THE PASSOVER SERIES The Marriage Supper

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Luke 22:8, 15, 16 8 And he sent Peter and John, saying, Go and prepare us the passover, that we may eat.

15 And he said unto them, With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer.

I want you to hear what he's saying. My greatest desire is to eat this Passover with you. But then listen to what he said. But he said I can't do it. My greatest desire is to partake of this meal with you, but I can't do it.

Even though he broke the bread and blessed it, and poured the wine, he never drank it and he never ate the bread. Instead he passed it around. And then he said I would love to keep this Passover with you. Listen to what he said.

16 For I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God.

Somebody say until. Somebody say fulfilled. Now we have a major problem here because your church told you that the Passover was fulfilled. But Jesus said I'm not going to eat this with you until the Passover is fulfilled. And when is that going to be? Until it be fulfilled in the coming kingdom of God here on earth! Hallelujah.

I want to preach you tonight: "Practicing A Promise". By the way, this is not communion. Communion is a Catholic creation. We don't take communion here. We keep the Passover. Amen. The Passover is when you break the body and drink the blood. It's not to be done every Sunday. It's not to be done every week. The Bible said to do it on Passover night on the 14th day of the first month.

This is the Lord's Passover. And many of you will know when you come here tonight and you eat this body and you drink this blood, that we've all been taught all our lives to drink the blood and to eat the body in remembrance of the Lord's death. Ladies and gentlemen, I've come to preach to you tonight. You've been remembering the wrong thing. No, no, no. That's not what this remembrance is about.

Sister, what if I tell you I'm going to come in ten years and I'm going to give you a home. It's going to be paid for. You're going to have everything you've ever wanted in that home in ten years. But until I do that, I want you to remember what I told you. Somebody say remember what I told you.

But how do I remember it? I'll tell you how we're going to remember it. Every year we're going to remind each other about the promise. Me and you are going to meet up in a cafe. And you're going to remind me we've only got 8 years left. And I'm going to remind you we've only got 8 years left.

Jesus said—I want you to remember something !!! Do this in remembrance of me. You all need to quit looking at the cross. He said I want you to remember that I'm coming back in my Father's kingdom and we're going drink this together !!! You remembered the wrong thing baby. The devil doesn't mind you remembering a dead man. But he doesn't want you to remember a living promise !!! He doesn't want you to remember the coming kingdom of God !!!

Oh, I'm going to go remember his death. Well that's good, but the only reason he wants you to remember his death is because <u>in his death is his promise!</u> And the blood paid for the New Covenant that's going to bring him back!

Why do you think Satan took Passover out of the church. I'm going to ask everyone of you in this building a question. If you don't like me, you knew before you came how I was. Let me ask you a question. How many of you in this room has every said I want to be there at the Marriage Supper of the Lamb? You don't believe that.

There's nobody that wants to go to the Marriage Supper of the Lamb. Do you know why? What do you think this is? We can't get anybody here. What do you think the Marriage Supper of the Lamb is, fried chicken? Ladies and gentlemen, the Marriage Supper of the Lamb is going to be when he keeps that promise he just made—that he's going to eat the bread and drink the blood with us in his Father's kingdom!!!

You're at the marriage supper tonight! Oh yeah! You see, but the problem is this. We have so been taught that God, that Jesus fulfilled all this. Why do you think we're dressed in white tonight? Can I tell you why? Because there's an old gospel song that's says these words regarding the Marriage Supper of the Lamb...

'Tis will be a glorious sight When the saints are dressed in white So around here, we're not waiting on it to happen. We practice it every year to remind us of his death and his return! The saints will be dressed in a robe of white!

What are you remembering tonight? We're not here to gaze upon a cross. We're here to look forward to his return! That's what we're remembering !!! I want to ask every one of you. If there was one apostle alive today, one, and you invited him to an Easter egg hunt or you invited him to a Passover service, which one do you think he would go to? Then why are you out there with the Babylonian systems of this world?

Let me tell you something. If you're here tonight God has called you out of there! God has brought you into this house to remember the promise that he made! He is coming! He's returning! He's separating us...he's separating the wheat from the tare! He's separating us!!!

Somebody said I'm looking for a worldwide revival. The next revival is a revival of separation. It's the revival of God finding out who really belongs to *the church*, and who belongs to the church! There's a difference in the two. Tonight, you've been separated! You're in this building tonight because you're not of this world. But you're of a new economy.

Somebody told me about Unleavened Bread. They said oh that's just too much work and I don't want to go hunt through my house. But you'll go hunt for some eggs in the yard. I don't feel like hunting in my house, but you'll go hunting eggs all over the yard! The problem is you said it. You don't want to do it. You don't have the Holy Ghost to give you the "want-to" to obey God!

The Holy Ghost will make you obedient. Tonight you're here out of obedience. I'm telling you, in Waveland Mississippi, last night, we were fought so hard over this meeting. Last night, a literal Jezebel walked in this building thinking to desecrate this meeting.

