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THE BEWILDERING DEATH

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A Two Part Series



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THE CONCEALED

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Foreshadow #1 - Nisan (The First Month)

The Time when Kings Go forth to Battle

This month shall be your beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year to you.

Exodus 12:2

It is the Time of Creation

- Earth Created
- Earth Recreated (Noah exits ark onto dry land)

And it came to pass in the six hundred and first year, in the first month, the first day of the month, that the waters were dried up from the earth; and Noah removed the covering of the ark and looked, and indeed the surface of the ground was dry.

Genesis 8:13

It is the Time of Birth

- Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob all born and died in the first month

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- The Paschal Lamb intervening at Passover
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It is the Time of Freedom and Emancipation

- Egyptian Slavery Annulled
- Haman's Plot Exposed and Foiled

It is the Time of Judgment upon the Firstborn (the Flesh)

- The Death Angel in Egypt striking down the firstborn
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It is the Time of Firstfruits (Harvest)

- Barley Harvest (the food for animals)

It is the Time of Purity

- Lamb without blemish or spot
- No leaven allowed for seven days

In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at evening, you shall eat unleavened bread, until the twenty-first day of the month at evening.

Exodus 12:18

It is the Time of the Lamb

- Passover - As Sacrifice, As Food, and as Shelter

It is the Time of the Gentiles

- Ruth's Arrival in Bethlehem at the inception of the Barley Harvest

It is the Time of a Raised up Tabernacle

- The Tabernacle in the Wilderness

On the first day of the first month you shall set up the tabernacle of the tent of meeting . . . And it came to pass in the first month of the second year, on the first day of the month, that the tabernacle was raised up.

Exodus 40:2, 17

It is the Time of Coronation

- David anointed King over Judah

It is the Time of War

And it came to pass, after the year was expired, at the time when kings go forth to battle . . .

2 Samuel 11:1

Foreshadow #2 - Job from Uz

- Job means "Hated and Despised"
- Uz means "The Place of Wood"

Foreshadow #3 - The Ark of Noah

- A harbinger of coming judgment
- A construction of wood
- A passenger vehicle designed to save any and all who would enter it by faith

Foreshadow #4 - The Temple Veil

The Impassible Barrier

- It's colors? Clean, white linen, dyed Blue, Scarlet, and Purple
- Approximately 60 ft high, 30ft wide, and 4 inches thick

- It was so heavy that Josephus says that 300 priests were required to move it and that two teams of oxen would not have been able to rend the veil
- It was prepared with Cherubim stitched into its front

Foreshadow #5 - The Paschal Lamb

- Lambs used for Sacrifice, Clothing, and Food
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In one house shall it be eaten; thou shalt not carry forth ought of the flesh abroad out of the house; neither shall ye break a bone thereof.

Exodus 12:46

He keeps all His bones: not one of them is broken.

Psalms 34:20

Foreshadow #6 - The Josiah-esque Mourning

- The last pure King of Davidic bloodline, pierced and killed
- Great mourning for the fallen King of the Jews

And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn. In that day shall there be a great mourning in Jerusalem, as the mourning of Hadadrimmon in the valley of Megiddon. And the land shall mourn, every family apart; the family of the house of David apart, and their wives apart; the family of the house of Nathan apart, and their wives apart;

Zechariah 12:10-12

Foreshadow #7 - The Selling for Silver

- The Betrayal of Judah - *The Deliverer turned over into the hands of sinners in exchange for pieces of silver*

And Judah said unto his brethren, What profit is it if we slay our brother, and conceal his blood? . . . and they drew and lifted up Joseph out of the pit, and sold Joseph to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver: and they brought Joseph into Egypt.

Genesis 37:26,28

And I said unto them, If ye think good, give me my price; and if not, forbear. So they weighed for my price thirty pieces of silver. And the LORD said unto me, Cast it unto the potter: a goodly price that I was prised at of them. And I took the thirty pieces of silver, and cast them to the potter in the house of the LORD.

