And He took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me."

Likewise He also took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you."
(Luke 22:19-20)

# There is Power in The Blood

Allan Jackson

Oh precious is the flow That makes me white as snow No other fount I know Nothing but the blood of Jesus



And shall be till I die
And shall be till I die
Redeeming love has been my theme
And shall be till I die



Hear, O Israel: the LORD is our God. The LORD is One. Blessed be the name of His glorious kingdom for ever and ever.







- Moadim Prophetic Appointed Times of God's Plan
- We call them Feasts, Festivals. God calls them <u>Moadim</u> "appointed times" given in Exodus 12/13, Leviticus 23
- Elohim's prophetic Calendar
- Not "Jewish" feasts GOD'S APPOINTED TIMES
- "...in regard to a Jewish festival or Rosh-Hodesh or Shabbat. These are a shadow of things that are coming, but the body is of the Messiah."

Colossians 2:16b-17 (CJB)

- Appointed times (feasts) also "High Sabbath" days mandatory rest days. (Also 7<sup>th</sup> day of two 7-day appointed times [Unleavened Bread and Tabernacles] also Sabbaths)
- Just as with weekly Sabbath, day before any "High Sabbath" = "preparation day."
- Passover, Nisan 14, also "preparation day" for "High Sabbath" (appointed time) on 15th, (see: John 18:28, 19:14,31). Affects our understanding of Holy Week.
- 4 Sabbaths and 4 preparation days holy week. SABBATHS:
   Passover, Unleavened Bread, weekly Shabbat and Firstfruits

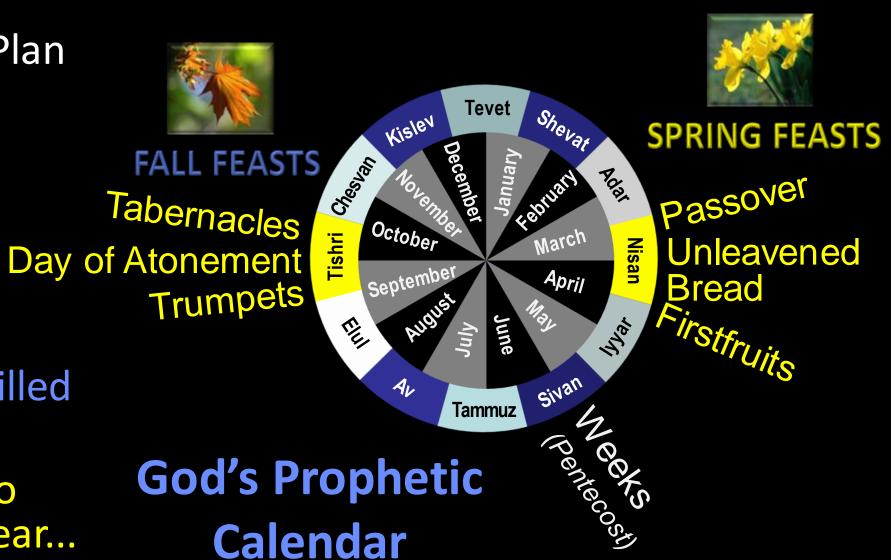
### 7 appointed times....

- 1 Passover (Pesach)
- 2 Unleavened Bread (Matzah)
- 3 Firstfruits (Bikkurim)
- 4 Weeks (Shavuot)
- 5 Trumpets (Yom Teruah, literally "day of blowing")
- 6 Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur)
- 7 Tabernacles (Sukkot)

(and the 8<sup>th</sup>, Shemini Atzeret, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of the feast of Tabernacles, or the "last great day...")



