

Opening Scripture Reading/Prayer:

Exodus 31:12-17

The Sabbath

¹² And the Lord said to Moses, ¹³“You are to speak to the people of Israel and say, ‘Above all you shall keep my Sabbaths, for this is a sign between me and you throughout your generations, that you may know that I, the Lord, sanctify you. . . .’ ¹⁶ Therefore the people of Israel shall keep the Sabbath, observing the Sabbath throughout their generations, as a covenant forever. ¹⁷ It is a sign forever between me and the people of Israel that in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested and was refreshed.”

Isaiah 58:13-14

¹³ “If you turn back your foot from the Sabbath,
from doing your pleasure on my holy day,
and call the Sabbath a delight
and the holy day of the Lord honorable;
if you honor it, not going your own ways,
or seeking your own pleasure, or talking idly;
¹⁴ then you shall take delight in the Lord,
and I will make you ride on the heights of the earth;
I will feed you with the heritage of Jacob your father,
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.”

Isaiah 66:22-23

²² “For as the new heavens and the new earth
that I make
shall remain before me, says the LORD,
so shall your offspring and your name remain.
²³ From new moon to new moon,
and from Sabbath to Sabbath,
all flesh shall come to worship before me,
declares the LORD.

Opening Message:

The Great Commandment

³⁴ But when the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together. ³⁵ And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶ “Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?” ³⁷ And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. ³⁸ This is the great and first commandment. ³⁹ And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. ⁴⁰ On these two commandments depend/hang all the Law and the Prophets.”

depend/hang: where the meaning is, all the Law and the Prophets (i.e. the teaching of the O.T. on morality) is summed up in these two precepts.

i.e. Luke 6:40

⁴⁰ A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is fully trained will be like his teacher.

Matthew 5:17-20

Christ Came to Fulfill the Law

¹⁷ “Do not think that **I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets**; I have not come to abolish them but to **fulfill** (*walk it out as it should be walked out*) them. ¹⁸ For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹ Therefore **whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven.** ²⁰ For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

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Venu:

Good Evening Brother. Got a chance to watch your “Great Commission” video Sunday. Wanted to clarify with you your understanding of the “Make Disciples” portion of the Great Commission (“ . . . **make disciples** . . . *teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.*” Matthew 28:19-20), as I heard you say that the only two commandments we were to keep was the Two Great Commandments (Matthew 22:36-40): 1. **To love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind** (mind: **might** – Deuteronomy 6:5), and 2. **Love your neighbor as yourself.** Although true, these are two of the commandments we are to “teach” to “observe”, Jesus teaches that all of the *Law* and the *Prophets* hang on these two commandments (Matthew 22:40), which, without knowing what these other commandments are, we would not know exactly how to **walk out** the “Two Great Commandments”.

As one learns from Lesson 5 (“*Jesus, the Fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets*”) of Jesus’ teaching on the *Law* and the *Prophets*, He was talking about more than just a few laws and prophecies. He was talking about the sum-total of all that was written in Scripture. Jesus was referring to **everything that His father had established** (the *Law*) and **everything that His father wanted brought to pass** (the *Prophets*). And Jesus declared that He would be an example of how we are to walk it out as He walked it out on the earth, as well as fulfilling the prophetic purposes of the *Law* and the *Prophets* to point all mankind to Him as being the only *Way* and the only *Truth*.