Zechariah 11:12-13

Foreshadow #8 - The Strange and Particular Form of Death

- A man of the blood lineage of David
- Considered king in the Davidic line
- One born in Bethlehem
- One betrayed for thirty pieces of silver
- Must be as a Lamb slain
- And in Jerusalem he must die a very specific sort of death
- He Himself must be silent as a lamb unto his slaughter
- In his death he must bear the sin of man
- He must remove the iniquity of the land in that one day
- He must keep all his bones, not a one of his bones can be severed from Him
- He must not have any of his bones broken
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- He must be pierced, likely as Josiah was pierced through with an arrow
- His hands and feet must be pierced
- His death must be public, for he will be surrounded, mocked, and reproached - and the crowd "must look on Him whom they pierced"
- He must be numbered with the criminals
- He must be thirsty
- His every bone must be felt
- His heart must be as wax
- A fountain, a river must be opened up

Foreshadow #9 - The Curse of the Tree

And if a man have committed a sin worthy of death, and he be to be put to death, and thou hang him on a tree: His body shall not remain all night upon the tree, but thou shalt in any wise bury him that day; **(for he that is hanged is accursed of God;)** that thy land be not defiled, which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance.

Deuteronomy 21:22-23

And the LORD said unto Moses, Make thee a fiery serpent, and set it upon a pole: and it shall come to pass, **that every one that is bitten, when he looks upon it, shall live.** And Moses made a serpent of brass, and put it upon a pole, and it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived.

Numbers 21:4-9

Foreshadow #10 - In That Day

Isaiah

- 11:10 - And **in that day** there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious.
- 12:4 - And **in that day** shall ye say, Praise the LORD, call upon his name, declare his doings among the people, make mention that his name is exalted.
- 22:25 - **In that day**, saith the LORD of hosts, shall the nail that is fastened in the sure place be removed, and be cut down, and fall; and the burden that was upon it shall be cut off: for the LORD hath spoken it.
- 24:21 - And it shall come to pass **in that day**, that the LORD shall punish the host of the high ones that are on high, and the kings of the earth upon the earth.
- 25:9 - And it shall be said **in that day**, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, and he will save us: this is the LORD; we have waited for him, we will be glad and rejoice in his salvation.
- 26:1 - **In that day** shall this song be sung in the land of Judah; We have a strong city; salvation will God appoint for walls and bulwarks.
- 27:1 - **In that day** the LORD with his sore and great and strong sword shall punish leviathan the piercing serpent, even leviathan that crooked serpent; and he shall slay the dragon that is in the sea.

- 28:5 - **In that day** shall the LORD of hosts be for a crown of glory, and for a diadem of beauty, unto the residue of his people.

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- **Jesus made all things new, He made a New Creation**

It was the Time of a New Birth

- Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob all born and died in the first month
- **The Time of the Death and the New Birth of the Patriarch of Patriarchs**

It was the Time of Final Sacrifice

- Isaac Bound - Ram Provided
- Passover - Paschal Lamb offered
- **Jesus - the Passover Lamb - Dying on the 14th of Nisan**

It was the Time of Divine Intercession

- The Ram Caught in the Thicket
- The Paschal Lamb intervening at Passover
- Esther interceding on behalf of the Jewish Nation
- **Jesus gave up His Life that we might live, He was the intervening Ram caught in the thicket**

It was the Time of Freedom from the Shackles of Sin and Death

- Egyptian Slavery Annulled
- Haman's Plot Exposed and Foiled
- **Freedom from the Law of Sin and Death, Justification from the looming penalty**

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- **The Old Man is Crucified**

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- **Jesus is the Firstfruits of those that have fallen asleep**
- **He is the Food of God laid in a Jewish feeding trough**

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- No leaven allowed for seven days
- **Jesus is the unleavened, unblemished, unspotted Paschal Lamb**

It was the Time of the Lamb of God taking away the Sin of the World

- Passover - As Sacrifice, As Food, and as Shelter
- **Jesus, the Lamb of God, a sacrifice for Sin, God become Food, and God become the clothing of righteousness for the Dead in Sin.**

It was the Time of the Gentiles being grafted in

- Ruth's Arrival in Bethlehem at the inception of the Barley Harvest
- **The Door to the Gentiles opened up through the great Cross Work of Jesus**

It was the Time of a Raised up Tabernacle

- The Tabernacle in the Wilderness
- **The Temple of God rebuilt in three days - the resurrection of the perfect tabernacle, Jesus Christ**

It was the Time of the Coronation of the King of all kings

- David anointed King over Judah
- **Jesus exalted to the highest place, given the Name above all names, crowned as King of all kings**

It was the Time when Heaven went to War

And it came to pass, after the year was expired, at the time when kings go forth to battle . . .

