Holy Communion—Part 2

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The Book of Exodus chapter 12 what is it here that the LORD is speaking to the church on the rapture that He placed in Exodus chapter 12. Again the title is Passover, Exodus 12. Now when you look at this very carefully you begin to understand that the LORD was setting free, that's the first deliverance—Israel from Egypt. And what is also amazing to me is that on this night the LORD ordained to them that as they celebrate this, as they treat this as a lasting ordinance, they should always maintain an all night vigil because that's the day the LORD liberated them.

It's amazing to me that in <u>verse 29</u> He talks about the midnight hour; Hallelujah; when He comes to deliver them at midnight with a strong judgment striking the land as He takes them. And you see that that is synonymous with when the midnight hour arrives and the church is delivered while judgment hits the land; the church having lived in the spiritual Egypt. But I am amazed here by the vigil that He commanded them to maintain even as they observe this Feast of Unleavened Bread; this Passover. And that tells you of what He has told the church to maintain vigil to watch out, <u>Revelation 16 verse 15</u>; be on a watch out when you remember these things.

But now listen to what He says here as we finish: <u>Verse 43</u> "*The LORD said to Moses and Aaron, 'These are the regulations for the Passover: 'No foreigner is to eat of it. Any slave you have bought may eat of it after you have circumcised him, but a temporary resident and a hired worker may not eat of it. 'It must be eaten inside one house; take none of the meat outside the house.*" Now listen to the next level, "*Do not break any of his bones.*" You see that that's the main feature of the Passover Lamb and the LORD was saying, "*Do not break any of the bones of the Passover Lamb.*" Hallelujah! "*The whole community of Israel must celebrate it.*" <u>Verse 48</u>, "*'An alien living among you who wants to celebrate the LORD's Passover must have all the males in his household circumcised;*" that tells you of the spiritual circumcision that takes place in the hearts of the Christian; the repentance and the receiving of our Lord Jesus and then He spiritually circumcises our hearts.

So now we are circumcised and we can partake of the Holy Communion; the everlasting covenant that brings us into the Wedding of the Lamb of God. And He says, "It must be eaten inside the house, take none of the meat outside the houses. Do not break any of the bones. The whole community of Israel MUST celebrate it." Verse 48, "An alien living among you who wants to celebrate the LORD's Passover must have all the males in his household circumcised; then he may take part like one born in the land." He says, "No uncircumcised male may eat of it" which means not until you have repented and received the Lord, you cannot partake of the Holy Communion. "The same law applies to the native-born and to the alien living among you." Verse 50, "All the Israelites did just what the LORD had commanded Moses and Aaron." Verse 51, "And on that very day the LORD brought the Israelites out of Egypt by their divisions."

Now what is it in this powerful <u>Exodus chapter 12</u> that so much talks about the Passover as an everlasting ordinance, everlasting covenant between Jehovah and Israel powerfully ordained by God and commanded to them to be commemorated and marked throughout their lives? What is it that is in this powerful Scripture that speaks revelation to the Holy Communion

in the church and the rapture of the church? Let us begin right away by looking at the following: I want you to know again like I've said that the Jewish Passover has specific elements within which is embedded revelation for the church especially during the time when the rapture is around the corner like now.

Number 1: There is the Unleavened Bread. And you see that when it comes to the Holy Communion in <u>Luke chapter 22 verses 7 to 13</u>, it talks about when the Day of the Unleavened Bread came and here we also see in <u>Exodus chapter 12</u> that He's talking about the Unleavened Bread, the Bread without Yeast. So He's talking about Bread and no Yeast. But what is it in Yeast that makes the LORD say it must be removed, it must not even show up; anyone who eats of yeast during this time must be cut off?

What is in yeast that the LORD so resents? I want you to know that **yeast stands for sin**. Yeast essentially stands for sin. That's why the LORD is saying when it comes to the time now when you are supposed to go for the Holy Communion as an everlasting covenant of faithfulness that speaks about the redemption of the church by the Blood of Jesus that is the cup now that is passed around; the cup of the covenant that He gave to His Bride the church. When it comes to that, that time of the Holy Communion to commemorate what the LORD has done to redeem the church, His Bride then He requires that every Christian, every person be born-again before they partake of the Holy Communion.