“Do not veer away from the plans given to you by God to do your own thing . . . and End-time Prophecy”

With that being said, the 10 Commandments teach us how to live out the Two Great Commandments: **1. “To love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind”** – with the **first 5 of the 10 Commandments**, **1. “You shall have no other gods before Me”**; **2. “You shall not make for yourself an idol, or any likeness of what is in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the water under the earth. You shall not worship them or serve them: for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children, on the third and the fourth generations of those who hate Me, but showing loving kindness to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments”**; **3. “You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not leave him unpunished who takes His name in vain”** (actually meaning, to not live a life contrary to the life God has instructed us to live); **4. “Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath of the LORD your God: in it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter, your male or your female servant or your cattle or your sojourner who stays with you. For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy”** (actually meaning, a specific day, which in Hebrew is the seventh day of the week, “Saturday” (which begins Friday at 6pm and ends Saturday at 6pm); and **5. “Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be prolonged in the land which the LORD your God gives you”**; understanding that if we can not even honor God in **the least of these first 5 Commandments**, “honoring our earthly father and mother” (actually meaning, to speak well of, pray for, and be a blessing to them), then we can not honor Him in **the greatest of the first 5 Commandments**, “worship God as the One True God, and worshipping no other gods, other than Him”.

Followed by the second of the Two Great Commandments: **2. “Love your neighbor as yourself”** (actually meaning, a fellow believer in the faith, as learned in Lesson 9 – “Giving Up Your Rights”, whereas, “loving your enemy” is a separate meaning all together, that Jesus taught in Lesson 10 – “Loving your Enemies”) – with the **second 5 commands of the 10 Commandments**, teaching us how to live this Great Commandment, **6. “You shall not murder”** (with an even more foundational meaning to this teaching, we are not to even be angry with another individual – Matthew 5:21-26); **7. “You shall not commit adultery”** (actually meaning, to not marry again, if the first spouse is still alive – Matthew 18:8-9 and 1 Corinthians 7:10-16; and even more foundational to this teaching, we are not to even look lustfully at another individually, sexually – Matthew 5:27-32); **8. “You shall not steal”**; **9. “You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor”**; and **10. “You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife or his male servant or his female servant or his ox or his donkey or anything that belongs to your neighbor”**; understanding that if we cannot even honor God in **the least of these second 5 Commandments**, “You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife or his male servant or his female servant or his ox or his donkey or anything that belongs to your neighbor”, then we cannot honor Him in **the greatest of the first 5 Commandments**, “You shall not murder”.

So, as you can see here that although all of the Law and the Prophets hang on these “Two Great Commandments”, without a greater teaching on these two commandments (“Love God” & “Love Your Neighbor”), we would not know how to exactly fulfill those commandments. And Jesus, through the Gospels, and His teachings throughout the Law and the Prophets do not stop there, but continue as Jesus teaches, in the “Great Commission”, that to “Make Disciples” we are instructed to “teach” disciples to “observe” everything He has commanded throughout all of Scripture. Jesus even goes a little deeper in understanding this idea in Luke 6:40, “The student is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully trained will be like their teacher.” It is with this understanding that we move through the Discipleship Training that Jesus laid out over the course of His 3 ½ years of ministry, that He gave a total of 263 Commands, beginning with “Follow Me” and concluding with “Make Disciples”, which we have laid out each one of these 263 Commands within the 58 teaching lessons of the 3-Book Series, “A Journey With Jesus”, but additionally can not be completely understood without knowing all 613 Commands given throughout the Old Testament, which we also dive into throughout this Journey with Jesus; **making disciples** the way God has been doing it since the beginning of time. And it is then at this point that we can better understand the following teaching in the Scriptures:

⁴³ We know that we have come to know him if we keep his commands. ⁴ Whoever says, “I know him,” but does not do what he commands is a liar, and the truth is not in that person. ⁵ But if anyone obeys his word, love for God is truly made complete in them. This is how we know we are in him: ⁶ Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did.” 1 John 2:3-6

I would explain it this way; if I were to tell my child the purpose in life is to one day 1. get married and 2. have children, and left them with just those two instructions, how would my child know how to fulfill these instructions. They would not be able to fulfill these instructions without “teaching” to be “observed” along the way, not just in word only but equally through my own life application in fulfilling these two commandments. This is “Discipleship”, turning a learner into a teacher, or for this illustrated application, developing a child into a parent.

