

Holy Communion—Part 5

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Hallelujah; now listen to this somebody: When the church approaches the Holy Communion Table, the church should be able to wear the bitterness that Christ went through even as He lived on earth here.

Has the church done that? And unfortunately, the answer is no. Let me bring you to another level 1 Peter chapter 1 verse 19 still the same thing; and he says here very carefully *“but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.”* That is essentially still the Passover Lamb that was rejected. You see that; the perfect Passover Lamb that is completely rejected by the world Hallelujah and you know only accepted by the Father.

Somebody, I want to go to something more important now, a very critical revelation. And again there are 2 levels of this revelation here: Why did the Father order Israel, command Israel to have bitter herbs every time they commemorate the Passover feast? Now the first one we have seen, the deep revelation to the church is the bitterness that Christ would go through at birth. No wonder bitter myrrh is placed at His feet. He has entered with bitter myrrh.

He is born like this bitter myrrh is at His feet: gold, bitter myrrh and frankincense—gold speaking about the everlasting Presence of God around Him. The bitter myrrh, the bitterness of His life—the rejection He would suffer and then frankincense out of that rejection a fragrance would come forth into the Throne Room of God to atone for the sins of the world. But now there is the next level somebody.

The Book of John chapter 19; this is getting very deep now. Why the bitter herb? John chapter 19 and I’m reading today verse 38 to verse 42. Listen to what he says, *“Later, Joseph the Arimathean asked Pilate for the body of Jesus. Now Joseph was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly because he feared the Jews. With Pilate’s permission, he came and took the body away.”* Verse 39, *“He was accompanied by Nicodemus, the man who had earlier visited Jesus at night. Nicodemus brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about seventy-five pounds. Taking Jesus’ body, the two of them wrapped it, with the spices, in strips of linen. This was in accordance with the Jewish burial customs.”* Listen to me somebody, we can stop there. What is the significance of the bitter herb in Exodus chapter 12 verse 8 and what is the prophecy God was speaking there concerning the Messiah, concerning the Passover Lamb that is Jesus, concerning the Holy Communion and the rapture? And so we see very clearly in verse 39 of John chapter 19, *“He was accompanied by Nicodemus, the man who earlier had visited Jesus at night. Nicodemus had brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about seventy-five pounds. Taking Jesus’ body, the two of them wrapped it, with the spices, in strips of linen. This was in accordance with the Jewish burial customs.”* Now listen to me precious viewers, it’s very important to understand one thing that the LORD God commanded Israel to eat the bitter herb during the Passover festivity, Passover to remember the bitterness that they had gone through.

But the prophecy that He was speaking to the church at that time was that Christ the Passover Lamb had entered the world by bitter myrrh. The wise men placed bitter myrrh at His feet telling Him that your life will be bitter on earth and that bitter life will bring forth a great fragrance into the Throne Room of our Father in Heaven to atone for the sins of man.

But look at this now: When He's dead on the cross, Joseph and Nicodemus come and they lower the body. But what do they bring? They bring 75 pounds which is like 75,000 kilos of bitter myrrh and they cover that Body. In other words, with bitter myrrh He entered; with bitter myrrh He left. Isn't that amazing somebody? And then you see that He poured aloe, sweet smelling aloe over it.

What was the significance of that somebody?" In other words, the Holy Spirit was giving a prophecy. The Holy Spirit was saying, "Look, you have suffered so much bitterness on the cross; throughout your life you have suffered bitterness and on this cross you've been brutalized. You have suffered so much bitterness that no man has seen and because of that the bitter myrrh is poured to symbolize that bitterness He suffered. A lot of bitter myrrh, 75,000 kilos of bitter myrrh and aloe, sweat smelling oil is poured speaking about the sweat fragrance that this torn Body has now brought into the Throne Room of our Father in Heaven that has atoned for the sins of men. Hallelujah!

Do you understand the meaning of the bitter herb that the LORD commanded Israel in Exodus chapter 12 verse 8 to eat when they mark the Passover festivity? It is very deep; "with bitter myrrh you entered," that is the Lord Jesus; "with bitter myrrh you left. With bitterness you entered. Many children were killed of 2 years and under. They escaped with you to Egypt; Rachel is wailing in Ramah and weeping; bitterness all the time—rejection; the Living Stone that is rejected. Finally you suffered the greatest brutality of bitterness that tore your Body."