That's why you see He was emphasizing the fact that they have to be circumcised. And the ones who are not circumcised if they partake of it, they must be cut off; essentially speaking about the danger that people run into when they come before the Holy Communion unrepented. So yeast represents sin. Therefore there was need to remove yeast, to repent, remove sin.

Yeast also represents defilement. So thereby making it important for the church to realize that before you go into the Holy Communion, the Holy Covenant of faithfulness with the Lord, you are supposed to get rid of all form of defilement.

Yeast also talks about the rottenness because we know that as they were living Egypt they did not have time to put yeast in the dough. But that was the intention of the Holy Spirit at that time that they do not have yeast at all in the dough in the bread. In that way, the bread can last longer in the desert and the wilderness as they walk. Hallelujah; because it is common knowledge today that if you take Bread with Yeast and you put the Bread with the Yeast through what they pass through in the wilderness, even just live it in your house for 2 to 3 days, a lot of rot, fungus will start growing on it. So yeast essentially represents rottenness. And yet if you took Bread without Yeast it becomes more durable, can stay longer. So yeast represents rot, rottenness. That's why He said, "You must remove it if you are coming before me in the Holy Communion." Hallelujah!

Yeast also represents inflation which means exaggeration; which is lies and deceit which is actually the biggest sin of the antichrist. He will deceive so they can worship him instead of Christ. So yeast represents inflation, lies. Inflation essentially represents lies, which means you are saying, "The value is this and not this," you are giving the untrue value—inflation. Hallelujah! Yeast also speaks about exaggeration, exaggerating the value that's why the bread is swollen, the loaf is swollen. Hallelujah! Yeast also talks about deceit; the same sin on the antichrist. And yeast talks about inflammation, pain, infection somebody. That's why He emphasized all across the Book of Exodus chapter 12, "Eat nothing made out of yeast. Make

sure you eat Bread made without Beast. You shall not eat Bread made with Yeast." He repeats it many, many times in <u>Exodus chapter 12</u>, so it may be very clear to Israel that you shall not eat Bread with Yeast when it comes to observing and commemorating this every lasting ordinance and covenant between you Israel and Jehovah God in remembrance of how we delivered you from slavery.

You see that? It was a holy deliverance; deliverance from the land where many gods were being worshipped. And yet when it comes to Holy Communion that's the same language the Lord is speaking. That's why I said I am going to examine what the LORD has embedded within the Passover festivity that so much speaks to the Holy Communion of the church so we can mature up, grow as a mature Bride.

Hallelujah! And so **yeast also represents corruption and swollenness**. Yeast represents no substance. If you look at Bread with Yeast, so many air particles in there, air. The way it is less; it is swollen; it is exaggerated. Hallelujah! It is no substance, weightlessness. It's not of gravity, weight. Hallelujah! Empty, the empty airspaces; **yeast talks of emptiness**, somebody and many, many other things.

So I have already emphasized to you now the fact as why Jehovah God ensured that yeast be removed when they come to celebrate the Feast of Passover. Hallelujah! Let us move to the next item.

How about the Bread without Yeast that He ordained to be brought when they are celebrating the Passover ceremony? Hallelujah! And when we are going to the Holy Communion, why has He spoken about bread—Bread without Yeast? Now listen to this somebody: When you look at the Hebrew and the Jewish Passover, first of all by calendar, it normally comes around the same time of Easter. Hallelujah! Because He said, at Passover time there is the Feast of Unleavened Bread and then the sacrificing of the Passover Lamb.

No wonder the Jewish calendar and the normal calendar it appears that every time the Easter is coming when Jesus the Perfect Passover Lamb was sacrificed, there is a coincidence around the same time the Jewish Passover is being celebrated. So surely whatever is happening here in Exodus 12 was speaking prophecy to the church. Hallelujah!

This is the only way the church can mature if you'll understand every little aspect that is embedded and coded in the Scripture—Old and New Testament. Now look at this somebody: The Bread that is brought without Yeast, Bread which is Unleavened, Bread without Yeast during Passover brought at the table during the Jewish Passover is called Matza. But when you look at Matza, Matza has so many ridges, stripes; it's stripped in ridges. What does that represent to the church? I said I'm going to examine each and every element at the Jewish Passover Table and speak with you on what revelation it carries to the church.

