

The Feast of Passover (Day 4 of 10)

Biblical Prophecy Fulfilled Timeline of Events

Scripture Context

The Passover Overview Spotless Lamb of God

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"They shall be without defect," Numbers 28:31

On the fourth day:

Sunday Daytime (Abib/Nisan 11th) – 1st day of the week

- Jesus returns to Jerusalem the second time and curses the fig tree.¹
- He drives the moneychangers out of the Temple for the second time.

Sunday Nighttime (Abib/Nisan 12th) – 2nd day of the week

- Jesus spends the night in Bethany.

Jesus Curses the Fig Tree

Matthew 21:18-19 and Mark 11:12-14

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AD 31, April 20, Sunday Morning (Abib 11) [1st day of the week]

And on the next day, when they had departed from Bethany, He became hungry. And seeing at a distance a fig tree in leaf, He went to see if perhaps He would find anything on it; and when He came to it, He found nothing but leaves, for it was not the season for figs.² And He answered and said to it, "May no one ever eat fruit from you again!" And His disciples were listening.

Christ Cleanses the Temple the Second Time

Matthew 21:12-17, Mark 11:15-19 and Luke 19:45-48

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And they came to Jerusalem. And He entered the temple and began to cast out those who were buying and selling in the temple, and overturned the tables of the moneychangers and the seats of those who were selling doves; and He would not permit anyone to carry goods through the temple. And He began to teach and say to them, "Is it not written, 'MY HOUSE SHALL BE CALLED A HOUSE OF PRAYER FOR ALL THE NATIONS'?"³ But you have made it a ROBBERS' DEN."⁴ And He was teaching daily in the temple; but the chief priests and the scribes and the leading men among the people were trying to destroy Him, and they could not find anything that they might do, for all the people were hanging upon His words. And the blind and the lame came to Him in the temple, and He healed them. But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the wonderful things that He had done, and the children who were crying out in the temple and saying, "Hosanna to the Son of David," they became indignant, and said to Him, "Do You hear what these are saying?" And Jesus said to them, "Yes; have you never read, 'OUT OF THE MOUTH OF INFANTS AND NURSING BABES THOU HAST PREPARED PRAISE FOR THYSELF'?"⁵ And He left them and went out of the city to Bethany, and lodged there.

¹The season for figs is the beginning of summer yet springtime had just arrived. Jesus used the illustration of the fig tree in His Olivet discourse on the following day concerning the future. Therefore, He cursed the fig tree because it was giving a false and misleading sign. It was prematurely putting forth leaves, which would indicate that it was about to bear fruit. This issue will be covered in a future lesson.

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³ *Isaiah 56:7*

⁴ *Jeremiah 7:11*

⁵ *Psalms 8:2*



Monday Daytime (Abib/Nisan 12th) – 2nd day of the week

- Jesus returns to Jerusalem the third time.
- The fig tree has withered.

True Biblical Faith

Matthew 21:20-22 and Mark 11:20-26

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AD 31, April 21st, Monday Morning (Abib/Nisan 12th) [2nd day of the week]

And as they were passing by in the morning, they saw the fig tree withered from the roots up. And being reminded, Peter said to Him, "Rabbi, behold, the fig tree which You cursed has withered." And Jesus answered saying to them, "**Have faith in God.** Truly I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be taken up and cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says is going to happen, it shall be granted him. Therefore I say to you, all things for which you pray and ask, **believe that you have received them,** and they shall be granted you. And whenever you stand praying, **forgive, if you have anything against anyone;** so that your Father also who is in heaven may forgive you your transgressions. But if you do not forgive, neither will your Father who is in heaven forgive your transgressions."

Christ's Authority is Questioned

Matthew 21:23-27, Mark 11:27-33 and Luke 20:1-8

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And they came again to Jerusalem. And it came about while He was teaching the people in the temple and preaching the gospel, that the chief priests and the scribes with the elders confronted Him, and they spoke, saying to Him, "Tell us by what authority You are doing these things, or who is the one who gave You this authority?" And He answered and said to them, "I shall also ask you a question, and you tell Me: "Was the baptism of John from heaven or from men?" And they reasoned among themselves, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven,' He will say, 'Why did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'From men,' all the people will stone us to death, for they are convinced that John was a prophet." And they answered that they did not know where it came from. And Jesus said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things."

