

End times time slice: The house was filled with smoke

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What bible passage really gives you goose bumps all over? How about one of the final signs in heaven that those on earth will never know about? The heavenly sign is mentioned in Isaiah and eluded to in the Torah.

This is a time sliver before Jesus returns with His angels to clean up the earth.

The time sliver is when the heavenly temple is filled with smoke. In Isaiah 6:1-4, Isaiah sees a vision of the Lord sitting upon a throne in the heavenly temple. There is an earthquake in heaven and then the temple is filled with smoke with the seraphim proclaiming glory to the Lord:

RSV Isaiah 6:1-4

1 IN THE year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and his train filled the temple.

2 Above him stood the seraphim; each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew.

3 And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

4 And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke.

Isaiah 6:1-4 is referencing an event in the book of Revelations, Rev 4:8, where the same seraphims are described proclaiming the same glorious announcement. Isaiah was blessed to see a future event on the cusps of Jesus' return to earth.

RSV Revelation 4:8 And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all round and within, and day and night they never cease to sing, "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!"

The house filling with smoke from Isaiah ties to Revelation 15:8 where the smoke is from the revealing of the true power of the glory of God. No one could enter the temple while the temple was full after the 7 plagues were completed. There were persons waiting patiently to enter the temple.

RSV Revelation 15:8 and the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God and from his power, and **no one could enter the temple** until the seven plagues of the seven angels were ended.

We can gain a little more insight to this by looking in the tabernacle that Moses was told to make as he saw it in heaven – an earthly copy of the heavenly temple.

RSV Acts 7:44 "Our fathers had the tent of witness in the wilderness, even as he who spoke to Moses directed him to make it, according to the **pattern that he had seen**.



A similar passage of Rev 15:8 is found in Exodus 33:8-10 where Moses entered the tent of meeting and a pillar of cloud (smoke) would come down and all the people would worship.

RSV Exodus 33:8-10

8 Whenever Moses went out to the tent, all the **people rose up**, and every man stood at his tent door, and looked after Moses, until he had gone into the tent.

9 When Moses entered the tent, the pillar of cloud would descend and stand at the door of the tent, and the Lord would speak with Moses.

10 And when all the **people saw the pillar of cloud standing at the door of the tent**, all the **people would rise up and worship**, every man at his tent door.

Another place in Exodus 40:34-37, Moses couldn't enter the tent of meeting because the cloud was on it and it filled the tabernacle. The people would not move until the cloud removed from the tent.

RSV Exodus 40:34-37

34. Then the cloud covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle.

35. And **Moses was not able to enter** the tent of meeting, because the cloud abode upon it, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle.

36. Throughout all their journeys, whenever the cloud was taken up from over the tabernacle, the people of Israel would go onward;

37. but if the cloud was not taken up, then they did not go onward till the day that it was taken up.

What is the significance of the temple filling with smoke and then being removed? That is the end of the 7 seal and of the 7th plague. Once the heavenly hosts are allowed inside the temple then I believe the marriage of the Lamb will take place as seen in Revelation 19:6-9

RSV Revelation 19:6-9

6 Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty thunderpeals, crying, "Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns.

7 Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his Bride has made herself ready;

8 it was granted her to be clothed with fine linen, bright and pure"-- for the **fine** <u>linen</u> is the righteous deeds of the saints.

9 And the angel said to me, "Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb." And he said to me, "These are true words of God."

Once the marriage supper of the Lamb is over then the heavenly honeymoon will take place by Jesus and the armies of heaven taking vengeance on the earth – Revelations 19:11-16

RSV Revelation 19:11-16

11 Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! He who sat upon it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war.

12 His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems; and he has a name inscribed which no one knows but himself.

13 He is clad in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God.

14 And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, followed him on white horses.

15 From his mouth issues a sharp sword with which to smite the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron; he will tread the wine press of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty.

16 On his robe and on his thigh he has a name inscribed, King of kings and Lord of lords.

Those Christian who were not able to attend the marriage feast are waiting for Jesus to return as seen in Luke 12:35-38.

RSV Luke 12:35-38

35 "Let your loins be girded and your lamps burning,



36 and be like men who are waiting for their master to come home from the

marriage feast, so that they may open to him at once when he comes and knocks.
37 Blessed are those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes; truly, I say to you, he will gird himself and have them sit at table, and he will come and serve them.
38 If he comes in the second watch, or in the third, and finds them so, blessed are those servants!

A feast verse that came to mind was in Matthew 14:19-21 where Jesus fed 5,000 men and uncounted women and children. Jesus then sent the Apostles in a boat by themselves across the lake while He remained on shore to pray.

RSV Matthew 14:19-21

19 Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass; and taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven, and blessed, and broke and gave the loaves to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds.

20 And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over.

21 And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

I believe the Apostles symbolizes the Christians left on the earth during the marriage feast. They will go thru the outer darkness or the mark of the beast time. Those Christians will be attacked on all sides and will nearly be overwhelmed.

The Apostles were battling storm conditions on the lake for at least 12 hours – until the 4^{th} watch of the night – Mt 14:22-25. They were battered by the waves – probably in pitch black darkness with light only from lightening streaking across the sky. They were scared and feared their life because Jesus wasn't in the boat with them to stop the storm as He was previously in Matthew 8:23-26



RSV Matthew 14:22-25

22 Then he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds.

23 And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone,

24 but the boat by this time was many furlongs distant from the land, **beaten by the** waves; for the wind was against them.

25 And in the **fourth watch** of the night he came to them, walking on the sea.

RSV Matthew 8:23-26

23 And when he got into the boat, his disciples followed him.

24 And behold, there arose a great storm on the sea, so that the boat was being swamped by the waves; but he was asleep.

25 And they went and woke him, saying, "Save, Lord; we are perishing."

26 And he said to them, "**Why are you afraid**, O men of little faith?" Then he rose and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm.

Jesus comes back from the Marriage supper to save His remnant that are still alive on the earth battling for survival – Matthew 24:22

RSV Matthew 24:22 And if those days had not been shortened, no human being would be saved; but for the sake of the elect those days will be shortened.

The temple filling with smoke means the 7 last plagues coming on the earth while the remnant are being surrounded by the antichrist forces about to overwhelm them.

The temple filling with smoke means those invited to the marriage supper will see an indescribable once in history event – the marriage of the Lamb and the marriage supper of the Lamb.

But one question. How/when did the people get to stand before the temple while the temple was filled with smoke?

They came from beneath the altar.

More next time of these persons.

Regards,

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