There's a movement starting. God has started a movement. You came here tonight and there's seven different states in this house. God is starting a movement. People are coming out. They're seeing the light. They're walking in the narrow way. It is a movement happening in America and the world! God's getting a people ready for the Marriage Supper of the Lamb! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

All of my life that I was in the church, nobody ever told me that he was going to eat this with us in his kingdom. No, I was told that he fulfilled it. But his word said I'm not going to eat it till it's fulfilled. Is anybody catching what I'm putting

down? Are you picking that up? He said I'm not going to eat it until it's fulfilled. Well if I ever read my Bible right, he never ate it because it's not been fulfilled. Don't let anybody convince you that the Passover has ever been fulfilled!

God's getting his people ready and he said every year I want you to come on the 14th day of the first month. Not on morning sunrise service on a Sunday. But I want you to come on the 14th of the first month every year. Why Lord? Because we're going to sit down at a table together, and I'm going to remind you when you drink that cup tonight, I want you to remind yourself of why you drink it. That this is the guarantee that I'm going to drink it with you very soon!

Tonight we have come to this table to have an *Anniversary* with our king. What kind of anniversary? It's real simple. In the Jewish custom, today in Israel, if you want to marry somebody, it's a complicated procedure. It's not easy to do. It's not easy at all. Marriage proposals are done very formally and so, Yahshua, when he spoke to us, he would speak to us from that Jewish culture, that mindset that he was raised in. There were many steps taken before the proposal.

A man, before he could just pop the question—let me tell you what he had to do—if he had his eye on a little lady. Now in America what do we do? We go to the daddy right? Well now they just sleep together and then go see daddy. But anyway, after two kids done popped up...can I marry your daughter? We need to get this stuff right.

Anyway, you all don't like real preaching? I'm sorry. The whole world's messed up. And in God's church, if somebody doesn't preach truth, who's going to preach it? If God's church doesn't preach it, who's going to preach it?

If you wanted to get married in the days of Yahshua, the first thing you had to do was set a table. And you had to invite the girl you had your eye on. You had to invite her mommy and her daddy. You had to invite your mama and your daddy. And they would come to a table and sit down. And when they sat at the table, the husband, or the husband-to-be, the groom, would take a cup.

I want to show you how you had to marry somebody, and then I'm going to make it all make sense to you—why we're here tonight. We're not here to just remember the death of the Lord. We're here to remember something greater. A promise of the Lord.

So they would sit at the table and the husband would pour a glass of wine. And he would turn to the young lady, and he would ask her, will you be my bride? Will you be faithful to me while I go and prepare us a home? Will you wait for me?

At that moment, the bride didn't say yes or no. She didn't say *I do*. She either accepted or rejected the cup of wine. If she took the cup and drank it, she just made a vow to her fiancé. What was her vow? That whenever he decided to return, she would still have a veil over her face.

In the days of Israel, the moment the woman drank the cup, she immediately put a veil on. Where do you think wedding veils came from? Why did she put a veil on her face. To hide her. To separate her from the world. So that all other men knew she was spoken for. And she would wear that veil all over Jerusalem once she drank the cup.

When you drink the cup of the Lord, and when she hands it back and he drinks it, that is as good in the eyes of God—they were married at that moment. Why? Because God didn't see a difference in an engagement and a marriage. Oh brother Vaughn I don't believe that. Then why did he tell Joseph "go see Mary your wife"? They weren't married yet. But she had drank the cup.

When you come to this table tonight and drink the cup, you have accepted his invitation to tarry until he comes. To be faithful till he comes. To be faithful till you see his face again. Brother Vaughn he's been gone so long. No he's only been gone *two days*. He's only been gone two days, what are you worried about?

In Jerusalem, they'd be gone about 2-3 years preparing the home. Oh we're right at that 3 year mark, hallelujah. Oh, this is the day that we are living in when Yahshua offered them the cup. Here's what he said. He said this cup is the New Covenant which I am offering to you. They did not have to drink it! It was an offer. And they were well aware of what the cup meant when it was offered.

And the Bible said they took that cup and they drank it. And that's when he said I want to drink it with you, but he said in that verse but I've got to wait until you and I drink it together in my Father's kingdom. And then he said as often as you do this, not communion, the Passover. What were they doing when he made that promise? The Passover. He said as often as you keep this Passover now.

You don't have to remember Egypt anymore. I want you to remember my promise that I just made to you, that I'm going to drink it with you one more time at the Marriage Supper of the Lamb. That's what we're remembering tonight. The whole church says I want to be at the Marriage Supper. They were all invited tonight. Nobody wants to be there because they've been so seduced by this world. Satan has seduced their minds to where all they want is the world.

