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## This is not for New Testament Time

What does one do with teaching like this ??

### Rejoice! For Christ is Risen!

This time of year is one of the very most important for Christians. Right now, we are in between Passover and Easter, two of our most important biblical events. One celebrating the release of the Jews from slavery in Egypt and the other celebrating Christ rising from the tomb to save us. Although Passover is important to Jews, Christians rarely are familiar with the important elements of the Seder, a dinner celebrating the event. The items below are items put at every plate for the Seder.

**COMMUNION CONNECTION** - The Last Supper was really a Passover Seder! It was during the third cup when Yeshua proclaimed, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you" (Luke 22:20; cf. Ex.24:8). When anyone applies this blood, by faith, to the doorpost of their heart, God saves them eternally. Furthermore, it was with a piece of matzah that Yeshua said, "This is my body, given for you; do this in remembrance of me" (Luke 22: 19). During communion we identify with, and proclaim, Messiah Yeshua in His saving death and resurrection (1 Cor.11:26 ) until He returns.

**For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come.**

### REBUTTAL

**He didn't say once a year, but as often, meaning many.**

Ephesians 2:15 **Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace;**

**In Christendom here is neither Jew nor Gentile, male or female. We are one in the spirit and as Eph. says, we are to be one new man in the flesh as well.**

**Passover Seder Plate Guide**

## Strictly tradition of man for today

**FOUR CUPS** - These cups are based on God's four "I will..." promises in Exodus 6:6-7 and guide the entire flow of the Seder. They are known as the Cups of (1) Sanctification, (2) Deliverance/Plagues, (3) Redemption/Blessing, and (4) Restoration/Praise. There is traditionally an additional, fifth "Cup of Elijah" which invites this anticipated forerunner of the Messiah (Ma1.4:5[Eng]/3:23[Heb]) to come.

**KARPAS** ("Green Leafy Vegetable") - Parsley is dipped in salt water and eaten. Parsley symbolizes the hyssop used by faithful Israelites to mark their doors with lamb's blood thus saving them from the Angel of Death (Ex.12:22; cf. Ps.51:7; John 19:29). Parsley also represents springtime which is the season of Passover.

**SALT WATER** - This represents tears shed while suffering under the bondage of slavery. It also reminds us of the parting of the salty sea enabling Israel to escape Pharaoh's wrath (Ex. 14:22).

**MAROR** ("Bitter Herbs") - The horseradish root is very bitter and reminds us of the bitterness of slavery. Israel experienced the bitterness of slavery to Pharaoh in Egypt. Understanding the Gospel begins by recognizing the bitterness of slavery to sin (Ro.7:14; 8:7-9).

**CHAROSET** (Kha-row-set) - The taste of this sweet mixture of apples, nuts and honey reminds us of the sweetness of freedom! While God freed Israel through Moses, He sets all people free from the power and penalty of sin through Messiah Yeshua (John 8:36; Ro.8:2; Gal.5:1)! Visually, it symbolizes the mortar used by ancient Israelites when building with bricks they were forced to bake in grueling hot sun (Ex.1:14, 5;6-18).

**BEITZAH** ("Roasted' Egg") - This is symbolic of the festival sacrifice made in biblical times. On Passover, an additional sacrifice of the Paschal lamb was offered as well. Since the destruction of the Temple in 70 C.E., neither the festival sacrifice nor the special Passover sacrifice could be offered. It is customary to roast the egg just like the animal sacrifice would be roasted in fire.

**ZEROAH** ("Roasted Shankbone") - Symbolic of the special Passover lamb offering (Ex.12:1-13). Yeshua is called the "Lamb of God" (Jo.1:29, 36; see also ICor.5.7). Zeroah HaShem means "arm of the LORD" which God uses to save His people (Deut.26:8; Isa.53:1;

Jo.12:38-41) **MATZAH** (“Unleavened Bread”) - Matzah is used throughout the Seder. The Matzah Tosh, one pouch consisting of three separate layers, contains three pieces of matzah. The middle piece is broken and the broken half, called the afikomen (from Greek 'aphikomenos' - the one who has arrived; or 'epikomion' dessert) is wrapped and hidden. After the meal, the children customarily search for the afikomen and then redeem it for a reward from the Seder leader. Afikomen pieces are then the last thing eaten at the Seder. Thus, like Yeshua, the afikomen is broken, buried and yet returns again.

## Jesus was our Passover Lamb

Colossians 2:8 **Beware** lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, **after the tradition of men,** after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. In the book of acts the Jews tried to make the gentiles into Jews, but the apostle Paul disputed with them that they were wrong. And it wasn't until Peter finally sided with Paul, when he recalled his experience at the house of Cornelius. (Acts 10)

Luke 12:1 In the mean time, when there were gathered together an innumerable multitude of people, insomuch that they trode one upon another, he began to say unto his disciples first of all, **Beware ye of the leaven of the Pharisees,** which is hypocrisy. (why, because they have added to the traditions and proclaim them as God's)

Romans 6:14 **For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.**

Colossians 2:16 **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:

**You See, if the Jews want to keep the feasts after they accept Yeshua, there is no problem. Where the problem lies is when the Jewish and the Gentile leaders say that you HAVE TO KEEP the feasts. Then Jesus came in vain, He came to pay the price of the Law, not do away with it, but fulfill it and we are under Grace now. As recorded in the book of Acts that his law is engraved on our hearts.**

**You get in the persecuted countries, it is the power of God that brings them into the fold. They are not concerned with wether the communion should have bread, matzah or wafers. Wether there should be one, two or four cups for communion. They are mindful of the inner peace of God that they now have, their not concerned if your a Lutheran, Catholic, Baptist or so on. What they are concerned about is learning the word of God and His ways. They are of one accord and one mind. (sound familiar) Acts 2:44 **And all that believed were together, and had all things common;****

**THIS IS THE WAY CHRISTIANITY SHOULD BE.**

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