

## **Sabbath Eve and First Day Eve Celebrations**

*At the beginning of the Sabbath we remember our Creator. At the end of the Sabbath, or the beginning of the First Day, we remember our Redeemer.*

We will never grow tired of hearing vision by the prophets. 1 Cor 14:3 — The prophets interpret the divine will of God and His purpose, speaking to the Edah for their upbuilding and constructive spiritual progress and encouragement and consolation. No saint will ever grow tired of being encouraged, comforted, and edified by the vision the prophets pass on to us: all the gospel accounts of Messiah's resurrection, all the accounts of His appearances to His disciples, all the accounts of the Sabbath age in the Old and New Testament.

### **Sabbath Eve**

Our Sabbath Day Eve Celebration celebrates the millennial order. We speak of all the prophecies related to the Sabbath and to the millennial reign of Messiah until Rev 20:1,2,3,7,8,10 (Rev 2:26,27; Rev 3:4) — the prophecies of war no more, the lion and the lamb, etc.

Prophets speak about the return of our Master. 1 Ths 4:14-18 — It says to encourage or comfort one another with these words (1 Ths 4:18).

Rev 2:26,27 — We speak of ruling with Him for 1,000 years and all the prophecies about the Seventh Day, about entering His Rest (*menuchah*) — Isa 28:12; Ps 95:11; Heb 3:7-15. Our Master Yahshua will come before we put off our old bodies, and we will put on the new eternal bodies (2 Cor 5:3,4). 1 Ths 4:17 — These people will not die before He comes. 1 Cor 15:51-54 — They will be clothed without first being disembodied (2 Cor 5:9; 1 Jn 3:22).

Sabbath Eve celebrates the return of Messiah (1 Ths 4:15), the hope of being worthy of the kingdom, the reign of Messiah (2 Ths 1:4,5; Heb 4:9-11; Col 2:16,17).

### **First Day Eve**

First Day Celebration celebrates the resurrection with all the stories in the gospels and the scriptures related to it — how He first appeared to Miriam, etc. (1 Cor 15:4; Ps 16:9,10; Ps 89:27; Rev 1:5,18). Mk 8:31 — He told us Himself that He would rise again after three days and

three nights (Mt 12:40). Jn 21 — All the accounts of His post-resurrection appearances continue to confirm Rom 10:9 to us.

The prophets speak first — before the children's dances and songs — about Mt 12:40, etc. After the prophets speak, then the children sing and dance. Then we offer our minchah. Then the victory cup. We speak of our Master's victory over death. Then we have the story. Then the breaking of bread. We remember His death until He comes.

### **First Day Eve focuses us on certain themes:**

The Resurrection — all the accounts in the gospels and epistles related to the resurrection; Mary at the tomb; doubting Thomas; the two on the road to Emmaus.

The Victory Cup — Lk 22:18 and all concerning the victory.

The Breaking of Bread — all that pertains to His death — Ps 116.

Just think, when the prophets speak on First Day Eve and Sabbath Eve on all the related prophecies and gospels and epistles concerning these two days, it will be full! The people will be full of vision (1 Cor 14:1,3) and encouraged like 1 Ths 4:18 says, and 1 Ths 5:11 also. Actually it is a command for us, who are then responsible after we read or hear it — especially prophets.

*PROPHETS PROPHECY!* They speak of Jn 21:14, and all the accounts in the gospels where He spoke and prophesied of His death and resurrection (Acts 2:24,30). These are the things our children need to have confirmed in their heart (Rom 10:9,10) so they will be able to make the good confession unto salvation at Bar Mitzvah. They need to hear the prophets. They need to hear the story of the two on the road to Emmaus and of Thomas, Mary, Peter, John, etc. They need to hear the words of every prophet who prophesied concerning His death, His resurrection, His Return (the Sabbath day), and concerning those who will be alive and remain until He comes (Jn 21:22; 1 Ths 4:16; Isa 53:10; Mt 24:34; Rev 17:14).

On First Day Eve we speak of the Resurrection and then, after the Minchah, at the Breaking of Bread, we remember His death until He comes (1 Jn 2:28; Heb 10:38; 1 Cor 11:25,26).

1 Cor 11:30 — The sick and feeble and fallen-to-sleep spiritually think that they are just fine, since they are in good health. They fool themselves but not God. So the prophets awaken the ones who are asleep and heal the sick and feeble (Eph 5:14) before they drink a final judgment to themselves (Mt 24:8-12,10).