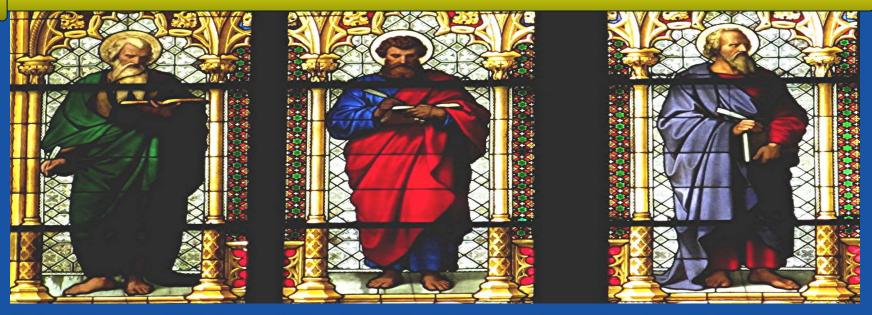
### THE SYNOPTIC GOSPEL WRITERS



- Matthew 17:1 13, Mark 9:2 13, Luke 9:28 36
- The differences among the Gospels are owed to two things: 1) no writer was an eyewitness, he got his information from others, and 2) each writer wrote from his own perspective and according to his audience
- No recorded statement in any of the Gospels about the <u>meaning</u> of The Transfiguration



- Nearly the same words from God in Matthew 3:13 17 as John immerses Yeshua in the Jordan River
- Why make this pronouncement again?
- If it was for the disciples, why only the 3 and not all 12?
- Perhaps it was not for the disciples but rather for the benefit of Moses and Elijah

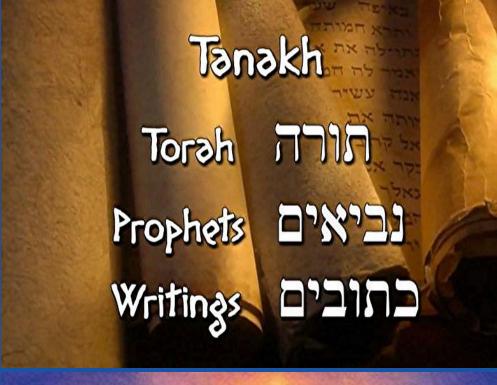


### ABRAHAM'S BOSOM

- ▶ Ephesians 4:8 10
- > Acts 2:27
- Hades played no role in Jewish culture; it was a Greco-Roman myth
- Yeshua appeared before the captives of Abraham's Bosom
- Did Yeshua appear before Elijah and Moses for the same reason?
- Elijah and Moses needed atonement for their sins just like everyone else

# THE 3 STAGES OF THE REDEMPTION PROCESS

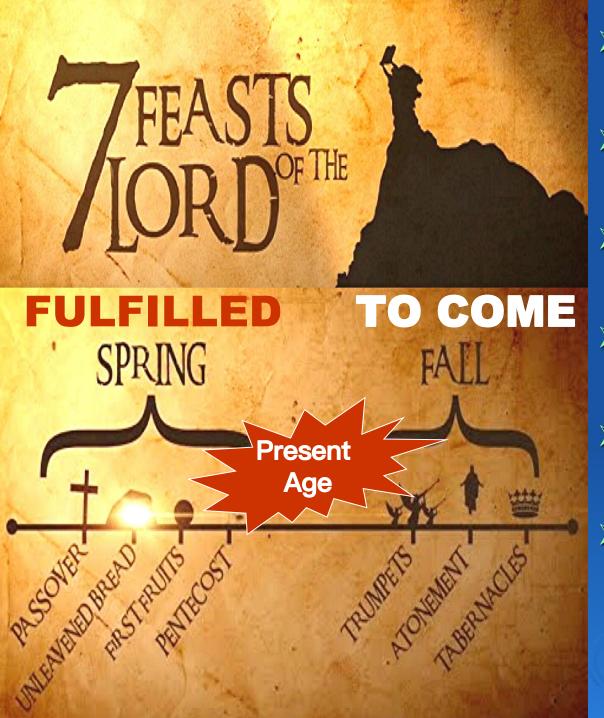
- Elijah and Moses represent what the Hebrew Bible (OT) pointed to
- Yeshua is the fulfillment
- No implication of Yeshua replacing anyone
- Peter says that they should build 3 shelters
- The question is why and for what purpose?







- Peter wanted to build 3 shelters (Sukkahs?), but Mark says he got it all wrong
- Be cautious when reading a personal conclusion a Gospel writer comes to, versus him merely recording an event or what the participants said
- Peter is NOT rebuked by Jesus for suggesting to build the 3 Sukkahs.... it is Luke and Mark that question Peter's understanding of The Transfiguration