Let's look at the tearing of the Body that He's talking about here—tearing of the Body. The Book of Isaiah somebody; Isaiah chapter 52—the bitterness on the cross that He suffered that brought us peace; verse 13 to 15 he says, "*See, my servant will act wisely; he will be raised and lifted up and highly exalted. Just as there were many who were appalled at him—his appearance was disfigured beyond that of any man.*" Do you hear this somebody? Totally disfigured on the cross, beyond the look of any man and he says "*...his appearance was disfigured beyond that of any man, his form marred beyond human likeness—so will he sprinkle many nations, and kings will shut their mouths because of him. For what they were not told, they will see, and what they have not heard, they will understand.*" He was damaged beyond human recognition.

That is what Nicodemus poured bitter myrrh over. And the Holy Spirit was using Nicodemus to say, "Look, you have suffered the greatest bitterness on the cross and that's why I'm pouring this bitter myrrh on you to speak about the greatest bitterness your life has suffered culminating into this greatest tearing of you so you don't even look like human form anymore.

Isaiah 53 is right there; you see and he says, "*He grew up 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.*" Listen to that: "*Like one from whom people should hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.*" Look at that somebody; that is the bitter tearing that He went through on the cross. So you see that He was brought in, in bitterness. Therefore the wise men brought the bitter myrrh at His feet at His birth. And then He left with bitterness; the bitter myrrh Nicodemus brought in.

What is the deeper second level meaning of the bitter myrrh that now is being poured on Him? What is the revelation and the prophecy the Father was speaking when He told Israel

always eat the bitter herb when you mark the Passover? Let me bring you to another level precious people: Nicodemus had a conversation with Jesus in the Book of [John chapter 3 verse 1](#); Hallelujah; and look at what Nicodemus said, *“Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a member of the Jewish ruling council. He came to Jesus at night and said, ‘Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the miraculous signs you are doing if God were not with him.’ In reply Jesus replied, ‘I tell you the truth, no one can see the kingdom of God unless he is born again.’ Do you hear that somebody? ‘‘How can a man be born when he is old?’ Nicodemus asked. ‘Surely he cannot enter a second time into his mother’s womb to be born!’ Jesus answered, ‘I tell you the truth, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless he is born of water and the Spirit. The flesh gives birth to the flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to the spirit. You should not be surprised at my saying, ‘You must be born again.’ The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from and where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.’”* You see that? This is amazing to me. *“‘How can this be?’ Nicodemus asked. ‘You are Israel’s teacher,’ Jesus said, ‘and do you not understand these things? I tell you the truth, we speak of what we know, and we testify of what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony. I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things?’”*

[Verse 13](#), *“No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who has come from heaven—the Son of Man. Just as Moses lifted up”* look at that somebody; *“Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the desert, so the Son of Man”* Hallelujah; this is tremendous revelation, *“...the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.”* Let me stop there somebody. Listen to this mighty revelation: Why does Joseph finally appear with Nicodemus who had visited Jesus in [John chapter 3](#)?

What is the importance of that in relationship to the bitter herb that the LORD ordained and commanded Israel in [Exodus 12 verse 8](#) to keep eating every time they are going through the Passover festivity? Now you see that Nicodemus brings the bitter myrrh and covers the Body of Christ speaking about the bitterness Christ has gone through. But you also begin to understand that the conversation that Nicodemus had with Jesus in [John chapter 3](#) was not yet completed until [John chapter 19](#) because Jesus said, “Unless a man be born-again he cannot enter the Kingdom of God.” Nicodemus said, “But how can I enter my mother’s womb and be born again when I’m mature already?” And Jesus says, “No that’s not what I meant.” He says, “What is born of the Spirit gives birth to the spirit and what is born of the flesh gives birth to the flesh.”

That means to enter the Kingdom of God you must be born of the Spirit. And the rapture is a spiritual Wedding. That’s why we all must be born of the Spirit, be filled of the Spirit, so we can Wed the Spirit-filled man Jesus in a spiritual Wedding—the rapture, to wear the spiritual rings in Heaven, to hear the spiritual voice of the archangel, to hear the spiritual trumpet of God in the sky, to enter the spiritual Kingdom of God in Heaven. Do you get me somebody? So when Nicodemus begins the conversation with Jesus in [John chapter 3](#) He says, “Unless a man be born-again he cannot see the Kingdom of God.”

Essentially it was not finished until [John chapter 19](#) because [John 3](#) on, Jesus said, “That which is born of the Spirit gives birth to the spirit; that which is born of the flesh gives birth to the flesh.” Now look at this somebody: The flesh is made out of the dust of the earth. The flesh

is loaded with sin. The wages of sin is death. In other words, Jesus was telling Nicodemus in [John chapter 3](#) that you must kill the flesh first before you enter the Kingdom of God. Hallelujah! Now listen to another revelation here, down there in [John chapter 3](#) Jesus said, “Just as Moses raised the bronze snake on the cross that those that would focus on it during the time when they had been attacked, they would be delivered,” so will the Son of Man be raised so those who believe in Him may enter the Kingdom of God.