Why is the Matza always with so many stripes, stripes? Let's look at the Book of <u>Isaiah</u> <u>53</u> somebody and see the revelation on why the Matza Bread is striped; the Bread that's Unleavened. Look at this somebody: He says here very carefully <u>Isaiah 53 verse 2</u>, "He grew up before him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of dry ground. He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering. Like one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not." Hallelujah!

<u>Verse 4 Isaiah 53</u>, "Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our

transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed." Those are the stripes, "...by His stripes we are healed." That's why you see that the Bread that the Jewish people placed at the Passover when they are commemorating the mighty ordinance of the Passover Feast that Bread is without Yeast, meaning Holy Bread. The Body of Christ is Holy; meaning Holy Bread and it's striped. Those are the stripes that the Body of Christ took even on the Cross. You see that? Hallelujah!

"We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own ways; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of all of us. He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open up his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By oppression and judgment he was taken away. And who can speak of his descendants? For he was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgression of my people he was stricken." You see that; the stripes? "He was assigned a grave among the wicked, with the rich in his death, though he had done no violence, nor was any deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the Father to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the LORD makes his life a guilt offering, he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the LORD will prosper in his hand. After the suffering of his soul, he will see the light [of life] and be satisfied; by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities. Therefore I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death. He was numbered with the transgressors. For he bore the sins of many, and made intercession for transgressors."

Listen to me somebody: I'm just emphasizing on the importance of the fact that during the Jewish Passover which is so much written about for the church in <u>Exodus chapter 12</u> there is Unleavened Bread called Matza, Holy Bread without Yeast; yeast being sin and that bread is normally stricken, stripped. I'm talking about the stripes that hit the Body of Christ to release the Covenant of the Blood and that is the meaning of that Bread that's called Matza that during the Hebrew ceremony, the Hebrew commemoration of the Passover is placed at the Table and eaten and not Bread with Yeast.

The same thing we can see the Book of <u>1 Peter chapter 2 verse 24</u>; still talking about the same bread he says, "*He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.*" Right away you begin to understand that the stripes that you see on the Matza, the Bread that the Jewish people, the Hebrew people use which is Holy Bread, Unleavened Bread that they were commanded by God to use at the Passover Table has many stripes essentially talking about the stripes on the Body of our Lord Jesus when He was sacrificed, the Passover Lamb had to be sacrificed, the stripes that also healed us.

Isn't that a mighty revelation to the church? And I want us to move to the next level now precious people and look at the <u>bitter herbs</u>; they also offer them at the Passover Table just like the LORD ordained, the Passover Lamb and the restoration. Let's look at the Unleavened Bread one more time; a little deeper now. We have looked at the yeast, why yeast should not be included because this is a Holy Moment when God is delivering His people Israel from the Land of slavery. And for the church we see that the Holy Communion speaks about an ordinance of a Holy moment when Christ the Son of God was sacrificed on the altar of the cross so His Blood could redeem the church from spiritual Egypt even speaking about the rapture when she will have defeated death for the first time having been redeemed completely into the Kingdom of God. So Bread without Yeast, Unleavened Bread; let's look at the Book of <u>Luke</u> <u>chapter 22 verse 7</u>. Why does the LORD emphasize on Bread without Yeast? What does Bread without Yeast stand for?

Let's begin from that very place where we began. This is what the Lord says here somebody about Unleavened Bread. <u>Verse 7</u> and He says, "*Then came the day of Unleavened Bread on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed.*" So you see right away that Unleavened Bread is always related to the sacrificing of the Passover Lamb. And for us as a church, Christ is the Perfect Passover Lamb; the Passover Lamb of God that was sacrificed to shed His Blood for the sins of the nations of the earth; the sins of the church. That's a very important message there.

And at the same time let us look at <u>Exodus 12 verses 1 to 20</u> talks about the Unleavened Bread. Most importantly still talking about the Unleavened Bread that is so much celebrated in the Book of <u>Exodus chapter 12 verses 1 all the way to 51</u> the Unleavened Bread that the LORD has emphasized so much what is the revelation to the church on that Bread; why did the LORD say Unleavened Holy Bread? <u>Genesis chapter 19 verses 1 to 3</u> says, <u>Sodom and Gomorrah Destroyed</u>, "The two angels arrived at Sodom in the evening, and Lot was sitting in the gateway of the city. When he saw them, he got up to meet them and bowed down with his face to the ground. 'My lords,' he said, 'please turn aside to your servant's house. You can wash your feet and spend the night, then go on your way early in the morning.' 'No,' they answered, 'we will spend the night in the square.''' <u>Verse 3</u>, "But he insisted so strongly that they did go with him and entered his house. He prepared a meal for them, baking bread without yeast, and they ate." Why am I emphasizing this Scripture right now?

