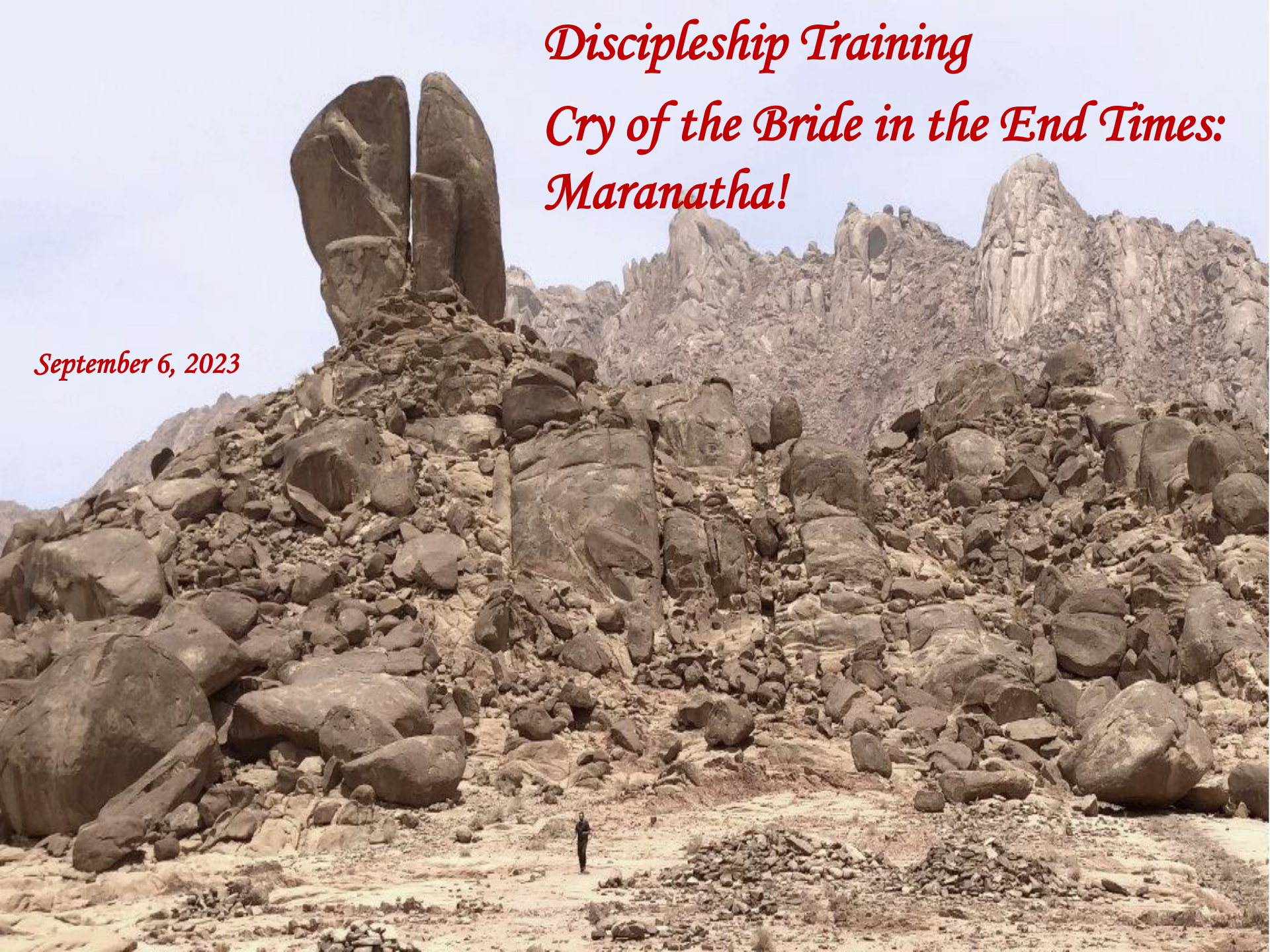


# *Discipleship Training*

## *Cry of the Bride in the End Times: Maranatha!*

*September 6, 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 14 – Modern Israel's Rebirth in Prophecy**
- **Chapter 15 – Grace in the Wilderness**

## **Video:**

- **Episode 22 Israel's Rebirth In Prophecy**
- **Episode 23 When Israel Finds Grace in the Wilderness**

## **Assignment:**

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



# September 6, 2023 (PST) Discipleship Class

**Facilitator: Rendu**

**To discuss insights and takes:**

- **Lily**
- **Vir**
- **Clarence**
- **Nona**
- **Angelo**
- **Lilita**
- **Prayer Leaders: Peter, Nora, Ruffy, Abegail**

# Episode 22 Israel's Rebirth In Prophecy

THE CURRENT REESTABLISHMENT OF ISRAEL IS PROPHETIC. THE CLEAR, OVERARCHING NARRATIVE IN SCRIPTURE IS THAT, IN THE LAST DAYS, THE ANTICHRIST WILL ARISE AND INVADE THE LAND OF ISRAEL.

