THE PASSOVER - 7 PARADES for PALM SUNDAY- Kahu Billy Mitchell, April 2, 2023

1. The Passover - Coming Out of Egypt Exodus 12:12-14 NIV ¹² "On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn of both people and animals.... I am the Lord. The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are, and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt. This is a day you are to commemorate; for the generations to come you shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord—a lasting ordinance.

"PALM SUNDAY"

- 2. One parade is led by Pontius Pilate, governor over Judea, coming from the west, from Caesarea by the sea a beautful seaside town, with legions of chariots, horses, and foot soldiers, dressed for battle and armed with swords and spears. He comes to keep the order in Judea (showing the power and might of Rome) during this highly emotional time of the passover! He enters the city from the recognized front gate or the West gate!
- 3. JESUS Zechariah 4:6c NIV ... not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit saith the LORD ... This parade is all about the 'ano of the Christ! The humble power of the living God! Jesus enters Jerusalem from the east, heading west. Enters the east gate (the back gate, rides in on a donkey, "no entourage) the poor and the needy from a crowd of about 200,000 there, from all over to celebrate the Passover. Waving palms and shouting "Hosanna, Son of David! Hosanna in the highest!" The blood of one lamb, Jesus, will save all who receive him as Lord of their lives!
- **4.** The Rapture I Thessalonians **4:16-18 NIV** ¹⁶ For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in **Christ will rise** first. ¹⁷ After that, **we who are still alive and are left** will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. ¹⁸ **Therefore encourage one another with these words**.
- 5. The Parade from Hell Revelation 13:16-18 NIV ¹⁶ It also forced all people, great and small, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hands or on their foreheads, ¹⁷ so that they could not buy or sell unless they had the mark, which is the name of the beast or the number of its name. ¹⁸ This calls for wisdom. Let the person who has insight calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man. That number is 666.
- 6. Armageddon! JESUS! Revelation 19: 13-14,16,19-20 NIV

 13 He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God. 14 The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. 16 On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

 19 Then I saw the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies gathered together to wage war against the rider on the horse and his army. 20 But the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet ... The two of them were thrown alive into the fiery lake of burning sulfur.
- 7. In conclusion: The parade we're in now! What to do to prepare for the coming parades of your life! You can do nothing. You can do fake Christianity or you can lay it all down to the Christ. Start with regular church attendance, regular prayer and the word gives you the wisdom for every single issue, every single second of your life. Jesus is with the father rooting for us to make the best choice every single day. Listen!! You all made the right choice today! Let us rejoice and be glad in that! Amene!!!