What does that tell us here somebody? Number 1 is this: When Jesus was being used of the Lord to deliver the church the prophecy had already been spoken when the Lord called Moses through the burning fire; the Burning Bush. When the Lord called Moses by the Burning Bush and He asked him, “What is that in your hand?” Essentially that rod which Moses used to deliver the children of Israel from Egypt into the wilderness of repentance; Hallelujah! The wilderness of worship into the Promise Land of milk and honey; that rod essentially symbolized the cross of Jesus. And Moses did a prophecy of what Jesus was going to do with the church using that rod; Moses delivered Israel from Egypt into the Promised Land through the wilderness. Hallelujah!

Now listen to this: Jesus would then come with the cross and deliver the church from spiritual Egypt so the church may be free now to worship into the wilderness of repentance into the Promised Land of milk and honey—the rapture of the church; the Wedding Supper of the Lamb of God. He said, “And never again will I drink of the fruit of this vine until it is accomplished in the Kingdom of God.”

So you see very clearly here why Nicodemus has to appear at the end when Jesus, the Body is being removed from the cross. Again I repeat here: In [John chapter 3](#) Jesus said “Unless a man be born-again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God.” And Nicodemus asked, “But how possible is it that a man who is as old as I am, can enter into his mother’s womb to be born again. Is that possible?” And Jesus said, “No. That which is born of the Spirit gives birth to the spirit; that which is born of the flesh gives birth to the flesh.”

In other words, He was telling Nicodemus the Kingdom of God is born of the Spirit. So the only way you can enter the Kingdom of God is if you are born of the Spirit. In other words, kill your flesh so you may enter the Kingdom of God. And that’s why you see Nicodemus appearing at the end with bitter myrrh, 75 pounds worth and the aloe, the sweet-smelling aroma **to speak about the death of the flesh** so Jesus had now ascended into the Kingdom of God.

Isn’t that an amazing revelation somebody? Now the LORD has released these things to the church that you may mature up because He’s coming for only a mature Bride. But you see that Jesus was also talking about in [John chapter 3](#), “Just as Moses raised the snake, the bronze snake on the cross, so will the Son of Man be raised that whoever believes in Him may be delivered, may enter the Kingdom of God.” In other words, when our Father in Heaven used Moses with the rod to deliver Israel from Egypt so Israel may go worship Him in the wilderness and be able to enter the Promised Land of milk and honey, essentially was speaking a prophecy to the church of what Christ would do with the cross to deliver the church from spiritual Egypt so she could be set free from the death Adam had brought into the wilderness of repentance; repent for the Kingdom of God is near, so the church may enter the rapture, the Land of milk and honey; the Wedding Supper of the Lamb of God.

Isn't that an amazing revelation to the church? Hallelujah! But I want to take you to another level as we finish here somebody: The Book of [Mark chapter 15](#) we are still looking at Nicodemus bringing the bitter myrrh and pouring on the Body. [Mark chapter 15 verses 22 and 23](#); [Mark chapter 15:22 and 23](#) what is the prophecy of the bitter herb and the bitter myrrh that Nicodemus now brings on the Body of Christ? [Mark 15 verses 22 and 23](#) somebody listen to this now: *"They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means The Place of the Skull). They offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it."* So you see that myrrh was a constant.

The Holy Spirit was causing them to give Him myrrh to speak about the bitterness He had suffered. But let's move on to the next level precious people. The Book of [1 Peter chapter 2](#); [1 Peter chapter 2 verse 21 to 24](#) what's the meaning of the bitter herb—the bitter herb that the LORD commanded Israel to eat during the Passover and now we see the bitter myrrh when Jesus is born and the bitter myrrh that Nicodemus brings when Jesus is removed from the cross—His Body. Look at this somebody [verse 21 and 24](#) of the Book of [1 Peter chapter 2](#), *"To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps."* So every time you approach the Holy Communion Table, you should approach with bitterness because you are following the example of the bitterness He went through.

But listen to the next level, *"He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth."* Listen to this somebody: In the Book of Exodus when the LORD sent Moses to call Aaron, He commanded Moses in [Exodus chapter 30 verse 22](#) I remember, He commanded Moses to prepare sacred Anointing Oil and part of the component was bitter myrrh—liquid myrrh. And the liquid myrrh component of the sacred Anointing Oil was meant to purify Aaron because in those days liquid myrrh was used to wash the wounds—kill the bacteria from the wounds. So that's why the sacred Anointing Oil had to contain the liquid myrrh and when he poured on the servant of the LORD it will bring the purification; wash out; purify, wash out the sins so they would be holy and purified before the LORD.