But tonight as you've come into this assembly, in just a matter of moments, when you walk down this aisle, this wedding aisle, it is a rehearsal. Don't you get it

now? It's a rehearsal. We do them every year. Seven times we do these rehearsals. Tomorrow night, we do another rehearsal. And when you understand these rehearsals, your life begins to change.

Tonight he's asking you a question. Will you accept my offer to meet me in my Father's kingdom? That's what tonight is ladies and gentlemen. You thought it was about the old rugged cross. No. It's about *The Promise* that the cross paid for. The promise that he is coming. And that he wants you to meet him there. And you do that when you drink the cup. You give him your word. He gives you his.

Every time you show back up every year, do you know what you're saying? I haven't forgotten. I haven't forgotten your promise Lord. Here I am again. I'm back to remind you that I'm still waiting. Hallelujah. I'm walking down here tonight to remind you that I've not forgot what you said. And I'm going to hold you to it. I'm waiting on you.

An old song says, I don't mind waitin'. I don't know about you tonight but I don't mind waiting. Because every time I drink the cup I'm reminded. Brother tonight the cup is your invitation to the marriage supper. And when you drink it, you've accepted it. You've RSVP'd.

Why did we go through all this trouble tonight? Somebody said it looks like a wedding in here. Exactly. There's going to be a big, big wedding like the world's never seen! A BIG wedding! We're already dressed for it! Hallelujah!! You're dressed in your bridal garments. Robes white as snow! Because you still believe!

We're losing faith in the earth. Jesus Christ said when I return, there'll be no faith left except for who? The elect. The elect...the remnant of God. And if you're here tonight it's because you still have faith.

So tonight as we prepare now to take the Lord's Supper, when you come, I'm going to ask every single one of you a question, on behalf of the Lord Jesus Christ—I'm going to let him ask you through my voice...

Will you meet me at the wedding?

That's his question tonight. Will you meet me in my Father's kingdom? Are you going to live holy (we'll talk about that tomorrow night)? Will you meet me in my Father's kingdom? Will you? He said if you will drink this cup every year, tell me you haven't forgot. Tell me you still hold my love letters deep inside your pocket somewhere. Just like that soldier's wife when he goes off to war...she keeps that little locket around her neck, doesn't she. Has his picture in it. It reminds her. He promised her before he left he wouldn't die. He promised her I'll be back. Every

night before she goes to bed, she kisses that little locket believing he's coming back.

Tonight you're here to kiss the locket of your beloved. You're here to tell him I'm not going to forget! And I don't believe you're going to forget. And even though life gets hard, I'll drink your cup. I'll still stay separated from the world for you! I'll still be holy for you. I'll still obey you.

I don't know how much longer Lord, but however long you can wait is how long I can wait. But the reason Satan's stopped these Passover celebrations is so we'll forget the *promise*. We get caught up in this life. God says seven times a year shut it down. Come back. Comb back into the assembly. Gather with the lambs of God. And be reminded.

Tonight. There's three elements to the Passover. Number one is mikveh which is baptism. You're all lambs of God. I hope you watched my sermon on the Passover lambs. You're all lambs tonight. You've all come here duplications of Yahshua the Messiah the Lamb. That's why you're in white tonight.

But every year, the reason he wanted you to wash one another's feet on Passover is because every year your feet get a little dirty with sin in this old muddy world. You lose a little bit of faith. The news media takes it from you. Your friends take it from you. They're suckers of faith. They suck your faith out of you! They mock you. They're making fun of some you now for being here. They rob your faith. They're faith robbers! They're like grave robbers...they just want your faith!

Our whole body's not dirty, but it's on nights like tonight where our muddy feet, where we've been walking through the heartaches of this life, gets a little dirty. So he said when you come don't just drink the blood—get re-baptized, get recommitted to the promise. And be reminded that I'm coming back.

So when you get in line tonight, someone will pour water over your hands right over this basin. To clean your hands. To baptize your hands before you take the supper. And then when you get through taking the supper, we're going to baptize your feet, and you're going to remember the promise of the Lord.

Let me tell every one of you something. Church-playing is about over with. We're getting to the moment now—you're either going to get all the way in or you're going all the way out. There's no more...it's done. That day's over. Because the pressure is heating up on God's church.

So tonight...why don't you come, remind him of his promise. And let him remind you of his promise. There are three parts of the Passover. The past, we look back.

And the future. And there's one more part I've got to tell you about. Yes, he's going to eat it with you then. And yes, he partook of it back then. But did you know there's a present? There's a present work of Christ and is sitting at that table tonight. When you come, he promised to meet you on a holy day.

He promised on the 14th day, I'll meet you there. His presence is here tonight to meet with you. And you're going to begin to feel that presence tonight because it's here.

(Pastor singing)
He is here. Hallelujah.
He is here. Amen.
He is here. You can touch him.
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Hallelujah. Hallelujah. If you come to his table tonight not discerning his body, not knowing what this is, you've done yourself a horrible injustice.

Thank you Lord.

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