Discipleship Training Cry of the Bride in the End Times: Maranatha!

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Sinai to Zion by Joel Richardson

Assigned reading:

- Chapter 7: The Mikva at Mount Sinai
- Chapter 8: The Warning, the Chuppah, and the Cloud.

- **Bible reading:**
- Exodus 21-30

Chapter 7 - Mikva at Mount Sinai

- A 'Betrothal' covenant for Israel to enter into.
 - Betrothal... is an ancient and biblical way for couples to enter into... they were legally married at the point of Betrothal and awaits the consummation of the marriage when they come together.
- The covenant at Mount Sinai was a betrothal ceremony
 - This means... eventually it will be consummated... for us this points to the marriage supper of the Lamb.
- The Mikveh is a ritual immersion likened to baptism in water in our day today. Ex.19:10
 - A call to cleansing and purification before coming to meet with the Lord.

Chapter 8: The warning, the Chuppah, and the cloud

- Exodus 13:21-22, Exodus 19:16-17
 - Note: the pillar of cloud can be pictured like a tornado or a huge umbrella cover a million at least or more people. Covering them from heat during the day.

- The Cloud provided a "Chuppah" or covering as Israel prepared to enter into covenant with Him.
 - Exodus 19:16-17 SINAI to ZION
- The story of Exodus culminated at Mount Sinai a foreshadowing of the return of JESUS.

- We see the Lord:
 - Descend on the Mountain
 - Thick storm clouds covered the mountain
 - Trumpets blast were heard
 - The mountain quaked
 - An earthquake was felt
- Isaiah used the language in Exodus account to describe the age of the Messiah's return.
- Isaiah 4:2-5
- That which began in Sinai will be culminated in Zion
- Chuppah... means "canopy" or umbrella or covering
- The Chuppah the Lord provided at Mount Sinai is a foreshadow of the one Jesus will provide when He returns!

Questions for discussion:

- What is a betrothal?
- What is a Mikvah? What is it likened to? Explain.
- What is a Chuppah? What is it?