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Exodus 5

The Third Exodus

Reading *REVELATION 18:4*

4 And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.

Exodus comes from the word Exit. It means the way out.

First Exodus

The first Exodus was when a plague was coming to strike down the first born in every family.

There was only one safe place of refuge and that was in a house under the blood of the slain lamb. The slain lamb was the key to the escape from Egypt.

God provided the way, but the people had to believe and act on that belief. They had to have faith that what God said He meant, and then just as in *JAMES 2:26*

26 For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

You can't have faith without it producing some action.

Believing and acting on that prophets message ensured safety for Gods children.

But the Exodus was more than just that, it was a requirement to leave behind the land of slavery and, eventually move into a Promised Land. It was a "come out of" and then "move into."

Faith Chair

(Take a chair and place in front of congregation. Sit in it. Then get up and walk away from it)

Now ask "Who has faith that this chair can bear their weight?"

Many if not all will indicate that they have faith that it will bear their weight. (Almost never will anyone get up and go and sit in the chair. If they do then congratulate them)

(Assuming no one moves) Point out that none have real faith. If someone has faith that the chair can take their weight then they would be sitting in it. Faith always results in action. Faith without works is dead.

It took the faith of the people to put all that Moses told them into action. They had to kill the lamb, cook it eat it, put the blood on the doorpost and lintel of their house and they had to pack ready to move out. True faith always results in action.

Second Exodus

From the time of the First Exodus the people of Israel followed the laws of Moses. They looked upon Moses with far more respect than we do today over Luther or Wesley or any of the giants of the Christian era. Moses was the Law Giver, and the law was everything to them.

But then came a prophet, Jesus, whose message was to call the Israelites out of Judaism and into Grace. No longer would they have to keep a whole range of laws but receive instead the Holy Spirit to live a life acceptable to God.

Jesus was the fulfilment of the Law. The promised Lamb. He took the law and nailed it to the cross.

GALATIANS 3:13

13 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 hangeth on a tree:

ROMANS 7:1

1 ¶ Know ye not, brethren, (for I speak to them that know the law,) how that the law hath dominion over a man as long as he liveth?

2 For the woman which hath an husband is bound by the law to her husband so long as he liveth; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of her husband.

3 So then if, while her husband liveth, she be married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress: but if her husband be dead, she is free from that law; so that she is no adulteress, though she be married to another man.

4 Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ; that ye should be married to another, even to him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God.

Now this was a major problem to the Priesthood. They were there to offer sacrifices, that's the priest's job. Suddenly, if this Jesus Christ was the Lamb of God, then there is no need of ongoing sacrifice.

HEBREWS 9:22

22 And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission.

23 ¶ It was therefore necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these.

24 For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us:

25 Nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high priest entereth into the holy place every year with blood of others;

26 For then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.

27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:

28 So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

If it was accepted that Jesus Christ fulfilled the law then there would be no more priesthood and there would be no more Pharisees, and Sadducees or Herodians or what ever. God was bringing in a new order of Apostles, prophets, pastors, evangelists and teachers. And God was empowering all believers with the

rights of the High Priest, that is, to enter into the Holy of Holies.

MATTHEW 27:50

50 ¶ Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost.

51 And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent;

The curtain that separated the people from the presence of God was split, not from the bottom where a man could do it but from the top. God opened the way through Christ's death so that anyone could approach Him.

But notice what also happened in the next two verses.

52 And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose,

53 And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many.

Change of Resting Place

When Jesus told the story of Lazarus he was speaking of the way things were then.

LUKE 16:19

19 ¶ There was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day:

20 And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate, full of sores,

21 And desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table: moreover the dogs came and licked his sores.

22 And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried;

23 And in hell he lift up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom.

24 And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.

25 But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented.

26 And beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence.

Burial Place

There was a time when the dead in hell could communicate with those with Abraham, but after the resurrection of Christ they arose and went to another place, let's call it Paradise. Notice that all the Old Testament saints were buried in the same place, the same area. The place Abraham purchased for Sarah. There is one place for the resurrection of the dead to Paradise. That's why Jacob was buried back in that place, that is why Joseph insisted that his bones would be carried back to that place for burial.

The witch of Endor could call up the spirit of Samuel and he appeared as an old man, but in Paradise we shall be young again. Contact now in the spiritual realm is either with God and his angels or with devils. Contact with anyone dead is impossible. Any contact that says it is the spirit of someone is a lie, that a familiar spirit pretending to be that person with the intention of taking you away from Jesus Christ and having you put your faith in something else.

