

Matthew chapter 27D The Crucifixion of God's Human Passover Lamb

Once again, I'd like to just thank everybody for joining us this morning for our study into Matthew chapter 27 as we move into the actual crucifixion of the human Passover Lamb of God this morning.

During last week's study if you were with us, you may remember that we spoke about the mocking of our Messiah by the battalion of Roman soldiers who put a crown of thorns upon his head beat him with the read and stripped him of his clothes and mocked him as the King of the Jews.

This week we'll actually see our Messiah being crucified by these very same Roman soldiers and we'll once again hear who our Messiah actually said that he was and always claimed to be. And once again in Matthew chapter 27 verses 32 through 44 we will see very clearly who our Messiah was, is, and always will be according to not only our Messiah and Matthew chapter 27, but also the apostle Mark and the prophet Isaiah who laid out the parameters for us so that we would be able to know and recognize who our Messiah was when he came the first time.

It never ceases to amaze me how many people are still confused and baffled about exactly who their Messiah was, is, and always will be. Even though the Scripture is more than clear and very precise about who he was and who he is and who he will always be... people have been preprogrammed for so long by so many different denominational

empires of men, that they just simply cannot accept the fact that their Messiah was a human man who was the descendent of David just as God had promised David in second Samuel chapter 7. And just as we will soon read in Isaiah chapter 53, our Messiah grew up before his Father in heaven like a young plant and like a root out of dry ground. And just as it is written in Isaiah chapter 53 verse 11 our Messiah Yeshua (also known as Jesus in the Greek) was a servant of God just as Moses was a servant of God.

The mistranslations in our English translated Bibles have done us no service in identifying the true identity of our Passover lamb who is Yeshua Hamashiach who always claimed to be the Son of God and not God himself. The practices of the Roman Catholic Church continue in the hearts and in the minds of those who have been preprogrammed to accept a false Messiah who came to make it all about himself by creating for himself his own Sabbath and celebrating his own birthday and doing away with his Father's commandments and his precepts and appointments.

What a shame this is for those who are ignorant of the Scripture and unstudied in the word of Yehovah God. The devil has done all that he can to re-create for himself a false church and along with that false church a false Messiah. And today in our time the earth is speckled not with shoots of the vine... but with the brood of the serpent who has filled many of today's denominational empires with his own offspring.

And it is the offspring of the Pharisees and the scribes who were the children of the devil who still thrive within our societies and within our cultures doing all that they can to insert themselves between man and God. They do all they can to insert themselves between a husband and his wife and between the parent and their children. They do all they can to get us to call them "rabbis" and "father's" and to look at them as though they are our masters all the while blatantly disregarding the red-letter commandment of our Messiah found in Matthew chapter 23.

But today as we study Matthew chapter 27, we will once again make note of the true Messiah who was, is, and always will be the descendent of David, the only begotten Son of Yehovah God, the seed of Abraham who we must pass through in order to receive the hope of salvation that he has extended to us through this crucifixion that we are about to read in Matthew chapter 27 here this morning.

And with that being said let us now turn to Matthew chapter 27 and let us read verses 32 through 44 so that we can know exactly what it says and just as importantly... what it does not say. Matthew chapter 27 verses 32 through 44 E1

The Crucifixion

Mat 27:32 As they went out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name. They compelled this man to carry his cross.

Mat 27:33 And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull),

Mat 27:34 they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall, but when he tasted it, he would not drink it.

Mat 27:35 And when they had crucified him, they divided his garments among them by casting lots.

Mat 27:36 Then they sat down and kept watch over him there.

Mat 27:37 And over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews."

Mat 27:38 Then two robbers were crucified with him, one on the right and one on the left.

Mat 27:39 And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads

Mat 27:40 and saying, "You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross."

Mat 27:41 So also the chief priests, with the scribes and elders, mocked him, saying,

Mat 27:42 "He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him.

Mat 27:43 He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he desires him. For he said, 'I am the Son of God.'"

