

Matthew 28:1-10 The Resurrection

Brother Marcus of House of Israel UK received and shared encouragement from YeHoVaH concerning what was happening in Ukraine. He read these words from Ezekiel, as given to him by YeHoVaH, that I want to read to you in case you did not hear the encouragement Marcus gave.

Eze 14:12 The word of the LORD came again to me, saying,

Eze 14:13 Son of man, when the land sinneth against me by trespassing grievously, then will I stretch out mine hand upon it, and will break the staff of the bread thereof, and will send famine upon it, and will cut off man and beast from it:

Eze 14:14 Though these three men, Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, they should deliver but their own souls by their righteousness, saith the Lord GOD.

Eze 14:15 If I cause noisome beasts to pass through the land, and they spoil it, so that it be desolate, that no man may pass through because of the beasts:

Eze 14:16 Though these three men were in it, as I live, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither sons nor daughters; they only shall be delivered, but the land shall be desolate.

Eze 14:17 Or if I bring a sword upon that land, and say, Sword, go through the land; so that I cut off man and beast from it:

Eze 14:18 Though these three men were in it, as I live, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither sons nor daughters, but they only shall be delivered themselves.

Eze 14:19 Or if I send a pestilence into that land, and pour out my fury upon it in blood, to cut off from it man and beast:

Eze 14:20 Though Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, as I live, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither son nor daughter; they shall but deliver their own souls by their righteousness.

Noah, Daniel, and Job lived in three separate time periods but lived righteously before YeHoVaH.

Today's Teaching

YeHoVaH demonstrated His Mighty Power in Yeshua's life from the announcement of His birth, His early life in Egypt and Nazareth, protecting Him throughout His earthly Ministry, to the epic showdown between the Savior on the cross and Satan which was on full display for the whole world to see.

The worldly powers of King Herod, Pontius Pilate, the High Priest, the Sanhedrin, the religious leaders, nor the people were ever any match to the matchless power of YeHoVaH Almighty! Yeshua's death on the cross as the King of the Jews and the Kingdom He brought to earth appeared to have come to an end as He breathed His last breath and declared "it is Finished".

In the final Chapter of Matthew's Gospel all seemed to be lost as His disciples, who had hoped that He was the one who was going to redeem Israel, returned to normal life in despair and unbelief of what Yeshua had taught them about what would happen three days after His death.

The twenty verses of Matthew 28 from the Resurrection to the Ascension does not capture the chronology of events that occurred between the Resurrection and the Ascension of Yeshua.

That Sabbath was a High Day Sabbath according to John 19:31; at sunset was a new day. The day after the 14th of Aviv would be the 15th of Aviv.

Jn 19:31 The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was an high day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away.

What did John mean by a High Day?

According to Torah, that would be the 1st day of Unleavened Bread. The day after the Passover was a Sabbath according to Leviticus 23.

According to John, at the time of Yeshua, he refers to it as a High Sabbath.

Mt 28:1 In the end of the sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre.

The Sabbath mentioned in this verse is the close of the weekly Saturday Sabbath.

Yeshua was crucified on the 14th of Aviv and died around the 12th hour.

Mt 28:2 And, behold, there was a great earthquake: for the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it.

It was at this moment in time that Matthew 27:52-53 occurred.

Mt 27:52 And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose,
Mt 27:53 And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many.

Mt 28:3 His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow:
Mt 28:4 And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead men.

The Roman guards fainted.

Mt 28:5 And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Yeshua, which was crucified.
Mt 28:6 He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

“As He said He would”

The first time He said it Peter rebuked Him.

Mt 16:21 From that time forth began Yeshua to show unto his disciples, how that he must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised again the third day.

Mt 16:22 Then Peter took him, and began to rebuke him, saying, Be it far from thee, Lord: this shall not be unto thee.

Mt 16:23 But he turned, and said unto Peter, Get thee behind me, Satan: thou art an offence unto me: for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men.

The next time Yeshua said it, their hearts were sorrowful.

Mt 17:22 And while they abode in Galilee, Yeshua said unto them, The Son of man shall be betrayed into the hands of men:

Mt 17:23 And they shall kill him, and the third day he shall be raised again. And they were exceeding sorry.

The third time He told them ...

Mt 20:17 And Yeshua going up to Jerusalem took the twelve disciples apart in the way, and said unto them,

Mt 20:18 Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be betrayed unto the chief priests and unto the scribes, and they shall condemn him to death,

Mt 20:19 And shall deliver him to the Gentiles to mock, and to scourge, and to crucify him: and the third day he shall rise again.

After Yeshua was raised from the dead, some of His disciples still did not believe as indicated in verse 17.

Mt 28:17 And when they saw him, they worshipped him: but some doubted.

Mt 28:7 And go quickly, and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead; and, behold, he goeth before you into Galilee; there shall ye see him: lo, I have told you.

John records the events of that day differently.

