

Could Passover Hold the Key to Jesus' Return?

“They put the blood of the lamb on one doorpost, the other doorpost, and the top—forming a triangle,” he said. “Over a thousand years later, God would answer that. He would take His Lamb on beams of wood and put one blood here, one blood there, and one blood there—forming a triangle from heaven to earth. You put it together, and you have the Star of David, the covenant of God.”

The cup of judgment, Cahn reminds us, symbolizes the wrath Jesus took upon Himself.

“When the Lord said, ‘Father, if You are willing, remove this cup from Me,’ that was the cup,” he says. “This is the judgment that you will never know, because someone else took it for you forever.”

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But perhaps the most soul-searching moment of the evening arrives in a challenge.

“When you see the blood, you have to pass over it,” Cahn says. “There are people who sinned against you, who hurt you... but when you see the blood, you have to lift the judgment. You have to let go. You have to forgive.”

The Passover, he explains, is more than a meal or a moment in history. It's an invitation to freedom.

“You are saved by the blood of the Lamb. You are set free by the blood of the Lamb. You are new by the blood of the Lamb,” Cahn says. “If you have the love of God, you are rich in this world.”

And just like the Israelites walking out of Egypt, Cahn says, “Once that Passover came, they were free... The past has no claim on your life because the blood of the Passover Lamb sets you free from everything that has ever been.”

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UPDATE: Stocks Soar +2,700 in Huge Spike as Trump Halts Most Tariffs but Smacks China in a Big Way

UPDATE: President Donald Trump halted most of his tariffs on U.S. trading partners on Wednesday, sending stock markets soaring.

As of 2 p.m., the Dow Jones Industrial Average had spiked by 2,600 points to 40,300. By 2:45 p.m., the S&P 500 was up more than 380 points to 5,365.

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Trump announced that since “more than 75 countries have called

Representatives of the United States” to begin trade negotiations, he’s issuing a 90-day pause on new tariffs for most countries.

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China is the notable exception. Instead of issuing a reprieve for China, Trump rebuked the communist regime for its lack of respect and raised its tariffs to 125%. “At some point, hopefully in the near future, China will realize that the days of ripping off the ., and other countries, is no longer sustainable or acceptable,” Trump stated.

EARLIER REPORT: Markets, consumers and politicians had been bracing for the fallout as the second round of President Trump’s tariffs was supposed to take effect today. About 60 countries were facing higher charges on their imports.

China was already slated to pay the highest price, with a 104% surcharge on its goods, and that was sparking concerns of a trade war. China said it would take “resolute” and forceful measures to counter the Trump administration’s latest round of tariffs, announcing today that it’s imposing an 84 percent tariff on U.S. goods.

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The White House said the sweeping tariffs are designed to open negotiations with America’s trading partners. “The president’s message has been simple and consistent from the beginning to countries around the world – bring us your best offers and he will listen,” said White House Press Secretary Karoline Leavitt.

Stocks across Asia and Europe saw significant losses earlier in the day as the new round took effect. Wall Street had also been taking a hit, edging closer to bear market

territory. “That doesn’t occur every day and is a sign of distress in the market,” noted Seth Sutel, with the Associated Press.

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Are You Really Called to Deliverance Ministry? Find Out with These 5 Eye-Opening Signs!

Could God be calling you to deliverance ministry?

After serving in deliverance for years, Alexander Pagani is now sharing his key insights on this area of ministry and how to tell if it’s part of God’s calling for your life.

Here are the five signs that you may be called to cast out demons and set the captives free.

1. God Speaks to You Through Dreams

Pagani explains that God often begins confirming your calling through dreams: “The biggest sign that you know God is calling you to do deliverance is God starts speaking to you in your

dreams.” He emphasizes that your dream life is where “Jezebel cannot influence you,” allowing God to deal with your identity and calling without interference.

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This sensitivity is the first indication that God is preparing you for deliverance ministry. The Holy Spirit speaks to you in subtle ways, whether through dreams, visions or an inner conviction.

