

Genesis 49:8-12

“Fountainhead” of All Old Testament Messianic Prophecy

This *grand* prophecy foretells that **Jesus** will come (1) from the tribe of **Judah**; (2) be a **King** (3) of **rest** and (4) for all **nations**. Then it hints (5) at the miraculous **wine-sign** at Christ's first public miracle (being parallel to the first public miracle of Moses), and finally predicts **four major events** (Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter) that eventually took place during Holy Week and on Resurrection Sunday. Yes, a magnificent *multi-pronged* prophecy. Therefore, using the words of *Exodus* at the Burning Bush [not literally], I say, take off your shoes; you are about to stand on holy ground.

49TH CHAPTER OF GENESIS

Jacob Prophecies

- 1 Jacob called for his sons [in Egypt]. He said,
“Come together
and I will tell you what will happen to you **in the future**.”
- 2 Gather and hear, sons of Jacob,
and listen to your father, Israel.
- 3, 4 **Reuben**...5-7 **Simeon and Levi**....
- 8 **Judah**, your brothers will **praise you**—
 your hand will be on the necks of your enemies;
 your father's sons will bow down before you. (Compare I Chronicles 5:2a.)
Verse 8, line 3: “For **Judah** grew strong among his brothers and the **chief prince** was to come from him [from **Judah**],....”
- 9 **Judah** is a young lion (Judah's tribe multiplies);
 you have come up from eating the prey, my son, (David) ,
 he crouches and stretches out like a lion (Solomon);
 as a mature lion, who will rouse **Him**? **JESUS**
Verse 9, line 4: Compare 1 Peter 5:8; Revelation 5:1- 6.
- 10 The scepter [**the kingly right of succession**] will not pass away from **Judah**
 or a **ruler** [cp. **Isaiah 33:22**] from between his feet
 until **SHILOH** [**Man of Rest** — cp. **Matthew 11:28**] comes (cp. **Luke 2:4, 5**), Targum
 Whom the nations will obey [believe in & serve]. Ezek. 21:27
Verse 10, line 1: **Judah** = the 4th of the Twelve Tribes of Israel.
Verse 10, line 2: Think “**sphinx**” in Egypt = *euphemism* for conception! **Karnak**.
Verse 10, line 3: “Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to David's town in Judea, which is called Bethlehem, because he was one of the descendants of David, to register with Mary, his fiancée, who was going to have a child.”

- 11 **He** will tie **His** donkey to a vine,
His donkey's colt to the choice vine. **Palm** **Sunday**
He will wash **His** clothes in wine and
His garment in the blood of grapes. (Initials (capitals): **MT** & **GF**.)
- 12 **His** eyes are dark from wine and
His teeth white from milk. **Easter**

Verse 11, lines 3 & 4: Think: "wedding at Cana in Galilee"

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2ND CHAPTER OF JOHN

Jesus Changes Water Into Wine

1 On the third day there was a wedding in Cana in Galilee, and Jesus's mother was there. **2** Jesus and His disciples had also been invited to the wedding.

3 When they were out of wine, Jesus' mother said to Him, "They do not have any wine."

4 Jesus asked her, "What do we have in common, woman? My time has not yet come."

5 His mother told the waiters, "Do anything He tells you."

6 Six stone water jars were standing there for the religious washings of the Jews. Each jar held 18 to 27 gallons [**108 or 162 gal.; average c. 135 gal.**].

7 "Fill the jars with water," Jesus told them. And they **filled them to the top** [Q-Q-1-D]. **8** He said to them, "Now dip some of it out and take it to the manager of the dinner." Then they took it to him.

9 When the manager tasted the water that had been changed to wine and did not know where it had come from (but the waiters who had dipped the water knew), the manager called the groom **10** and said to him, "Everybody serves his good wine first, and when people have drunk much, then the poorer wine. You have kept the **good** wine until now" [Q-Q-1-D].

11 Jesus worked this, the **first** of His miraculous signs [Q-Q-1-D] in Cana in Galilee. He showed His *glory*, and His **disciples** believed in Him [Q-Q-1-D].