



Palm Sunday

**...One of the most
important days in
history**

- We celebrate Palm Sunday each year...
- But what is the real significance of this day?
- Why is this day one of the most important days recorded in the Bible?
- What makes this day stand apart?
- Zechariah & Daniel prophesied of this day 500 years before it happened!
- David spoke of it 1000 years before...
- Moses spoke prophetically of this day nearly one-and-a-half-thousand years before!
 - Challenge: think of any other day in history like this!

- God is outside of time and has revealed the future before it happens to serve as undeniable proof of His existence
- In the Bible God speaks through direct specific prophecy & types & shadows
- The details of 'Passion Week' were recorded over 1000 years before they took place...
 - ...through the Feasts of Israel,
 - ...the 'Messianic' Psalms
 - ...and through the Old Testament prophets

⁹ Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me,
¹⁰ Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure:

Isaiah 46:9-10

- Through direct specific prophecy
 - History recorded in advance
- Through types and shadows
 - An event that anticipates something yet to occur (a model in advance of the real thing)

Types & Shadows

¹⁰ I have also spoken by the prophets, and I have multiplied visions, and used similitudes, by the ministry of the prophets.

Hosea 12:10

- Adam & Eve – 1 Tim 2:14
- Abraham & Isaac – Gen 22, 24
- Joseph (over 100 ways a type of Christ) – Gen 37-50
- Jonah (3 days & 3 nights) – Jonah 1:17
- The 7 Feasts of Israel – Leviticus 23

Types & Shadows

16 Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath days:

17 Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body is of Christ.

Colossians 2:16-17

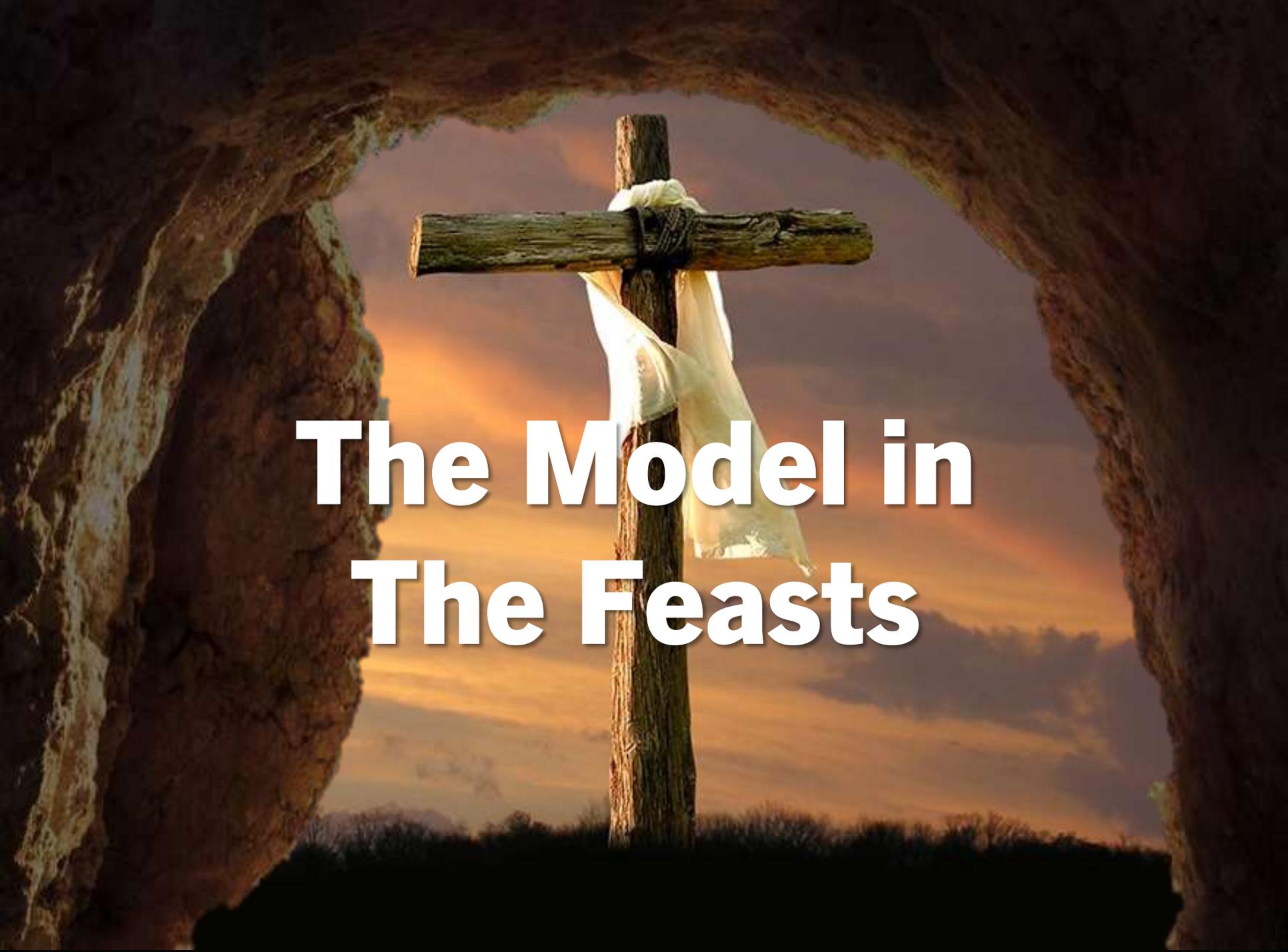
Sabbath Days

Israel had 70 Sabbaths according to the Law of Moses

- 52 weekly Sabbaths
- 7 days for Passover
- 1 day for the Feast of Pentecost
- 1 day for the Feast of Trumpets
- 1 day for the Feast of Atonement
- 7 days for the Feast of Tabernacles
- 1 day for the 'Eighth day of Assembly'

70

Israel's Sabbaths were based on the Lunar calendar

A wooden cross stands in the center, framed by a rough stone archway. A white cloth is draped over the cross. The background is a sunset sky with warm orange and yellow tones. The text "The Model in The Feasts" is overlaid in white, bold, sans-serif font.

The Model in The Feasts

The Feasts of Israel

(Leviticus 23)

- 1 Feast of Passover
- 2 Feast of Unleavened Bread
- 3 Feast of Firstfruits
- 4 Feast of Weeks (Pentecost)
- 5 Feast of Trumpets
- 6 Feast of Atonement
- 7 Feast of Tabernacles

The Feasts of Israel

5 In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the LORD's passover.

6 And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD: seven days ye must eat unleavened bread.

7 In the first day ye shall have an holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work therein.

8 But ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD seven days: in the seventh day is an holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work therein.

The Feasts of Israel

⁹ And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

¹⁰ Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come into the land which I give unto you, and shall reap the harvest thereof, then ye shall bring a sheaf of the **firstfruits** of your harvest unto the priest:

¹¹ And he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted for you: **on the morrow after the sabbath** the priest shall wave it.

The Feasts of Israel

- Passover
 - 14th Nisan
- Feast of Unleavened Bread
 - 15th Nisan
- Feast of Firstfruits
 - the day after the Sabbath after Passover
 - always on a Sunday

'In the volume of the book'

- In 1 Cor 15 Paul declares 'the gospel'
 - ...that Christ has died
 - ...that He was buried
 - ...that He rose again...
- "ACCORDING TO THE SCRIPTURERS!"
- **The Feast of Passover**
 - foreshadows Christ's sacrificial death
- **The Feast of Unleavened Bread,**
 - His burial
- **The Feast of Firstfruits,**
 - His resurrection

The Feast of Passover

³ Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth day of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for an house:

Exodus 12:3

The Feast of Passover

⁵ Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats:

⁶ And ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in the evening.

⁷ And they shall take of the blood, and strike it on the two side posts and on the upper door post of the houses, wherein they shall eat it.

Exodus 12:5-7

The Feast of Passover

¹¹ And thus shall ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it is the LORD's passover.