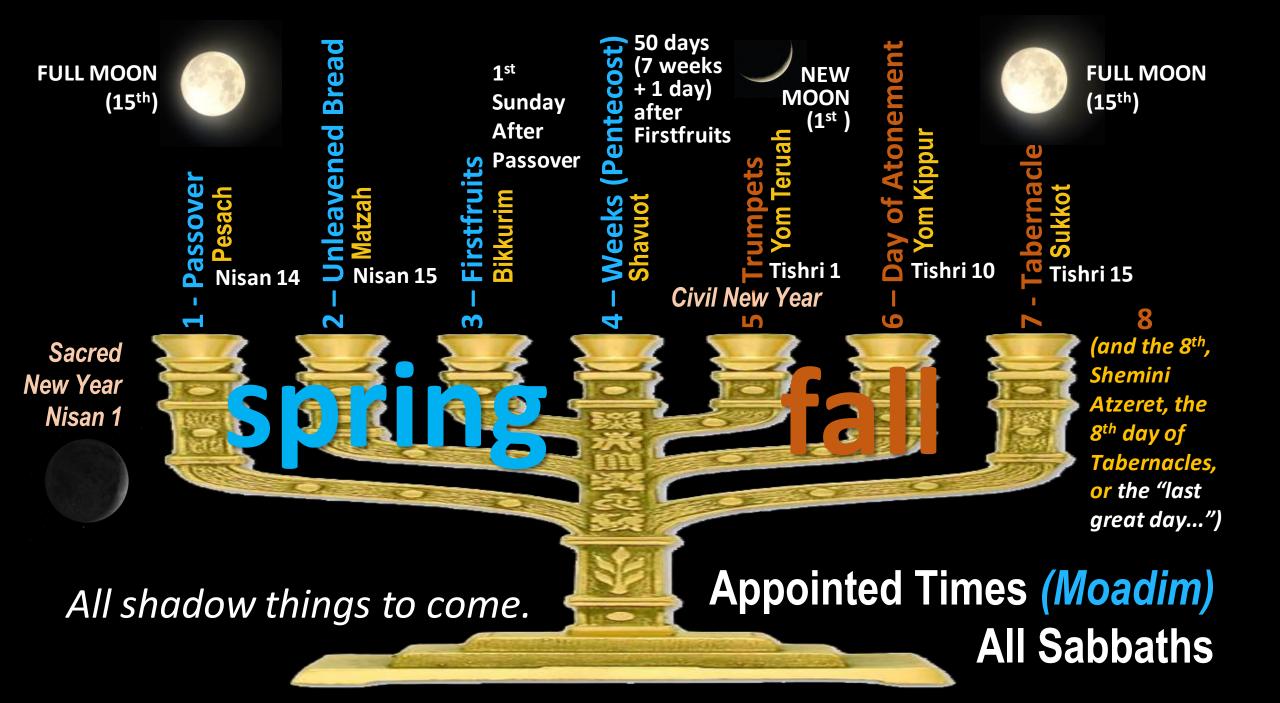
- Redemptive Plan of God
- Celebrated
   Ahead of
   Fulfillment
- Precisely
   Planned,
   Perfectly Fulfilled
- Message to everyone who has ears to hear...



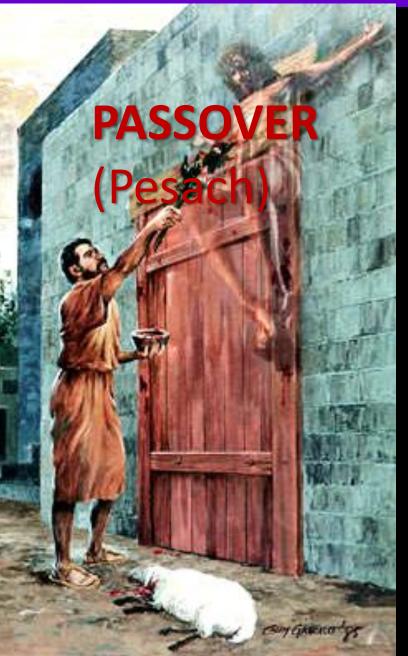
### Hebrew Calendar

- Day begins at dusk ("evening and morning..".)
- Lunar/solar calendar
- 1st of month always new moon ("no moon")
- Full moon <u>always 15<sup>th</sup> of month</u>
- Originally twelve 30-day months
- Now add "intercalalary month" about 3 times every 19 years to maintain solar seasons (like our leap year days)
- Some believe God intended twelve 30-day months, and prophetic year still 360 days, not 365 day years. Opinions vary.