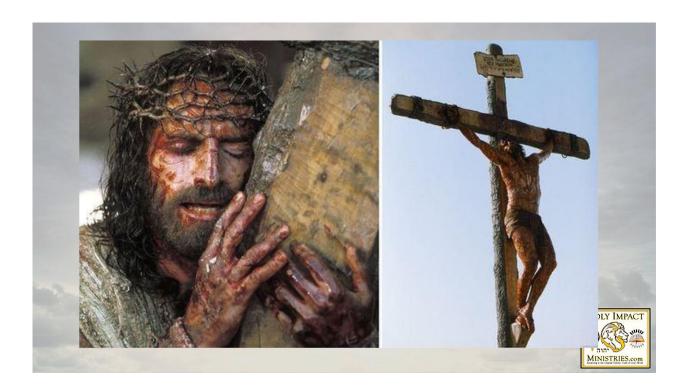
One of the first things that I'd like to make mention of here in Matthew chapter 27 is verse 35 is where it says and I quote, "and when they had crucified him, they divided his garments among them by casting lots."

I would contend that Matthew chapter 27 verse 35 really does us no service in explaining what they did to our Messiah.

Matthew chapter 27 verse 35 simply says "when they had crucified him". But for anyone who is uneducated in the technique of crucifixion, this may seem like some very trivial process, and winds up being given hardly any real attention or thought at all.

Roman crucifixion was a means of execution in which the victim was literally nailed to a cross. Heavy wrought-iron nails were driven through the wrists and the heel bones of the victim. And at that point in time the cross would have been hoisted upright and dropped into a hole in the ground creating extreme pain upon impact.

Archaeologists have discovered the bones of a crucified man near Jerusalem dating between seven A.D. and 66 A.D. which has shed an abundance of light on the position of a victim when nailed to the cross. (scrn 1)



This form of execution was so humiliating and so painful that it was illegal to crucify a Roman citizen in this fashion. And therefore when we read in Matthew chapter 27 verse 35 "and when they had crucified him"... It's important for us to visualize exactly what it was that they had done to our Messiah. It's important for us to visualize exactly what he went through in order to endure to the end and to conquer over evil. It's important to visualize the power and the tenacity that the lion of Judah had in order to do what he needed to do in order to become the propitiation for the sins of mankind.

And once again, I would be remiss if I did not once again mention the fact that a servant is not greater than his master. It is written that if the world hated him that the world will hate us also. And it is written that we are not to fear what man can do to the body, but what God can do to both body and soul by casting them into the pit. These are things that our Messiah knew and clung to as he endured to the end and conquered over evil as our example.

What I find so compelling about the crucifixion of our Messiah is that he

was hung on a tree. A tree that was created by his Father in heaven. A tree that was created beautiful and perfect. A tree that gave men shade in the heat of summer, and the birds of the air a home in the winter. A tree that literally gave life to many of God's creatures and yet... it was this perfect creation that man had cut down and re-designed in order to use as a device of death.

Isn't it interesting how many things that God has created that man has taken and re-designed as weapons of self-serving destruction? Weapons that man uses not only against other men... but against God himself by destroying the image of God.

Make no mistake about it, there are direct correlations between the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil and the tree that they used to crucify our Messiah upon. And make no mistake about it... that tree of death that our Messiah died upon, our Messiah turned right around and used as a tool that would lead us back to the tree of life.

Matthew chapter 27 continues to tell us that they divided his garments by casting lots and that they put over his head an inscription that read, "This Is Yeshua the King of the Jews". And this is extremely significant when we take into account what the chief priests and the scribes and the elders said about him just a few verses down in **Matthew chapter 27** verse 43 E2

Mat 27:43 He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he desires him. For he said, 'I am the Son of God.'"

Where they said that our Messiah said... And I quote... "I am the Son of God."

And so, just exactly who was it that Yeshua (Jesus in the Greek) claimed to be? Did Yeshua Jesus claim to be God his Father as so many devils today preach... or did he claim to be... the Son of God his Father? And did he not also use the title of the Son of man over 80 some times to

describe himself during his ministry?

In order to once again clarify who it is that our Messiah always claimed to be, I'd like for us to turn to the 15th chapter of the book of Mark so that we can see the apostle Mark's account of this event. Let's turn this morning to Mark chapter 15 and let's read Mark's account of this very same event in Mark chapter 15 verses 21 through 32 (E3)

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Mar 15:21 And they compelled a passerby, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross.

Mar 15:22 And they brought him to the place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull).

Mar 15:23 And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it.

Mar 15:24 And they crucified him and divided his garments among them, casting lots for them, to decide what each should take.

Mar 15:25 And it was the third hour when they crucified him.

Mar 15:26 And the inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews."

Mar 15:27 And with him they crucified two robbers, one on his right and one on his left.

Mar 15:29 And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days,

Mar 15:30 save yourself, and come down from the cross!"

Mar 15:31 So also the chief priests with the scribes mocked him to one another, saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself.

