

## **End Times Types & Shadows 1 of 3. a flood and wedding – 10 december 2022.**

Hi all,

When Barb and I lived in Colorado, we loved to walk in the mountains and prairies. We had 3 young boys, 2 walking and Chris carried on my back because he couldn't walk, and off we would go into the wilderness.

I would first study the area with a map, and carry one with me as well. As we walked I was looking for particular mountains or signs along a trail, or noted features on a map like a rock formation. As we walked I would mentally make note of each sign, lake or rock outcropping so that I knew exactly where we were.

Seeing those features and signs assured us we were headed in the right direction. That is the role of the types and shadows of end time events found in scripture. We may have a basic idea of certain end time events, but our beliefs are confirmed by the types and shadows in scripture. Individually they are just events recorded, but together they form a body of knowledge that supports and confirms larger teachings about the plan of God.

This little study will list some of these scriptural 'landmarks' along the trail, especially about the time frame of 7,000 years given for mankind. It should further confirm and assure us of the Father's overall plan for our lives, for we are a tiny part of a much larger drama being played out on planet earth.

### **Why 7,000 years?**

This is a long-held Jewish belief based on God taking 6 days to create the world and then quit on the 7th day. Accordingly, man will live 6,000 years and then the world will enter a 7th 'day' of 1,000 years of rest. What we call the Millennial age. The number of man therefore is 6, the number of God and completion, 7.

Peter was Jewish and grew up with this understanding as stated in II Peter 3:8 that "1 day with the Lord is as 1,000 years, and 1,000 years as 1 day."

While this is a statement of the timelessness of the Father, able to be in the past, present and future at the same time, the principle of 1 day equalling 1,000 years and 1,000 years equaling 1 day, is also verified throughout scripture.

### **Hosea**

This theme of 1 day equalling 1,000 years is found in Hosea 6:2. Following a plea for Israel to return to the Lord: "After 2 days He will revive us, in the 3rd day He will raise us up to live with Him."

This has long been understood to mean God will not be seen by them for 2,000 years which is the 2 days. But in the 3rd day or the 3rd set of 1,000 years He will raise up Israel to live with Him on the earth.

This alludes to the 2,000 years of the 'time of the Gentiles', when Israel was destroyed in the year 70 and after nearly 2,000 years became a nation once again. They have suffered mightily the last 2000 years, and many wonder why God has forsaken them. To them, from their Jewish perspective, God has not been seen these last 2,000 years - but on that 3rd day, He will cause them to live again, and live with Him on the earth.

### **Noah**

We are told in Genesis 7:6 that Noah lived 600 years then judgement came. So there will be 6,000 years for man, then judgement. During the judgement just as in Noah's day, the righteous will be 'floated' above the earth. Then a 1,000 year 'day' of rest/fresh start follows. (Millennial age with Jesus ruling on earth)

Noah was instructed in Genesis 6:16 by the Lord to make the ark with 3 levels. This is a type of Colossians 2:9 which says: "For in Him is the fullness of the Godhead bodily." This showed Noah and those around him the triune God - Father, Son, Holy Spirit within and part of the Ark. Jesus Christ carries us to safety above the flood waters of judgment.

Genesis 7:16 says as they entered the Ark, "the Lord shut them in". This is a type of Ephesians 1:13 and 4:30 which states when we believed in the Lord, the Holy Spirit sealed us in Him. As Noah and family entered Christ, the Ark, the Holy Spirit sealed them in Christ.

They floated above the flood waters because they were sealed inside the Ark - this is a type of the pre-tribulation rapture. Judgment came when Noah was 600 years old, a type of man living for 6,000 years and then the judgement - and believers will be lifted above it. We are nearing the end of that 6,000 years....

### **The wedding at Cana**

John is led to count the days of John the Baptist's ministry and the start of Jesus' ministry over the course of 5 days. Those 5 days stand for 5,000 years of mankind and show something to come, then there are 2 missing days (2,000 years), then on the 7th day a wedding.

John 1:19-28 records day 1, starting with, 'This is the record of John' in v19.

John 1:29 says, 'the next day' which is day 2, and continues to v34.

