

The Mystery Behind the Death and Resurrection of Jesus

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A Great Prophetic Fulfilment

Few events in human history carry the weight, mystery, and prophetic precision of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Every detail—timing, symbolism, and sequence—reveals a divine orchestration that fulfills Scripture with breathtaking accuracy. When we look closely at the biblical calendar, the Passover commands, and the Jewish understanding of time, a powerful picture emerges.

Understanding Time the Jewish Way

In the Jewish mind, a new day begins at sunset, not at midnight. This single truth unlocks much of the mystery surrounding the Passion Week.

The Prophetic Significance of Nisan 17

According to this timeline, Jesus rose from the dead at 6 PM on Saturday evening, the moment the Jewish Sunday began.

This date—Nisan 17—is not random. Throughout Scripture, the number 17 is associated with resurrection, victory, and deliverance.

- The ark of Noah rested on the mountains of Ararat on the 17th day of the month (Genesis 8:4).
- It marks new beginnings after judgment.
- It prophetically foreshadows resurrection life.

Jesus rising on Nisan 17 is a divine signature of victory.

Jesus' Passover Meal Was Not the Official Passover

Jesus celebrated a Passover meal before the national Passover Seder. The real Passover meal took place on Nisan 15, beginning Wednesday at 6 PM.

This means:

- Jesus was crucified earlier that same day—Wednesday at 9 AM.
- He hung on the cross for six hours, dying at 3 PM.
- His body was taken down before sunset because a high Sabbath was about to begin.

Joseph of Arimathea, helped by Nicodemus placed Him in a nearby tomb before the holy day started. John 19:38-42



The True Biblical Passover

The original Passover instructions in Exodus 12 are simple and powerful:

- The lamb must be killed “between the evenings” on Nisan 14.
- It must be roasted with fire.
- It must be eaten with unleavened bread and bitter herbs.
- The blood must be applied to the doorposts and lintel.

This was not a ritual—it was deliverance.

The modern Seder contains many later traditions, but the biblical command centered on the lamb and the blood.

✝ Jesus, the True Passover Lamb

Jesus fulfilled every detail:

- He died at the exact time the Passover lambs were being slain.
- His blood became the covering that causes judgment to “pass over” us.
- He was buried before the high Sabbath began.
- And He rose exactly three days and three nights later—just as He prophesied.



Three Days in the Grave — and the Building of a New Temple

Jesus declared, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.”

He was not speaking of Herod’s temple but of His body.

During His three days in the grave:

- He fulfilled the prophetic sign of Jonah.
- He completed the old covenant system of temple, priesthood, and sacrifices.
- He ended the requirements of the law concerning earthly temples and feast observances.
- He opened the era of the New Covenant.

From that moment on:

- God’s presence would no longer dwell in a building made with hands.
- The true temple would be a people, not a structure.
- Everyone who is born again becomes a living stone in the spiritual house Jesus is building.

We are now the living temple of the Holy Spirit.

The Father’s dwelling place is no longer in Jerusalem—it is in His redeemed sons and daughters.

This is the glory of the New Covenant.



A Resurrection Evening

As the sun sets and the new day begins, we remember:

He is risen.

He is victorious.

He is the fulfillment of every shadow and every prophecy.

May this Passover season fill your heart with awe at the precision of God's plan and the greatness of our Redeemer.

Happy Resurrection Evening!

May the Lord bless you richly as you celebrate His triumph!