Now we are seeing at the same time that when Jesus is born, the wise men bring myrrh to Him; a sign of purity now that your life will be bitter and that bitterness will bring purity, a purity that will bring a fragrance of the frankincense that will saturate the Throne Room of God. And then He would atone for the sins of men. But listen to this: Nicodemus brings myrrh; bitterness and purity at the end also when He's done with the world. What is the meaning of that? That means, **"Without sin He came and without sin He left."**

Hallelujah! What a tremendous revelation somebody. In the Book of [1 Peter chapter 2 verse 22](#) he says, *"He committed no sin"* again, *"He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth."* *"He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth."* Hallelujah! What a mighty, mighty revelation to the church of Christ. Let us finish up with this; still talking about the bitter myrrh. The Book of Hebrews; [Hebrews chapter 4 verse 15](#) this is very deep; Hallelujah; extremely deep now for the church. [Hebrews chapter 4 verse 15](#) he says, *"For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet was without sin."* He entered without sin and He left without sin.

That's why the wise men brought myrrh talking about purity and purification that would be in His life; the purity that would characterize His life, sinlessness that would be in His life.

And when He left when Nicodemus pulled Him with Joseph from the cross, they poured the myrrh talking about the purity, the sinlessness with which He left. Without sin He came; without sin He left. Hallelujah! Look at this somebody: Hebrews chapter 7 verses 26 to 28 same thing; Hebrews 7:26 to 28 this is what he is talking about; why did He enter with myrrh and live with myrrh? He says, *“Such a high priest meets our need—one who is holy, blameless, pure, set apart from sinners, and exalted above the heavens.”* I want to bring you to another level precious people.

Why did Jehovah the Father in the Book of Exodus chapter 12 verse 8 command Israel that, “Every time you commemorate and celebrate the Feast of Passover don’t cook the Passover Lamb in water or eat it raw; don’t eat him raw. But roast him on fire.” Exodus chapter 12 verse 8 this is the revelation here precious people; this is the revelation: When Nicodemus put myrrh on the Body of Christ after they removed Him from the cross, He poured aloe, sweet-smelling aloe which said, “Out of this broken Body; out of this Body that has been abused, has come forth a fragrance that has saturated the Throne Room of our Father in Heaven therefore making Him atone for the sins of all men.”

Hallelujah! And when the Lamb is been roasted in Exodus chapter 12 verse 8 then the Father ah....He could receive the sweet fragrance; the aroma and then release Israel from Egypt. The Book of Leviticus 23 verse 4 to 8; why did He command the roasting of the Lamb? Leviticus 23 Hallelujah; verses 4 to 8; today we are getting very deep. Look at what He says here, Leviticus 23 verses 4 all the way to 8, He says, The Passover, the Unleavened Bread; he says, *“These are the LORD's appointed feasts, the sacred assemblies you are to proclaim at the appointed times:”* *“These are the LORD's appointed feasts, the sacred assemblies you are to proclaim at the appointed times: The LORD's Passover begins at twilight on the fourteenth day of the first month. On the fifteenth day of that month the LORD's Feast of Unleavened Bread begins; for seven days you must eat bread made without yeast. On the first day hold a sacred assembly, do no regular work.”* You see that? *“For seven days present an offering made unto the LORD by fire.”* Do you hear me precious people and He says, “Do no regular work.” He was commanding that they present sacrifice prepared unto the LORD by fire. What was the message to the church?

In other words He was telling the church when it comes to the rapture of the church, “Please only present the church that has been purified by the fire of the Holy Spirit” because the 2 Golden Rings in the sky are made of very rich, highly purified gold. And we know that only fire; and we know that only fire purifies gold to the highest purity—removing impurities. And we know also that only the fire of the Holy Spirit can purify the sins of the church and keep her pure, sinless like Christ.

The Book of Matthew; Matthew chapter 2 verse 11 we’ve seen the frankincense that was emitted, that was emitting a fragrance which the wise men brought. That also speaks of the precious roasting that was taking place of the lamb; you know Exodus 12 verse 8. This is getting very deep today. Hallelujah! Why did the LORD command that Israel would have to roast the Lamb, not to boil it in water or eat it raw? What was the message to the church? Look at this somebody: Let us move to the next level.

