions, the misinformation, and disinformation that have infiltrated the body of Christ for two thousand years. They cry out daily to God for cleansing. They seek only the truth with the humility and the teachability of a little child. Their faith and love for God is strong, for they seek the city whose architect and builder is God.



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