¹² For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the LORD.

Exodus 12:11-12

The Feast of Passover

¹³ And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt

Exodus 12:13

The Feast of Passover

²² And thou shalt say unto Pharaoh, Thus saith the LORD, Israel is my son, even my firstborn:

²³ And I say unto thee, Let my son go, that he may serve me: and if thou refuse to let him go, behold, I will slay thy son, even thy firstborn.

Exodus 4:22-23

The Feast of Passover

(Summary)

- Take a lamb on the 10th day of the 1st month
(March/April)
- The lamb must be a perfect male
- On the 14th day of the 1st month they were to kill the lamb in the evening
- The blood of the lamb was to be put on the doorposts & lintel – all who passed ‘under the blood’ into the house would be safe from God’s judgment upon the firstborn of the land

The Feast Unleavened Bread

- 4 These are the feasts of the LORD, even holy convocations, which ye shall proclaim in their seasons.
- 5 In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the LORD's passover.
- 6 And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD: seven days ye must eat unleavened bread.

Leviticus 23:4-6

- Detailed in Exodus 12:12-20

7 days of unleavened bread

¹⁸ In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at even, ye shall eat unleavened bread, until the one and twentieth day of the month at even.

¹⁹ Seven days shall there be no leaven found in your houses: for whosoever eateth that which is leavened, even that soul shall be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he be a stranger, or born in the land.

²⁰ Ye shall eat nothing leavened; in all your habitations shall ye eat unleavened bread.

Exodus 12:18-20

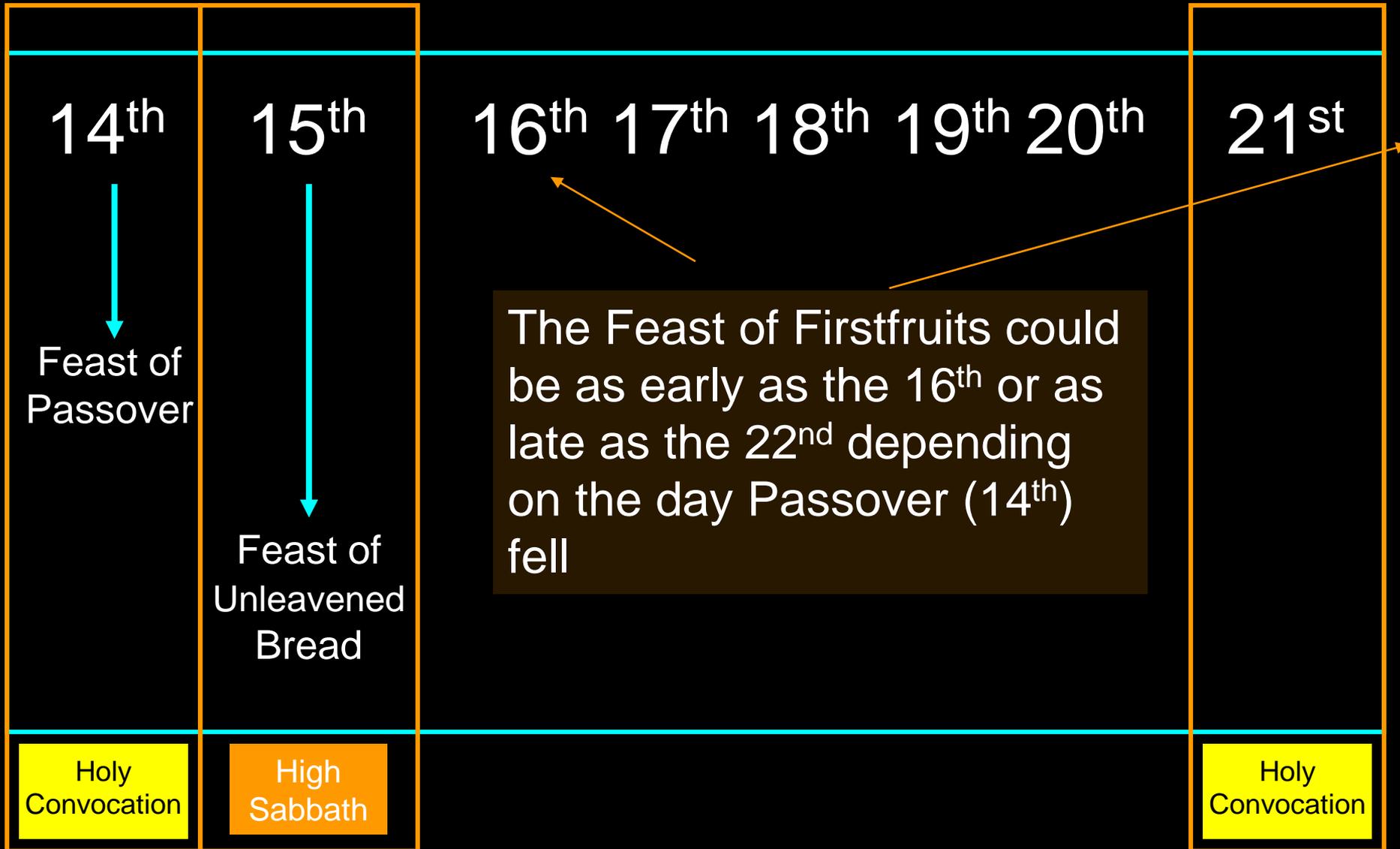
Compulsory Attendance!

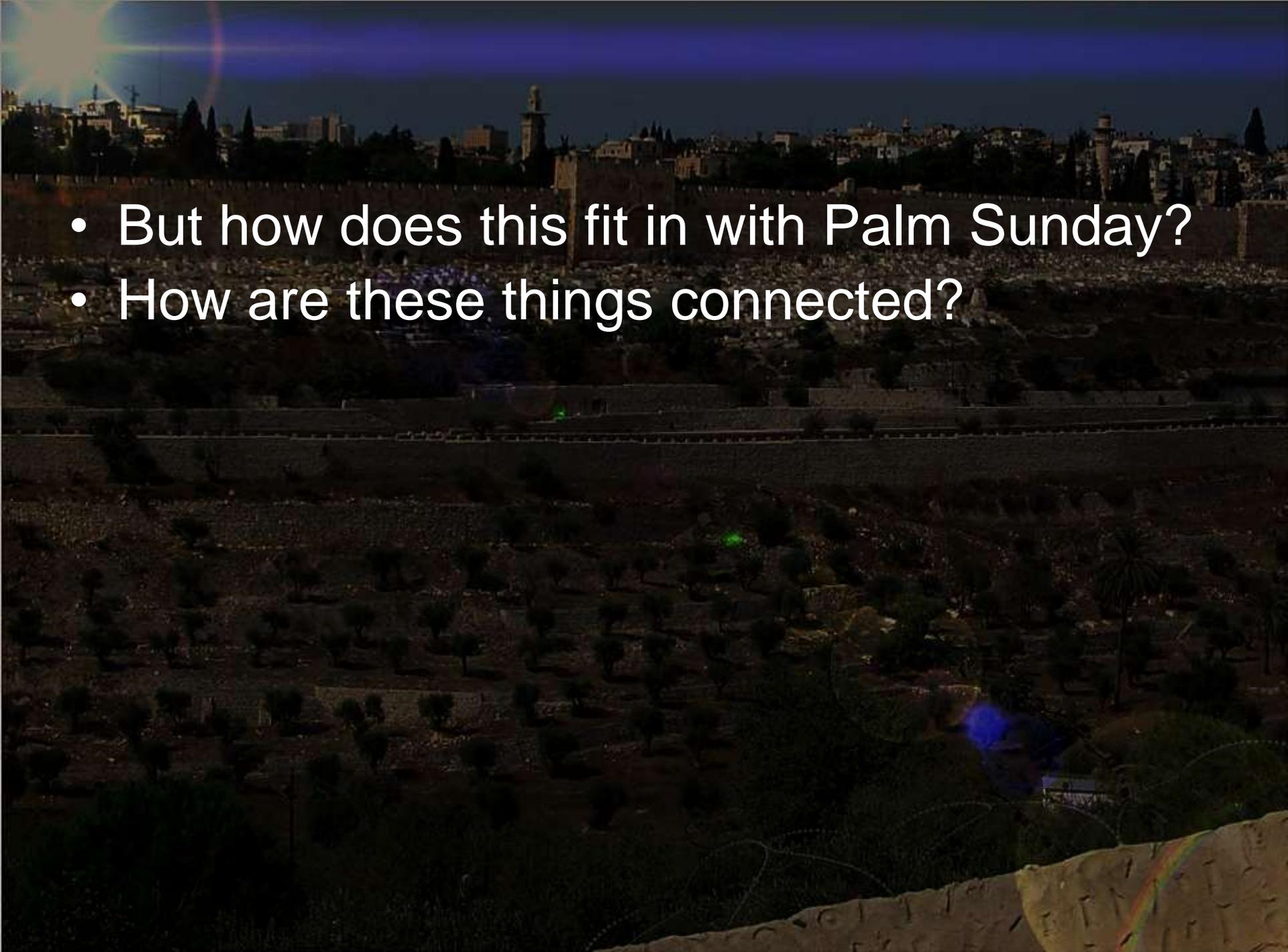
¹⁶ Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast [Festival] of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles: and they shall not appear before the LORD empty:

