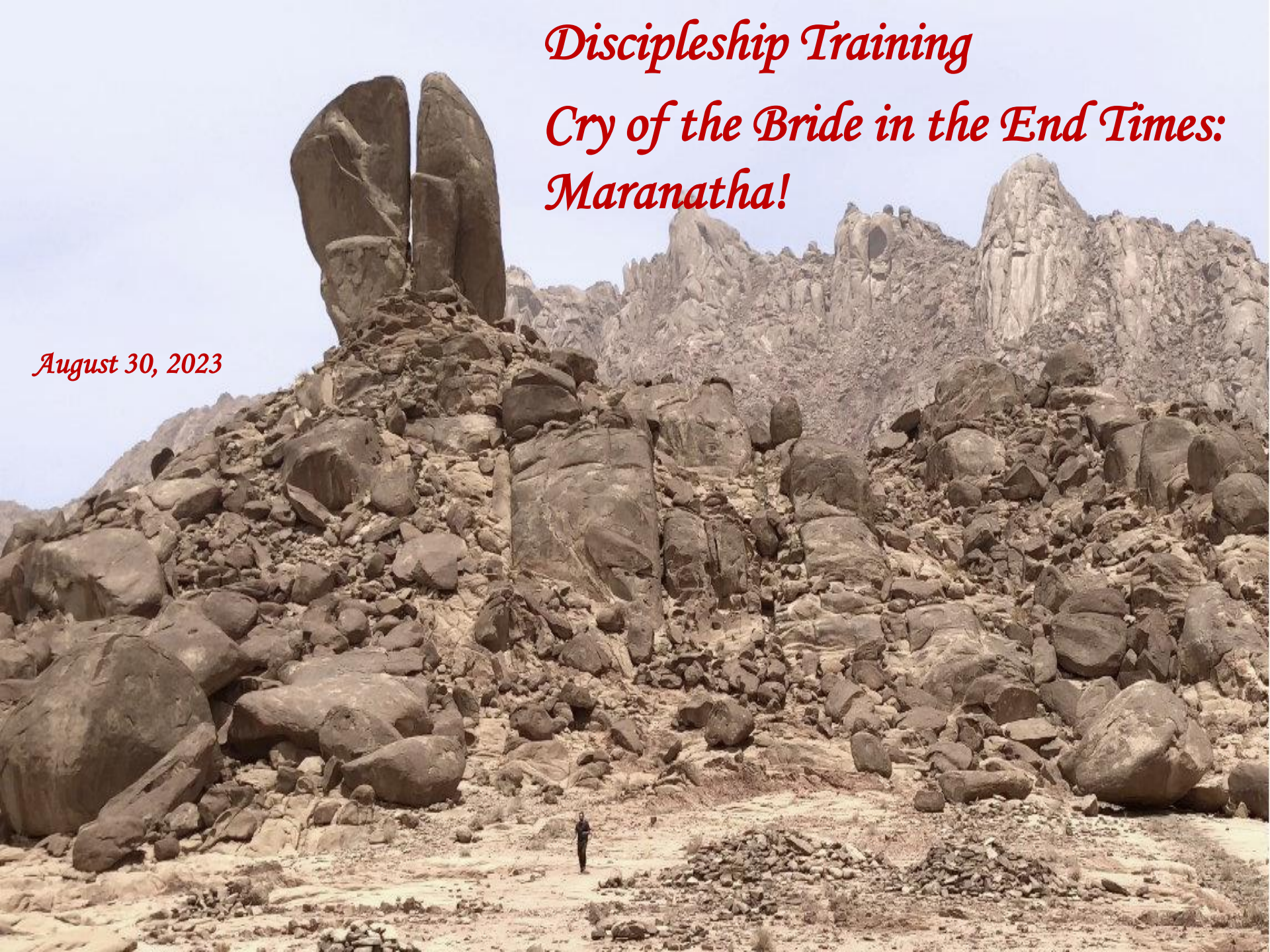


Discipleship Training

Cry of the Bride in the End Times: Maranatha!

August 30, 2023



A grayscale photograph of a rocky, mountainous landscape. In the foreground, a person stands on a dirt path, providing a sense of scale. The middle ground is filled with large, dark boulders and smaller rocks. In the background, several jagged, rocky peaks rise against a pale sky. The overall scene is desolate and rugged.