Venu, this message is not a message of correction, but rather a message of growing into maturity the significance and the weighted responsibility that comes with this “Great Commission” mandate for each of God’s children, to fulfill the Great Commission of “Making Disciples”. Please give me your take-a-ways on the above message, as well as any questions you may have. I love you Brother and am very Proud of your faithfulness to God’s “Great Commission” within your own life, your family’s life, your communities life, and ultimately the Light of the World that God has given you the privilege to be. Blessings, Ryan

Insights from this Week’s Scripture Study:

Amos 3:7

⁷ “For the Lord GOD does nothing without **revealing** his secret to his servants the prophets.

“The Revelation becomes an Invitation to Join Him”

Let’s begin this Week’s Torah Reading/Study:

Exodus 39:42-43

⁴² According to all that the Lord had commanded Moses, so the people of Israel had done all the work. ⁴³ And Moses saw all the work, and behold, they had done it; as the Lord had commanded, so had they done it. Then Moses blessed them.

Receiving the Blessing

When the people completed the work, Moses blessed them.

It's as if Moses looked at all that had been accomplished and said to the people, “Well done, good and faithful servants.”

“Moses saw all the work, and behold, they had done it; as the Lord had commanded, even so had they done it. And Moses blessed them.”

(Exodus 39:43)

Notice that the blessing didn't come when they began the work, but when they completed it.

Beginnings are easy. When we are fired up by enthusiasm and zeal, we can undertake almost anything, but it takes endurance to make it to the end.

Completions are both difficult and rare. Nevertheless, it's when we complete the work that we receive the blessing.

i.e. Matthew 24:9-14

⁹“Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and put you to death, and you will be hated by all nations for my name's sake. ¹⁰And then many will **fall away** and betray one another and hate one another. ¹¹And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray. ¹²And because lawlessness will be increased, the love of many will grow cold. ¹³**But the one who endures to the end will be saved.** ¹⁴And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.

Matthew 25:14-30

The Parable of the Talents

¹⁴“For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants^[a] and entrusted to them his property. ¹⁵To one he gave five talents,^[b] to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. ¹⁷So also he who had the two talents made two talents more. ¹⁸But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money. ¹⁹Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, ‘Master, you delivered to me five talents; here, I have made five talents more.’ ²¹His master said to him, ‘**Well done, good and faithful servant.** You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.’ ²²And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, ‘Master, you delivered to me two talents; here, I have made two talents more.’ ²³His master said to him, ‘**Well done, good and faithful servant.** You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.’ ²⁴He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, ‘Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, ²⁵so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here, you have what is yours.’ ²⁶But his master answered him, ‘You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I scattered no seed? ²⁷Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. ²⁹For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. ³⁰And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’

Jeremiah 7:13-28

¹³And now, because you have done all these things, declares the LORD, and when I spoke to you persistently you did not listen, and when I called you, you did not answer. ¹⁴Therefore I will do to the house that is called by my name, and in which you trust, and to the place that I gave to you and to your fathers, as I did to Shiloh. ¹⁵And I will cast you out of my sight, as I cast out all your kinsmen, all the offspring of Ephraim.

¹⁶“As for you, do not pray for this people, or lift up a cry or prayer for them, and do not intercede with me, for I will not hear you. ¹⁷Do you not see what they are doing in the cities of Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem? ¹⁸The children gather wood, the fathers kindle fire, and the women knead dough, to make cakes for the queen of heaven. And they pour out drink offerings to other gods, to provoke me to anger. ¹⁹Is it I whom they provoke? declares the LORD. Is it not themselves, to their own shame? ²⁰Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, my anger and my wrath will be poured out on this place, upon man and beast, upon the trees of the field and the fruit of the ground; it will burn and not be quenched.”

