

WOC INTERNATIONAL

Special Service - Birth Pains Part 1

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Introduction

Why has the Spirit given us this special message at this point in human history?

1 - Return us to Yeshua's timeline so that we are ready for His return as Lion of Judah

Matt 24:24-25 "For there will appear false Messiahs and false prophets performing great miracles – amazing things! – so as to fool even the chosen, if possible. 25 There! I have told you in advance!" CJB

2 - Remind us of what He told us last year on the Feast of Trumpets (Yom Teruah 5780)

On Sept 29, 2019, He said the US and Israel would begin to be judged in year 2020

A mystery of political iniquity would fully mature w/i the non-Community Church

Satan would use political means to separate believers from Torah & each other

To cause us to view life from a political, rather than biblical perspective

We're experiencing what Egypt did - Natural phenomena to an unnatural degree

And like them, we will experience a final plague unique and specific to us

A mystery of ideological purity will spread via the unification of Efrayim & Y'hudah

Efrayim will lead the move to ready non-Messianics for teshuvah & the Return

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Importance of this message today - Learn what the Birth Pains are

And their connection to Jacob's Trouble (aka Great Persecution) & the Season of Fury

1 Peter 3:15-16 "but treat the Messiah as holy, as Lord in your hearts; while remaining always ready to give a reasoned answer to anyone who asks you to explain the hope you have in you — yet with humility and fear, 16 keeping your conscience clear, so that when you are spoken against, those who abuse the good behavior flowing from your union with the Messiah may be put to shame." CJB

What happens when we as believers cannot give a reasoned answer?

Our unclear conscience (1 Pet 3:15-16) blocks us from receiving His _____

John 3:11-12 "Yes, indeed! I tell you that what we speak about, we know; and what we give evidence of, we have seen; but you people don't accept our evidence! 12 If you people don't believe me when I tell you about the things of the world, how will you believe me when I tell you about the things of heaven?" CJB

So, if I am to comprehend "The Birth Pains" and everything connected to it

It begins with realizing Yeshua and His audience (disciples) were not just Jewish in culture

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They were closer in ideology to the Pharisees than the compromising Sadducees

Pharisees problem wasn't false ideology, but behavioral pseudo realities

Matt 23:1-3 "Then Yeshua addressed the crowds and his talmidim: 2 "The Torah-teachers and the P'rushim," he said, "sit in the seat of Moshe. 3 So whatever they tell you, take care to do it. But don't do what they do, because they talk but don't act!" CJB

They taught people the right thing to do; many didn't actually do what they taught!

Setting - Yeshua and His disciples had just left Herod's Temple in Year 3 of the ministry

What should I realize about this event taking place in Year 3?

Most of those following Him in Year 1 & 2, stopped following Him after He said this ...

John 6:65-67 "This," he said, "is why I told you that no one can come to me unless the Father has made it possible for him." 66 From this time on, many of his talmidim turned back and no longer traveled around with him. 67 So Yeshua said to the Twelve, "Don't you want to leave too?" CJB

What does this specific phrase "can come to me unless" have to do with the Birth Pains?

Prior to Yeshua's return, this falling away will happen to many during the Birth Pains

They won't be able to "come to Him" because they _____ the call to repent

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As the disciples were leaving, they made a remark to Yeshua about their Jewish Temple!

They didn't realize its magnificence was temporal, as it was destined for _____

Matt 24:1 "As Yeshua left the Temple and was going away, his talmidim came and called his attention to its buildings. 2 But he answered them, "You see all these? Yes! I tell you, they will be totally destroyed – not a single stone will be left standing!" CJB

Why is the destruction of Herod's Temple (aka 3rd or rebuilt 2nd Temple) significant?