Sinai to Zion
by Joel Richardson

Assigned reading: Part 2 of the Book

- **Chapter 13 – Israel’s Final Regathering to the Land**
- **Chapter 14 – Modern Israel’s Rebirth in Prophecy**

Video:

- **Episode 19 ISRAEL’S FINAL RESTORATION TO THEIR LAND**
- **Episode 20: ISRAEL’S NATIONAL REPENTANCE**
- **Episode 21 The Prophesied Restoration of the State of Israel**

Assignment:

- **Give your insights on any topic in any episode**

August 30, 2023 (PST) Discipleship Class

Facilitator: Angelo

To discuss insights and takes:

- **Percy**
- **Eileen**
- **Marielle**
- **Francis**
- **Imelda**
- **Patricia**

- **Prayer Leaders: Myra, Clarence, Abegail, Ruffy, Rendu**

Episode 19: ISRAEL'S FINAL RESTORATION TO THEIR LAND

A. Ezekiel 20:33,35-38

- 1) until all Israel is saved, the Lord's promises are not fulfilled
- 2) the return to the wilderness
 - a) "the desert" symbolizes both the literal desert of the exodus, a place of loneliness where you can only rely on the Lord, and the wilderness of the peoples
- 3) the final Exodus
- 4) the Lord purges Israel of her sins
 - a) "pass under the rod" a refining and testing process in which Lord is checking to make sure no imposters get through
- 5) the Lord restores their bond of permanent covenantal faithfulness

B. Ezekiel 37:11-14

- 1) Israel is a people that has clung to hope in the Lord's promises for thousands of years, but during the time of Jacob's Trouble it will be as though they'll give up all hope
- 2) the bones coming up out of graves is the resurrection of the dead - a literal resurrection - in conjunction with Israel's return to the land

C. Micah 7:11-15

- 1) "on that day" is referring to the age of the Messiah
- 2) numerous times throughout the prophets the Lord points back to the exodus and says it will be even greater in the day of the Lord

Episode 20: ISRAEL'S NATIONAL REPENTANCE

- A. Zechariah was a post-exilic prophet, so he was able to look back and study what previous prophets had written. Zechariah draws from much of the imagery of his predecessors but expands on it.
- B. **Zechariah 12:9–13:2**
- 1) the gathering of the nations against Israel as part of the chastisement cycle
 - 2) God's Spirit being poured out upon Israel is in the context of Jesus' return
 - 3) repentance first, salvation comes next
- C. **Romans 11:11–12, 25–27**
- 1) Israel did go down, but they're going to get back up
 - 2) through Israel's sin, the Gentiles have the opportunity to get saved
 - 3) Paul is referring back to **Deuteronomy 32**, expounding on what the prophets had spoken
 - 4) ignorance is not necessarily a bad thing, but Paul warns against ignorance considering Israel
 - 5) at a particular moment in history, in a particular time, all Israel will be saved
 - 6) Paul quotes **Isaiah 59:20–21** and **Isaiah 60**
- D. "Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and unfathomable His ways! For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who became His counselor? Or who has first given to Him that it might be paid back to him again? For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be the glory forever. Amen." (Romans 11:33–36)

Episode 21: The Prophesied Restoration of the State of Israel

- A. The Scriptures clearly speak of a national revival among the Jews that are left after Jacob's Trouble and their permanent restoration to the land under the headship of their Messiah Jesus.
- B. Three passages that are commonly cited and said to have already been fulfilled by the recent establishment of the modern state of Israel are [Isaiah 11](#), [Jeremiah 16](#), and [Jeremiah 23](#).
 - 1) all describe the Lord restoring His people to the land "a second time"
 - 2) the thinking is that, first, Israel was invaded and exiled under the Babylonian invasion, then the remnant returned and began to rebuild under Ezra and Nehemiah after the prophesied 70 years. Then, there was the Roman invasion and destruction of Israel and the exile of the Jewish people and their return roughly 2,000 years later. Therefore, these passages must be speaking of Israel's relatively recent return to the land
 - 3) however, the recent reestablishment of Israel was not done in full belief, under the headship of the Messiah

Episode 21: The Prophesied Restoration of the State of Israel

C. Isaiah 11:1-11

- 1) the context of this entire prophecy is the age of the Messiah when He rules from Jerusalem
- 2) vs 4b Paul later quotes this referring specifically to Jesus' actions toward the antichrist
- 3) when Israel was reestablished in 1948, Jesus did not come back, there was no return to the Lord, nor was the throne of David reestablished in Jerusalem
- 4) at the time Isaiah was prophesying, the Babylonian exile hadn't taken place yet. The only exile they had to look back to was the exile to Egypt which ended with the exodus. So, the first return was out of Egypt, and the second will be from all over the world at the end of the great tribulation

D. Jeremiah 16:13-15

- 1) the first time was Egypt and the days of the exodus; the second time will be the Messianic age

E. Jeremiah 23:5-8

- 1) vs 6 cannot be said of the 1948 establishment of Israel
- 2) vs 8 is reiterating the return in context to the Messianic age

PRAYER POINTS

- **Isaiah 62: God will not hold His peace until Israel becomes praise to the Nations; He set watchman on the wall to not keep silent ;
Raise up people intercessors for Israel**
- **Israel's Restoration to their land; to cling to God's promises especially in the great tribulation (Ezekiel 20; Ezekiel 37)**
- **Israel's national repentance; to turn to God wholeheartedly and obey His commands/laws; Then they will be saved (Romans 11)**