2 Samuel 11:1

The Time when the King of kings went forth to Battle

He went to War all by His Lonesome

Fulfillment #2 - Job from Uz

Job - the hated and despised

Then did they spit in his face, and buffeted him; and others smote Him with the palms of their hands . . . And they that passed by reviled him, wagging their heads . . .

Matthew 26:67; 27:39

Uz - the place of wood

And they crucified Him . . .

Matthew 27:35

Fulfillment #3 - The Ark

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

John 14:6

Fulfillment #4 - The Temple Veil

And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice, and yielded up His spirit. Then, behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom; and the earth quaked, and the rocks were split . . .

Matthew 27:50-51

Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way, which He hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, His flesh; And having an high priest over the house of God; Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.

Hebrews 10:19-22

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And said unto them, What will ye give me, and I will deliver him unto you? And they covenanted with him for thirty pieces of silver.

Matthew 26:15

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Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangs on a tree:

Galatians 3:13

Fulfillment #10 - In That Day (One Singular Day)

Now when evening had come, because it was the Preparation Day, that is, the day before the Sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a prominent council member, who was himself waiting for the kingdom of God, coming and taking courage, went in to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Pilate marveled that He was already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him if He had been dead for some time. So when he found out from the centurion, he granted the body to Joseph.

Mark 15:42-45

Isaiah 53

750 years before Jesus

Who has believed our report? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

- For He shall grow up before Him as a tender plant
- And as a root out of dry ground
- He has no form or comeliness
- And when we see Him, there is no beauty that we should desire Him
- He is despised and rejected by men
- A Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief
- And we hid, as it were, our faces from Him
- He was despised, and we did not esteem Him
- Surely He has borne our griefs And carried our sorrows
- Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted
- But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities
- The chastisement for our peace was upon Him
- And by His stripes we are healed
- All we like sheep have gone astray
- We have turned, every one, to his own way
- And the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all
- He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He opened not His mouth

- He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, And as a sheep before its shearers is silent, So He opened not His mouth.
- He was taken from prison and from judgment, And who will declare His generation? For He was cut off from the land of the living
- For the transgressions of My people He was stricken
- And they made His grave with the wicked--But with the rich at His death, Because He had done no violence, Nor was any deceit in His mouth
- Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise Him
- He has put Him to grief
- When You make His soul an offering for sin, He shall see His seed, He shall prolong His days, And the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in His hand
- He shall see the labor of His soul, and be satisfied
- By His knowledge My righteous Servant shall justify many, For He shall bear their iniquities
- Therefore I will divide Him a portion with the great, And He shall divide the spoil with the strong
- Because He poured out His soul unto death
- And He was numbered with the transgressors
- And He bore the sin of many
- And made intercession for the transgressors

Psalm 22

1000 years before Jesus

And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?" that is, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?"

Matthew 27:46

My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me? . . .

- I am a worm, and no man; A reproach of men, and despised by the people
- All those who see Me ridicule Me
- They shoot out the lip, they shake the head, saying, "He trusted in the LORD, let Him rescue Him; Let Him deliver Him, since He delights in Him!" . . .
- Be not far from Me, For trouble is near; For there is none to help
- Many bulls have surrounded Me; Strong bulls of Bashan have encircled Me
- They gape at Me with their mouths, like a raging and roaring lion

- I am poured out like water, And all My bones are out of joint
- My heart is like wax; It has melted within Me
- My strength is dried up like a potsherd, And My tongue clings to My jaws
- You have brought Me to the dust of death
- For dogs have surrounded Me; The congregation of the wicked has enclosed Me
- They pierced My hands and My feet
- I can count all My bones
- They look and stare at Me
- They divide My garments among them, And for My clothing they cast lots

I Tell You Before it Comes to Pass

Now I tell you before it comes, that when it does come to pass, you may believe that I AM.

John 13:19

Hear Him!

This is My beloved Son. **Hear Him!**

Luke 9:35