All 3 temples (Solomon's, Z'rubavel's, Herod's) were destroyed by Israel's captors

What did the construction of all 3 Jewish Temples foreshadow? - A 4th temple

Built to welcome the Messiah, but will receive the Anti-Messiah instead

Dan 9:27 "He will make a strong covenant with leaders for one week [of years]. For half of the week he will put a stop to the sacrifice and the grain offering. On the wing of detestable things the desolator will come and continue until the already decreed destruction is poured out on the desolator." CJB

When does the Anti-Messiah break the covenant? - "half the week" into it (3.5 yrs)

Used by believers as a sign to identify the Anti-Messiah and His covenant breaking

Matt 24:15-16 "So when you see the abomination that causes desolation spoken about through the prophet Dani'el standing in the Holy Place" (let the reader understand the allusion), 16 "that will be the time for those in Y'hudah to escape to the hills." CJB

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What are those ignorant of the Birth Pains, Jacob's Trouble, Season of Fury unaware of?**¶ 5th Temple built at the end of the Season of Fury for Yeshua's _____ Reign**

Zech 14:16-17 "Finally, everyone remaining from all the nations that came to attack Yerushalayim will go up every year to worship the king, Adonai-Tzva'ot, and to keep the festival of Sukkot. 17 If any of the families of the earth does not go up to Yerushalayim to worship the king, Adonai-Tzva'ot, no rain will fall on them." CJB

¶ 6th Temple coming to earth from heaven post judgment & purification of the earth

Rev 21:1-3 "Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the old heaven and the old earth had passed away, and the sea was no longer there. 2 Also I saw the holy city, New Yerushalayim, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared like a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. 3 I heard a loud voice from the throne say, "See! God's Sh'khinah is with mankind, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and he himself, God-with-them, will be their God." CJB

If we count the _____ mishkan as a tabernacle, then there are 7 tabernacles**Notes****What is the significance of Yeshua's statement regarding the 3rd temple and its ruin?**

It meant He would never return to a temple built by human hands - Thus, theologically

He was _____ their temple, along with His public work in connection to it

Matt 23:38-39 "Look! God is abandoning your house to you, leaving it desolate. 39 For I tell you, from now on, you will not see me again until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of Adonai.'" CJB

No temple would house His presence any longer, as it was now solely their house!

Post-Pentecost, His presence resides eternally in a _____ human heart

How does this indwelling pertain to physical temples during End Times?

Most of the temples at that time will be idolatrous & run by unclean individuals

Prompting faithful believers to leave & seek fellowship with like-minded brethren

2 Cor 6:17-18 "Therefore Adonai says, "'Go out from their midst; separate yourselves; don't even touch what is unclean. Then I myself will receive you. 18 In fact, I will be your Father, and you will be my sons and daughters.'" says Adonai-Tzva'ot." CJB

Even though Yeshua was speaking of a single event, the disciples knew there was more to it

This led them to ask Him 2 more questions later: What's the sign of His coming and the end

Matt 24:3 "When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the talmidim came to him privately. "Tell us," they said, "when will these things happen? And what will be the sign that you are coming, and that the 'olam hazeh is ending?" CJB

Yeshua answered the 1st and 2nd questions in the light of the present and a future temple

Matt 24:4-6 "Yeshua replied: "Watch out! Don't let anyone fool you! 5 For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am the Messiah!' and they will lead many astray. 6 You will hear the noise of wars nearby and the news of wars far off; see to it that you don't become frightened. Such things must happen, but the end is yet to come." CJB

Note - Where He was standing when He answered them was significant to their query

It was the same place He will stand when He _____ - Mount of Olives

Zech 14:3-4 “Then Adonai will go out and fight against those nations, fighting as on a day of battle. 4 On that day his feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, which lies to the east of Yerushalayim; and the Mount of Olives will be split in half from east to west, to make a huge valley. Half of the mountain will move toward the north, and half of it toward the south.” CJB

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Yeshua connected their ??? to the Birth Pains, Jacob’s Trouble & ending of olam hazeh

Note - Birth Pains precede Jacob’s Trouble and the ending of olam hazeh

Matt 24:8 “All this is but the beginning of the ‘birth-pains.’” CJB

What are the Birth Pains and what is their significance to Yeshua’s return as Messiah?