Parable of Those Called to Work

Matthew 21:28-32

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But what do you think? A man had two sons, and he came to the first and said, 'Son, go work today in the vineyard.' And he answered and said, 'I will, sir'; and he did not go. And he came to the second and said the same thing. But he answered and said, 'I will not'; yet he afterward regretted it and went. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The latter." Jesus said to them, "Truly I say to you that the tax-gatherers and harlots will get into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him; but the tax-gatherers and harlots did believe him; and you, seeing this, did not even feel remorse afterward so as to believe him."

Parable of the Vineyard Owner

Matthew 21:33-46, Mark 12:1-12 and Luke 20:9-19

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And He began to speak to them in parables: "A man PLANTED A VINEYARD, AND PUT A WALL AROUND IT, AND DUG A VAT UNDER THE WINE PRESS, AND BUILT A TOWER,⁶ and rented it out to vine-growers and went on a journey. And at the harvest time he sent a slave to the vine-growers, in order to receive some of the produce of the vineyard from the vine-growers. And they took him, and beat him, and sent him away empty-handed. And again he sent them another slave, and they wounded him in the head, and treated him shamefully. And he sent another, and that one they killed; and so with many others, beating some, and killing others. He had one more to send, a beloved son; he sent him last of all to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But those vine-growers said to one another, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and the inheritance will be ours!' And they took him, and killed him, and threw him out of the vineyard. Therefore when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those vine-growers?" They said to Him, "He will bring those wretches to a wretched end, and will rent out the vineyard to other vine-growers, who will pay him the proceeds at the proper seasons." Jesus said to them, "Did you never read in the Scriptures, 'THE STONE WHICH THE BUILDERS REJECTED, THIS BECAME THE CHIEF CORNER stone; THIS CAME ABOUT FROM THE LORD, AND IT IS MARVELOUS IN OUR EYES'?⁷ Therefore I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you, and be given to a nation producing the

⁶ Isaiah 5:1-7

⁷ Psalms 118:22-23

fruit of it. And he who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; but on whomever it falls, it will scatter him like dust." And when the chief priests and the Pharisees heard His parables, they understood that He was speaking about them. And when they sought to seize Him, they feared the multitudes, because they held Him to be a prophet.

Parable of the Marriage Feast

Matthew 22:1-14

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And Jesus answered and spoke to them again in parables, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king, who gave a wedding feast for his son. And he sent out his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding feast, and they were unwilling to come. Again he sent out other slaves saying, 'Tell those who have been invited, "Behold, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and my fattened livestock are all butchered and everything is ready; come to the wedding feast."' But they paid no attention and went their way, one to his own farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his slaves and mistreated them and killed them. But the king was enraged and sent his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and set their city on fire. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy. Go therefore to the main highways, and as many as you find there, invite to the wedding feast.' And those slaves went out into the streets, and gathered together all they found, both evil and good; and the wedding hall was filled with dinner guests. But when the king came in to look over the dinner guests, he saw there a man not dressed in wedding clothes, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you come in here without wedding clothes?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the servants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and cast him into the outer darkness; in that place there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."⁸

Render to Caesar the Things That Are Caesar's

Matthew 22:15-22, Mark 12:13-17 and Luke 20:20-26

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Then the Pharisees went and counseled together how they might trap Him in what He said. And they sent their disciples to Him, along with the Herodians,⁹ saying, "Teacher, we know that You are truthful and teach the way of God in truth, and defer to no one; for You are not partial to any. Tell us therefore, what do You think? Is it lawful to give a poll-tax to Caesar, or not?" But Jesus perceived their malice, and said, "Why are you testing Me, you hypocrites? Show Me the coin used for the poll-tax." And they brought Him a denarius. And He said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" They said to Him, "Caesar's." Then He said to them, "Then render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's; and to God the things that are God's."

