




END TIMES



**The Rapture
Concealed**

**The Rapture
Revealed**

At Mount Sinai With Moses

We find all four essential items at Mount Sinai:

1. A Mikveh (מִקְוֵה) - Yahweh commands the people to cleanse themselves and make themselves ready for the marriage ([Exodus 19:10-14](#)).
2. A Ketubah (כְּתוּבָה) - The two copies of the Ten Commandments; one copy for the husband, one for the wife. Yahweh trusted his bride so fully both copies were given for her to hold and to keep. The Ketubah is read. ([Exodus 20:1-17](#)).
3. A Chuppah (חופּה) – The people were covered by the cloud. Not only does Yahweh cover the entire mountain with a cloud, but the Hebrew scripture can literally be translated “they stood under the mountain” ([Exodus 19:17](#)).
4. An Ôth (אוֹת) - Yahweh institutes the Sabbath as a weekly sign that he and his bride belong to each other and enjoy each other's presence ([Exodus 20:1-17](#), [Exodus 31:16-17](#)).

At A Jewish Wedding

The Journey to the Bride's Home

- In a Jewish marriage, the husband-to-be (groom) would leave his father's home and travel to his betrothed's (bride's) home.

The Writing of the Ketubah

- At this point, the groom would establish and pay the purchase price for the bride. The groom would compose and verify a written marriage contract, the Ketubah, with the bride's father.
- The groom would then go back to his father's home and build an addition for himself and his bride, promising to return for his betrothed.

The Mikveh, And The Ôth

- At the end of the separation, the groom would show up unannounced to take his bride home, but only after his father had given him permission to do so. Her Mikveh is her father's home.
- When the groom got to his bride's home, he would wait outside for the bride to join him. The bride is "lifted up" and carried to the new home - the ôth.



It Really is a Wedding . . .

- A typical wedding ceremony has four essentials:
 - Mikveh, Ketubah, Chuppah, Ôth
- The gathering at Mount Sinai is a wedding ceremony between Yahweh and his chosen people, the Hebrew slaves now called Jews
 - The gathering at Mount Sinai incorporates all four essentials
- At a Jewish Wedding the groom carries his bride home to his father's house only when the father allows him to do so
- The Bride and Groom are concealed for seven days, then exit for the wedding dinner
 - A Jewish Wedding Ceremony also incorporates all four essentials
- Both events are pictures or patterns of the rapture!







The *Hermeneutical* Lens

Hermeneutics is the science and methodology of interpreting the texts of the Biblical scriptures, and explaining religious concepts, theories, and principles.

Hermeneutical Lenses

Historical (German Higher Critical)

Archaeological

Grammatical (Textual)

Anthropological

Theological

Hebrew Idioms
Rabbinical Sayings

Cultural

Rational

Rhetorical

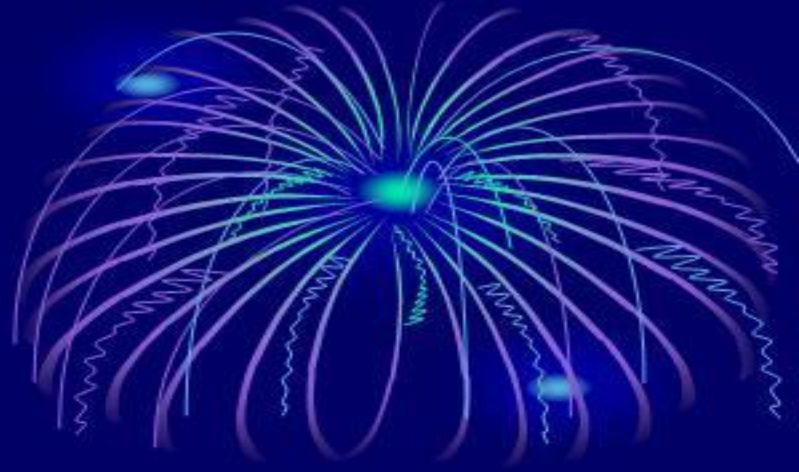
Allegorical

Feminist /Homosexual

Biblical Genres

Historical Narrative / Epic,
Wisdom Literature, Psalms, Prophecy,
Apocalyptic, Gospel, Epistle

Who Knew?