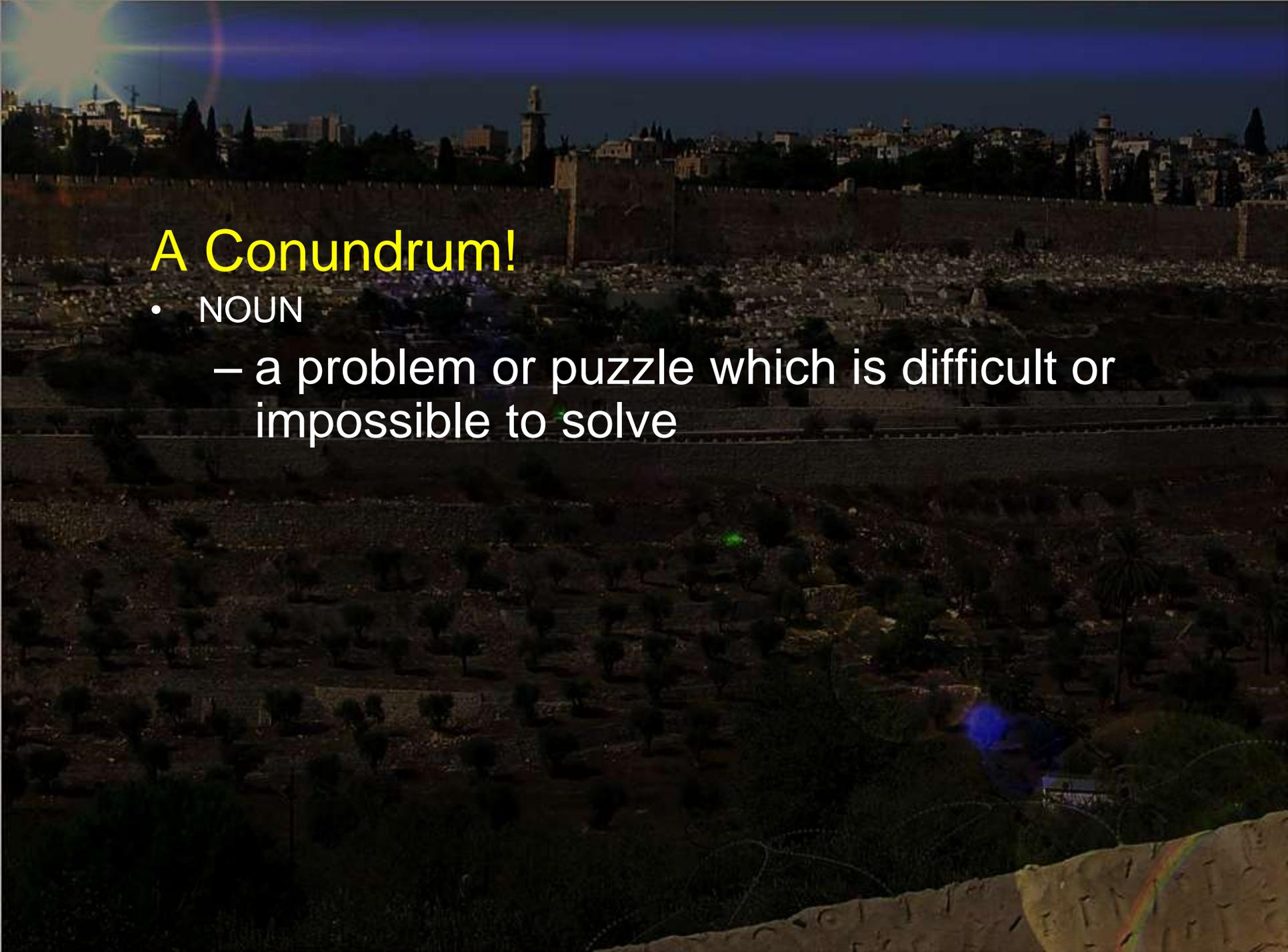
Deuteronomy 16:16

- Initially this was Shiloh
 - The Tabernacle
- Later, it would be Jerusalem
 - The Tabernacle, then the Temple

7 days of unleavened bread



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- But how does this fit in with Palm Sunday?
 - How are these things connected?



A Conundrum!

- NOUN
 - a problem or puzzle which is difficult or impossible to solve

Missed Opportunity?

- 1 And the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Jesus was there:
- 2 And both Jesus was called, and his disciples, to the marriage.
- 3 And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto him, They have no wine.
- 4 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? mine hour is not yet come.

John 2:3-4

Missed Opportunity?

⁴⁰ And there came a leper to him, beseeching him, and kneeling down to him, and saying unto him, If thou wilt, thou canst make me clean. ⁴¹ And Jesus, moved with compassion, put forth his hand, and touched him, and saith unto him, I will; be thou clean. ⁴² And as soon as he had spoken, immediately the leprosy departed from him, and he was cleansed. ⁴³ And he straitly charged him, and forthwith sent him away; ⁴⁴ And saith unto him,

See thou say nothing to any man:

Mark 1:40-44

Missed Opportunity?

¹⁰ For he had healed many; insomuch that they pressed upon him for to touch him, as many as had plagues.

¹¹ And unclean spirits, when they saw him, fell down before him, and cried, saying, Thou art the Son of God.

¹² And he straitly charged them **that they should not**
make him known.

Mark 3:10-12

Missed Opportunity?

34 And looking up to heaven, he sighed, and saith unto him, Ephphatha, that is, Be opened.

35 And straightway his ears were opened, and the string of his tongue was loosed, and he spake plain.

36 And he charged them that they should tell no man: but the more he charged them, so much the more a great deal they published it;

Mark 7:34-36

Missed Opportunity?

² And, behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.

³ And Jesus put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed.

⁴ And Jesus saith unto him, **See thou tell no man;** but go thy way, shew thyself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, for a testimony unto them.

Matthew 8:2-4

Missed Opportunity?

²⁷ And when Jesus departed thence, two blind men followed him, crying, and saying, Thou Son of David, have mercy on us. ²⁸ And when he was come into the house, the blind men came to him: and Jesus saith unto them, Believe ye that I am able to do this? They said unto him, Yea, Lord. ²⁹ Then touched he their eyes, saying, According to your faith be it unto you. ³⁰ And their eyes were opened; and Jesus straitly charged them, saying, See that no man know it.

Matthew 9:27-30

Missed Opportunity?

14 Then the Pharisees went out, and held a council against him, how they might destroy him.

15 But when Jesus knew it, he withdrew himself from thence: and great multitudes followed him, and he healed them all;

16 And charged them that they should not make him known:

Matthew 12:14-16

Missed Opportunity?

