

Christ Our Wave Sheaf

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Tomorrow Easter, only mentioned one place in the Bible

Acts 12:4 KJV - And when he had apprehended him, he put [him] in prison, and delivered [him] to four quaternions of soldiers to keep him; intending after **Easter** to bring him forth to the people.

πάσχα páscha, pas'-kha; of Chaldee origin (compare [H6453](#)); the Passover (the meal, the day, the festival or the special sacrifices connected with it):—Easter, Passover.

The KJV translates Strong's G3957 in the following manner: [Passover](#) (28x), [Easter](#) (1x).

Easter = mistranslation

Easter focuses on the resurrection of Christ. The passion of Christ is generally ignored.

Baptists don't teach that God resurrected Jesus

Christ asked God to restore him to the position he had before. God - the Father - resurrected him from the death

JC was resurrected at the end of the weekly Sabbath. This week (2023) the same (sequence, order of days - ie holy days falling on the same days of the week) as that week.

Passover kept by JC in the evening

1 Corinthians 11:23 KJV - For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the [same] night in which he was betrayed took bread:

A new order of spirit beings came into existence

JC was the word. Creation made by JC, John 1: all things created by him

JC the first

Revelation 1:4 KJV - John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace [be] unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne;

DW - He Lives in eternity - not outside it.

Citing Hebrews describing Jesus (actually describing Melchisedec) :

Hebrews 7:1 KJV - For this Melchisedec, king of Salem, priest of the most high God, who met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings, and blessed him;

Hebrews 7:2 KJV - To whom also Abraham gave a tenth part of all; first being by interpretation King of righteousness, and after that also King of Salem, which is, King of peace;

Hebrews 7:3 KJV - Without father, without mother, without descent, having neither beginning of days, nor end of life; but made like unto the Son of God; abideth a priest continually.

Revelation 1:5 KJV - And from Jesus Christ, [who is] the faithful witness, [and] the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

First begotten = G4416 = πρωτότοκος prōtōtokos, pro-tot-ok'-os; from [G4413](#) and the alternate of [G5088](#); first-born (usually as noun, literally or figuratively):—firstbegotten(-born).

The KJV translates Strong's G4416 in the following manner: [firstborn](#) (7x), [first begotten](#) (2x).

Are we born again now? In some ways yes, but still only begotten of the spirit. AT the resurrection we will be born of the spirit

Romans 1:1 KJV - Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called [to be] an apostle, separated unto the gospel of God,

Romans 1:2 KJV - (Which he had promised afore by his prophets in the holy scriptures,)

Romans 1:3 KJV - Concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh;

Romans 1:4 KJV - And declared [to be] the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, **by the resurrection from the dead:**

Romans 1:5 KJV - By whom we have received grace and apostleship, for obedience to the faith among all nations, for his name:

Romans 8:29 KJV - For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate [to be] conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

Heb 8:17 not ashamed to call us brethren

Romans 8:30 KJV - Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.

Romans 8:17 KJV - And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with [him], that we may be also glorified together.

Colossians 1:23 KJV - If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and [be] not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, [and] which was preached to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister;

Rev 14 eventually three angels will declare the gospel..

Colossians 1:24 KJV - Who now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the church:

DW discerning the body of christ = the church

Colossians 1:25 KJV - Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to fulfil the word of God;

Colossians 1:26 KJV - [Even] the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints:

Mystery completed:

Revelation 10:7 KJV - But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, **when he shall begin to sound**, the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.

Reve 11:15 - 7th angel sounded - the resurrection takes place (Feast of trumpets)

Mystery = how human beings can become gods! (JC the firstborn of many!)

JC is the first of the first fruits

1 Corinthians 15:13 KJV - But if there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen:

1 Corinthians 15:14 KJV - And if Christ be not risen, then [is] our preaching vain, and your faith [is] also vain.

1 Corinthians 15:15 KJV - Yea, and we are found false witnesses of God; because we have testified of **God that he raised up Christ**: whom he raised not up, if so be that the dead rise not.

1 Corinthians 15:20 KJV - But now is Christ risen from the dead, [and] become the firstfruits of them that slept.

1 Corinthians 15:21 KJV - For since by man [came] death, by man [came] also the resurrection of the dead.

1 Corinthians 15:22 KJV - For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

1 Corinthians 15:23 KJV - But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's **at his coming**. (At the 7th trumpet... see Revelation)

How is JC the wave sheaf?