2. God Throws You Into Spiritual Fights

Deliverance ministry often involves stepping into spiritual battles unexpectedly. In Judges 14, God “used Samson to pick a fight with the Philistines.” Pagani affirms, “God makes you an instigator.” If you find yourself in situations where demons are manifesting or people are suddenly calling you to help, it could be a sign that you’re being used to confront spiritual forces.

If you find yourself moved with compassion for those in emotional, physical or spiritual chains, this burden could be God’s way of calling you into deliverance. The desire to see people set free from oppression, addiction or strongholds can be a direct calling to confront those spiritual barriers and lead people into freedom.



To order Alexander Pagani’s new book, Manipulated, visit .

3. You’ve Been Through Intense Suffering

Deliverance ministers often face hardship as part of their training. Pagani highlights this from Hebrews 2:10, stating, “God allows suffering to upgrade your rank in the spirit.” He adds, “Suffering purges your eyes from logs,” preparing you to help others who are in bondage. For Pagani, the suffering you’ve endured shapes your ability to minister with authority.

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Being prepared for spiritual warfare is essential to this ministry, and your current struggles may be shaping you to fight on behalf of others. God will use these battles to strengthen your faith and readiness.

4. You Bear Spiritual Marks

In Galatians 6:17, Paul speaks about bearing the marks of Jesus. Pagani explains, "The more marked you are, the less the demons talk." Spiritual authority is recognized by these marks, which come through experience and obedience. "The devil doesn't respect function—they respect marks," Pagani asserts. Those who are truly called to deliverance carry spiritual authority earned through trials.

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If you often feel compelled to intercede for others, breaking the chains that hold them back, you're likely being called to help bring them into God's freedom. This desire doesn't just come from a place of empathy but from a divine, anointed call to make a difference in people's spiritual lives.

5. You're Being Called Into a Nazarite Lifestyle

As Pagani shares, when God calls you into deliverance, He may lead you to set things aside for His purposes. "God may tell you to give up soda or even coffee," he explains. "The Holy Spirit starts castrating you from Christian liberties," leading you to live a set-apart life, dedicated to purity and holiness.

Having strong faith in His ability is key to ministering deliverance effectively and with authority. This faith empowers you to act in God's power and claim victory over darkness.

If these signs resonate with you, it may be time to embrace the call. As Pagani boldly declares, “You’re not crazy—God really is calling you to deliverance.”

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THE CHOSEN: Luke Dimyan’s ‘Judas,’ Embracing History’s Most Infamous Role

When *The Chosen: Last Supper* was unveiled for Season 5, fans braced for a deeply emotional chapter including one of history’s most controversial figures—Judas Iscariot. The role carries immense weight, demanding an actor who can portray both charisma and internal conflict.

Enter Luke Dimyan, whose casting as Judas was as unexpected as it was fated.

Dimyan initially auditioned for various disciples but found himself uniquely suited for Judas. Amanda Jenkins, wife of show creator Dallas Jenkins, reportedly was the one who first said Dimyan was the one for the role. The secrecy surrounding the role made his selection all the more intriguing. While other cast members openly celebrated their parts, Dimyan had to sit on this revelation, knowing he had been entrusted with one of the most pivotal roles in the series.

Being cast as Judas Iscariot comes with its fair share of reactions. Dimyan has faced a mix of amusement, fascination

and at times, strong opinions—especially from family. His grandmother, upon hearing the news, was not pleased, “She tried to throw her walker at me a few times,” he laughs.

The public reaction has been mostly positive, though some fans struggle with the idea of separating the actor from the role. Dimyan takes it all in stride, even joking that his biggest career achievement is that he “can afford healthcare now.”

Judas Iscariot is often viewed through a singular, condemning lens, but Dimyan approached the character with nuance and empathy. He saw Judas not merely as a villain but as a man whose choices, while devastating, were rooted in complex motivations.

