The Mystery of the Passover Cup



YHVH poured out His judgment on the Egyptians, but spared the Israelites who obeyed Him by placing the blood of a lamb on the doorposts of their homes.

YHVH turned the water to blood. While the Israelites traveled on the long journey to the Promised land the sea was red from the plagues. YHVH commanded Moses to take the staff and held it towards the waters and it would open.

The Passover cup is one of the central symbols of this holiday known as the Feast of Redemption.

In the Jewish believe it instructs those celebrating to drink from the cup four times during the Passover seder.

But as a Messianic we are living by the saving Grace of YHVH and a Fifth Cup is taken for a New Covenant.

The first cup is the *Kiddush*, which means sanctification. With this cup, we begin the Passover seder.

The second cup is called the cup of plagues. The third cup is referred to as either the cup of redemption or the cup of blessing.

The fourth cup is often called *hallel* which means praise, and is also called the cup of acceptance or the cup of Elijah.

The New Testament names one cup taken after supper. Yeshua calls this cup "the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for you" (Luke 22:20).

But what is the Fifth Cup?

What type of wine did the people receive when Yeshua performed a miracle in Canaan?

When Yeshua celebrated this feast with His disciples He raised a cup twice during the meal to make important statements about Himself.

Luke 22:17 - 18

After taking the cup, he gave thanks and said, "Take this and divide it among you. For I tell you I will not drink again from *the fruit of the vine* until the Kingdom of YHVH comes."

Luke 22: 20

In the same way, *after the supper* he took the cup, saying, "*This cup* is the *new covenant in my blood*, which is *poured out for you*.

The symbol of the cup carries with it pictures of both wrath and redemption, of judgment and blessing.

Psalm 116:13

"I will take up the cup of salvation, and call upon the Name of YHVH"

Proverbs 23:29-35

Who has woe? Who has sorrow? Who has strife? Who has complaining? Who has wounds without cause? Who has redness of eyes? Those who tarry long over wine; those who go to try mixed wine.

Do not look at wine when it is red, when it sparkles in the cup and goes down smoothly. In the end it bites like a serpent and stings like an adder. Your eyes will see strange things, and your heart utter perverse things

1 Peter 4:3

For the time that is past suffices for doing what the Gentiles want to do, living in sensuality, passions, drunkenness, orgies, drinking parties, and lawless idolatry.

Numbers 6:3

He shall separate himself from wine and strong drink. He shall drink no vinegar made from wine or strong drink and shall not drink any juice of grapes or eat grapes, fresh or dried

In the custom the first fruit are never taken and is used for the first fruit offering to YHVH.

Those days the term for new were the freshness of the fruit as in the sweetness of the fruit of the vine. (Fresh Fruit Juice) In Ancient and modern times the hide of a goat was used to make a wineskin.

As the fermentation process continued, it produced more gases and so stretched the wineskin.

When this wine skin mixture mature as the wine in it, it eventually cause hardening to the skin. You are unable to fix or mend it because the moment you sew a piece of new skin to it and washed it, the skin itself shrink and eventually tear a hole.

So, what is the 'new wine' YHVH is pouring into your life at the moment?

Are you being flexible like 'new wineskins' in order to receive contain the word and in the time you need to be used to pour out new fresh wine.

Are you able to let go of former sins you got so accustomed to?

The new wine is the renewal and not a restoration to the old.

YHVH will fulfill *His* Word. In Matthew. 2:23, the Word of YHVH says that through the prophets Yeshua would be called a Nazarene.

Even today in Israel, the Jewish people say Yeshua, haNotzri" (Yeshua the Nazarene. This is stating the fulfilling of the Word of YHVH!

In the Hebrew Scriptures, a nazirite or nazarene is one who voluntarily took a vow described in Numbers 6:1–21.

To abstain from all wine.

Proverbs 20:1

Wine is a mocker, strong drink a brawler, and whoever is led astray by it is not wise.

1 Corinthians 6:10

nor thieves nor the greedy *nor drunkards* nor slanderers nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of YHVH.

Isaiah. 8:20-21, giving deeper meaning to Yeshua telling His city and people that they will not see Him again until they bless Him and His name – Matthew. 23:37-39

The cup of Forgiveness, Mercy and Grace. The Fifth cup.

As Yeshua prays in the Garden of Gethsemane, his first request is for his father to "take this cup of suffering away from me" (Luke 22:42).

The fifth cup is the one Yeshua requested to be taken away. The cup of suffering. The cup of Mercy and Grace.

If we look in the Old Testament, we find that the meaning of the cup stands for our lives, which can be filled with a variety of things. Our "cup" can be filled with blessing and salvation (Psalm. 23:5; 116:13), or it can be filled with wrath.

Why did the Roman Soldiers give Yeshua HaMashiach the fermentation of wine while Yeshua was already nailed on the cross?

One of the prominent effects of crucifixion was the overpowering thirst due to the loss of body fluids through open wounds and perspiration.

Matthew 27:33-34

And when they came to a place called Golgotha, which means Place of a Skull,

they gave Him wine to drink mixed with gall; and after tasting it, He was unwilling to drink.

The soldiers also mocked Him, coming up to Him, offering Him sour wine, and saying, "If You are the King of the Jews, save Yourself!" Now there was also an inscription above Him, "THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS." Luke 23:36-38

Matthew 27:48

Immediately one of them ran, and taking a sponge, he filled it with sour wine and put it on a reed, and gave Him a drink.

John 19:28

After this, Yeshua, knowing that all things had already been accomplished, to fulfill the Scripture, said, "I am thirsty."

A jar full of sour wine was standing there; so they put a sponge full of the sour wine upon a branch of hyssop and brought it up to His mouth. John 19:29

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