²¹Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: “Add your burnt offerings to your sacrifices, and eat the flesh. ²²For in the day that I brought them out of the land of Egypt, I did not speak to your fathers or command them concerning burnt offerings and sacrifices. ²³But this command I gave them: ‘Obey my voice, and I will be your God, and you shall be my people. And walk in all the way that I command you, that it may be well with you.’ ²⁴But they did not obey or incline their ear, but walked in their own counsels and the stubbornness of their evil hearts, and went backward and not forward. ²⁵From the day that your fathers came out of the land of Egypt to this day, I have persistently sent all my servants the prophets to them, day after day. ²⁶Yet they did not listen to me or incline their ear, but stiffened their neck, but they did worse than their fathers.

²⁷“So you shall speak all these words to them, but they will not listen to you. You shall call to them, but they will not answer you. ²⁸And you shall say to them, ‘This is the nation that did not obey the voice of the LORD their God, and did not accept discipline; truth has perished; it is cut off from their lips.

Priorities and Procrastination

“Is it a time for you yourselves to be living in your paneled houses, while this house remains a ruin?” (Haggai 1:4)

Incorrect priorities and procrastination in doing God's work can result in spiritual stagnation.

The Book of Ezra provides a powerful picture of this.

In 538 BC, King Cyrus decreed that the Jews could return to their beloved city of Jerusalem and begin the work of rebuilding the Holy Temple, which the Babylonian armies had destroyed.

All too soon, however, they forgot their purpose and lost sight of their priorities. Opposition and apathy brought this important work to a standstill (*Ezra 4:4–5*).

The people languished because they were more concerned with their own personal needs than with doing God’s will.

Bringing Our Work to Completion

“Last year you were the first not only to give but also to have the desire to do so. Now finish the work, so that your eager willingness to do it may be matched by your completion of it, according to your means.” (*2 Corinthians 8:10–11*)

In the same way Moses completed building the Tabernacle, Solomon completed building the Temple, and the Jewish exiles of Babylon completed building the restored Temple, we must bring our work to completion.

Completing our work doesn’t mean that all the loose ends have been tied up or that there is nothing left to do; it means that we have done what God specifically commissioned us to do.

We know from this week’s Reading that once the work is finished, not only does the blessing come, but also the glory—the glory of God that filled the Tabernacle when Moses finished building it!

In that same pattern, Jesus declared how He had completed His work and brought glory to the Father:

“I have brought You glory on earth by completing the work You gave Me to do. And now, Father, glorify Me in Your presence with the glory I had with You before the world began.” (*John 17:4–5*)

In the end, after we bring our works to completion, may we receive the blessing and hear those words: **“Well done, good and faithful servant.”**

May we also be able to declare, like the apostle Paul, **“I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.”** (*2 Timothy 4:7*)

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Now let’s connect the dots of this Week’s Torah Reading and Current Events and End-time Prophecy:

Amos 3:7

“The Revelation becomes an Invitation to Join Him”

Insights from a Rabbi (last week’s “The Fellowship”):

2/27/22:

603,550 Exodus 28:26 – Ukraine 603,550 km – Prophecy, God speaking to the World, Invasion on the same week of the Reading of this Weeks Portion, Exodus 38:21-40.

Ukraine President a Jew, “do not send me transportation, but ammo.” Parents/Grand-parents was in the Holocaust.

Isa. 36:6 – do not rely on reeds . . . but God

Ps. 146 – do not trust in princes

- Jeremy Gimpel (The Fellowship)

Putin III wanting to leave a Legacy before He is unable to.

Rabbi statement before Shabbat, February 25, Jacob’s Ladder fulfillment, life will not return to normal. When Kingdoms are provoking one another, prepare for Messiah . . . Rabbi’s have been waiting for this event (Russia Invasion) for the past 70 years . . . not to put on Shabbat Clothes).