## A. The Invasion of Israel

- 1) Joel 3:12
- 2) Ezekiel 38-39
- 3) Zechariah 12
- 4) Luke 21:24
- 5) the fact that Scripture contains multiple prophecies about nations invading Israel is significant proof that the current state of Israel is the fulfillment of prophecy
- 6) the Bible teaches urgency, not imminence. Jesus could not have returned before the state of Israel was established as prophesied. Even today, there are events that need to unfold before Jesus' return

## B. The Ceasing of Offerings and Abomination that Causes Desolation

- 1) Daniel 8:11-15; Daniel 9:26; Daniel 11:31; Daniel 12:11
- 2) Matthew 24:15
- 3) you can't have offerings in the temple without a temple first having been rebuilt, which requires a Jewish presence in the land

# Episode 22 Israel's Rebirth In Prophecy

- C. Before the invasion of Gog, Israel is described as
- 1) “the land that is restored from the sword, whose inhabitants have been gathered from many nations to the mountains of Israel which had been a continual waste; but its people were brought out from the nations, and they are living securely, all of them” (Ezekiel 38:8)
    - a) this is the current state of Israel
  - 2) a place inhabited by “the people who are gathered from the nations, who have acquired cattle and goods, who live at the center of the world” (Ezekiel 12)
    - a) this is the current state of Israel
  - 3) Ezekiel 39:22-29
    - a) this is talking about the final exile of Israel after the invasion of Gog and then their return
- D. The modern reestablishment of the state of Israel her future invasion, defeat, and exile are followed by her future and ultimate repentance and restoration to the Land.

# Episode 23 When Israel Finds Grace in the Wilderness

THE WORD "WILDERNESS" IN THE BIBLE IS FREQUENTLY USED TO DESCRIBE THE DESERT OF THE EXODUS. (HEBREW "מִדְבָּר" MIDBAR")

## I. BACK TO THE WILDERNESS

- A. Biblically, the desert represents the following:
  - 1) a dry, lonely, desolate place
  - 2) a place of breaking
  - 3) a place where one must learn how to rely upon God alone
  - 4) a place of encounter
  - 5) a place of refuge in distress
- B. In the last days, two primary things will happen with the inhabitants of Israel:
  - 1) many of them will be taken captive to the "wilderness of the Gentiles" (Ezekiel 20:35)
  - 2) some of them will flee to the literal desert of the Exodus
    - a) the final deliverance in the last days is the second, and ultimate, exodus
    - b) Jesus will lead many of them back to the Land in a grand, triumphal procession



# Episode 23 When Israel Finds Grace in the Wilderness

## II. GRACE IN THE WILDERNESS

### A. [Jeremiah 31:1-5](#)

- 1) the end goal, when all is said and done, is that God will be their God and they will be God's people
- 2) the Lord has always promised that a remnant will survive

### B. [Revelation 12:14](#)

- 1) the woman represents Israel
  - a) a portion of the remnant will be given refuge in the desert
- 2) the eagle represents the Lord
  - a) [Exodus 19:4](#)
  - b) [Deuteronomy 32:11-14](#)

### C. Jesus warned that when the people see the armies of the Antichrist approaching Jerusalem to bring desolation, "[then those who are in Judea must flee to the mountains.](#)" The mountains of Israel are synonymous with the desert.

- 1) [Matthew 24:16-21](#); [Mark 13:14-22](#); [Luke 21:20-24](#)

## III. THE WILDERNESS OF THE GENTILES

### A. [Ezekiel 20:35-36](#)

- 1) as it was in Egypt, so it will be again in the last days

### B. [Jeremiah 31:8-11](#)



# PRAYER POINTS

Please use Scriptures from the topics

- Pray for the current reestablishment of Israel; for endurance when the anti-christ arises and invades Israel
- Israel's national repentance; to turn to God wholeheartedly and obey His commands/laws
- Israel's finds grace in the wilderness