~ Passover ~

BEING RESTORED BACK TO THE IMAGE OF THE INVISIBLE ELOHIM

• PART 2 •

Back to Cain:

Why was Cain's life spared by יהוה? Why was Cain <u>covered</u> by יהוה? We know the Bible teaches the penalty for premeditated murder is death, so why did יהוה spare Cain's life?

We have shadows of Passover right here - Atonement and exile. Cain's life is spared, and he instead is cursed to be a vagabond the rest of his life, hunted down by others seeking his life, yet protected by יהוה.

Cain is used in the Bible as an object lesson to warn believers, Cain is the image of an unsaved individual, the unsaved condition:

1 John 3:11 "This is the message you heard from the beginning: We should love one another. Do not be like Cain, who belonged to the evil one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his own actions were evil and his brothers were righteous."

Cain made the wrong sacrifice. He didn't follow the correct order. Cain and Abel can really be a parable about the differences between Easter and Passover as well as the unregenerate and regenerate.

The value of a lamb, of the importance of the sacrifice of the first lamb, the best lamb, has been the key to harmony with יהוה. The lamb was the antidote to the poisonous thoughts Cain revealed when he sought to gain a relationship through his own labor, his own works - which were cursed.

What will happen when people awake and realize their past offering to Easter is was rejected, an offering made in the wrong order? Will they grow resentful and angry?

What when they see their brothers offering of Passover was accepted before the Father, an offering made in the right order?

For I came to set a man at variance against his <u>father</u>, and the daughter against her <u>mother</u>, and the daughter in law against her <u>mother</u> in law.

Then shall they <u>deliver you up</u> unto tribulation, and shall kill <u>you</u>: and ye shall be hated of all the nations for my name's sake.

You may even be a believer in יהוה and still feel that way, Cain Was a Believer, we know that because he talked with יהוה!

Genesis 4:6 "Then יהוה said to Cain, 'Why are you angry? Why is your face downcast? If you do what is right, will you not be accepted? But if you do not do what is right, sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must master it."

Genesis 4:9 "Am I my brother's keeper?"

Let's not be in danger of committing murder this Passover Season:

1 John 3:14 "We know that we have passed from death to chayim (life), because we love our brothers. Anyone who does not love remains in death. Anyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life in him."

Hebrews 11:4 "By faith Abel offered Elohim a better sacrifice than Cain did. By emunah he was commended as a righteous man, when Elohim spoke well of his offerings. And by emunah he still speaks, even though he is dead."

Love is the answer, do what's right, master your bitterness, petty squabbles, hurts and offenses otherwise it'll grow in your thought life: "If you do what is right," said to Cain, "will you not be accepted? But if you do not do what is right, sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must master it".

Get rid of sin now; this is a Holy rehearsal, the days of Unleavened Bread!

1 Corinthians 5:6; "Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump? Therefore purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, since you truly are unleavened. For indeed Messiah, our Passover, was sacrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feast (the Feast of Unleavened

Bread), not with old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth."

If we can't confess our hurts, offenses, slights openly to one another then sin lies at the very door, it's active it pursues us it wants to engage with us physically: stress, restlessness, fitfulness if we don't deal with it it will manifest by individuals breaking fellowship and wandering like vagabonds.

Hebrews 11:4 "Abel' still speaks, even though he is dead."

When the righteous do good, it stirs up the spirit of Cain in the unrighteous and when that hatred of the righteous by the wicked manifests, the blood of Abel still speaks..does it not?

Shed blood "cries out" (Genesis 4:10) from the ground like a prophet testifying against a murderer.

We have to realize that it's not just the accused but those who refuse to confess their sins toward their brothers and those who deny the Blood of Atonement of the Messiah that put them in the realm of Cain.

Luke 11:50: "Therefore this generation will be held responsible for the blood of all the prophets that has been shed since the beginning of the world, from the blood of Abel to the blood of Zechariah, who was killed between the altar and the sanctuary. Yes, I tell you, this generation will be held responsible for it all."

Cain lost the privilege to 'Sup' with יהוה. Passover is a time of privilege, a time to "Sup" with יהוה, for us to truly partake of it the scripture teaches us:

Matthew 5:23: If therefore thou art offering thy gift at the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath aught against thee, leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way, first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift.

The Presence of Yahweh does not come easily to the sons of men, and now only by the merits of the Blood of Messiah, which Passover prefigured.

Passover is the time to open up the door of your heart and accept in Yahusha our Eternal Life, which will lead to our ultimate 'Promised Land'.

John 10:9 <u>I am</u> the <u>door</u>. Whoever enters through Me, he shall be saved, and shall go in and shall go out and find pasture.

Revelation 3:20 Behold, I stand at the <u>door</u> and <u>knock</u>: if any man hear my voice and open the <u>door</u>, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me

Not only does Cain deny knowledge of his brother's whereabouts but he also denies responsibility: "Am I my brother's keeper?"

יהוה is raising up His people today to take responsibility for his brother even if his brother is offering the wrong sacrifice and is out of order.

Repent and receive the Savior into our hearts to be at His Passover table.

"If you do what is right, will you not be accepted? But if you do not do what is right, sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must master it".

Don't end up "restless" and "wandering" like Cain, driven from congregation to congregation by something dark and dogged which won't allow you any long-term shalom with your brothers.

Abel is dead. He can't speak any more; *no*, but something's happening! The blood is speaking! What does it mean? It means there's life after death through the blood!

So we await, await under the blood, the blood of the new covenant, the blood of the everlasting covenant and there we find our rest......but we live in the world....a world living under different rules and different realms....a world living under a different covenant; a covenant with death!

Isaiah 28:15 Because ye have said, We have made a <u>covenant</u> <u>with death</u>, and <u>with</u> Sheol are we at agreement; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, it shall not come unto us; for we have made lies our refuge, and under falsehood have we hid ourselves...

Isaiah 28:18 And your <u>covenant with death</u> shall be annulled, and your agreement <u>with</u> Sheol shall not stand; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, then ye shall be trodden down by it.

Matthew 27:62-66 62 Now on the morrow, which is the day after the Preparation, the <u>chief priests and the Pharisees</u> (1) were gathered together <u>unto Pilate</u> (2) 63 saying, Sir, we

remember that that deceiver said while he was yet alive, After three days I rise again. ⁶⁴ Command therefore that the sepulchre be made sure until the third day, lest haply his disciples come and steal him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead: and the last error will be worse than the first. ⁶⁵ Pilate said unto them, Ye have a guard (3) go, make it as sure as ye can. ⁶⁶ So they went, and made the sepulchre sure, sealing the stone, the guard being with them.

The covenant with death is a threefold:

- 1. religious
- 2. political
- 3. military covenant