Christians believe BP are the difficulties Jews will face during the 7-year Tribulation period

Reality - The 7 years is actually two 3.5 years sessions (Jacob’s Trouble & Season of Fury)

Saints are reaped (1st Fruit or resurrected) during Jacob’s Trouble, not before or after

While most non-believers will be reaped (i.e. killed) during the Season of Fury

Rev 16:1 “I heard a loud voice from the sanctuary say to the seven angels, “Go, and pour out on the earth the seven bowls of God’s fury!” CJB

Rabbis taught Jacob’s T was a series of _____ convulsions ushering in a Messianic Age

Reality - They didn’t know about the Birth Pains or Season of Fury prior to this Age

Because they were ignorant of what Yeshua said about the 3 in relation to Judgment

Biblical reality reveals the 3.5 years of Jacob’s Trouble begins when the Birth Pains end

Season of Fury (3.5 years of God’s wrath) starts after first 3.5 years Jacob’s Trouble ends

The Messianic Age (Millennial Reign) starts when the 3.5 year Season of Fury ends

The Battle of Armageddon starts at the end of the 1,000-year Millennial period

Rev 20:1-3 “Next I saw an angel coming down from heaven, who had the key to the Abyss and a great chain in his hand. 2 He seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the Devil and Satan [the Adversary], and chained him up for a thousand years. 3 He threw him into the Abyss, locked it and sealed it over him; so that he could not deceive the nations any more until the thousand years were over. After that, he has to be set free for a little while.” CJB

Why is the period preceding the 3.5 years of Jacob’s trouble known as the Birth Pains?

It symbolizes Israel’s traumatic experiences in becoming Yahweh’s _____ people

Is why 144,000 Messianic Jews are sealed during Jacob’s Trouble (i.e. Great Persecution)

Rev 7:13-14 “One of the elders asked me, “These people dressed in white robes – who are they, and where are they from?” 14 “Sir,” I answered, “you know.” Then he told me, “These are the people who have come out of the Great Persecution. They have washed their robes and made them white with the blood of the Lamb.” CJB

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When did Israel become pregnant with this Remnant? - Sivan 5 (Shavuot's eve) May 14, 1948

When the UN voted to declare them a state following a 6 month civil war in Palestine

As per Yeshua, those alive at that time would be THE _____ to see this sign

Matt 24:32-35 "Now let the fig tree teach you its lesson: when its branches begin to sprout and leaves appear, you know that summer is approaching. 33 In the same way, when you see all these things, you are to know that the time is near, right at the door. 34 Yes! I tell you that this people will certainly not pass away before all these things happen."

Note - The fig tree has always been a symbol of Israel itself (e.g. Jer 24:5-7)

How does the parable apply to Israel's pregnancy and future birth during Jacob's Trouble?

Fig tree in Israel blooms twice a year and bears fruit _____ its leaves appear

Israel bloomed 1st time when they entered PL, 2nd time when they became a state

If you see leaves but no figs, it's because the fig tree is barren (even if it looks fruitful)

Mark 11:12-14 "The next day, as they came back from Beit-Anyah, he felt hungry. 13 Spotting in the distance a fig tree in leaf, he went to see if he could find anything on it. When he came up to it, he found nothing but leaves; for it wasn't fig season. 14 He said to it, "May no one ever eat fruit from you again!" And his talmidim heard what he said."

Soon, the Spirit will use JT to make a barren & spiritually empty Israel, fruitful again

Next week

**Significance of the pregnancy and Birth Pains to Jacob's (Yaakov's) Trouble & Season of Fury
4 Signs Yeshua gave to positively identify the start of the Birth Pains era**

What believers must do to biblically survive the Birth Pains and Jacob's Trouble eras

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