

WHEN GOD SPOKE !

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Could you comprehend such a thing happening? What would that be like to be in a group of people, and actually undeniably hear God SPEAK aloud?

Well, there is written recorded accounts of this very thing happening.

Do you know if these events? It's only happened TWICE in all of recorded history when more than one or few people like Noah, Moses or Abraham, etc, but **SEVERAL** or a **GROUP** of people. **TWO TIMES-Period.** Truly as monumental as anything could ever be, to actually PERSONALLY HEAR God SPEAK from above! Not, just hear from a messenger, such as one of God's prophets, but to actually HEAR God's own personal voice with your very own 2 ears that is witnessed also by others!

Let's take a look at what events would be so monumental, so important to cause God Himself to audibly SPEAK,- **WHAT WORDS/MESSAGE** that God Himself would cross the barrier that He's only crossed twice in all of history?

Last time:



Matthew 3:16 As soon as Yeshua had been immersed, he came up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, he saw **the Spirit of God coming down** upon him like a dove, 17 and a **voice** from heaven said, “This is my Son, whom I love; I am well pleased with him.” [CJB]

FATHER- GOD MOST HIGH'S VOICE from heaven's gate. Yes, I would say this was a monumental event, as Yeshua goes under the water in a pre-anointed state, and emerges **anointed** by the very spirit of Almighty Father's Spirit, who first gave him physical life by His seed, and now to begin His son's messianic mission **anointed by Father's Holy Spirit:**

“This is my Son, whom I love; I am well pleased with him.”

This is the single new testament account where a group or several people heard God's Voice, which means the other, that is actually the first and only other time God's VOICE is heard by a **group** of people. Who/What is God? We'll get to that in just a bit, but let's continue for now...

Some may know of the old testament account, so you probably know the WHERE, and you probably know the WHEN, but is it permanently burned into the forefront of your mind EXACTLY **WHAT** God opened His mouth to speak, - ESPECIALLY **what the VERY 1st words spoken from his mouth to that large group of people was?** A speaker often puts the most important point at the very top of the list in a way to "head" the list or statement.

Talk about a "HEAR YE HEAR YE" statement, those there, and if we could travel back in time to be there, our/their ears would be at full attention. **So much so, that the people were given 3-days to prepare! <— —***

Let's start by looking at what preceded or led up to this, by looking at WHEN, because the **WHEN** also has great significance... "TIMES" are important.

*Exodus 12:1 And Jehovah spake unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying, 2 **This month** shall be unto you the beginning of months: it shall be the first month of the year to you. [ASV]* The month is Abib/Nisan and to know when is to simply look up into the sky at night to know WHEN it is, by counting each NEW MOON (identified by the very first visible bit/sliver of light) in connection with the first ripe barley.

Then they were told to prepare by each household taking a lamb without blemish, and keeping it until the **fourteenth day** (middle of the month) when they would then have a FULL Bright MOON overhead...

*6 and ye shall keep it until **the fourteenth day** of the same month; and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at even (evening). 7 And they shall take of the blood, and put it on the two side-posts and on the lintel, upon the houses wherein they shall eat it.*

This night was called "Passover" because the death curse would passover the households with with the lambs blood on their doorposts.

They would eat their lamb, bitter herbs, and unleavened bread bread dressed with their shoes on and staff in hand, to be eaten in haste, because afterward they would be freely leaving their enslavement in Egypt. Because of this they were commanded though Moses:

*14 And this day (the 14th of Abib, the first month of the year) shall be unto you for **a memorial**, and ye shall keep it a feast to Jehovah: **throughout your generations** ye shall keep it a feast by an ordinance **for ever**.*

So, with a full moon to light the way overhead they:

37 And the children of Israel journeyed from Rameses...

51 And it came to pass the selfsame day, that Jehovah did bring the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt by their hosts.

Exodus 13:14 *And it shall be, when thy son asketh thee in time to come, saying, What is this? that thou shalt say unto him, By strength of hand Jehovah brought us out from Egypt, **from the house of bondage**:* [ASV]

This date at the middle of the *1st month* under God's full moon was when God frees Israel from PHYSICAL bondage, gifting physical SALVATION. Today we keep this TIME as a memorial passover for **our** deliverance from the bondage penalty to death,- Our Eternal Salvation.