Leviticus 23:5 KJV - In the fourteenth [day] of the first month **at even** [is] the LORD'S passover.

Leviticus 23:6 KJV - 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.

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

Leviticus 23:8 KJV - 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].

Leviticus 23:9 KJV - And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

Leviticus 23:10 KJV - 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:

Leviticus 23:11 KJV - 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.

Two words in OT translated sheaf

Different word sheaf:

Genesis 37:7 KJV - For, behold, we [were] binding sheaves in the field, and, lo, my sheaf arose, and also stood upright; and, behold, your sheaves stood round about, and made obeisance to my sheaf.

H485 = 'älummâh, al-oom-maw'; or (masculine) מִלָּח 'âlum; passive participle of [H481](#); something bound; a sheaf:—sheaf.

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Sheaf = H6016 = 'ômer, o'-mer; from [H6014](#); properly, a heap, i.e. a sheaf; also an omer, as a dry measure:—omer, sheaf.

DW = about 2 quarts or 2 liters

1. omer
 1. a dry measure of 1/10 ephah (about 2 litres)
2. sheaf

Leviticus 23:11 KJV - 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.

Leviticus 23:12 KJV - And ye shall offer that day when ye wave the sheaf an **he lamb** without blemish of the first year for a burnt offering unto the LORD.

Leviticus 23:13 KJV - And the meat offering thereof [shall be] two tenth deals of **fine flour** mingled with oil, an offering made by fire unto the LORD [for] a sweet savour: and the drink offering thereof [shall be] of wine, the fourth [part] of an hin.

Leviticus 23:14 KJV - And ye shall eat neither bread, nor parched corn, nor green ears, until the selfsame day that ye have brought an offering unto your God: [it shall be] a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.

Couldn't eat of the new harvest until this offering had been made

You can read about this in Edershire online ..

Barley grain was first. The grain of the poor. Cut by the members of the Sanhedrin. (Revived again in 2008, needed before the Messiah can return.) They cut at the end of the Sabbath that fell during the Days of Unleavened Bread. Alternately the Pharisees cut it after the first Holy day. UCG and WCG feel the Sanhedrin cutting was correct. Therefore Pentecost always on a Sunday.

Flour ground and made fine. Then oil and frankincense was added - having a sweet smell. The next morning around 9 am it was offered.

THIS WAS an OMER - the ground flour - not a bundle of stalks of the grain.

Jewish Encyclopedia on the article on "Omer". A handful was burned on the altar, the rest was eaten by the priesthood.

In the OT a required statute

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Important calendar issue - the counting of Pentecost

Leviticus 23:15 KJV - 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:

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

I Cor 15:23 JC was offered at the time of the wave sheaf/omer offering.

Feast of the firstborn = wavesheaf offering

Romans 1:3-4

Jewish tradition was that Pentecost was the completion of the Spring Holy Day season. They are all tied together, because the counting starts during the Days of UB.

A LOT of things happened during the 50 day period - in ancient Israel, going to Mt Sinai

Exodus 19:1 KJV - In the third month, when the children of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day came they [into] the wilderness of Sinai.

Exodus 19:2 KJV - For they were departed from Rephidim, and were come [to] the desert of Sinai, and had pitched in the wilderness; and there Israel camped before the mount.

Exodus 19:3 KJV - And Moses went up unto God, and the LORD called unto him out of the mountain, saying, Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel;

Exodus 19:4 KJV - Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and [how] I bare you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto myself.

Exodus 19:5 KJV - Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth [is] mine:

Exodus 19:6 KJV - And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation. These [are] the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.

Peter writes almost the same thing as verse 6:

1 Peter 2:9 KJV - But **ye** [are] a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

So NOW all called, baptized Christians are of that chosen generation. A holy nation!

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Exodus 20:1 KJV - And God spake all these words, saying,

Exodus 20:2 KJV - I [am] the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

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Exodus 20:3 KJV - Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

Exodus 20:21 KJV - And the people stood afar off, and Moses drew near unto the thick darkness where God [was].

Exodus 20:22 KJV - And the LORD said unto Moses, Thus thou shalt say unto the children of Israel, Ye have seen that I have talked with you from heaven.

Exodus 20:23 KJV - Ye shall not make with me gods of silver, neither shall ye make unto you gods of gold.

Here we have the covenant - the marriage covenant - of the one who became Christ with Israel, ratified with blood:

Exodus 24:6 KJV - And Moses took half of the blood, and put [it] in basons; and half of the blood he sprinkled on the altar.