I'm looking at the different aspects of the Bread without Yeast; why the LORD emphasized the Bread without Yeast and what does it stand for in the church and the Holy Communion. Now in this case we see very clearly that Sodom and Gomorrah were to be destroyed. And the LORD has sent His 2 angels there so Sodom and Gomorrah may be destroyed. But Lot having recognized them went to bow down and worship them.

So Bread that is Unleavened here that he presented before these men, Hallelujah; essentially it speaks about the fact that this is a Holy Place, Bread without Yeast. He talks about redemption and salvation that was going to take place over the life of Lot from Sodom and Gomorrah after he insisted they came and he presented it. **So essentially Bread without Yeast also represents redemption and salvation**; complete redemption from sin and salvation.

Now let's look at Exodus chapter 13; Exodus 13 verses 3 to 7 and this is what the LORD says here, "Moses said to the people, 'Commemorate this day, the day you came out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery, because the LORD brought you out of it with a mighty hand. Eat nothing containing yeast." He's still emphasizing. "Today, in the month of Abib, you are leaving. When the LORD brings you into the land of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Hivites and Jebusites—the land he swore to your forefathers to give to you, a land flowing with milk and honey—you are to observe this ceremony in this month: For seven days eat bread made without yeast and on the seventh day hold a festival unto the LORD. Eat unleavened bread" He's repeating that "...during those seven days; nothing with yeast in it is to be seen among you, nor shall any yeast be seen anywhere within your borders. On that day tell your sons, 'I do this because of what the LORD did for me when I came out of Egypt.' This observance will be for you like a sign on your hand and a reminder on your forehead that the law of the LORD is to be on

your lips." Hallelujah! "For the LORD brought you out of Egypt with his mighty hand. You must keep this ordinance at the appointed time each year." It's important to realize that actually the LORD here He is talking about the fact that Unleavened Bread also acts as a reminder because He says, "This should be a reminder unto you" in other words it should remind of the main fact that the LORD He delivered you out of Egypt. And it's interesting that now He ties it in as a law.

He says, "This becomes a law." So you begin to understand that during the sacrificing of the Passover Lamb and also during the Holy Communion; the Holy Communion is supposed to act as a reminder to keep us in the Word of God. Now the other aspects about the Holy Communion is <u>1 Corinthians chapter 5 verses 6 and 11; 1 Corinthians chapter 5:6 and 11</u>; what does the Unleavened Bread stand for to the church? Why does the LORD emphasize Unleavened Bread all around the Bible when it comes to the Holy Communion?

<u>1 Corinthians chapter 5 verses 6 to 11</u>, this is what he says here, <u>1 Corinthians chapter 5</u> <u>verses 6 to 11</u> this is what he says. He says, "Your boasting is not good. Don't you know that a little yeast works through the whole batch of dough? Get rid of the old yeast that you may be a new batch without yeast—as you really are. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. Therefore let us keep the Festival, not with the old yeast, the yeast of malice and wickedness, but with bread without yeast, the bread of sincerity and truth." I just want you to understand that the Bread without Yeast, **the Unleavened Bread that the Father is emphasizing to the church essentially also stands for sincerity and truth** because He says, "Bread without Yeast, the Bread of sincerity and truth."

And that's why the LORD God ordained and commanded that when they celebrate the Passover when the Lamb is slaughtered, the Passover of the LORD, they are never to eat Bread with Yeast, but only Bread without Yeast. And now we are seeing deeper that Bread without Yeast essentially also stands for sincerity and truth.