Numerical Meaning of Vladimir Putin equal to Gog and Magog – Hebrew Numbering

Wait for Messiah in Hebrew is to Emulate/Imitate/Follow . . . fulfill His Mission on Earth . . . “Make Disciples” . . . Ari

Though this is not a prediction, it is a plausible analysis which still has fulfillment requirements to validate it, but I believe is an anticipated standard of measurement that Daniel 12 is expecting God’s people to implore in their interpretation of End-time prophecy (⁶³***And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever . . .***¹⁰***And none of the wicked shall understand, but those who are wise shall understand.*** Daniel 12:1-12) and the “Coming of Mashiach”; which includes current events, Bible prophecy, and the timing of the Feasts of the Lord to all line up for revelation to be uncovered. Again, this week I was reading Amos 3:7, which reads, **“For the Lord God does nothing without revealing his secret to his servants the prophets,”** which spoke to me that “Revelation becomes an Invitation to Join God” (following is a letter written to two Rabbis from the Hills of Judea to consider during their teaching this week on **“Preparing for World War 3”**):

Jeremy & Ari:

Good Afternoon and a belated “Shabbat Shalom” (March 6, 2022). Saw the topic for this Sunday’s Session, “Word War 3” and thought I might insert, not a prediction, but a road map that might keep us “Alert” and “Expecting” of the Coming of “Mashiach”, in light of current events.

I am presently writing this email off the top of my head, with many hours and years of study of Scripture. Here is a thought provoking scenario of events to the timing of the “Coming of Mashiah”:

Late last week, I read an article (<https://www.breitbart.com/europe/2022/02/27/mufti-chechen-republic-says-ukraine-invaders-are-on-path-of-allah/>) on the involvement of the Muslim world in this current conflict, as well as heard of news of Rabbis from Israel discovering 22 Red Heifers in Texas late last month, with four of them being brought back to Israel to keep for the appropriate time, as they are only 2/3 months old, with the sacrificial age of 2 years and 1 month needing to be the age of a Pure Red Heifer, which would put the potential dedication of a 3rd Temple around January 2024.

My conflict with current events prevented the pieces of Bible Prophecy to line-up, with the Prophesied 3rd World War (*Revelation 9:13-21* – “I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar before God . . . ‘Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates.’ So the four angels, who had been prepared for the hour, the day, the month, and the year, were released to kill a third of mankind [est. 2.4-Billion]. The number of mounted troops was twice ten thousand times ten thousand [200-million member army]; I heard their number.”) not originating along the Euphrates River, until I read the above mentioned article, which asserts, “The Mufti of the Chechen Republic, Salah Mezhiev . . . recently boasted he could muster up to 70,000 fighters to aid the Ukrainian offensive . . . with 12,000 such fighters . . . were indeed in Ukraine . . . [as well as] . . . has offered religious backing to the offensive, asserting that the Russian federal subject’s Islamist system might collapse along with Russia proper if alleged Western scheming to destroy the country succeed . . . About 30 million Muslims live in Russia. Islam is an officially respected religion in this country . . . The Islamic jurist alleged that Nazis within Ukraine are operating as tools to the United States [The Great Satan] and Europe, with the ultimate goal of destroying Russia. . . the Mufti claimed, insisting that ‘the people who went [to Ukraine] are on the path of Allah.’” It is this call to the Muslim World to Unite in this fight against the Western World that at least opened the door for a possibility for such an event. In addition, to the prophecy of Rabbi Elijah of Vilna (Vilna Gaon – renowned 18th century Rabbi), handed down to his son that said, “When you hear that the Russians have captured the city of Crimea [militarily annexed by Russia from Ukraine in 2014], you should know that the times of the Messiah have started, that his steps are being heard . . . And when you hear that the Russians have reached the city of Constantinople, you should put on your Shabbat clothes and don’t take them off, because it means that the Messiah is about to come any minute.” He also noted that war between Turkey and Russia was predicated to happen before Gog and Magog.