When?

Where?

How?

Eliyahu (Elijah)

Who Knew?

2 Kings 2:3-5

“Do you know that Yahweh is taking Eliyahu, your master, away from you today?”

Twice, scripture tells us that the day of Elijah’s departure, or rapture, was known to the sons of the prophets. The prophets at Bethel knew. The prophets at Jericho knew. Elisha also knew. I call this advance notice!

Who Watched?

2 Kings 2:7-12

“Fifty of the guild prophets went and stood watching Eliyahu and Elisha from a distance. . . . Elisha saw Eliyahu depart and cried out, “My father! My father!” Elijah’s ascension was witnessed by both Elisha and the prophets.

How did he go?

2 Kings 2:11

“There appeared a fiery chariot with horses of fire; and as it separated the two of them from each other, Eliyahu went up into heaven in a whirlwind.” Elijah is carried into the clouds with horses of fire.

Yeshua Ha'Mashiach (Jesus the Christ)

Who Knew?

Luke 9:30-31

Both Moses and Eliyahu spoke to Yeshua about his 'departure' which he was to accomplish from Yerushalayim. Another instance of advance notice, perhaps.

Who Watched?

Luke 24:51; Acts 1:9-11a

Yeshua was carried up into heaven while the disciples were looking on, and a cloud received him out of their sight. This ascension was so fascinating to those watching that two "men" had to interrupt them and basically tell them to get on with their lives until Yeshua returned! And not to mention that the disciples were in the right spot at the right time to witness Yeshua being taken up, eh?" Yeshua's rapture was witnessed by many.

How did he go?

Acts 1:11b; Revelation 19:11

"Yeshua will come in just the same way as you have watched him go into heaven."
"Before me was a white horse. Sitting on it is Yeshua who passes judgment and makes war in righteousness." Yeshua comes back on a white horse. He is taken the same way according to the two "men" who spoke to the disciples!

Enoch

Who Knew?

Enoch 81:5-6

“One year you will have with your son, Methuselah, until you give your last commands, teach and testify them to your children . . . In the second year, you will be taken” Enoch was given one year to testify to Methuselah and his children before his rapture. He knew he would be raptured, and so did his family. Definitely another instance of advance notice, no doubt about it.

Who Watched?

Enoch 81:5-6; Jasher 3:34

“The seven holy ones will take you from their midst.” Enoch’s ascension was witnessed by his children as he was taken from their midst. Jasher 3:34 tells us that some of the king’s men remained with Enoch when he went to the place where he was to be raptured. Enoch’s rapture was also witnessed by many people.

How did he go?

Jasher 3:36-37

“Enoch ascended into Heaven in a whirlwind with horses and chariots of fire.” Jasher 3:27 tells us that the horse paced in the air, and, Enoch, like Yeshua and Elijah, is carried into the clouds with horses.



The Three Prophets

Who Got Advance Notice?

Elijah, Yeshua, Enoch

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How Did They Get Taken Up?

Elijah, Yeshua, Enoch

2 Kings 2:11

Acts 1:11b

Jasher 3:36-37

Rev 19:11

Advance Notice?

Will it be a hundred year notice? Will it be a week's notice?
Will it be a three day notice? Will it be just a few hours or minutes?
Scripture doesn't give us a definite answer to this question.

People

- Eliyahu
- Yeshua
- Enoch
- Methuselah
- Noah
- Lot
- The Bride of Yeshua

Events

- Weddings
- Three Days
- Birth Pangs
- The Moedim

Amos 3:7 *“Yahweh does nothing without revealing his plan to his servants the prophets”*