¹⁴ Then those men, when they had seen the miracle [feeding of the 5000] that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth that prophet that should come into the world.

¹⁵ When Jesus therefore perceived that they would come and take him by force, to make him a king, he departed again into a mountain himself alone.

John 6:14-15

A Reluctant King?

- Jesus came to be king of the Nations & king of Israel
- Yet he refused to allow the people to make Him king!
- Moreover, He actually discouraged people from saying who He was!
- This was the worst PR tactic imaginable to the natural mind!
- But Jesus was not into 'fame', rather His mission was about obedience!

Missed Opportunity?

- 14 And he put them all out, and took her by the hand, and called, saying, Maid, arise.
- 55 And her spirit came again, and she arose straightway: and he commanded to give her meat.
- 56 And her parents were astonished: but he charged them that they should tell no man what was done.

Luke 8:54-56

Missed Opportunity?

15 He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am?

16 And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the *Christ, the Son of the living God...*

20 Then charged he his disciples that they should tell no man that he was Jesus the Christ.

Matthew 16:15-20

Supernatural Protection?

28 And all they in the synagogue, when they heard these things, were filled with wrath,

29 And rose up, and thrust him out of the city, and led him unto the brow of the hill whereon their city was built, that they might cast him down headlong.

30 But he passing through the midst of them went his way.

Luke 4:28-30

Mt. Precipice



Mt. Precipice



...Not yet!

² Now the Jews' feast of tabernacles was at hand.

³ His brethren therefore said unto him, Depart hence, and go into Judaea, that thy disciples also may see the works that thou doest.

⁴ For there is no man that doeth any thing in secret, and he himself seeketh to be known openly. If thou do these things, shew thyself to the world.

⁵ For neither did his brethren believe in him.

⁶ Then Jesus said unto them, **My time is not yet come:**

John 7:2-6

...Not yet!

28 Then cried Jesus in the temple as he taught, saying, Ye both know me, and ye know whence I am: and I am not come of myself, but he that sent me is true, whom ye know not.

29 But I know him: for I am from him, and he hath sent me.

30 Then they sought to take him: but no man laid hands on him, because his hour was not yet come.

John 7:28-30

Divine Intervention!

19 Then said they unto him, Where is thy Father? Jesus answered, Ye neither know me, nor my Father: if ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also.

20 These words spake Jesus in the treasury, as he taught in the temple: and no man laid hands on him; for his hour was not yet come.

John 8:19-20

Divine Intervention!

58 Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am.

59 Then took they up stones to cast at him: but Jesus hid himself, and went out of the temple, going through the midst of them, and so passed by.

John 8:58-59

Caesarea Philippi

c.Autumn/Winter A.D. 31

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Matthew 16:15-20

The Countdown Begins

21 From that time forth began Jesus to shew unto his disciples, how that he must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised again the third day.

Matthew 16:21

Mt Nebo



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¹ And after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart,

² And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light.

Matthew 17:1-2



And after six days Jesus taketh with him Peter, and James, and John, and leadeth them up into an high mountain apart by themselves: and he was transfigured before them.

Mark 9:2

Mt Nebo

30 And, behold, there talked with him two men, which were Moses and Elias:

31 Who appeared in glory, and spake of his decease which he should accomplish at Jerusalem.

Luke 9:30-31

*“And they departed thence, and **passed through Galilee**... **And he came to Capernaum**”* (Mark 9:30,33)



At Galilee...

²² And while they abode in Galilee, Jesus said unto them, The Son of man shall be betrayed into the hands of men:

²³ And they shall kill him, and the third day he shall be raised again. And they were exceeding sorry.

Matt 17:22-23

On A Mission

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Matthew 16:21

Summary So Far...

- Jesus came to do the will of His Father
- He was looking forward to a specific hour
- Because of this He did not want people to make Him known before the right time
- As the 'right time' approaches, He heads to Jerusalem

A close-up, slightly angled view of an antique clock face. The clock features Roman numerals for the hours, with decorative flourishes between them. The numbers 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, and 60 are marked around the perimeter. The center of the clock is highly ornate, with a sunburst pattern radiating from a central point. The text "The Hour" is overlaid in a bold, yellow, sans-serif font across the middle of the clock face.

The Hour

The Hour

²³ And Jesus answered them, saying,

The hour is come, that the Son of man should be glorified...

²⁷ Now is my soul troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour: but for this cause came I unto this hour.

John 12:23-27

- Why this day?



The Triumphal Entry

The Triumphal Entry

¹² On the next day much people that were come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, ¹³ Took branches of palm trees, and went forth to meet him, and cried, Hosanna: Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord. ¹⁴ And Jesus, when he had found a young ass, sat thereon; as it is written, ¹⁵ Fear not, daughter of Sion: behold, thy King cometh, sitting on an ass's colt.

John 12:12-15

The Triumphal Entry

16 These things understood not his disciples at the first: but when Jesus was glorified, then remembered they that these things were written of him, and that they had done these things unto him.

John 12:16

The Triumphal Entry

⁹ Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass.

Zechariah 9:9

- Zechariah recorded this prophecy over 500 years before Palm Sunday!

29 And it came to pass, when he was come nigh to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount called the mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples,

30 Saying, Go ye into the village over against you; in the which at your entering ye shall find a colt tied, whereon yet never man sat: loose him, and bring him hither.

31 And if any man ask you, Why do ye loose him? thus shall ye say unto him, Because the Lord hath need of him.

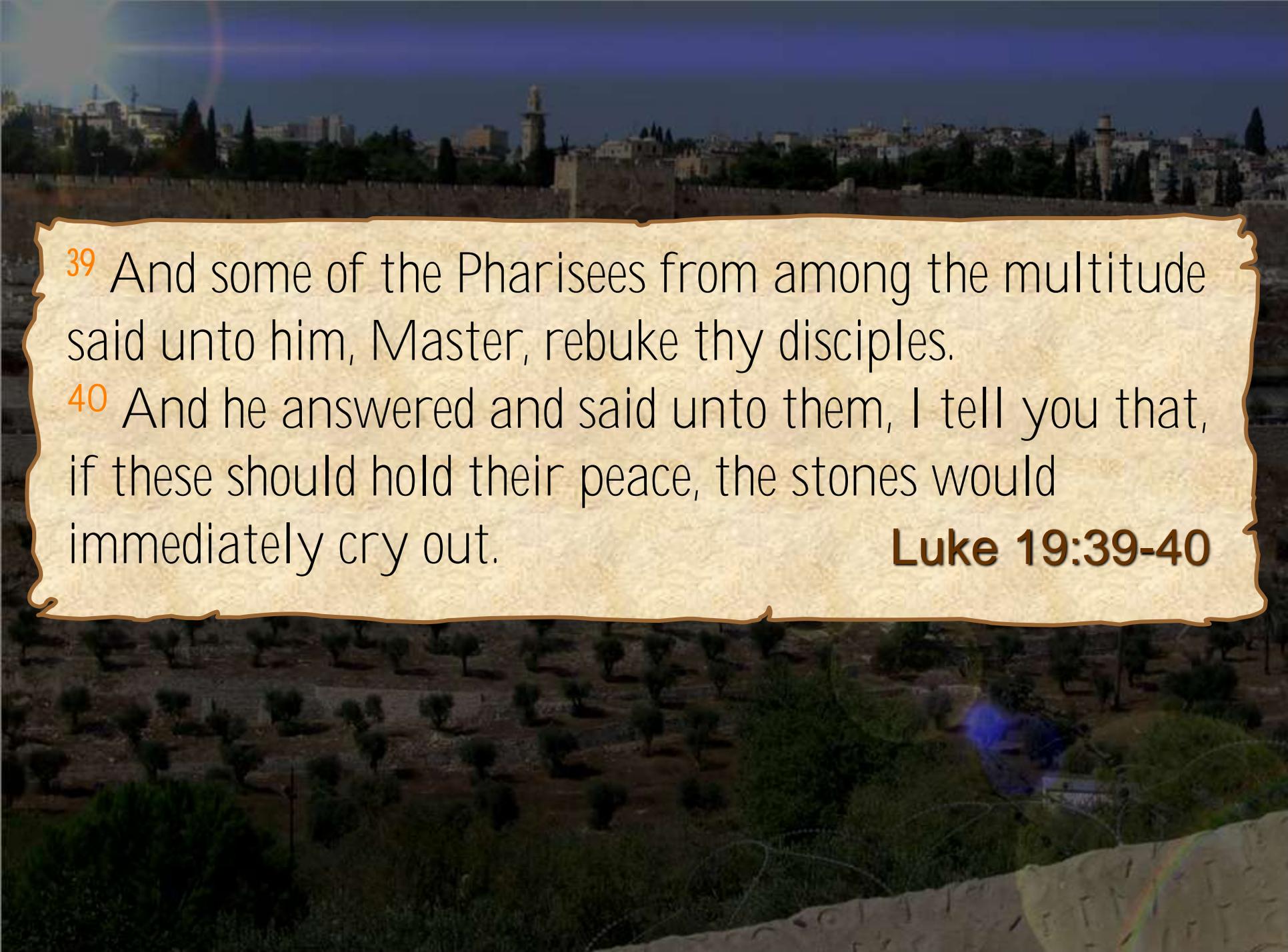
32 And they that were sent went their way, and found even as he had said unto them.