But the insights into the Uncovering of the “Coming of Mashiah” did not start to illuminate until I began considering the fulfillment of Daniel 9:27 Prophecy:

The Seventy Weeks

²⁷“And **he shall make a strong covenant with many for one week, and for half of the week he shall put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall come one who makes desolate, until the decreed end is poured out on the desolator.**”

With this Prophecy there would have to be a Strong Covenant, 3rd Temple, a Red Heifer, and a timeline that would have to line-up with the Appointed Times of the Lord (*The Feasts of the Lord*), putting the potential timing of the inauguration of the 3rd Temple, which still has to be agreed upon and built, in the month of December 2023/January 2024, and the temple sacrifices to resume. Then in accordance with Daniel 9:27, a man of lawlessness entering into the newly established 3rd Temple, stopping the sacrifices, declaring himself “God”, on the Feast of **Purim** (a “*Celebration of Forgetting*” – forgetting our enemy’s plan for our destruction and our remembering God’s plan for his destruction instead – **VICTORY OVER DEATH** (“*blot out the memory of Amalek,*” Ex 17:14, “*you shall blot out the memory of Amalek,*” Deut 25:19)), which is prophesied to occur “*not be in winter or on a Sabbath*” Matthew 24:20, which for the year 2024, **Spring** falls on **Tuesday, March 19th** (“*not be in winter*”), and **Purim** falls on **Sunday, March 23rd** (“*not . . . on a Sabbath*”), which then puts a provocative time-frame for the Prophecy of **Daniel 12:11, 1,290 days**:

Daniel 12:1-12

The Time of the End

¹“At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. **And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book.** ²And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³**And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.** ⁴But you, Daniel, shut up the words and seal the book, until the time of the end. Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase.”

⁵Then I, Daniel, looked, and behold, two others stood, one on this bank of the stream and one on that bank of the stream. ⁶And someone said to the man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the stream; he raised his right hand and his left hand toward heaven and swore by Him who lives forever that **it would be for a time, times, and half a time (3 1/2-years/42-months/1,260-days), and that when the shattering of the power of the holy people comes to an end all these things would be finished.** ⁸I heard, but I did not understand. Then I said, “O my lord, what shall be the outcome of these things?” ⁹He said, “Go your way, Daniel, for **the words are shut up and sealed until the time of the end.** ¹⁰**Many shall purify themselves and make themselves white and be refined, but the wicked shall act wickedly. And none of the wicked shall understand, but those who are wise SHALL UNDERSTAND.** ¹¹And from the time that the regular burnt offering is taken away and the abomination that makes desolate is set up, **there shall be 1,290 days.** ¹²Blessed is he who waits and arrives at the 1,335 days. ¹³**But go your way till the end. And you shall rest and shall stand in your allotted place at the end of the days.**”

With the above Scriptural context, we can now, with understanding, count out the 1,290-days from the Feast of Purim, which in the year 2024, falls exactly on the **Feast of Trumpets** (*these “Feast times” are the “Appointed times” of the Lord, on the exact days when He will Redeem His people and Restore them back in right relationship with Him*), the anticipated Feast during which the “Mashiah” is expected to return, just

following the period of the year, “When the King is in the Field”, an anointed one who will enter the 3rd Temple and rule the earth under “Peace” (Zechariah 6:12-13), at the conclusion of the Battle of Armageddon.

Zechariah 14

The Coming Day of the LORD

¹ Behold, a day is coming for the LORD . . .

³ Then the LORD will go out and fight against those nations as when he fights on a day of battle. ⁴ **On that day his feet shall stand on the Mount of Olives that lies before Jerusalem on the east**, and the Mount of Olives shall be split in two from east to west by a very wide valley, so that one half of the Mount shall move northward, and the other half southward. ⁵ And you shall flee to the valley of my mountains, for the valley of the mountains shall reach to Azal. And you shall flee as you fled from the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah. Then the LORD my God will come, and all the holy ones with him.

⁶ On that day there shall be no light, cold, or frost. ⁷ And there shall be a unique day, which is known to the LORD, neither day nor night, but at evening time there shall be light.