Sadducees Question the Resurrection from the Dead

Matthew 22:23-33, Mark 12:18-27 and Luke 20:27-40

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And some Sadducees (who say that there is no resurrection) came to Him, and began questioning Him, saying, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that IF A MAN'S BROTHER DIES, and leaves behind a wife, AND LEAVES NO CHILD, HIS BROTHER SHOULD TAKE THE WIFE, AND RAISE UP OFFSPRING TO HIS BROTHER.¹⁰ There were seven brothers; and the first took a wife, and died, leaving no offspring. And the second one took her, and died, leaving behind no offspring; and the third likewise; and so all seven left no offspring. Last of all the woman died also. In the resurrection, when they rise again, which one's wife will she be? For all seven had her as wife." Jesus said to them, "Is this not the reason you are mistaken, that you do not understand the Scriptures, or the power of God?" And Jesus said to them, "The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage, but those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry, nor are given in marriage; for neither can they die anymore, for they are like angels, and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection. But that the dead are raised, even Moses showed, in the passage about the burning bush, where he calls the Lord THE GOD OF ABRAHAM, AND THE GOD OF ISAAC, AND THE GOD OF JACOB.¹¹ Now He is not the God of the dead, but of the living; for all live to Him." And when the multitudes heard this, they were astonished at His teaching.

The Great Commandment

⁸ **For many are called, but few are chosen.** To be "called" means to be invited. To be "chosen" means that the individual has accepted the invitation. At that point the individual become the "elect." Jesus had just got through telling the leaders of Israel three parables about invitation: those called to work, the vineyard owner and the marriage feast. All of these invitations, as a whole, were rejected by most Israelites. The Lord is constantly inviting His people to join Him in different endeavors concerning the Kingdom of God, but many find excuses and lose their reward.

⁹ **The Herodians** were a Jewish political party who sympathized with the Herodian rulers in their general policy of government, and in the social customs which they introduced from Rome. They were at one with the Sadducees in holding the duty of submission to Rome, and of supporting the Herods on the throne.

¹⁰ *Deuteronomy 25:5-10*

¹¹ *Exodus 3:6*

Matthew 22:34-40 and Mark 12:28-34

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But when the Pharisees heard that He had put the Sadducees to silence, they gathered themselves together. And one of the scribes came and heard them arguing, and recognizing that He had answered them well, asked Him a question, testing Him, "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" Jesus answered, "The foremost is, 'HEAR, O ISRAEL!'¹² THE LORD OUR GOD IS ONE LORD; AND YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND, AND WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH.'¹³ The second is this, 'YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.'¹⁴ There is no other commandment greater than these." And the scribe said to Him, "Right, Teacher, You have truly stated that HE IS ONE; AND THERE IS NO ONE ELSE BESIDES HIM; AND TO LOVE HIM WITH ALL THE HEART AND WITH ALL THE UNDERSTANDING AND WITH ALL THE STRENGTH, AND TO LOVE ONE'S NEIGHBOR AS HIMSELF, is much more than all burnt offerings and sacrifices." And when Jesus saw that he had answered intelligently, He said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." And after that, no one would venture to ask Him any more questions.

The Son of David

Matthew 22:41-46, Mark 12:35-37 and Luke 20:41-44

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Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them a question, saying, "What do you think about the Christ, whose son is He?" They said to Him, "The son of David." He said to them, "Then how does David in the Spirit¹⁵ call Him 'Lord,' saying, 'THE LORD SAID TO MY LORD, "SIT AT MY RIGHT HAND, UNTIL I PUT THINE ENEMIES BENEATH THY FEET"'?¹⁶ If David then calls Him 'Lord,' how is He his son?" And no one was able to answer Him a word, nor did anyone dare from that day on to ask Him another question. And the great crowd enjoyed listening to Him.

¹² **"Hear, O Israel!"** This portion of Jesus' statement is the first, foremost, and greatest commandment and simply means, "Pay attention to what I am telling you My people." He then proceeds to say that they should love God and one another.

¹³ *Deuteronomy 6:4-5*

¹⁴ *Leviticus 19:18*

¹⁵ **In the Spirit.** Breathed or spoken by the Holy Spirit

¹⁶ *Psalms 110:1*