Luke 19:29-32

37 And when he was come nigh, even now at the descent of the mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen;

38 Saying, Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord: peace in heaven, and glory in the highest.

Luke 19:37-38



39 And some of the Pharisees from among the multitude said unto him, Master, rebuke thy disciples.

40 And he answered and said unto them, I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out.

Luke 19:39-40

41 And when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it,

42 Saying, If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes.

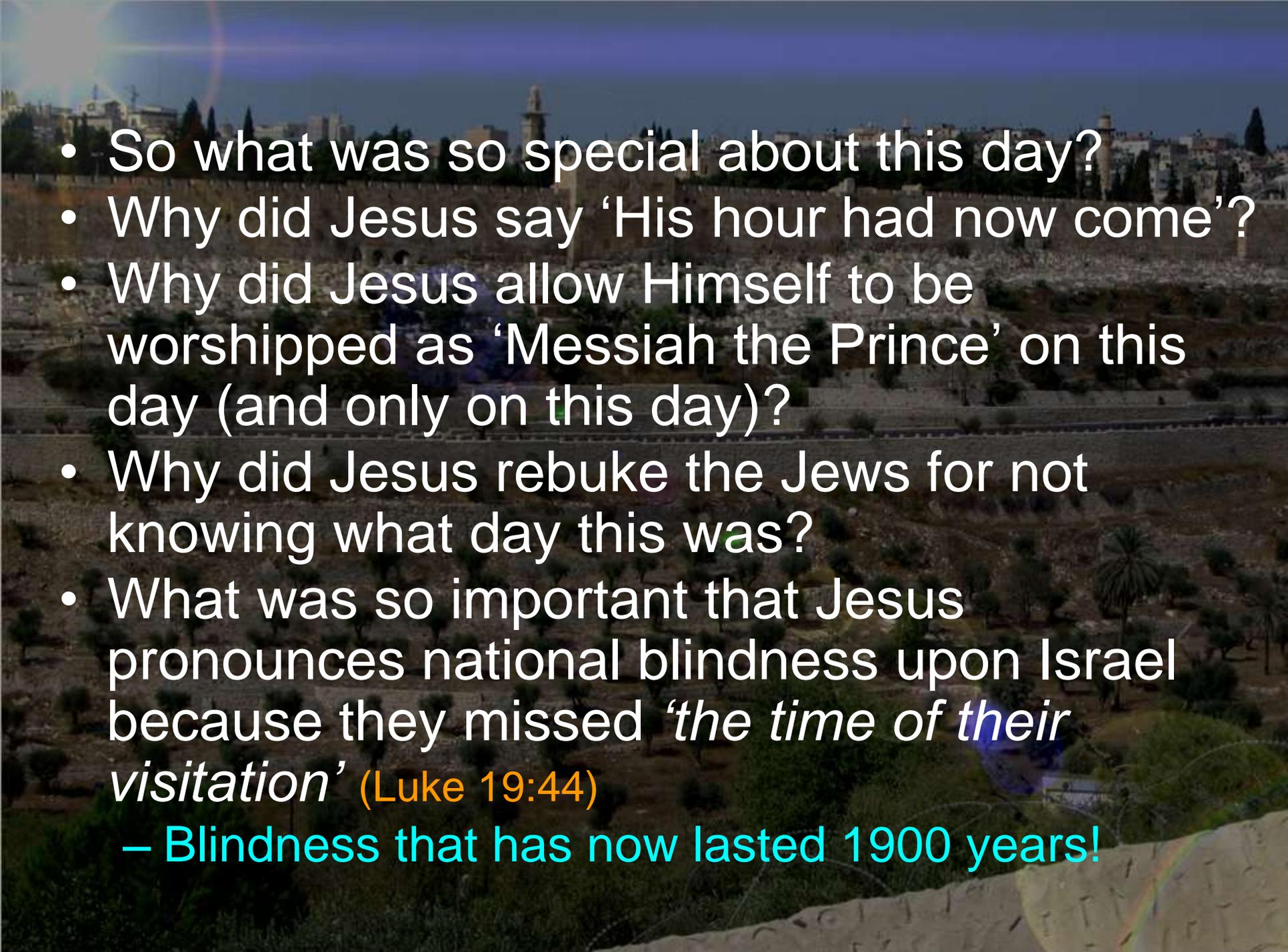
43 For the days shall come upon thee, that thine enemies shall cast a trench about thee, and compass thee round, and keep thee in on every side,

44 And shall lay thee even with the ground, and thy children within thee; and they shall not leave in thee one stone upon another; because thou knewest not the time of thy visitation.

Luke 19:41-44

The Greatest Week in History!

