

Hidden Prophecies in the Bible
(Exodus 19; Isaiah 53; Psalm 22)

The Word of YAHWEH – the Bible, not only is amazing in its power to convict and transform man, but also very insightful. When we read under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, He certainly reveals meanings and prophecies hidden in between the lines of the sacred pages of His book, the Bible. We have experienced it over and over and I continue to be amazed at the infallibility of His Word. We come to perceive in depths that History is truly His story. The world's pages of History are written by Him. Everything happens to fulfill the purpose of the consummation of His divine plan. As He said, The world will pass away, but My words will not pass away (Mark 13:31); and to Jeremiah, He says, I am alert and active, watching over My word to perform it (Jer. 1:12b); Isaiah 55:10-11 says, For as the rain and snow come down from the heavens, and return not there again, but water the earth and make it bring forth and sprout, that it may give seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall My word be that goes forth out of My mouth: it shall not return to Me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please and purpose, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it. Therefore we must learn to pray, "May Your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven". We see prophecies in Psalms in the written praises and prayers of cries to the Lord. Consider, for example, Psalm 22, it predicts several situations of YAHSHUA'S crucifixion; His hands and His feet pierced through (verse 16) compare it to John 20:25 we read the words of Thomas that say, Unless I see in His hands the marks made by the nails and put my finger into the nail prints, and put my hand into His side I will never believe. Psalm 22:17 predicts that Messiah bones will not be broken. In John 19:33 we read the fulfillment in YAHSHUA'S death. It reads, But when they came to YAHSHUA and they saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs. In verse 18 of Psalm 22 we read that men will cast lots for Messiah's clothing and it happened in Matthew 27: 35, which reads, And when they had crucified Him, they divided and distributed His garments by casting lots. Inspired by the Holy Spirit the Psalmists wrote these Psalms without knowing the futuristic meaning of the words.

The Messianic prophecy of Isaiah 53 details the death and life of YAHSHUA 700 hundred years before He was born a man. In verse 3 (1) Messiah was to be rejected by His people; fulfilled in John 1: 11: He came to that which belonged to him, and they who were His own did not receive Him and did not welcome Him; (2) He would be killed as a sacrifice for the sins of His people (Isaiah 53:5-9); Paul affirms it in II Corinthians 5:15, He died for all, so that all those who live might live no longer to and for themselves; (3) Isaiah 53: 7 prophesied that He would be silent before His accusers; Peter confirmed I Peter 2: 23, When He was reviled and insulted, He did not revile or offer insult in return. (4) Isaiah 53: 9 predicts that He will be buried with the rich; in Matthew 27:57-60 He fulfills it. It reads, When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who also was a disciple of YAHSHUA. . . He took the body and rolled it up in a clean linen cloth used for swathing dead bodies. (5) In Isaiah 53: 12 predicts that Messiah would be among the criminals in His death; Mark writes, With Him they crucified two robbers, one on His right hand and one on His left (Mark 15: 27). (6) In Psalm 16:10, King David prophesied saying, For You will not abandon my soul to Sheol; nor will You allow Your Holy one

to undergo decay. We read in all the gospels that He fulfilled this prophecy on the third day, or on the first days of weeks, He was bought to life (Matt. 28; Mark 16; Luke 24; John 20).

In Exodus 19 we have the prophetic picture of the ministry of the Holy Spirit in the person of Moses, when YAHWEH commanded him to sanctify the people for two days, for on the third day He was going to come down upon Mount Sinai in the sight of all the people. In John 16: 8,14 YAHSHUA details to the disciples the ministry of the Holy Spirit, He said that when the Holy Spirit comes, He will convict and convince the world and bring demonstration to it about sin and about righteousness and about judgment; when He, the Spirit of Truth comes, He will guide you into all the Truth; for He will not speak His own message but He will tell whatever He hears and He will announce and declare to you the things that are to come; He will honor and glorify Me, because He will take of what is Mine and will reveal it to you. The true believer is sealed with the Holy Spirit and to them it is imparted His gifts; we are made holy by the Holy Spirit to obedience (I Peter 1:2); He sanctifies the believer into holiness as He is holy (I Peter 1: 15).

Moses was given the responsibility to prepare the people to meet YAHWEH on the third day. As we know in YAHWEH'S eternity the period of one day is like a thousand years. Prophetically and symbolically speaking, three is of great significance; it speaks of resurrection, restoration. In Hosea 6:1-3 we read the following: Come and let us return to the Lord, for He has torn so that He may heal us; He has stricken so that He may bind us up; after two days (gentile's time) He will revive us (give us life); on the third day He will raise us up that we may live before Him; yes, let us know Him; let us be zealous to know the Lord; His going forth is prepared and certain as the dawn and He will come to us as the rain, as the latter rain that waters the earth. YAHWEH had come to them on the third day to covenant with them, to give them the Law on the third day when He came to the top of Mount Sinai, visible to all the people. Israel was then officially His people, and He was their King. Moses was appointed by YAHWEH to prepare the people to meet the holiness and wholesomeness of the only true God. Even Mount Sinai could not hold quietly the presence of her Creator, without responding with quaking greatly, as we read, On the third morning there were thunders and lightings and a thick cloud upon the mountain, and a very loud trumpet blast, so that all the people in the camp trembled; then Moses brought the people from the camp to meet YAHWEH. Mount Sinai was wrapped in smoke, for the Lord descended upon it in fire; ... and the whole mountain quaked greatly; as the trumpet blast grew louder and louder, Moses spoke and YAHWEH answered him with a voice ... **the Lord called Moses to the top of the mountain and Moses went up (Exodus 19:13-20).** According to Gill's Exposition of the Entire Bible, "This sounding was a preparation to the giving of the Law unto Israel; it went to an high pitch, until it was exceeding vehement and strong and so sonorous as scarce to be bore". As Hebrews 12:21 relates, In fact, so awful and terrifying was the sight that Moses said, I am terrified. YAHWEH'S purpose was to imprint in their heart the reality of Whom He was, so that they would "believe Him and remain steadfast in Him".

At the sound of a trumpet's long blast, YAHWEH came to meet Israel at the top of Mount Sinai; and **Israel went up to the mountain to meet YAHWEH.** So it will be for the bride of Christ when Her Lord will descend from heaven with a loud cry of summons, with the shout of an

archangel, and with the **blast of the trumpet of God**, then she will go up to meet her Lord to be always with Him (I Thess. 4:16-17). YAHWEH'S trumpet sounding will not come with smoke, quaking or with fear, it will not come with judgment, or the giving of the Law; it will not sound bringing trembling and fear, but will come to His bride to fulfill His plan of salvation of long ago executed in His Son, YAHSHUA; We will meet Him in the air in our resurrected and our new uncorrupted body in a twinkle of an eye, according to the letter of Paul to the Corinthians 15:52; it will be a joyous time, indeed!