Genesis 2 verses 8 to 17 Hallelujah; listen to this precious people, *“Now the LORD God had planted a garden in the east, in Eden; and there he put the man he had formed.”* Again, *“Now the LORD God had planted a garden in the east, in Eden; and there he put the man he had*

formed. And the LORD God made all kinds of trees grow in the ground—trees that were pleasing to his eyes and good for food. In the middle of the garden were the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. A river was watering the garden that flowed from Eden; from there it was separated into four water heads. The name of the first was the Pishon; it winds through the entire land of Havilah, where there is gold. (The gold in that land is good gold; aromatic resin and onyx.) How does that relate to the roasting of the Lamb that God commanded that during Passover you can only roast the Lamb on fire and eat it with bitter herbs and Bread without Yeast?

Now listen to this somebody: We see very clearly here that in the Garden of Eden when the LORD created man, Hallelujah; precious people you see very clearly here that when the LORD created man in a perfect plan in the Garden of Eden, man was very obedient. He was offering a sacrifice of obedience unto the Father because the LORD said, “Don’t eat of this tree in the middle of the Garden; the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.” And for as long as man did not eat of that tree, God walked with man in the cool of the day. He was offering a perfect sacrifice unto the LORD.

Hallelujah! And listen to this somebody: And because of that there was a river that was flowing and I want to focus on one water head called Pishon; Pishon is the good river that flowed in the land of gold and the gold in that land was good gold. What does it mean good gold to the LORD? That means holy, pure to the LORD; only what is holy is called good to the LORD. That means that land was a holy land. And there was the tree of life on both sides of that river.

Hallelujah! Aromatic resin and onyx; remember when the high priests were making their gown they were commanded to adorn them with onyx. The 12 of them to represent the 12 tribes of Israel. Remember when the high priest was making the gown, their gowns are to have onyx, special precious stones—12 of them to represent the 12 tribes of Israel; the 12 sons of Jacob. And in that land where Pishon was flowing, in that river there was onyx, used to make the gown of the high priest. And the gold in that land was good gold. And that’s why when the LORD on the 1st of November presented to me the 2 Wedding Rings that are very golden, pure gold, rich gold, original gold, in the sky undefiled gold, He essentially spoke a prophecy being fulfilled.

He said, “When I first created man before man fell he was obedient to me. He was offering a spiritual sacrifice of obedience to me. I walked with man in the cool of the day” and listen to this “He was walking in that land and I created gold. That gold was good, undefiled gold, the original gold. And from that gold I have now created the Wedding Rings when man is restored into the Kingdom of God then man wears the Golden Rings made out of the original gold; the first gold. That’s why when the LORD said, “I’m longing for my first church; the first faithful church—this is the deeper meaning of that longing.”

When He said in Amos chapter 9 verses 11 and 12, “In those days I will restore David’s fallen tent, its ruins I will build as it used to be.” He was talking about restoring the church, your heart to when it was not yet defiled and man was **offering the spiritual sacrifice of obedience** before the fall of Adam and God was walking with man. But listen to this now: When man was walking with God, he was perfectly obedient to God before the fall of Adam. God walked with him in the cool of the day.

Now listen to this when man failed from disobedience, eating from the tree that he was warned not to eat from; listen to this somebody; then the LORD brought Jesus to restore man by **restoring the sacrifice of obedience**. Hallelujah; the spiritual sacrifice of obedience and that's why you see He takes from the original gold and He makes the same Wedding Rings that now are going to be for the Wedding of the Lamb of God. No counterfeit Wedding Rings. Hallelujah; and that's why the Wedding Rings are made of pure gold. They are like antiques, the old—the old. Hallelujah; they are very original.

Precious people what is the deeper revelation, the next level of the myrrh that Nicodemus poured on the Body of Christ when he removed that Body with Joseph from the cross. It also speaks of the deep pain Jesus went through on the cross that is Psalm 22 and Isaiah 53 and Isaiah 52 verses 13 to 15. May the LORD bless you. Hallelujah!

If you are somewhere today and you have realized that you have fallen short of the Glory of the LORD, of the holiness of the LORD and of the ways of the LORD and now you want to receive Him as LORD and Savior please repeat this prayer with me. Say:

Precious Jesus, I repent of all my sins and I open my heart to you Jesus that you may fill me with the Holy Spirit so that I may live to please you. Mighty Jesus keep my name in the Book of Life of the Lamb of God and bring me into the rapture of the church in the Name of Jesus I have prayed.

If you have said that prayer find a Bible teaching church and prepare the way. Stay in repentance. Make sure you are baptized and walk in absolute holiness. He is coming soon. Prepare the way Isaiah 40 verse 3. Shalom. Amen