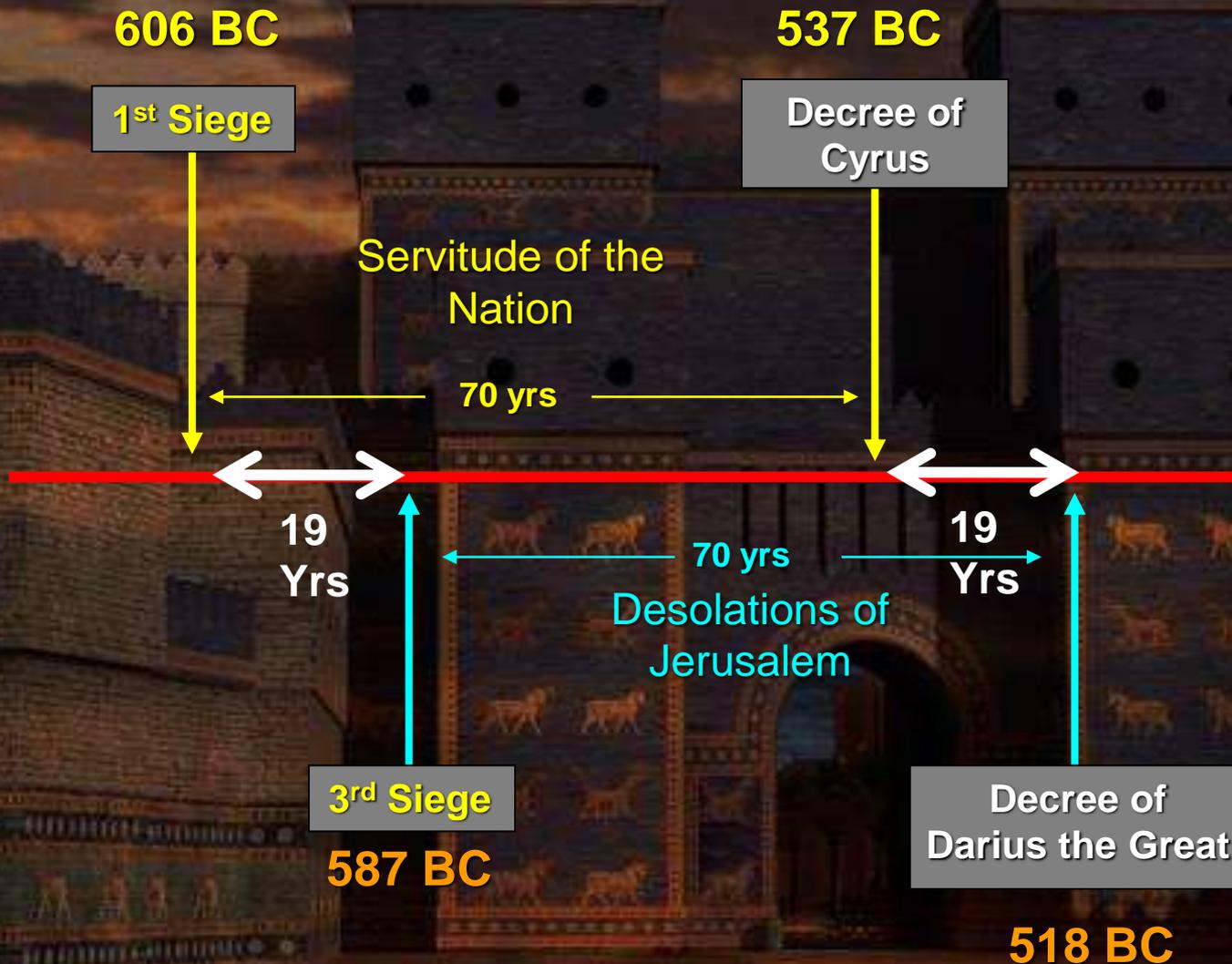
- Jesus' ministry was centred on one week in history
- Jesus came to do the will of His Father, to give His life as a ransom for many
- Jesus did not want to be made know throughout His incredible 3 ½ years of ministry until one specific day...
- But on that day (Palm Sunday) He intentionally arranges the whole event!
 - Sending disciples to get a donkey etc.
 - Riding into Jerusalem as a king...
 - Much to the distain of the Jewish leaders!

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- So what was so special about this day?
 - Why did Jesus say ‘His hour had now come’?
 - Why did Jesus allow Himself to be worshipped as ‘Messiah the Prince’ on this day (and only on this day)?
 - Why did Jesus rebuke the Jews for not knowing what day this was?
 - What was so important that Jesus pronounces national blindness upon Israel because they missed *‘the time of their visitation’* (Luke 19:44)
 - Blindness that has now lasted 1900 years!

Daniel's 70 Weeks

- The answer is found way back in the book of Daniel – around 537 B.C.
- Israel's 70 captivity in Babylon was over
- Around 50,000 Jews had returned home...
- ...but Daniel now aged c.83 had remained in Babylon
- Chapter 9 reveals that Daniel was confused:
 - The captivity was over, but Jerusalem still lay in ruins
 - Daniel turned to the prophecies of Jeremiah and realised that there was a second period of 70 years judgment decreed upon Jerusalem

Servitude / Desolations



Daniel's 70 Weeks

- Daniel then set his heart to pray
 - One of the most impassioned prayers in scripture!
 - Quoting almost verbatim Solomon's prayer in 1 Chronicles 6:36-39
- 1) Confessing the sins of his people (v1-15)
- 2) Interceding for the city (v16-19)
- But part way into his prayer for Jerusalem Daniel is interrupted!
- Not by a knock at the door...
- But by a visitation from the Angel Gabriel!

Daniel's 70 Weeks

24 Seventy sevens are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.

Daniel 9:24

Daniel's 70 Weeks

my [שבועות]

- Shabuim
- 'weeks of years'
- 'Seventy weeks of years'
- $70 \times 7 \text{ years} = 490 \text{ years}$

Daniel's 70 Weeks

- 1 week of days = 7 days
- (Gen 2:2; Ex 20:11)
- 1 week of weeks = 7 weeks
- (Lev 23:15,16)
- 1 week of months = 7 months
- (Ex 12:2; Lev 23:24)
- 1 week of years = 7 years
- (Lev 25:1-22; Deut 15; 2 Chron 36:19-21)

Daniel's 70 Weeks

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The 490 Years

- Prophecy for Israel & Jerusalem
- Finnish transgression
- Make an end of sins
- Reconciliation for iniquity
- Bring in everlasting righteousness
- Seal up vision & prophecy
- Anoint the most holy (place/one)

The First 483 Years

²⁵ Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks [49 years], and threescore and two weeks [434 years]: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.

Daniel 9:25

The 490 Years

- Command to restore & build Jerusalem
- Seven weeks ($7 \times 7 \text{ years} = 49 \text{ years}$)
- Sixty two weeks ($62 \times 7 = 432 \text{ years}$)
- Street and Wall rebuilt
- 'Troublous times' (Ezra / Nehemiah)
- 483 years conclude with Messiah