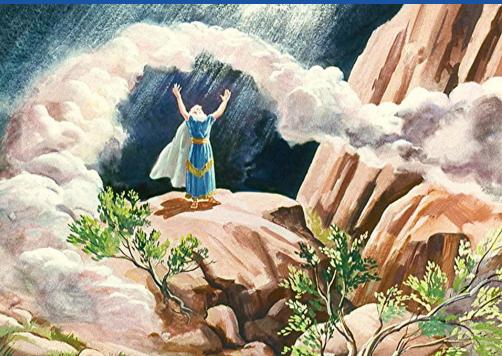


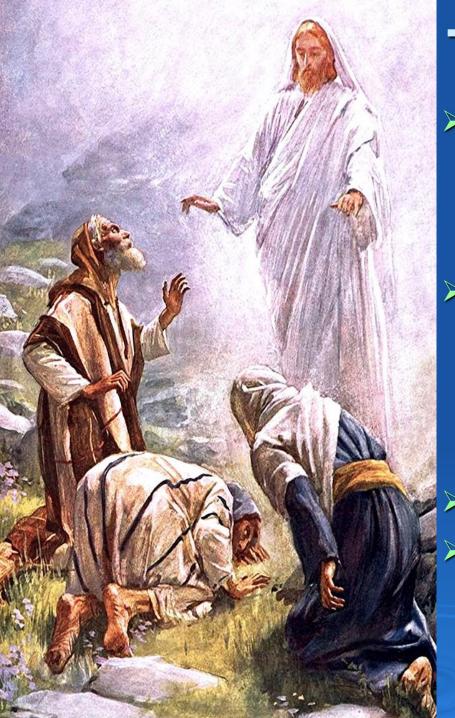
- The 7 feasts are God ordained
- Passover...
  Jesus died
- Matza...
  Jesus in tomb
- Firstfruits...
  Jesus resurrected
- Shavuot...
  Holy Spirit comes
- Jews thought they were in the End Times

## THE CLOUD IS THE SHEKINAH

- Not only 3, but 4 figures involved
- The only figure to speak was God The Father
- Very few mentions in the Bible of God coming with clouds
- > Exodus 16:10 12
- > Exodus 19:9
- > Exodus 24:15 16
- 2Maccabees 2







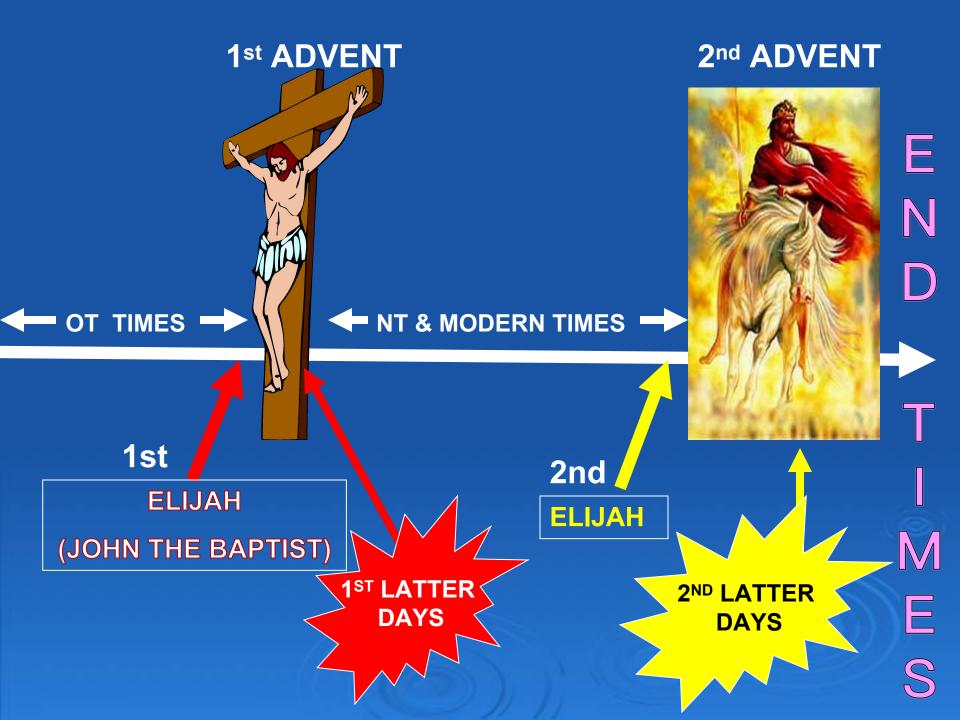
### THE AFTERMATH

- Mark 9:9 Yeshua tells disciples not to tell what they had seen until after He rises from the dead
- Disciples see a discrepancy between what Jesus is telling them about Elijah coming, and what their Scribes are telling them
- Malachi 3:23 24
- Judgment Day, Israel's restoration, and the advent of Messiah are supposed to be simultaneous

#### THE ELIJAH PARADOX



- Yeshua tries to explain about Elijah
- Yeshua says that the Son of Man will suffer as did Elijah
- Disciples figured out that Yeshua equated Elijah with John the Baptist
- Indeed Elijah did precede Messiah
- Messiah = the Restorer
- They didn't understand the long restoration process that had only just begun



### **MOUNT TABOR**



- Mt. Tabor can not be the place of The Transfiguration
- Mt. Tabor was a fortified Roman military outpost in that era
- Also part of a matrix of hills for signal fires to announce the New Moon
- Peter, James and John from here forward became the best most reliable authorities on the Jesus movement
- They represent the first Elders to safeguard the traditions of Yeshua and His life