John 1:35 says, 'the next day' which is day 3, and continues to v42.

John 1:43 says 'the day after that' which is day 4, and continues to v51, the end of the chapter.

The summary is that in John 1:19-51 we see 4 days in the life of John and Jesus, or 4,000 years of history. In Judaism as the author John believed, this 4,000 years is the time from Adam to Jesus.

Those 4,000 years or 4 days in the life of John and Jesus, show both of them active, calling for repentance and to follow God.

Staying with those 4 days of John 1, chapter 2 opens with this statement: "On the 3rd day was a wedding in Cana..." (Three days later was a wedding in Cana...). So John lists the 4 days, skips over days 5&6, then says on the 3rd day after, which was the 7th day, there is a wedding.

Days 5 & 6 are 2 days, or 2,000 years, when God is not seen to the Jewish people. They are the 2 days Hosea talks about, "After 2 days He will revive us" - and the 3rd day Hosea says, He will raise them up and they will live with Him. The 3rd day is a wedding celebration.

### **The 3rd day (day 7), was a wedding**

John presents 4 days or 4,000 years of history God is active, revealing repentance and His salvation, then 2 days or 2,000 years He is not seen among the Jews. Then the 7th day is a wedding celebration - It is called the Millennial age, that is entered into after a wedding celebration for believers.

As I said at the start, these little types & shadows found in the Old Testament and here in the opening of the gospel of John, act as trail markers. They are guideposts along the path of life to confirm we are believing correctly.

Next week more types and shadows that confirm a 7,000 year plan God has for mankind. Until then, blessings,

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### **EndTimes Types & Shadows 2 of 3, Joash and Rebekah – 17 december 2022.**

Hi all,

Most people aren't familiar with the story of Joash the rightful king, and the imposter who ruled in his place for 6 years, but it provides a wonderful picture of the 7,000 year plan of God for mankind.

### **Joash is a type of Jesus**

II Kings 11 opens with the death of Ahaziah who had been the king of Judah. He was the brother of Ahab the wicked king of the northern kingdom of Israel. He like his brother did not walk with the Lord. When he died, it tells us his mother, Athaliah, killed all the rival royal family members - she thought she got them all.

One of the unsung heroes of the Bible is the woman named Jehoshaba, a princess herself, who knew that Joash was the rightful king. II Kings 11:3 tells her heroic act:

"He (Joash) was with her and hidden away in the house of the Lord for 6 years. And Athaliah (dead king Ahaziah's mom) ruled over the land."

I find it interesting the name 'Joash' means 'given by Jehovah' or 'Jehovah is strong' or 'Jehovah is fire'.

Athaliah was not about to let the rightful king rule, so she killed all possible relatives, ruling over the land in her dead son's place. She didn't know one got away. Joash is a type of Jesus, Athaliah is a type of the devil. She ruled 6 years which is a type of the devil ruling the world 6,000 years.

When Satan tempted Jesus in Luke 4: 6 he told Jesus if He worshipped him he would give him the kingdoms of this world, 'for they have been given to me'. That is what Adam had done, as Hosea 6:7 says: "They like Adam have transgressed the covenant. They have dealt treacherously with Me." Paul wrote in II Corinthians 4:4 that the god of this world has blinded the minds of those who don't believe.

For 6 years, a type of 6,000 years of mankind, the deceiver has ruled in place of the King. He is hidden in the temple with God until He comes to take His rightful place as King.

II Kings 11:4-11 tells us that in the 7th year the rightful king, Joash, is brought out from hiding and revealed to the nation, and crowned King over the land and the evil imposter, Athaliah was executed.

This is one of only 2 places we get a glimpse of Israel's coronation ceremony (the other being with Solomon). This ceremony too is a type of the crowning of Jesus as King.

We are told in II Kings 11:11-12 the king was brought out, and a crown was put on his head and he was given 'the testimony', or in Hebrew, 'solemn law' of God, and he was anointed with oil. Jesus of course is the Word of the Father in the flesh, is crowned King and is anointed by the Holy Spirit to rule.