- Passover celebrates deliverance of Israel from slavery in Egypt.
- First of seven "appointed times."
- First Passover experienced in Egypt when Angel of death passed over homes of Hebrews "under the blood."
- Instructions/story found in Exodus 12 and 13, then again in Leviticus 23 with the "feasts" (given as part of the Law).



**UNLEAVENED BREAD** (Matzah)

- 15<sup>th</sup> day Nisan, day after Passover.
- 7-day feast, with 2 Sabbaths.
- Commemorates hasty departure from Egypt when no time to leaven bread.
- Leaven = sin
- Also celebrates journey of Israel through wilderness, when <u>God fed them with</u> <u>manna</u> from heaven.





### FIRSTFRUITS (Bikkurim)

- Celebrated 1<sup>st</sup> day of week (Sunday) after weekly Sabbath following Passover, month of Nisan.
- Not specific numeric date, just day of week.
- Jews today usually do not celebrate this day.
- On this day firstfruits of barley harvest gathered, sheaves waved before YHVH in celebration/thanks.
- Begins "counting of omer" countdown to Weeks (omer=dry measure, pertains to harvest)



- Celebrated 7 Sabbaths + one day past Firstfruits (7X7+1=50, hence Greek "pente"cost).
- Rabbinic scholars believe it was this day God met His people in wilderness and gave Law at Mount Sinai. Birthday of the nation of Israel.
- Also celebration/thanksgiving for wheat harvest.
- Standardized by modern rabbis as Sivan 6, rather than countdown.





### TRUMPETS (Yom Teruah)

- First of fall feasts, Tishri 1. Also called "Rosh HaShana" = Head of the Year, Jewish civil new year
- Sabbath day, as are all feast days.
- Very little instruction for what to do on this day, other than blowing trumpets. No "why" just do!

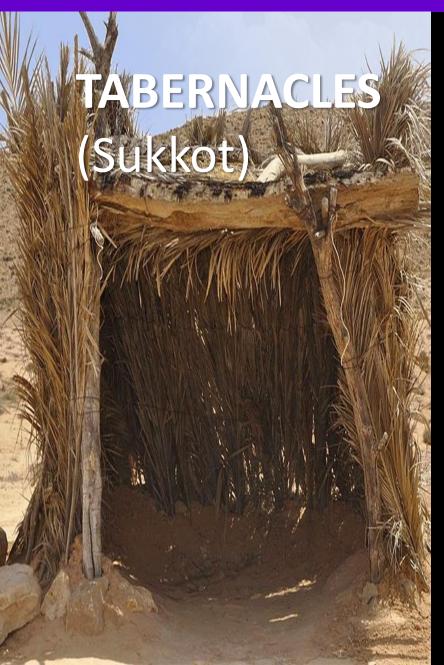
### Have you figured it out?

- These are rehearsals! Practicing something in advance so when the "real thing" happens it will be known and recognized.
- Word for "convocation" or "assembly" regarding the appointed times is MIQRA, also means REHEARSAL.
- God "appointed" times to celebrate in advance so His people would be primed to recognize their ultimate fulfillment in Messiah.



- Commanded 10th day Tishri (usually September or October)
- Day (once a year) High Priest entered Holy of Holies to bring blood of sacrifice for entire nation.
- Told to "afflict your souls" understand gravity of sinful lives before holy God, repent.
- Most solemn of appointed times.





- Celebrated on 15<sup>th</sup> day of Tishri through 22<sup>nd</sup> day (7 days).
- Were to wave fruit/branches before YHVH, and <u>construct</u> <u>temporary shelters</u> (tabernacles, or "sukkot") to commemorate God's provision/presence with them in wilderness after Egypt.
- Most joyful of all feasts.