Exodus 24:7 KJV - And he took the book of the covenant, and read in the audience of the people: and they said, All that the LORD hath said will we do, and be obedient.

Exodus 24:8 KJV - And Moses took the blood, and sprinkled [it] on the people, and said, Behold the blood of the covenant, which the LORD hath made with you concerning all these words.

What happened for the wave sheaf offering parallels of what Jesus went through to be the wave sheaf and first of the firstfruit (first born from the dead). It also parallels what we go through as the sufferings of Christ:

- Just as the grain was threshed and ground up, Jesus' body was broken & beaten
- Parched & roasted = Jesus suffered the fiery trial that culminated in his death
- Grain was refined and sieved multiple times until it was pure, Jesus was tested, purified, and perfected to the point that he can make intercession for us

Hebrews 2:16 KJV - For verily he took not on [him the nature of] angels; but he took on [him] the seed of Abraham.

Hebrews 2:17 KJV - Wherefore in all things it behoved him **to be made like unto [his] brethren**, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things [pertaining] to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people.

Hebrews 2:18 KJV - For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succour them that are tempted.

He learned obedience by what he suffered. Thru the trial, the beating, carrying the cross, on the cross, he suffered .. even unto death.

We are all called to

1 Peter 4:12 KJV - Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you:

We will question whether it is worth it. We have to focus on the Kingdom.

1 Peter 4:13 KJV - But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.

1 Peter 4:14 KJV - If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy [are ye]; for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you: on their part he is evil spoken of, but on your part he is glorified.

The wave offering and the male lamb,
Oil with fire = holy spirit.

Jeremiah, John the Baptist and Jesus had the holy spirit from birth.

The grain had to be standing tall... Jesus stood tall, after he was resurrected. But he didn't reveal himself immediately.

John 20:17 KJV - Jesus 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.

He had to be accepted by God as the wave sheaf offering...

Hebrews 9:12 KJV - Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption [for us].

Hebrews 9:13 KJV - For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh:

Hebrews 9:14 KJV - How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the **eternal Spirit** offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

Conscience = knowing within

eternal Spirit = very important. There is only one spirit

Ephesians 4:3 KJV - Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

Ephesians 4:4 KJV - [There is] one body, and **one Spirit**, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;

Ephesians 4:5 KJV - One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

Ephesians 4:6 KJV - One God and Father of all, who [is] above all, and through all, and in you all.

1 Corinthians 12:13 KJV - For **by one Spirit** are we all baptized into one body, whether [we be] Jews or Gentiles, whether [we be] bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.

We are begotten of the eternal spirit. We are partakers of that eternal spirit

Hebrews 9:18 KJV - Whereupon neither the first [testament] was dedicated without blood.
From Ex 24..

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Hebrews 9:19 KJV - For when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people according to the law, he took the blood of calves and of goats, with water, and scarlet wool, and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book, and all the people,

Hebrews 9:20 KJV - Saying, This [is] the blood of the testament which God hath enjoined unto you.

Hebrews 9:21 KJV - Moreover he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle, and all the vessels of the ministry.

Hebrews 9:22 KJV - And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission.

Hebrews 9:23 KJV - [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.

Hebrews 9:24 KJV - 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:

After he had been accepted he allowed them to touch him

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

Matthew 28:9 KJV - And as they went to tell his disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, All hail. And they came and **held him by the feet**, and worshipped him.

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

NOW at the right hand of the Father:

Ephesians 1:20 KJV - Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set [him] at his own right hand in the heavenly [places],

Ephesians 1:21 KJV - Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:

Ephesians 1:22 KJV - And hath put all [things] under his feet, and gave him [to be] the head over **all [things] to the church**,

Ephesians 1:23 KJV - Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.

Jesus at the right hand of the Father 24/7

He has commissioned the church:

Matthew 28:18 KJV - And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

Matthew 28:19 KJV - Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

Matthew 28:20 KJV - Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, [even] unto the end of the world. Amen.

The fields are indeed right to harvest. The world condition is bad.

Jesus has gone before us. He's the forerunner. His sacrifice has been accepted by God.

So we can come before him boldly (as Heb 4:) because of Christ's sacrifice and making it possible

(DW - Most important verse to remember from this message:)

Romans 8:11 KJV - But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

Will we labor in the harvest? God has called us to do a job, a work. To go into all the world. It is high time to finish our Father's business. We/You have been called for such a time as this!