But we see again the 7,000 year plan of 6,000 years where an imposter rules the earth, then judgement, then the rightful king rules.

### **Abraham, Eliezer, Isaac and Rebekah - and the rapture**

The parallels are so many I can't go into all detail, but will stick to the subject of this series. We see that Abraham represents the Father God, who has a son of promise as Abraham had a son of promise, Isaac.

Abraham (Father) send his servant Eliezer (the Holy Spirit) to find a wife for Isaac (Jesus). Eliezer took 10 camels loaded with gifts and supplies and found Rebekah (church) eagerly carrying water to meet the needs - the water a type of the Holy Spirit and life of God in service to others as the primary purpose for having the Holy Spirit in our lives.

Genesis 25:20 tells us Isaac married at age 40, which relates to Jesus coming to earth at the 4,000 year mark to take a bride for Himself, which He did through the cross, resurrection, and ascension.

Genesis 25:26 tells us Isaac was 60 years old when Jacob and Esau were born, Jacob being renamed Israel. Being born at his age 60, or 6,000 years, shows us again that Jesus took out a bride at the 4,000 year mark, and at the 6,000 year mark Israel will be revived to live with the Lord.

So here again, the author skips over 2 days. He mentions Isaac married at age 40 or Jesus coming at 4,000 years. Then he skips over the next 2 days or 2,000 years. Then mentions Israel born at age 60 or 6,000 years.

This is like last week when I shared about John's missing 2 days or 2,000 years before the wedding in Cana, and Hosea's mention of "after 2 days" or 2,000 years "He will revive us to live in His sight."

### **The rapture in a snapshot**

But let's go back to where Isaac meets his bride, Rebekah, for the first time face to face. The story is told in Genesis 24:62-67.

Isaac has left his father's house, and in the evening he goes out into the middle of a field to meditate on the things of the Lord. He must have known Rebekah would soon be with him and we can only imagine his thoughts. You may recall from Jesus' parables, especially in the Parable of the Sower from Mark 4, the earth stands for the human heart, and it also can stand for the earth, all mankind as a harvest for the Lord.

Isaac is standing in the field, representing the earth, away from his father's house, when he sees Rebekah coming to him. She in turn jumps off her camel and runs into the field to meet Isaac privately - she too having left her home to meet her groom as Isaac left his father's house to meet his bride in the field.

This is a beautiful and romantic scene where the Lord leaves His Father's house to come part way to us, and we in turn are changed in the blink of an eye to rise and meet 'Him in the air' as Paul states, in between our mutual homes.

Isaac then takes Rebekah to his father's house, even as the Lord having met us in between homes, and takes us to His Father's house, where He has prepared a place for us.

When we combine this love story showing the rapture, with Isaac getting married at 40, showing us Jesus taking a bride 4,000 years into man's existence since Adam, and him having Jacob (Israel) at age 60 or at 6,000 years Israel will live with the Lord, we can only be in awe of the goodness of the Lord.

Amazing grace..and more to come next week, until then, blessings,  
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### **EndTimes Types & Shadows 3 of 3, listing some types, & marriage – 24 december 2022.**

Hi all,

I've been listing a few of the types and shadows which show there is a 6,000 year time given to man, then judgement, then a time of rest on the 7th day, or 7th set of 1,000 year periods.

#### **Here are a few listed very briefly:**

Creation took 6 days, and the 7th He quit creating.

Slaves in Israel worked 6 years and had the 7th year free. Exodus 21:2, Dt. 15:1

After 6 days Moses was called to meet with the Lord on the Mount in a cloud of glory. Exodus 24:16

Lazarus was dead a total of 6 days, and raised from the dead on the 7th day. John 11:1, 5-6, 14, 39

King Solomon had 6 steps up his throne, with the 7th being his throne. II Chronicles 9:18

In each of these and the ones I've shown the previous 2 weeks, there are 6 days of man, then on the 7th day we see rest, freedom, the Lord coming, a wedding feast, or other 'new day' dawning for the person or nation.