# Typical Sukkah

- Decorate
- Have Meals
- InviteFriends



### **Shemini Atzeret**

- 8<sup>th</sup> day after start of Sukkot
- 7 = perfectly complete; 8 = new beginnings
- End of the appointed times/feast cycle
- A Shabbat (Sabbath), joyful
- Combined with "Simchat Torah" = celebration/rejoicing in Torah.
- Marks end of yearly reading cycle and beginning of new one.

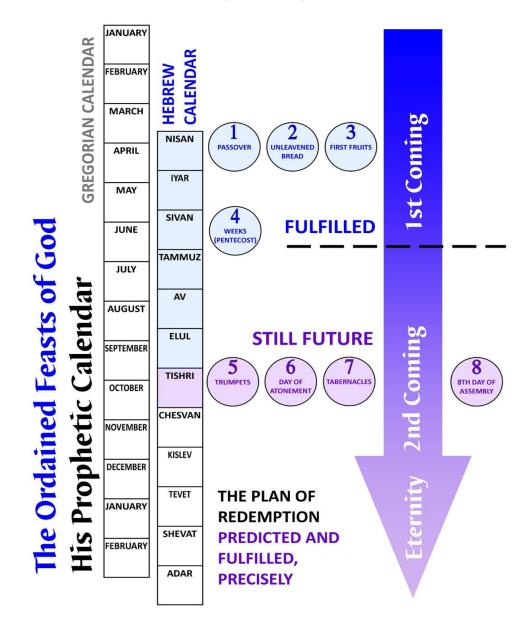
Culmination of long spiritual journey - from slavery and misery in Egypt - to full liberty and complete happiness in Kingdom of our God. (Passover to Tabernacles)...and then beyond.