Time Update:

Exodus 16:1 *And they took their journey from Elim, and all the congregation of the children of Israel came unto the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, **on the fifteenth day of the second month** after their departing out of the land of Egypt.*



Time Update:

Exodus 19:1 ***In the third month** after the children of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day came they into the wilderness of **Sinai**.* Remember, they left Egypt on the 14th day of the 1st month. By the time we get to the 3rd month, we can add 16 days that passed of Abib/Nisan, then add approx 30 more days of the second month (Iyyar), which would add up to about 46 days, and below we'll see to add at least 3 more days= 49 days. [ALTHOUGH the above verse simply says "IN" the 3rd month, not how many days into the 3rd month (Sivan). [the OJB & Institute For Scripture Research bibles render Ex 19:1 as "In the 3rd New Moon" as God counts months]

*9 And Jehovah said unto Moses, Lo, I come unto thee in a thick cloud, **that the people may hear when I speak** with thee, and may also believe thee for ever. And Moses told the words of the people unto Jehovah. 10 And*

Jehovah said unto Moses, Go unto the people, and **sanctify them to-day and to-morrow**, and let them **wash their garments, 11 and be ready against the third day**; for **the third day** Jehovah will come down in the sight of all the people upon mount Sinai.



Time Update: SIX WEEKS have passed, this time is now into the SEVENTH WEEK, counting from the TIME STAMPS recorded in God's scripture. Now notice what takes place...

*Exodus 19:16 And it came to pass **on the third day**, when it was **morning**, that there were thunders and lightnings, and a thick cloud upon the mount, and the voice of a trumpet exceeding loud; and all the people that were in the camp trembled. 17 And Moses brought forth the people out of the camp to meet God; and they stood at the nether part of the mount. 18 And mount Sinai, the whole of it, smoked, **because Jehovah descended upon it in fire**; and the smoke thereof ascended as the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mount quaked greatly. 19 And when the voice of the trumpet waxed louder and louder, Moses spake, and God answered him by a voice. 20 And Jehovah came down upon mount Sinai, to the top of the mount: and Jehovah called Moses to the **top** of the mount; and Moses went up. 21 And Jehovah said unto Moses, **Go down**, charge the people, lest they break through unto Jehovah to gaze, and many of them perish. 22 And let the priests also, that come near to Jehovah, sanctify themselves, lest Jehovah break forth upon them. 23 And Moses said unto Jehovah, The people cannot come up to mount Sinai: for thou didst charge us, saying, Set bounds about the mount, and sanctify it. 24 And Jehovah said unto him, **Go, get thee down; and thou shalt come up**, thou, and Aaron with thee: but let not the priests and the people break through to come up unto Jehovah, lest he break forth upon them. 25 So Moses went down unto the people, and told them.*

So, on the 3rd day Moses ascends mount Sinai, then God tells him to **GO BACK DOWN** to warn the people again, and then to bring Aaron with him when he **comes back up**. We really don't know how long this took to go **up**, then back **down**, then **back up**, but with the importance God puts on this 3rd day, we should assume that this happened still within the 3rd day.

Are you ready to hear **the first words** to the multitude, that the multitude heard with their own 2 ears, spoken by the VOICE of God?... ...
God First Speaks His Very First words to the masses...



Exodus 20:1 And God spake all these words, saying,... ..

2 **Anochi Yehovah Eloheicha...**

[original Hebrew, pronounced an-o-he Yehovah El-o-hei-ca]

English translation: ***"I am Yehovah, your God"***

Remember, God has the full audience of Israel before Him at the base of the mountain *Exodus 19:9 "And Jehovah said unto Moses, Lo, I come unto thee in a thick cloud, **that the people may hear when I speak** with thee,..."*

"Anochi Yehovah Eloheicha..." with all of Israel's attention:

I am (Anochi) Yehovah (YHVH) your God (Eloheicha),...

The One that spoke to the people was most likely the same One who came on behalf of Father Yehovah, and Father Yehovah's messenger who was **"the Word"**, the One who later came to earth and named Yeshua. This is "who" appeared to Moses as this story begins of in *Exodus 3:2 "And the angel [messenger] of Jehovah appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush:..."*

! NOTE—> !! Here and in Ex 19:18 God appears in **"FIRE"** !!

It is important to understand that BOTH English words angel and messenger come from the same exact Hebrew word: **māl'āk**, [Strong's #H4397] meaning: to despatch as a deputy; a messenger; specifically, of God, i.e. an angel, ambassador. There is a multitude of scripture that begins as "and the angel of Yehovah came unto me" and also "the word of Yehovah came to me". Who does John say Yeshua was prior to his human birth?

John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ! Keep in mind that God is NOT a name, but a TITLE. !