Jn 20:1 The first day of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre, and seeth the stone taken away from the sepulchre.

Jn 20:2 Then she runneth, and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Yeshua loved, and saith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid him.

Jn 20:3 Peter therefore went forth, and that other disciple, and came to the sepulchre.

Jn 20:4 So they ran both together: and the other disciple did outrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre.

Jn 20:5 And he stooping down, and looking in, saw the linen clothes lying; yet went he not in.

Jn 20:6 Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen clothes lie,

Jn 20:7 And the napkin, that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself.

Jn 20:8 Then went in also that other disciple, which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and believed.

Jn 20:9 For as yet they knew not the scripture, that he must rise again from the dead.

Jn 20:10 Then the disciples went away again unto their own home.

Jn 20:11 But Mary stood without at the sepulchre weeping: and as she wept, she stooped down, and looked into the sepulchre,

Jn 20:12 And seeth two angels in white sitting, the one at the head, and the other at the feet, where the body of Yeshua had lain.

Jn 20:13 And they say unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? She saith unto them, Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him.

Jn 20:14 And when she had thus said, she turned herself back, and saw Yeshua standing, and knew not that it was Yeshua.

Jn 20:15 Yeshua saith unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou? She, supposing him to be the gardener, saith unto him, Sir, if thou have borne him hence, tell me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him away.

Jn 20:16 Yeshua saith unto her, Mary. She turned herself, and saith unto him, Rabboni; which is to say, Master.

Jn 20:17 Yeshua saith unto her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and to my God, and your God.

Jn 20:18 Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken these things unto her.

Jn 20:19 Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Yeshua and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you.

John's Gospel is the only Gospel narrative that does not record the Ascension.

Mt 28:8 And they departed quickly from the sepulchre with fear and great joy; and did run to bring his disciples word.

Mt 28:9 And as they went to tell his disciples, behold, Yeshua met them, saying, All hail. And they came and held him by the feet, and worshipped him.

Yeshua rose on the third day as He said He would:

Yeshua the Firstfruits

The Torah reveals the sequences of days that occurred.

The weekly Sabbath occurs every week on the 7th day.

Lev 23:2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, Concerning the feasts of the LORD, which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations, even these are my feasts.

Lev 23:3 Six days shall work be done: but the seventh day is the sabbath of rest, an holy convocation; ye shall do no work therein: it is the sabbath of the LORD in all your dwellings.

Lev 23:4 These are the feasts of the LORD, even holy convocations, which ye shall proclaim in their seasons.

Lev 23:5 In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the LORD'S passover.

Lev 23:6 And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD: seven days ye must eat unleavened bread.

The first day of Unleavened Bread is a Sabbath (A High Day) according to John 19.

Lev 23:7 In the first day ye shall have an holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work therein.

The seventh day of Unleavened Bread is a Sabbath.

Lev 23:8 But ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD seven days: in the seventh day is an holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work therein.

Lev 23:9 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

Lev 23:10 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come into the land which I give unto you, and shall reap the harvest thereof, then ye shall bring a sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest unto the priest:

Lev 23:11 And he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted for you: on the morrow after the sabbath the priest shall wave it.

The morrow after the weekly Sabbath, during the seven (7) days of Unleavened Bread, begins the 50 day count up to Shavous (Pentecost).

Lev 23:15 And ye shall count unto you from the morrow after the sabbath, from the day that ye brought the sheaf of the wave offering; seven sabbaths shall be complete:

Lev 23:16 Even unto the morrow after the seventh sabbath shall ye number fifty days; and ye shall offer a new meat offering unto the LORD.

Yeshua rose at the end of the Sabbath.

The next day, starting at sundown that Sabbath going into Sunday, was the morrow after the Sabbath being the day of Firstfruits (the morrow after the weekly Sabbath).

Mt 28:10 Then said Yeshua unto them, Be not afraid: go tell my brethren that they go into Galilee, and there shall they see me.

According to Acts 1, Yeshua spent forty days on earth after His Resurrection before He ascended.

Ac 1:3 To whom also he showed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God:

Ac 1:4 And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me.

Ac 1:5 For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.

Ac 1:6 When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?

Ac 1:7 And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power.

Ac 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Ac 1:9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.

Ac 1:10 And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel;

Ac 1:11 Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Yeshua, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven

- Yeshua's death on the cross did so much more than pay the price for the sins of men.
- Yeshua demonstrated how to live in the Kingdom of Heaven as a man on earth.
- Yeshua demonstrated how to please YeHoVaH through obedience to His Commands.
- Yeshua demonstrated how to walk in the power of the Holy Spirit.
- Yeshua's death demonstrated how to defeat the devil by dying to self-will.
- Yeshua demonstrated that the ultimate success of fulfilling Father's will in our lives could only be achieved by the cross.
- In His Resurrection, Yeshua showed us that death has no power over them who commit their lives to Him.
- Yeshua's resurrected life was committed to empowering His disciples and being with them always, even unto the end of the world.