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## Bees and the Coming Famine

Ge 26:1-6 And there was a famine in the land, beside the first famine that was in the days of Abraham. And Isaac went unto Abimelech king of the Philistines unto Gerar.

Ac 11:28 And one of them named Agabus stood up and signified by the Spirit that there should be great famine over the world (which also happened in the days of Claudius Caesar).

Ge 26:12-14 Then Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year an hundredfold: and the LORD blessed him.

Ge 27:28,29 Therefore may God give you Of the dew of heaven, Of the fatness of the earth, And plenty of grain and wine.

The fatness of the earth: Shaman

Idiom for the rich oil from the olive tree

Ps 23:5 You prepare a table for me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil;(Shemen) my cup runs over.

Olive oil is what is used for anointing.

Da 9:25 Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks,

#4899. מָשִׁיחַ maw-shee'-akh anointed; usually a consecrated person (as a king, or a priest specifically, the Messiah:--anointed, Messiah.

And plenty of grain and wine;

Jer 31:11,12 For the LORD hath redeemed Jacob, and ransomed him from the hand of him that was stronger than he. Therefore they shall come and sing in the height of Zion, and shall flow together to the goodness of the LORD, for wheat, and for wine, and for oil, and for the young of the flock and of the herd: and their soul shall be as a watered garden; and they shall not sorrow any more at all.

Ho 2:21,22 And it shall come to pass in that day, I will hear, saith the LORD, I will hear the heavens, and they shall hear the earth; And the earth shall hear the corn,

and the wine, and the oil; and they shall hear Jezreel.

Joe 2:19 Yea, the LORD will answer and say unto his people, Behold, I will send you corn, and wine, and oil, and ye shall be satisfied therewith: and I will no more make you a reproach among the heathen:

Joe 2:23,24 Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the LORD your God: for he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month. And the floors shall be full of wheat, and the fats shall overflow with wine and oil.

Mic 4:1,2,4 But in the last days it shall come to pass, that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow unto it. And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree; and none shall make them afraid: for the mouth of the LORD of hosts hath spoken it.

The grain and wine symbolize the days of the Messiah & the Biblical Feast Days. There is no end to the blood of Messiah or his body as represented by the bread that fed 5,000.

Re 6:5 And when the third seal was undone, the voice of the third beast came to my ears, saying, Come and see. And I saw a black horse; and he who was seated on it had scales in his hand. And a voice came to my ears, from the middle of the four beasts, saying, A measure of grain for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny: and see that you do no damage to the oil and the wine.

A days wage will go entirely to feeding the family. What sign is there that we may be approaching this time? The canary in the mineshaft. Physically & spiritually

The honey bee.

Beekeepers across the world are losing the majority of their bees.

The commercial beekeepers noticed it first some losing up to 90% of their colonies.

Non migratory beekeepers are now also experiencing it as well.

Bees do not pollinate all plants. Grains are not pollinated by bees but are self pollinating or wind pollinated. With bees gone grains would not be hurt like the fruits, vegetables and nuts. Grains would become more expensive as supply and demand arose. Olive trees and Grape vines the source of the oil and the wine also are not dependant upon bees. They also are cross-pollinated by the wind.

Prophetic implications:

As with the story of Joseph, a very prophetic picture of the end times, God's purposes were accomplished by a global famine.

Mal 4:4-6 Keep in mind the Torah of Moses, my servant, which I gave him in Horeb for all Israel, even the rules and the decisions. See, I am sending you Elijah the prophet before the day of the Lord comes, that great day, greatly to be feared. And by him the hearts of fathers will be turned to their children, and the hearts of children to their fathers; for fear that I may come and put the earth under a curse.

Lu 4:25,26 Truly I say to you, There were a number of widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up for three years and six months and there was no food in the land; But Elijah was not sent to one of them, but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow.

1Co 15:46 But that which is natural comes before that which is of the spirit. Could God use a literal famine to teach us of a spiritual famine?

De 8:3 And He humbled you and allowed you to hunger, and then He fed you with manna, which you did not know, neither did your fathers know it, so that He might make you know that man shall not live by bread alone. But every word that comes out of the mouth of the LORD man shall live.

Temporal bread shows us we are in need of spiritual bread.

De 1:1 These be the words <dabar> which Moses spoke <dabar> unto all Israel  
#1696 דָּבַר daw-bar' to arrange; but used figuratively (of words), to speak;

Am 8:11,12 Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words <dabar> of the LORD: And they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and fro to seek the Word <dabar> of the LORD, and shall not find it.

If the vanishing bees we are seeking is an indication of a coming physical famine what is their connection to the coming spiritual famine?

Jg 5:1 Then sang Deborah

#1682. דְּבוֹרָה deb-o-raw' from #1696 (in the sense of orderly motion); the bee (from its systematic instincts)

Isa 7:18 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the LORD shall hiss for the fly that is in the uttermost part of the rivers of Egypt, and for the bee that is in the land of Assyria.

Physical bees are symbolic of the Word of God!

Ps 119:103 How sweet are thy words unto my taste! yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth!

If you closely observe what is being presented as the "Word of God" in most churches today it is being mingled with man's opinions and cultural trends. We have added to and taken away from the Word of God. Why is this done?

To be more attractive to the masses, so they will be more financially productive. The organic bee colonies that grow in the wild, without the use of pesticides and other chemicals are not experiencing the symptoms of CCD. The colonies which are manipulated by "adding" chemicals and "taking away" their natural habitat all in order to "increase production" are the ones experiencing the greatest problems. Soon many will find it very hard to find a place where the "Organic" Word of God is spoken.

Word of God is likened to a seed:

Mr 4:14 The sower soweth the Word.

Isa 52:7 How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!

Many types of seeds are spread by bees via pollination. They get fed, fill their sacs, which by the way are located on their legs, with pollen and carry it to the next location. Therefore the original seed is disseminated over a larger area. So having been fed by the Word we are to carry it to others. We must act like bees!

There's always a remnant. Those who haven't become entangled with a system that wishes only to "increase production". They continue to make honey and pollinate the seed just as the Creator intended. Though fewer in number they thrive in the wild.

Mr 1:6 And John was clothed with camel's hair, and with a girdle of a skin about his loins; and he did eat locusts and wild honey;

Elijah never went hungry during famine and neither did Joseph. They knew where to get food.

Ps 37:25 I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread.

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penny: and see that you do no damage to the oil and the wine.

Certain foods will not be affected by the famine. The Grains, the Olives and the Fruit of the Vine. All associated with the Biblical Feasts.

In the last days it will be very important to be considered wheat:

Mt 3:12 Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

Be a part of the vine:

Joh 15:5 I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

And be grafted into the Olive Tree:

Ro 11:24 For if you were cut out of a field olive-tree, and against the natural use were united to a good olive-tree, how much more will these, the natural branches, be united again with the olive-tree which was theirs?

Many other plants and fruits will be failing. Why are these not affected? Because they are cross pollinated by the "wind" which in Hebrew is translated as Spirit!

Zec 4:6 Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This is the word of the LORD unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the LORD of hosts.

Most of these concepts came from a teaching by Bill Cloud whose website I recommend:

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