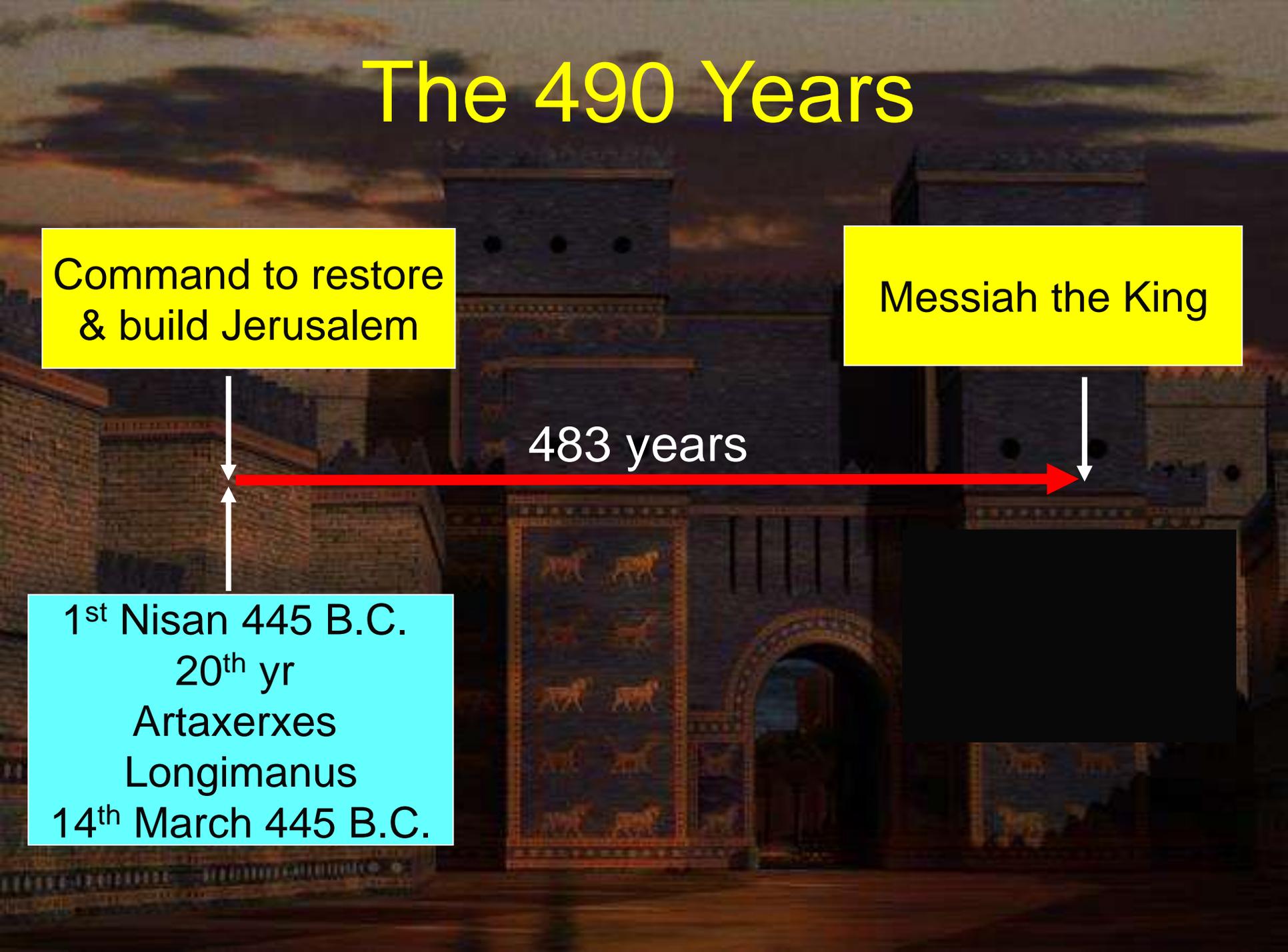
The 490 Years

Command to restore
& build Jerusalem

Messiah the King

483 years

1st Nisan 445 B.C.
20th yr
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The 490 Years

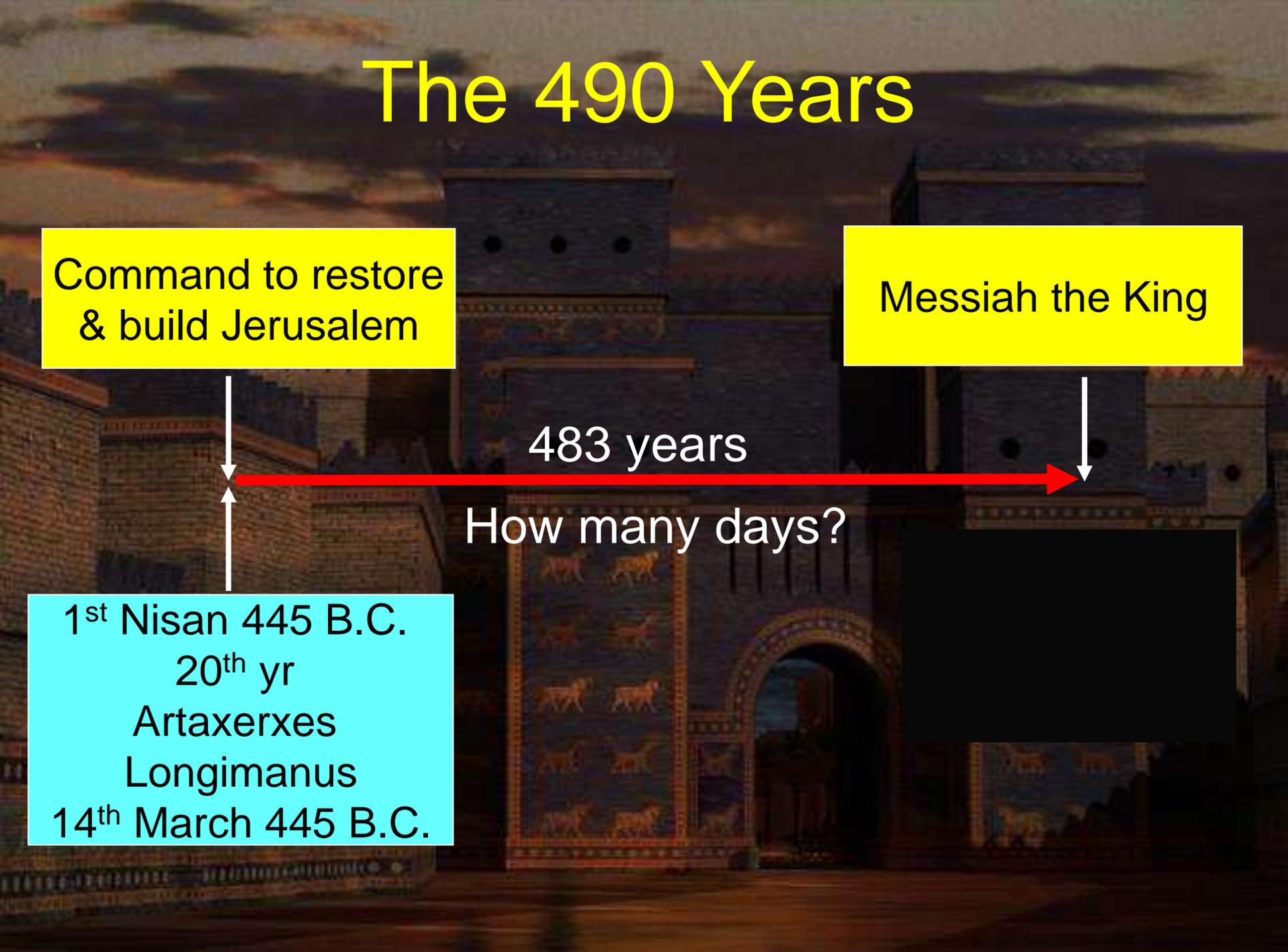
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How many days?

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God's Reputation

- 9 Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me,
- 10 Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure:

Isaiah 46:9-10

360 day Prophetic Years

- Gen 7:11, 8:4 cf Gen 7:24 5mts, 150d = 30 day months
- Dan 7:25, 12:7 inferred cf Rev 12:6, 12:14, 13:5-7 1260d
- Rev 11:2, 11:3, 13:5, 12:6 42 mts, 1260d
- Servitude of Nation, 606 B.C. – 537 B.C.
70yrs @ 360d per yr
- Desolations of Jerusalem, 587 B.C. – 518 B.C.
70yrs @ 360d per yr
- Ezekiel 4, 430yrs – 70 = 360yrs x 7 (cf Lev 28) = 2520yrs @ 360d
Servitude: 537 B.C. – 14/5/1948
Desolations: 518 B.C. – 7/06/1967
- Daniel 9:27, Jeremiah's Prophecies + Final week = 2520d
- Daniel 9:24-27, Exactly 360 letters in 4 verses (Hebrew)

360 Day Year?

- Ancient calendars based on 360 day years
 - Assyrians, Chaldeans, Egyptians, Hebrews, Persians, Greeks, Phoenicians, Chinese, Mayans, Hindus, Carthaginians, Etruscans, Teutons, et al.
- 360° in a circle, 60 minutes/hour, 60 sec/min
- 360 icons in the gnostic genii
- 360 gods in the theology of Greek Orpheus
- 360 idols in the palace of Dairi in Japan
- 360 statues surrounding Hobal in Arabia

360 Day Year?

“...all nations, before the just length of the solar year was known, reckoned months by the course of the moon, and years by the return of winter and summer, spring and autumn; and in making calendars for their festivals, they reckoned thirty days to a lunar month, and twelve lunar months to a year, taking the nearest round numbers, whence came the division of the ecliptic into 360 degrees.”

Sir Isaac Newton

Daniel's 70 Weeks

- 483 years x 360 days per year
- Prophetic years always reckoned as 360 days in Scripture

Daniel's 70 Weeks

Command to restore
& build Jerusalem

Messiah the King

483 years

$360d \times 483y = 173,880 \text{ days}$

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The Triumphal Entry
6th April A.D. 32
(10th Nisan)

The Fulfilment of the Models

- The Triumphal Entry
 - On the 10th day of the month (Nisan)
 - Jesus rode into Jerusalem intentionally fulfilling Zechariah 9:9
 - The crowds sang Psalm 118
 - Acknowledging Jesus as their Messiah and King
 - This was the ONLY day in Jesus' ministry He allowed Himself to be worshipped as King
 - It was the exact day as prophesied by Daniel (Gabriel) five centuries before!
 - The Lamb was 'taken' on the 10th day!