And there is only one place to be buried today if we want to be a part of that special resurrection when we meet Christ in the air and go to the wedding supper of the Lamb.

And that isn't a physical place, it is in Jesus Christ. We must be buried in Him, have His name. And that is why water baptism, our burial, must be done in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Return to 2nd Exodus

So this second Exodus was hard for the Jews.

It meant losing their traditions, it meant losing their priesthood and their denominations.

God had to deal with Peter through vision to get him to go to the Gentiles. And even after years of being in the Christian way even Peter was liable to slip back into parts of Judaism.

GALATIANS 2:11

11 ¶ But when Peter was come to Antioch, I withstood him to the face, because he was to be blamed.

12 For before that certain came from James, he did eat with the Gentiles: but when they were come, he withdrew and separated himself, fearing them which were of the circumcision.

It wasn't right for Jews to eat with Gentiles but as Christians we are neither Jew nor Gentile, but Peter, being afraid of what other Jews would say, reverted to the old law.

We all of us will carry some oddments of our past theology with us, may we have the grace to accept correction and align ourselves with God's plan, not our traditions, when our errors are pointed out.

The Third Exodus

Since that time nearly 2,000 years have passed. There have been many different churches and lots of church splits. The Orthodox Church and the Roman Church split, there were groups like the Waldenses and Anabaptists and many others over the years but always there have been moves by men to control God's church.

God's church is to be led by God's Holy Spirit. It needs to be organised but not be an organisation.

The Nicaea council in the early 300s brought church and state together and set up the organisation that we know today as the Roman Catholic Church. This is still the largest denomination in the world.

In the 1500s Martin Luther brought the focus back to "faith being the justification that pleases God." But that genuine move of God became controlled by man within a few short years. Men appointed ministers, men set others over Pastors, then Arch Bishops over bishops and so on.

God does not want to work that way. He wants absolute control over every single Pastor, every single Evangelist every single elder, church member. He wants His Holy Spirit to lead His people. He wants to be King in His own kingdom. And because He is God, omnipotent, omnipresent, all powerful, able to be everywhere at once, He does not need committees to help Him run things, He does not require structured authorities to organise who should pastor where and when. He wants to deal direct with all His people!

Wesley of the Methodist Church taught Sanctification, the need of a clean life ready for use by God, but again, it wasn't long before that too became organised, not by one man but by a committee. The return of the Gifts of the Spirit at the start of the Pentecostal and Charismatic age was another dramatic move of God, but all too soon each church had to affiliate and come under the control of a man made organisation.

So what do we have today?

The Roman Catholic Church, sitting on the seven hills of Rome, making policies and agreements with governments world wide while in New York there is a gathering together of all other denominations into another World Council of Churches working on much the same principles as Rome.

This is the Beast and the image to the Beast! (Revelation 13 v1-10 is the Rome the Catholic Church, the Beast, while Revelation 13 v11 is the USA forming up create the World Council of Churches)

REVELATION 14:6

6 ¶ And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people,

7 Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.

That's William Branham's message. Fear God. Put God as Lord in your life, Put Jesus on the throne of your heart. Come out of church organisations that are controlled and led by men and come into a personal walk with Christ, meeting with like minded people led but the Holy Spirit.

The false church, the man made politically motivated church is the Jezebel of today. She wanted and expected to marry the king but this time it failed. The King of Kings Lord of Lords has divorced Vashti because she wouldn't obey the Word of the king through the seven messengers. So Jesus is looking and training a new bride, an Esther.

That's where we should be. In the purification process under the instruction of Hagai, the appointed keeper of the women.

There has to be an exit, a third Exodus to call Esther into the palace, there has to be a call of God.

There has to be an angel or messenger to preach the everlasting gospel to all nations, and that message is Fear God, the creator, not your religion, not your denomination, not your church, for they will all fall.

REVELATION 18:4

4 And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, **Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.**

The Church systems built on men being in charge will fail. They will be destroyed.

There is only one safe place to be buried and that is in Jesus Christ

Come out of your denominational thinking and come into Jesus Let Him and His Holy Spirit lead you. Let Him appoint your Apostles, Pastors, Teachers, Evangelists and Prophets. Be prepared to be called to those but only in line with the Word of God.

The Bible is the written Word of God, and the Word is Jesus Christ. The Bible is Jesus in written form.

Remember the message is get back to God, not your denomination, not your own thinking. Line up with God's Word.

Can you respond to the call?