This is where old and new testaments come together. The primary messenger of Yehovah God Most High in BOTH testaments is the same person "the Word", and in the flesh as "Yeshua". [read John 1:1-18]

Now a factual observance, even though the date of this event is not specifically given... Such an important monumental event for God to audibly speak to His chosen massive group of people is not a trivial thing. The observation that I see here, is to join this event to the **actual spot in time** of **Shavuot** (Feast of Weeks/Feast of First Fruits), which we today in English call

Pentecost (meaning to count 7 weeks), although not absolutely 100% given in scripture, we can add it up. It is approximately IF- NOT EXACTLY 50 days because we are told to count “7” weeks (50 days) from the 1st day of the week (Sunday) after the Sabbath during the 7 day Feast of Unleavened Bread considered part of Passover- the 14th of Abib/Nisan, when Israel received Salvation from Egypt. (7 Sabbaths) Some might say the observation I see here is “**FAITH**”. To me it’s an easy-to-accept faith because I see God being timely over and over.

We see **perfect TIMING** in **everything** that God does. While all other Feast days are specified when exactly, Shavuot/Pentecost requires that we COUNT. To tie it absolutely to this historic Mount Sinai event relies on a tiny amount of Faith that I am confident in.

! NOTE —> A note on FAITH:

Isn’t FAITH **REQUIRED** to receive God’s Holy Spirit, which was OPENED UP and offered to the MIXED Group of People at the 1st Shavuot/Pentecost after Yeshua’s ascension? Regarding God’s Spirit; you can’t See it, Touch it, Hear it, Feel it with any of our “physical” 5-senses. Faith is a separate message in itself, but there are things of God that are ONLY OBTAINED by **GROWING CLOSE TO GOD in Faith**. Maybe better said, only things of the SPIRIT can be known by the SPIRIT which connects our physical man with the spirit in man, and requires this element called FAITH. [1 Corinthians 2:14, Job 32:8] *Hebrews 11:1 Now faith is **assurance** of things hoped for, a **conviction of things not seen**. 2 For therein the elders had witness borne to them. 3 By faith we understand that the worlds have been framed by the word of God, so that what is seen hath not been made out of things which appear.*

This leads into the parallel from the FEAST of FIRST FRUITS also called the Feast of Weeks/Pentecost as a First Harvest Feast,- to the **present** Messianic era that we live in now. That convergence is that We ARE the **LIVING** FIRST FRUITS OF GOD’S **HOLY SPIRIT** once we accept Yeshua as our savior and invite **God’s Spirit** to live within us! **THIS is the whole of our being**, the seed which leads to our complete transformation into spirit children of God.

The God of the ancients, “the Word” who existed from the very beginning, as Yehovah Most High’s **messenger** descending in **fire**, spoke with a resounding voice as a witness for all mankind: “***I am Yehovah your God***” **so that we could know Him by name**, as He knows all of the stars names, as He knows your personal name, and my personal name. The Eternal tells us His Name is His Memorial. *Ex 3:15 ...”this is my name for ever, and this is*

my memorial unto all generations.” The second word out of The Almighty’s mouth was His personal name that He placed 6,827 in His scripture (several more in what we call the new testament). He instructs us to *remember*, not blot out of forget, and yes- even GREAT among Gentiles. Malachi 1:11

I emphasized “FIRE” as how God appeared to Moses and then Israel upon mount Sinai. I mentioned this event parallels our memorial of Pentecost (Shavuot) today, which marks the offering of God’s set apart Spirit to the masses, and how did God represent Himself/Spirit?.... “FLAME, FIRE”:

Acts 2:1 The festival of Shavu’ot arrived, and the believers all gathered together in one place. 2 Suddenly there came a sound from the sky like the roar of a violent wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. 3 Then they saw what looked like tongues of fire, which separated and came to rest on each one of them. [CJB]

To the ancients the sound was described as mighty thunder, here as the “*roar of a violent wind*”, and visually as “FIRE”.

Such a historical and important TIME, not only for past, but also **FUTURE!** The “covenant” (contract, promise, pledge) at mount Sinai is understood as the marriage of Israel to God. Keeping in line with God’s perfect timing, and that we see He does things throughout scripture by precise timing as memorial times, does it not seem highly feasible that Father God will use this same TIME to wed His son to us as the bride? Then have us with him as he returns to earth when the trumpets blow, to usher in God’s millennial kingdom on earth. This puts the wedding at Father’s home in heaven.

I realize this may not line up with some traditional views, but God’s truths and His timings are what we must adapt to, not man’s interpretation, including mine. I encourage everyone, not take this reporters words for it, but pray for God’s truths, not even what we hope for convenience sake is the truth, but only God’s truth, so that we can worship and honor Him in Truth worthy of His Glory.

What moved God to audibly speak? To declare: “*I am Yehovah your God*” And then **Father Himself** was moved to open the heavens to speak, regarding “the Word” who He sent, and who came in human form as His only begotten son saying: “*This is my Son, whom I love; I am well pleased with him.*”

May God's Honor and Glory be magnified throughout all the Earth,
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