Mar 15:32 Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also reviled him.

As we can see here in Mark chapter 15, Mark gives us a very similar account of this very same event but there are some very important differences between Mark's account of this event and Matthew's account of this event. One of the first things that I would like us to see here in the English standard version of Mark's account is that the English standard

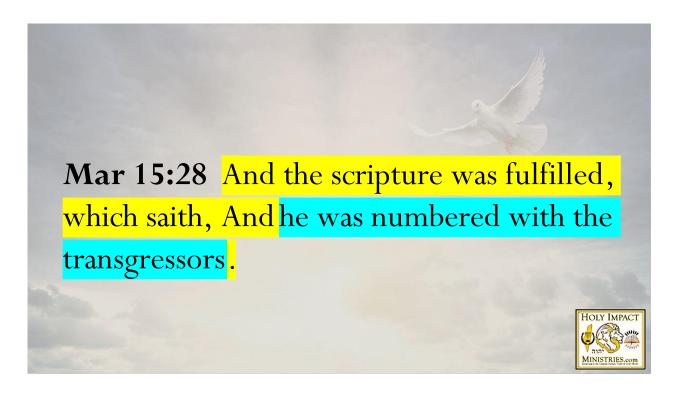
version of our English translated Bibles does not include Mark chapter 15 verse 28. If you will notice, here in the English standard version of the Bible Mark chapter 15 verse 28 is missing! Mark's account goes from verse 27 to verse 29 and completely excludes verse 28. Why is that?

If you run a parallel between today's most common Bibles, you will find that the English standard version, also known as the ESV, and the Bible in basic English also known as the BBE, and the new international version also known as the NIV have all excluded Mark chapter 15 verse 28 from the text. And the American standard version of the Bible also known as the ASV did indeed include it, but they grayed out the text and put the verse in italics. And so, the question then becomes why did these four English translated Bibles either put these words in italics or completely delete them from the text?

The answer to that question is that Mark chapter 15 verse 28 was not found in several of the earlier Greek manuscripts. And the translators of many of these English translated Bibles made note of the fact that the apostle Mark doesn't include very many Old Testament quotations the way that some of the other apostles do. And therefore, they simply either excluded the text or put it in italics in order to make us question the text.

But I would submit to you that the text that is missing even if it was added in later by a scribe... is a very important text because it does once again point to a very important Old Testament Scripture. No matter whether the Apostle Mark actually spoke the text or an educated Scribe added the text, it does indeed point to the truth of the Old Testament Scripture and what is written according to our God breathed Scripture.

And so then, what was the missing text? We can find that in our King James version of the Bible where the verse is still included. Mark chapter 15 verse 28 reads as follows (scrn 2)



Once again, the text right before this in Mark chapter 15 verse 27 says and I quote, "And with him they crucified two thieves the one on his right hand and the other on his left.

Now... whether the apostle Mark said that the Scripture was fulfilled that said he was numbered with the transgressors or not... clearly this Old Testament Scripture was fulfilled when our Messiah was crucified between two thieves. And therefore... what is important to understand is where this Old Testament Scripture is found in the Old Testament. And where is this Old Testament Scripture found in the Old Testament? It's found in Isaiah chapter 53. A chapter that the Jewish rabbis today will not allow their students to read. A chapter of the writings of the prophets that many Jewish rabbis today have completely forbidden and excluded from the Bible because it once again points to them as... the children of the devil.

My friends, let us turn now to Isaiah chapter 53 so that we can see the full realization of what is going on in Matthew chapter 27, and exactly who Isaiah says that our Messiah was, is, and always will be: **Isaiah**

chapter 53 E4

Isa 53:1 Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the LORD revealed?

Isa 53:2 For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him.

Isa 53:3 He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Isa 53:4 Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

Isa 53:5 But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

Isa 53:6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.

Isa 53:7 He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.

Isa 53:8 He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare his generation? for he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was he stricken.

Isa 53:9 And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth.

Isa 53:10 Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put him to grief; when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

Isa 53:11 He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.

Isa 53:12 Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

A virtual plethora of clear and concise information is given to us right here in Isaiah chapter 53 concerning the true identity of who our Messiah always was, is, and will be.

The prophet Isaiah tells us that our Messiah grew up before our Father in heaven like a tender plant and as a root out of dry ground. Please notice here that the prophet Isaiah does not tell us that our Messiah was an angel or a spirit being in heaven sent down to earth, nor does the prophet Isaiah tell us that our Messiah was really not the Son of God but God himself who lied to us all by telling us that our Messiah was the Son of God. Nowhere does Isaiah tell us that our Father in heaven came down from his throne in heaven to commit suicide on a cross for sins that he did not commit.