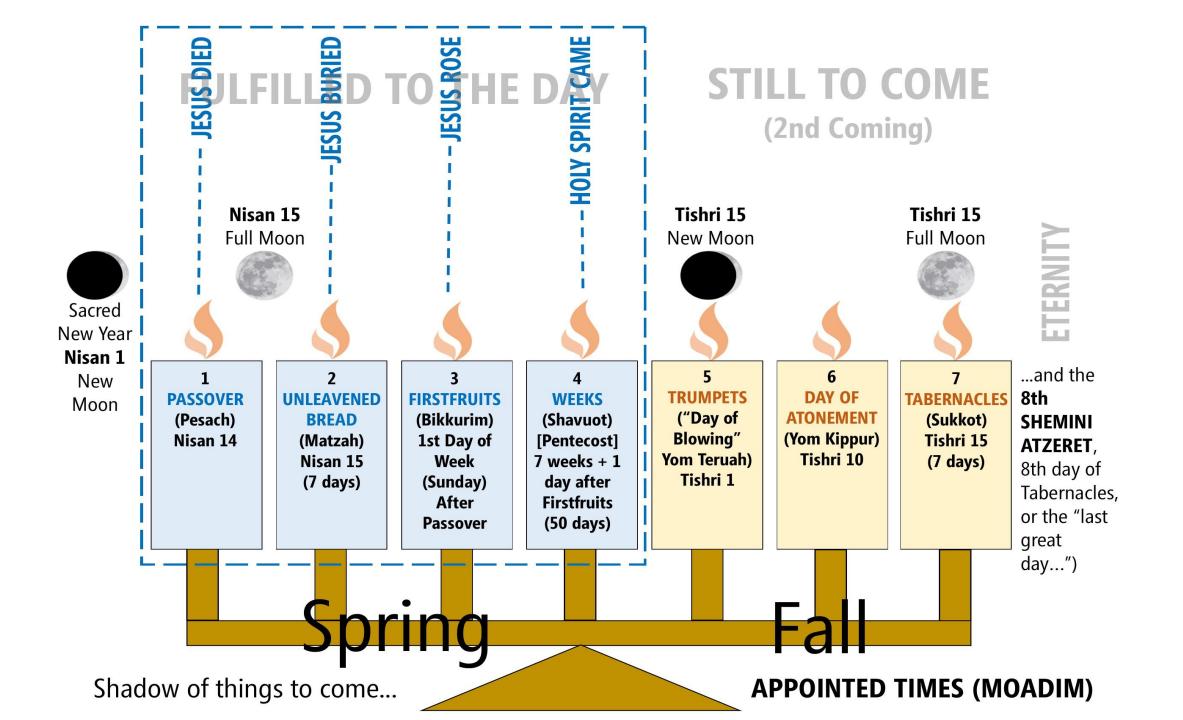


Fulfilled?		APPOINTED TIME (FEAST)	FULFILLMENT
1	SPRING FEASTS - JESUS' FIRST COMING	Passover (Pesach) (Exodus, 12, 13; Leviticus 23:5) Nisan 14	<b>HIS DEATH.</b> Pointed to Messiah as our Passover lamb (1 Corinthians 5:7) whose blood would be shed for our sins. Jesus died on Passover, same time lambs slaughtered in the Temple.
2		Unleavened Bread (Matzah) (Leviticus 23:6) Nisan 15	<b>HIS BURIAL.</b> Jesus' sinless (no leaven) body was in the grave as this feast began at sunset, like a kernel of wheat planted, waiting to burst forth as the bread of life, firstfruits of a great harvest of souls (John 12:23).
3		First Fruits (Bikkurim) (Leviticus 23:10) 1st day of week (Sunday) after Passover	<b>HIS RESURRECTION</b> . Messiah's resurrection as first fruits of the righteous. Jesus was resurrected on this day, 3 days after His death. Paul refers to him in I Corinthians 15:20 as the "first fruits from the dead."
4	CHURCH AGE	Weeks (Shavuot) (Pentecost, Greek) (Leviticus 23:16) 50 days after Firstfruits (7 weeks + 1 day)	<b>HOLY SPIRIT POURED OUT.</b> Pouring out of the Holy Spirit for both Jew and Gentile, who would be brought into the kingdom of God during the Church Age (Acts 2). Holy Spirit indwells believers now. Church established on this day. We continue in this age.
5	FALL FEASTS - TO BE FULFILLED AT JESUS' 2ND COMING	Trumpets (Yom Teruah, "Day of Blowing") (Leviticus 23:24) Tishri 1 aka ""Rosh HaShanah" head of the year (civil calendar)	COMING CATCHING AWAY OF BELIEVERS? Many believe this day points to the catching away of the Church when Jesus will appear in the heavens as He comes for His bride. Event always associated in Scripture with blowing of a loud trumpet (I Thess. 4:13-18 and I Cor. 15:52). Others believe this will occur on Feast of Weeks, same day Church began. Could be either Church in the air (Rapture), or perhaps Israel to the Lord. Can only speculate.
6		Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur) (Leviticus 23:27) Tishri 10	DAY OF THE LORD? May point to Second Coming of Jesus. That will be the Day of Atonement for Jewish remnant when they "look upon Him whom they have pierced," repent of their sins, and receive Him as their Messiah (Zechariah 12:10 and Romans 11:1-6, 25-36). May also be "Day of the Lord" (OT)—dreaded day of wrath and judgment. Again, can only speculate.
7		Tabernacles (or Booths) (Sukkot) (Leviticus 23:34) Tishri 15-21	<b>MILLENNIAL REIGN OF JESUS?</b> Likely points to Jesus dwelling with His people when He returns to reign on earth (Micah 4:1-7, Zechariah 14). Zechariah mentions this feast specifically in regard to the Millennial Reign, so <i>speculation a bit more certain</i> .