⁸ On that day living waters shall flow out from Jerusalem, half of them to the eastern sea and half of them to the western sea.^[e] It shall continue in summer as in winter.

⁹ **And the LORD will be king over all the earth. On that day the LORD will be one and his name one.**

¹⁰ The whole land shall be turned into a plain from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem. But Jerusalem shall remain aloft on its site from the Gate of Benjamin to the place of the former gate, to the Corner Gate, and from the Tower of Hananel to the king's winepresses. ¹¹ And it shall be inhabited, for there shall never again be a decree of utter destruction. Jerusalem shall dwell in security.

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Genesis 15:18 describes the Abrahamic Covenant, in which God made a covenant with Abraham that the holy land would be a home for his descendants forever.

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7-year Covenant & Abomination of Desolation

*“And he (the Anti-christ) shall make a **strong covenant** with many for one week (the sign of the final seven years before the “Coming of Mashiach”), and **for half of the week he shall put an end to sacrifice and offering**. And on the wing of abominations shall come one who makes desolate, until the decreed end is poured out on the desolator.”*

Daniel 9:27

Third Temple

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Revelation 11:1-3

Inauguration of the Anti-christ & the False Prophet

*“Then I saw **another beast** rising out of the earth. It had two horns like a lamb and it spoke like a dragon (the False Prophet - “The Pope” come out of the re-born Holy Roman Empire of Daniel 2). It exercises all the authority of the first beast in its presence, and **makes the earth and its inhabitants worship the first beast** . . . It performs great signs, even **making fire come down from heaven to earth** (the inauguration of the Anti-christ within the Third Temple) in front of people, and by the signs that it is allowed to work in the presence of the beast it deceives those who dwell on earth, telling them to make an image for the beast that was wounded by the sword and yet lived. And it was allowed to give breath to the image of the beast, so that the image of the beast might even speak and might cause those who would not worship the image of the beast to be slain.”*

Revelation 13:1-15

The Abrahamic Family House, set to be completed 2022

The United Arab Emirates unveiled plans this weekend for an interfaith complex in Abu Dhabi that will unite a church, a synagogue and a mosque.

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2027

Trumpets (Prophetic time-table of the “Coming of Mashiach”) – **October 2nd-3rd**

Atonement (Prophetic Jubilee) – October 11th

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Spring Begins – March 19th

Number of days	3 years	6 months	3 ½ Prophecy	Purim 2024	Actual Dates
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1290	1095	27wks + 6days	March 19, 2024	March 23-24, 2024	October 2-3, 2027
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Week 22: Vayakhel (And He Assembled) - Pekudei (Accountings Of) - Exodus 35:1–40:38

1 Kings 7:40–8:21; Mark 6:14–29; John 6:1–71; Numbers 19:1–22; Ezekiel 36:16–38

Week 24 - VAYIKRA (And He Called) - Leviticus 1:1–5:26; Isaiah 43:21–44:23; Mark 7:1–30; Ezekiel 45:16–46:18; Exodus 12:1–20

Extended Study Included below, no included in the Message Today:

Exodus 40:1-38

40 The Lord spoke to Moses, saying, ²“On the first day of the first month you shall erect the tabernacle of the tent of meeting. ³ And you shall put in it the ark of the testimony, and you shall screen the ark with the veil. ⁴ And you shall bring in the table and arrange it, and you shall bring in the lampstand and set up its lamps.⁵ And you shall put the golden altar for incense before the ark of the testimony, and set up the screen for the door of the tabernacle. ⁶ You shall set the altar of burnt offering before the door of the tabernacle of the tent of meeting, ⁷ and place the basin between the tent of meeting and the altar, and put water in it. ⁸ And you shall set up the court all around, and hang up the screen for the gate of the court.