Again in the last few, Matthew chapter 16; Hallelujah; verses 5 to 12, He still talks about the deeper revelation of the Bread without Yeast. Again Matthew chapter 16 He still talks about Bread without Yeast. Matthew 16:5 to 12 look at what He says here about Bread without Yeast; He says The Yeast of the Pharisees, "When they went across the lake, and the disciples forgot to take bread. 'Be careful,' Jesus said to them. 'Be on your guard against the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees." And He says, "They discussed this among themselves and said, 'It is because we didn't bring any bread.' Aware of their discussion, Jesus asked, 'You of little faith, why are you talking among yourselves about having no bread? Do you still not understand? Don't you remember the five loaves for the five thousand, and how many basketfuls you gathered? Or the seven loaves for the four thousand, and how many basketfuls you gathered? How is it that you don't understand that I was not talking to you about bread? But be on your guard against the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees.' Then they understood that he was not telling them to quard against the yeast used in bread, but against the teachings of the Pharisees and Sadducees." I just want to emphasize one thing here that in this case we see very clearly a case in time when the LORD now in the Bible is using Bread without Yeast as the true teaching, the true Word.

He is emphasizing the fact that Bread without Yeast stands for the true Word. But He's also using the fact that Bread with Yeast stands for the teachings of the Pharisees and the Sadducees essentially the false teachings in the church; when you translate into the church He is saying that Bread without Yeast represents the true doctrine, the true teaching, of the true

Word of God. And yet Bread with Yeast standing for false teachings, false prophets, the teachings of the Pharisees, the teachings of the Sadducees, the teachings of the religious people somebody.

And I want to finish up this now, the Book of Judges chapter 6 verse 19; He still talks about the Bread without Yeast. Judges chapter 6 precious people; Judges chapter 6 verse 19 only one verse, somebody. He talks about Bread without Yeast. What does Bread without Yeast stand for in the church? Why does the LORD emphasize Bread without Yeast? Judges chapter 6 verse 19 look at this, Gideon having encountered the Angel of the LORD, He realized this is the Angel of the LORD. He goes out to make a sacrifice. He is able to ask the Angel of the LORD to wait on him so he can make sacrifice and bring unto the Angel of the LORD. Look at what he does in verse 19: He says, "Gideon went in, prepared a young goat, and from an ephah of flour he made bread without yeast. Putting the meat in a basket and its broth in a pot, he brought them out and offered them to him under the oak." Hallelujah! In other words, the LORD is using this to emphasize the fact that Bread without Yeast is the Bread of the Presence of the LORD.

Bread without Yeast is the Bread of the Visitation of the LORD because you see that from that point on when Gideon presents Bread without Yeast, the Angel touched it after he poured broth. He was ordered to pour broth away. The Angel touched it on the rock and a huge flame of fire visited that rock; visited Gideon. And that was the beginning of a mighty visitation in the land and at the same time if you read further you see that the Bread without Yeast that brought the mighty visitation also led to Gideon destroying the Asherah poles and the altars of Baal.

So in other words the Bread without Yeast here, in this case in <u>Judges chapter 6</u> is being used by the LORD to emphasize the fact that it stands for the mighty visitation, the Bread of the Presence. No wonder it was always in the Holy Place; the Bread of the Visitation and at the same time the dismantling of the altars that are false, the altars of Baal; the altars of false prophecies and teachings in the church.

And I want to finish up with one mighty Bread that is John chapter 6; John chapter 6 verse 32 to 59. We are finishing now with the mighty Bread that you seen in John chapter 6. Again Bread without Yeast is what we are still looking at; Jesus the Bread of Life. We are now talking about Jesus the true Bread without Yeast that is present at Passover. Verses 32 precious people; John chapter 6 verses 32 on; look at what He says here. He says, "Jesus said to them, 'I tell you the truth, it is not Moses who has given you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." Now you see when you move, you summarize all that together what the LORD was talking about in the Old Testament and in the New Testament essentially He was talking about the Bread without Yeast that is present during Passover, the one whose Body is stripped, Hallelujah; that's why Matza is stripped.

He's talking about the true Bread that was given to us from Heaven by the Father to give us life, to give life to the world. "'Sir,' they said, 'from now on give us this bread.' Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty." Now look at that somebody: He's saying He is the Bread of life and whoever eats Him, comes to Him, eats His flesh will never hunger, will never die. But He also says something interesting, "...will never thirst;" whoever goes to Him will never thirst. So essentially in this case you see that the complete Bread of Life that is present during the sacrifice when the Passover Lamb, the Perfect Passover Lamb is being sacrificed, the past Perfect Passover Lamb is Jesus and the Bread that is present at that time which is His Body; essentially He is now talking also about the Holy Spirit. He's talking about the fact that you will not thirst, which means the Spirit of the LORD will fill you.

Look at what He says, "But as I told you, you have seen me and still you do not believe. All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away."