Nowhere does the prophet Isaiah blaspheme Yehovah God.

The prophet Isaiah tells us very clearly that the promise of Yehovah God to create a Son from the very body of David his faithful servant to sit upon the throne of David his faithful servant is exactly what Yehovah God did. Yeshua Hamashiach (also known as Jesus in the Greek) was created by Yehovah God his Father for his good purpose as a servant. Please notice Isaiah chapter 53 verse 11 (scrn 3)

Isa 53:11 He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant (ebed) justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.

Once again, the prophet Isaiah tells us that our Messiah was God's servant which comes from the Hebrew word (ebed). And the Hebrew word "ebed" clearly means to be a slave or to be a servant or a subject, a worshiper of Yehovah God. (scrn 4)



There should be no doubt in anyone's mind that our Messiah was indeed likened unto Moses just as it is written in Deuteronomy chapter 18.

From the very beginning of our Bibles in Genesis chapter 3 verse 15 our Father in heaven had told the serpent who had tricked Adam and Eve into eating from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil that he would put enmity between the offspring of the serpent and the offspring of the human woman. And Yehovah our Father in heaven told the serpent that it would indeed be the offspring of the human woman... who would be a human man... that would crush the head of the serpent. (scrn 5 show only)

Deu 18:18 I will raise up for them a prophet like you (Moses) from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him.

Deu 18:19 And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him.

And again, right here in Deuteronomy chapter 18 we are told by Moses that Yehovah God had promised the house of Israel that he would raise up another prophet likened unto Moses from among the brothers of the house of Israel. Please notice that Yehvoah God does not tell Moses that he is going to send and Angel or spirit being down to earth to do his bidding. Nor does he say that he himself is coming down to earth to do

his bidding. He says and I quote... "I will raise up for them (the house of Israel) a prophet (like Moses) from among their brothers. Now my friends... you just can't get any clearer than that. (scrn 6 show only)

Isa 53:11 He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant (ebed) justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.

And just as we see in Isaiah chapter 53 verse 11... this human servant likened unto Moses who Yehovah God promised would come from among their brothers and had earlier said would come from a human woman according to Genesis chapter 3 verse 15 and the very body of David according to second Samuel chapter 7 verse 12 is exactly who our Messiah was, is, and always will be.

This prophet by the name of Yeshua (Jesus in the Greek) was indeed a human being who is able to be tempted and was also able to rebuke that temptation. This prophet by the name of Yeshua (Jesus in the Greek) was indeed a prophet, a servant of the Most High Elohim of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob who had a choice to make in the garden of Gethsemane as to whether he would or would not partake of the cup that we are reading about here in Matthew chapter 27.

Keeping all of this in mind I would like to return to Isaiah chapter 53 verse 12 (scrn 7)

Isa 53:12 Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong, because he poured out his soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, andmakes intercession for the transgressors.



Why was he able to make intercession for the transgressors according to Isaiah chapter 53 verse 12? According to Isaiah chapter 53 verse 12 he was able to make intercession for the transgressors because... get that my friends... because... he poured out his soul even unto death and was numbered with the transgressors. Not because he was an angel, not because he was an extraterrestrial being, not because he was God the Father, but because he was a human being who was able and willing to endure to the end and to conquer over evil. And this is exactly what we read in the New Testament in **Hebrews chapter 5 (scrn 8)**

Heb 5:5 So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you;

Heb 5:6 as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek."

Heb 5:7 In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence.

Heb 5:8 Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered.

Heb 5:9 And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him,



From the Old Testament to the New Testament, when we observe the original Hebrew and Greek text, there is no question, there is no doubt, there is no error, there is no speculation, and there is no confusion about exactly who our Messiah was, is, and always will be. The only chaos and confusion that comes from the evil one is for those who allow themselves to be preprogrammed by the devil's minions who loves to dress themselves up as angels of light just as the devil their father does.

Let it be known that the Scripture is clear. Was the spirit of our Father in heaven in his only begotten Son Yeshua? The answer to that question is an unequivocal yes indeed he was. Just as the spirit of Yehovah God is in each and every one of us who have accepted the truth and understand who his only begotten Son is. This gift of the Holy Spirit of God resides in all of us who truly believe because it was our Messiah who prayed that his Father would give us this Spirit! All of us have the spirit of Yehovah God dwelling deeply within us. But... this does not make us God. Having the spirit of God does not make anyone God. Having the spirit of Yehovah God his Ruach Hakodesh is what marks us as Yehovah God's possession. It marks us as the sons of God... not God. Let's be

clear.