The Fulfilment of the Models

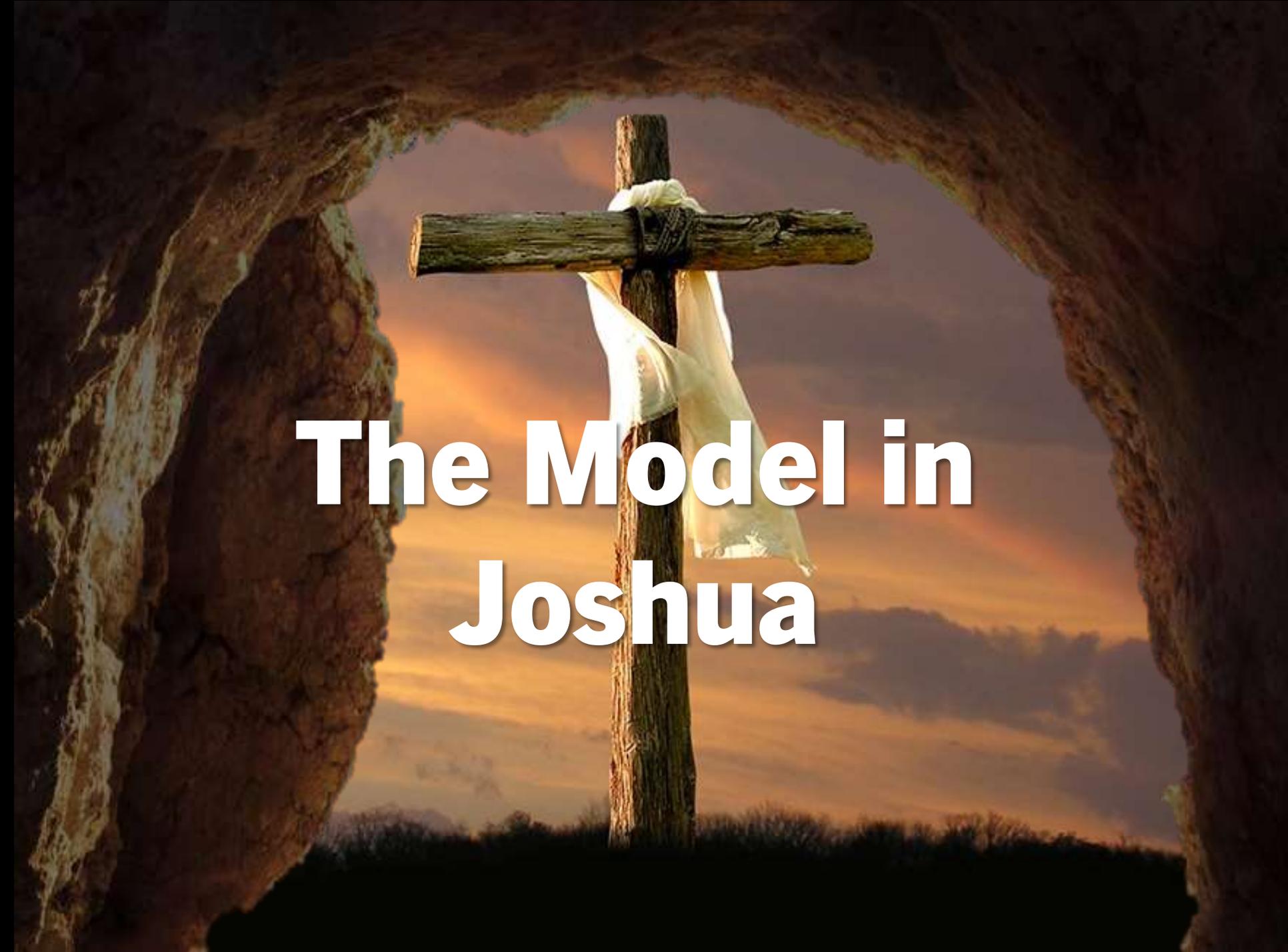
- The Feast of Passover foreshadows Christ's sacrificial death
 - On the 14th day of the month (Nisan)
 - Jesus was able to both celebrate the Passover with His disciples & become the Passover Lamb, dying on the 14th because of Exodus 12:6
 - The lamb's must be killed 'Beyn' 'BETWEEN' the evenings – thus a 24 hour window
 - Paul states that Christ became our Passover
1 Corinthians 5:7

The Fulfilment of the Models

- The Feast of Unleavened Bread, His burial
 - Jesus died at 3pm and His body remained on the cross for a short while before being requested by, and then laid in, Joseph of Arimathea's tomb;
 - Yet because the new day (15th) was about to begin, there was not enough time to properly anoint Jesus' body for burial
 - As Jesus body was placed in the tomb it became the 15th by the Jewish reckoning
 - *“Unless a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit”* – John 12:24

The Fulfilment of the Models

- The Feast of Firstfruits, His resurrection
 - *"when the sabbath[s were] past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, had bought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint him. And very early in the morning the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun"* (Mark 16:1-2).
 - On the 17th Jesus rose from the dead on the Feast of Firstfruits
 - Thus becoming "the Firstfruits of all that slept"
1 Corinthians 15:20

A wooden cross stands in the center, viewed through a stone archway. A white cloth is draped over the cross. The background is a sunset sky with orange and yellow hues. The text "The Model in Joshua" is overlaid in white.

The Model in Joshua

Lessons in Joshua

¹⁹ And the people came up out of Jordan on the tenth day of the first month, and encamped in Gilgal, in the east border of Jericho.

Joshua 4:19

- The triumphant day the Children of Israel finally crossed over the Jordan and entered the Promised Land, receiving their future kingdom, was the anniversary in advance of the very same day Jesus entered Jerusalem and was received as Israel's future King!
- For Israel the adulation quickly stopped and they crucified their King.
- But He will return to sit on the throne of David and rule over Israel and the whole earth (Luke 1:32-33).

Lessons in Joshua

¹⁰ And the children of Israel encamped in Gilgal, and kept the passover on the **fourteenth day** of the month at even in the plains of Jericho.

Joshua 5:10

- They celebrated and ate their Passover lamb 'in Gilgal... in the plains of Jericho'.
- Their Passover lamb was killed in a place (Gilgal) synonymous with sacrifice and literally right in full view of their enemy.
- On the future anniversary of the very same day Jesus was offered up as The sacrificial Lamb, also in a place synonymous with sacrifice

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- They celebrated and ate their Passover lamb in full view of the inhabitants of Jericho
- Jesus likewise triumphed over 'principalities and powers', making a public spectacle of them,
- Forever declaring His victory 'It is finished'!
 - Literally in the Greek: 'Paid in full!' (see Colossians 2:15)

Lessons in Joshua

¹¹ And they did eat of the old corn of the land on the morrow after the passover, unleavened cakes, and parched corn in the selfsame day.

Joshua 5:11

- This was the 1st day they were ever able to celebrate this Feast!
- Note the 'old corn' / 'parched corn'

Lessons in Joshua

¹² And the manna ceased on the morrow after they had eaten of the old corn of the land...

Joshua 5:12

- They ate the old corn on the 15th, and the last time Manna fell (the day it ceased), was the next day, the 16th.
 - If it didn't fall on the 16th it would have been said to have ceased on the 15th.
- Why is this significant? Because it means that the 16th represented the old order of things; from 'tomorrow' everything would be different.

Lessons in Joshua

¹² And the manna ceased on the morrow after they had eaten of the old corn of the land; neither had the children of Israel manna any more; but they did eat of the fruit of the land of Canaan that year.

Joshua 5:12

- From the 17th onwards - the exact date of the Feast of Firstfruits in the year of the Resurrection, and the very day of the Resurrection itself, Israel ate the fruit of the Land!
- This was a new beginning for Israel, they were finally back in the Land God had promised to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and living off its bounty!

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- For us, the 17th, the Feast of Firstfruits, the day of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ marks an awesome new beginning!
- It was also the exact same day that Noah's Ark finally came rest on the Earth again at the end of the flood - signifying a new beginning for mankind!



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