#### **The Transfiguration**

Both Mark 9:1-2 and Matthew 17:1 state: "After 6 days Jesus took Peter, James, and John with Him aside to a high mountain apart from the others." That He took others with Him up to the Mount would suggest a type of the rapture. Again, it was 'after 6 days', so this is the 7th day they were taken up with the Lord in glory.

He was then transfigured before them, with the Father descending in a white cloud and speaking to them. Also, Moses and Elijah appeared to Him, speaking out of the Law and Prophets of His approaching death in Jerusalem. (Luke 9:31. Also, Luke says 'about 8 days later' while Matthew and Mark specifically state '6 days later', being more exact whereas Luke was approximating the time.)

What is interesting is that preceding each of these 3 mentions in the gospels, Jesus said: "Some of you here will not taste death until you see the Son of Man coming in His kingdom." (Mt 16:28, Mk 9:1, Lk 9:27)

That He said this about not tasting death, then the 7th day later came His transfiguration, is a type of the rapture, what is known in Judaism as the 'natzal' or 'plucking away'.

Lest some be confused, prophecy is often fulfilled in degrees, in types and shadows. Jesus was here giving an example of what His return will look like - clouds of heaven as Jesus stated in Matthew 24:30, not clouds of the earth, but the glory cloud of the Father.

In the same way He earlier called John the Baptist, 'Elijah who was told would come' in Matthew 11:14. He wasn't literally Elijah, but was in the type of ministry and spirit of Elijah - calling Israel to repentance and to make their mind up once and for all to follow the Lord, or not.

### **The 2 days where Messiah isn't seen, or 2,000 years:**

Jesus stayed in Gentile Samaria with the woman at the well, 2 days. John 4:40. The 2 days being a type of the 2,000 years He would be seen and accepted among the Gentiles of the earth.

The Good Samaritan gave the innkeeper 2 pence, which was 2 days wages to care for the injured man, with the promise to return and pay any bills due. Luke 10:35 The 2 days or 2,000 years given to heal the man shows the Lord's ministry among the Gentiles to be one of healing of the body and soul.

We've already seen the 2 missing days before the wedding at Cana, the 2 days Hosea mentions, but there is one more set of '2 days' or '2,000 years' I want to mention.

### **From the year 70 to 1967, nearly 2,000 years where Messiah wasn't seen in Israel**

In Luke 21:24 Jesus has been talking about the destruction of the temple which would happen nearly 40 years after He was talking about it, in the year 70.

Of that time He said: "...and they will be brutally killed and led away into all the nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled down by the Gentiles until the time of the Gentiles is fulfilled."

We have to take note of this - when our Lord states that there is a 'time of the Gentiles' to be fulfilled, we should mark it in stone. There IS a time allotted for the Gentiles, and then it will one day be fulfilled. Over and done with. There is a set time for non-Jewish people to come to the Lord, and once done, that time will close. That doesn't mean people won't be saved, it just means in the season of the Spirit, the focus shifts from Gentiles to Israel - and that is what The Revelation is about - Israel accepting their Messiah.

Jesus said that time of the Gentiles will be marked by the city of Jerusalem being overrun (controlled) by Gentiles 'until the time of the Gentiles is fulfilled.'

When Israel was destroyed in the year 70, they were indeed led away into all the nations. They became a nation again in the year 1948, but only took control of Jerusalem from the Gentiles in 1967. Therefore 1967 starts the end of the 'time of the Gentiles'.

Paul also noted this in Romans 11:25: "I don't want you to be ignorant of the mystery lest you be lifted up in pride in your thinking, that blindness in part has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in."

Combining these two we see Jesus saying there is a time of the Gentiles, which will end when Israel takes control of Jerusalem, and blindness will lift from the Jewish people (about their Messiah) when the fullness of the Gentiles comes in.

Since the middle 1960's until now, we've seen that blindness lifting off the Jewish people. At the same time the gospel is being preached in all the world. So it seems while the Gentile time is winding down, blindness is indeed lifting off Israel, so we must be close to the end of the '2 days' or 2,000 year time of the Gentiles.

I hope this has been an interesting study of some of the types and shadows both about the 'big picture' of the 7,000 year plan of God, and the 'end times' element as well. New subject next week, until then, blessings,

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