What our Messiah did in Matthew chapter 27 by allowing himself to be crucified as the king of the Jews who he indeed was... he did alone and by his own accord as a human being called out by Yehovah God to be the chosen one, the Messiah, the descendent of David, the seed of Abraham that would sit upon the throne of David forever over the house of Israel. Our Messiah was indeed the king of the Jews that was long ago written about in **Genesis chapter 49 verse 10 (scrn 9 show only)**

Gen 49:10 The scepter shall not depart from Judah, nor the ruler's staff from between his feet, until tribute comes to him; and to him shall be the obedience of the peoples.

We were told from the beginning in Genesis chapter 49 verse 10 that the scepter would not depart from Judah nor the ruler's staff from between his feet. Our Messiah came from the tribe of Judah and the house of David. He is not an angel from heaven, he is not an extraterrestrial being, he is not Yehovah the Elohim of Israel, he is indeed the descendent of David the offspring of a human woman who did indeed crush the head of the serpent, and the Passover lamb of Yehovah God who because he learned obedience through what he suffered became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him. Let's be clear about

what the Scripture does and does not say.

The very first commandment has been established from the very beginning that tells us that we shall have no other gods before the God of Israel. How then, can we believe in another God that is higher than the Elohim of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob? How can we believe in another God that has come to preach another word than the Elohim of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob? Our Father in heaven tells us that he indeed one-of-a-kind. Once again from **Isaiah chapter 43 verse 10 (scrn 10)**

Isa 43:10 "You are my witnesses," declares the LORD, "and my servant whom I have chosen, that you may know and believe me and understand that I am he. Before me no god was formed, nor shall there be any after me.

Isa 43:11 I, I am the LORD, and besides me there is no savior.

Isa 43:12 I declared and saved and proclaimed, when there was no strange god among you; and you are my witnesses," declares the LORD, "and I am God.

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According to our Father in heaven no God was formed before him and no God like him will be formed after him. And according to our Father in heaven there is no Savior but him. And why is that? Because it was our Father in heaven that devised a plan to save mankind clear back in the book of Genesis. It was our Father in heaven that put into play his unfolding plan of salvation for mankind. It was our Father in heaven who created the descendent of David and used him as a servant to be his sacrificial lamb that would be able and willing to bring forth God's mercy and his unfolding plan of salvation for mankind.

There is only one Most High Elohim of Israel who sits atop of all the universe.(scrn 11)

1Co 11:3 But I want you to understand that the head of every man is Christ, the head of a wife is her husband, and the head of Christ is God.

1Co 15:24 Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power.



Let the pillars of the earth be shaken, let the ground quake, let the heavens shout for joy, let the wicked tremble, and the faithless hide themselves among the rocks. There is only one true Most High Elohim of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob and his faithful servant Yeshua Hamashiach the descendent of David the seed of Abraham the offspring of the human woman who has crushed the head of the serpent will indeed return to the earth as the lion of Judah to tread the winepress of the wrath of Yehovah God his Father. And when that day comes, the abomination that has been drug into the church of Yehovah God will indeed be made desolate and the truth will once again prevail and the darkness will once again be defeated.

Look up my friends for your redemption is indeed near. For all these things have been written for our benefit. And all of these things testify against the master of deception. Many have been called but only few will be chosen. Strait is the gate and narrow is the path but only few there will be that find it.

Stay strong, stay sober, stay awake, and stay watching for we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed but are of those who are prepared for battle by putting on the full armor of God and renewing our minds daily. May Yehovah bless us and keep us, may Yehovah make his face to shine upon us and be gracious to us, and may Yehovah lift up his countenance upon us and give us peace. For so shall the name of Yehovah be put upon the people of Israel yesterday, today, and for forever.

And with those blessings under our belts, I will once again ask everyone within the sound of my voice to please take what you have heard here this morning to your own prayer closet. Bow your head and bend your knee and face the holy promised land of Jerusalem and ask in the name of Yeshua Hamashiach if what you have heard here today be true or not.

Ask, seek, and knock on his door and on his door alone so that the proper door can be opened unto you. And if you will do that, and if you will stay the course to the end, you and I will surely walk through the gates of his soon coming kingdom together.