### **Moadim:** The Appointed Times

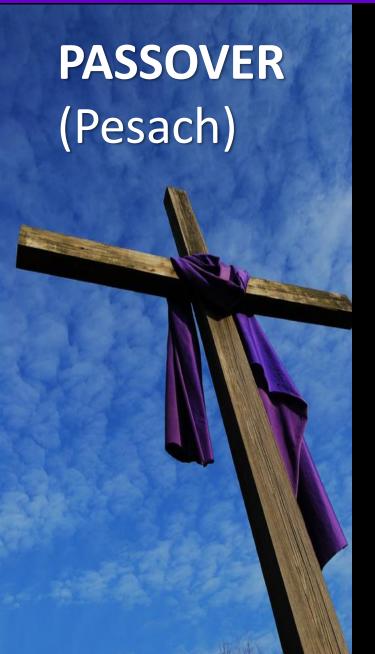
("Feasts")











- "Lamb of God," also called the "Passover Lamb," died on a cross on Passover day, at precisely 3 pm in the afternoon – the moment of the afternoon sacrifice, when lambs were slaughtered in the Temple.
- As the shofar was blown from the Temple, just outside the city gates the true sacrificial Lamb died, once and for all.

Coincidence? Or precise plan?

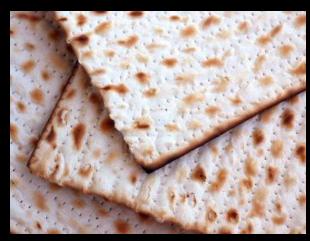
### **FULFILLED**



<sup>20</sup> Likewise He also *took* the cup after supper, saying, "This cup *is* the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you. (Luke 22 19-20)

### **FULFILLED**

### **UNLEAVENED BREAD (Matzot)**



"...unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it produces much grain."

- Leaven symbol for sin in scripture. Jesus' body was first "striped" then pierced (just like Matzah), and then placed in tomb before sunset, which marks next feast Unleavened Bread.
- Would remain there until He rose again. He = sinless one who paid price for our sins -only one who could.

Coincidence? Or precise plan?

## **FULFILLED**

### **FIRSTFRUITS** (Bikkurim)



- Firstfruits commemorates first of harvest in spring. Implies there will be more to harvest. Jesus rose, alive again, on this feast (appointed time) of Firstfruits.
- "But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep." (1 Cor 15:20)

**Coincidence?** Or precise plan?

### FULFILLED 2



On the first day of the week following Passover (17th day of Nisan) Jesus rose from the grave. He is firstfruits from the dead.

Literally fulfilled by resurrection of Jesus on day of Firstfruits.

**FULFILLED** 

<sup>20</sup>...the Messiah has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have died. <sup>21</sup> For since death came through a man, also the resurrection of the dead has come through a man. <sup>22</sup> For just as in connection with Adam all die, so in connection with the Messiah all will be made alive. <sup>23</sup> But each in his own order: the Messiah is the firstfruits; then those who belong to the Messiah, at the time of his coming; 24 then the culmination, when he hands over the Kingdom to God the Father, after having put an end to every rulership, yes, to every authority and power. <sup>25</sup> For he has to rule until he puts all his enemies under his feet. 1 Corinthians 15:20

• Feast of Weeks ends "counting of the omer" period of 7 weeks plus one day, or 50 days, after Firstfruits.

- This day Holy Spirit came to dwell in all believers.
- Manifested Himself with tongues of fire, mighty wind and powerful preaching by a clumsy fisherman, newly empowered by God.
- Marks beginning of "Church" age.

**Coincidence?** Or precise plan?





# We have seen fulfillment of the Spring feasts:

- 1 Passover: Death of Messiah
- 2 Unleavened Bread: Burial
- 3 Firstfruits: Resurrection
- 4 Weeks (Pentecost): Coming of the Holy Spirit to dwell in believers, beginning of "Church"



# Is that enough precision to make us pay attention? What about the rest of the appointed times?

- First 4 precisely fulfilled with 1st coming of our Messiah, and beginning of Church Age.
- 3 feasts are left.
- First 3 foretold/fulfilled by His 1<sup>st</sup> coming, likely last 3 foretell/will be fulfilled, by His 2<sup>nd</sup> coming.