⁹“Then you shall take the anointing oil and anoint the tabernacle and all that is in it, and consecrate it and all its furniture, so that it may become holy. ¹⁰ You shall also anoint the altar of burnt offering and all its utensils, and consecrate the altar, so that the altar may become most holy. ¹¹ You shall also anoint the basin and its stand, and consecrate it. ¹² Then you shall bring Aaron and his sons to the entrance of the tent of meeting and shall wash them with water ¹³ and put on Aaron the holy garments. And you shall anoint him and consecrate him, that he may serve me as priest. ¹⁴ You shall bring his sons also and put coats on them,¹⁵ and anoint them, as you anointed their father, that they may serve me as priests. And their anointing shall admit them to a perpetual priesthood throughout their generations.”

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John 6

Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand

⁶ After this Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias. ² And a large crowd was following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing on the sick. ³ Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. ⁴ Now *the Passover*, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. ⁵ Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?” ⁶ He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do. ⁷ Philip answered him, “Two hundred denarii^[a] worth of bread would not be enough for each of them to get a little.” ⁸ One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, ⁹ “There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?” ¹⁰ Jesus said, “Have the people sit down.” Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. ¹¹ Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted. ¹² And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, “Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost.” ¹³ So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves left by those who had eaten. ¹⁴ When the people saw the sign that he had done, they said, “This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!”

¹⁵ Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

Jesus Walks on Water

¹⁶ When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, ¹⁷ got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸ The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹ When they had rowed about three or four miles,^[b] they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were frightened. ²⁰ But he said to them, “It is I; do not be afraid.” ²¹ Then they were glad to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat was at the land to which they were going.

I Am the Bread of Life

²² On the next day the crowd that remained on the other side of the sea saw that there had been only one boat there, and that Jesus had not entered the boat with his disciples, but that his disciples had gone away alone. ²³ Other boats from Tiberias came near the place where they had eaten the bread after the Lord had given thanks. ²⁴ So when the crowd saw that Jesus was not there, nor his disciples, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum, seeking Jesus.

²⁵ When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” ²⁶ Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷ Do

not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to *eternal life*, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal.” ²⁸ Then they said to him, “What must we do, to be doing the works of God?” ²⁹ Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” ³⁰ So they said to him, “Then what sign do you do, that we may see and believe you? What work do you perform?” ³¹ Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” ³² Jesus then said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³ For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” ³⁴ They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.” ³⁵ Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. ³⁶ But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. ³⁷ All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. ³⁸ For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹ And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰ For this is the will of my Father, that **everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have *eternal life*, and I will raise him up on the last day.**”

⁴¹ So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” ⁴² They said, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven?’” ⁴³ Jesus answered them, “Do not grumble among yourselves. ⁴⁴ No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. ⁴⁵ It is written in the Prophets, ‘And they will all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— ⁴⁶ not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷ Truly, truly, I say to you, **whoever believes has *eternal life*.** ⁴⁸ I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹ Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰ This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

⁵² The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” ⁵³ So Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴ **Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has *eternal life*, and I will raise him up on the last day.** ⁵⁵ For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶ Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. ⁵⁷ As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. ⁵⁸ This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like the bread the fathers ate, and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever.” ⁵⁹ Jesus said these things in the synagogue, as he taught at Capernaum.

The Words of Eternal Life

⁶⁰ When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?” ⁶¹ But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, “Do you take offense at this? ⁶² Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³ It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is no help at all. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴ But there are some of you who do not believe.” (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.) ⁶⁵ And he said, “This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father.”

⁶⁶ After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him. ⁶⁷ So Jesus said to the twelve, “Do you want to go away as well?” ⁶⁸ Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? **You have the words of *eternal life*,** ⁶⁹ and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God.” ⁷⁰ Jesus answered them, “Did I not choose you, the twelve? And yet one of you is a devil.” ⁷¹ He spoke of Judas the son of Simon Iscariot, for he, one of the twelve, was going to betray him.

Next Weeks Reading:

**Week 23 - VAYIKRA (And He Called) - Leviticus 1:1–5:26; Isaiah 43:21–44:23;
Mark 7:1–30; Ezekiel 45:16–46:18; Exodus 12:1–20**