If God has precisely fulfilled the spring feasts, then He will just as precisely fulfill the final 3 fall feasts. What events might occur on these days?

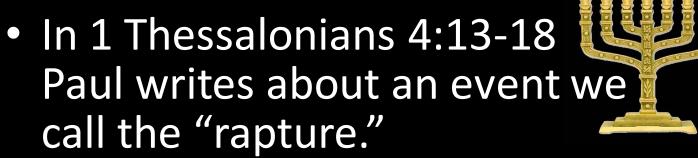


- 5 Trumpets: ?
- 6 Day of Atonement: ?
- 7 Tabernacles: ?

What events will occur in "end times" prior to return of Messiah? What remains in God's plan for all mankind yet to be fulfilled?







- Could call it "catching away" (harpazo) of believers.
- Debate not IF, but WHEN. Many believe could occur on 1st of Tishri, the Feast of Trumpets.



# FULFILLED? 5

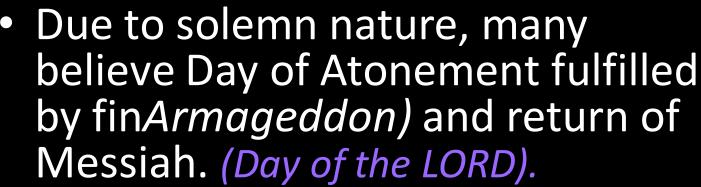
In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. (1 Corinthians 15:52)

Some believe not call for the Church, but call <u>for Israel</u> <u>to redemption and national salvation</u>. May be both. Remember, only God has foresight!

#### **FULFILLED?**

- Some disagree on timing of catching away.
   Think will be Feast of Weeks, day Church began.
   Believe Ekklesia ("called out ones" Church)
   called home on day it began (on "birthday").
- Because still future, knowledge of perfect fulfillment is limited. Scripture does not tell us what actual event will be.
- We can only speculate.







**FULFILLED?** 

- Entire world will see Him.
- By this time, they have <u>no excuses</u> <u>before Him</u>. Revelation 6 says they will flee to the mountains and beg the rocks and hills to fall on them and hide them from the "wrath of the Lamb."





- Good reason to believe Millennial Kingdom will fulfill final feast of Tabernacles. (Zechariah 14).
- Literally fulfilled when <u>Jesus</u> takes His throne on earth, we dwell together in His Presence in that Kingdom.
- More scriptural info about this fulfillment than others.

#### In speculation, many believe:

- Trumpets (5) may be fulfilled by removal of the Church
- Day of Atonement (6) may be fulfilled by literal <u>Second</u> Coming of Messiah in glory, to judge whole earth.
- Tabernacles (7) likely fulfilled by Millennial Kingdom.

(some have other ideas, but these most popular...remember it is speculation, based on scriptural interpretation)



- Shemini Atzeret = eternity beyond Millennial Kingdom where Jesus makes all things new, and we are together in perfection always.
- Grand conclusion, great finale, last victory parade. Final act of the human drama.
- Marks end of old world as we knew it and beginning of new one God promised.



God's Amazing Prophetic Redemptive Calendar

The Appointed Times (Moadim)

(Feasts)



Stay tuned.



Stay ready...

Bo Adonai Yeshua!



**2023 Appointed Times** (All begin evening – *dusk* – before dates)

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1 – PASSOVER Nisan 14 April 6
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- 5 TRUMPETS Tishri 1 September 16
- 6 DAY OF ATONEMENT Tishri 10 September 25
- 7 TABERNACLES Tishri 15 September 30
- 8 SHEMINI ATZERET Day after last day of Tabernacles October 7

# Yevarekh-kha Adonai veyishmerekha

May the LORD bless you and keep you

Ya'er Adonai panav elekha vihunneka

May the LORD make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you

Yissa Adonai panav elekha viyasem lekha shalom.



May the LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.