Inspired by Ian McShane’s portrayal of Judas in *Jesus of Nazareth*, Dimyan studied the artistic fascination with Judas across history, from literature to film to music. Judas is a character that challenges audiences to wrestle with themes of betrayal, free will and redemption. Dimyan wanted to deliver a portrayal that reflected the slow, painful unraveling of a man who once had good intentions but succumbed to tragic misjudgment. Season 5 of *The Chosen* doesn’t rush Judas’ transformation from eager disciple to betrayer. Instead, the reliably spectacular writing crafts a deliberate devolution, making his eventual decision all the more heartbreaking.

One of the most emotionally charged scenes for Dimyan was the Last Supper, particularly the moment of tension at the table with Jonathan Roumie’s Jesus. The gravity of that interaction, where love, sorrow and inevitability collide, tested Dimyan’s depth as an actor. Dimyan recalls these moments as both terrifying and exhilarating—an actor’s dream challenge.

To enrich their performances, the cast of *The Chosen* participated in a traditional Passover meal led by Rabbi Jason Sobel. This firsthand experience allowed Dimyan to connect with the Exodus narrative, the same story Judas and the

disciples would have meditated on that fateful night, “As we continued the feast, it gave me a huge appreciation for the tradition, and knowing the story of Exodus, the suffering at the hands of the Egyptian people that the Israelites went through.” Dimyan was particularly struck by the symbolic depth of the *afikoman*, the broken matzah that in Jewish tradition represents redemption—a theme woven throughout the Gospel.

Season 5 of *The Chosen* sets the stage for what will ultimately be a heart-wrenching progression toward Christ’s crucifixion. Dimyan describes this season as an essential but incomplete puzzle piece. “The story won’t be finished until Season 7,” he reminds fans, urging them to remain patient for the full impact of the narrative.

The Chosen: Last Supper carries a heavier tone, reflecting the growing tension between Jesus, His disciples and the religious authorities. Audiences should brace for darker themes, deep personal betrayals and a portrayal of Judas that will challenge preconceptions.

Luke Dimyan’s portrayal of Judas Iscariot is set to redefine how audiences perceive one of the most infamous figures in Bible history. Through careful storytelling, emotional depth and a fresh perspective, Dimyan brings Judas to life in a way that will linger with viewers long after the season ends. For audiences worldwide, the challenge is to engage with the story openly, to see the complexity of human choices and appreciate the craftsmanship behind this interpretation.

And as Dimyan wryly concludes, playing Judas wasn’t an easy decision. But, in the end, “They paid me. How could I say no?”

THE CHOSEN: Global Sensation Bringing Hope and Inspiration to Millions

At the core of the blockbuster series *The Chosen* is an approach that redefines how biblical narratives are told. Unlike many portrayals of Jesus that emphasize only His divinity, this series presents Him as both God and man—approachable, warm and deeply connected with the people around Him. The show provides a rare focus on the disciples, fleshing out their personal struggles, doubts, human foibles, but also their transformations. Each episode weaves biblical truth with inspired storytelling, adding layers of emotion, nuance and depth to figures many only know through Sunday School and Bible Study.

Since its debut in 2019, *The Chosen* has broken barriers, setting records for independent faith-based media, now translated into at least 50 languages ahead of a goal of 600, ensuring people from every corner of the planet may engage with its powerful storytelling. As of 2025, it claims more than 17 million social media followers and 280 million viewers through its various platforms in everything from movie theaters to streaming on your cellphone.

Now, on the eve of the premier of Season 5, *The Chosen: Last Supper*, this phenomenon's wider connection to its audiences comes into clearer focus. Arriving in Season 1 mere months before the world ground to an artificial halt for the pandemic, it re-started for Season 2 as the world was still reeling from the multiplying lag effects of pandemic policies. Many say *The Chosen* arrived at precisely the right moment to provide a glimpse of hope after years that left many searching for meaning, encouragement and stability. It is no overstatement to say this series has been a spiritual oasis

for millions.

For Christians, *The Chosen* has been a fresh reminder of the living Christ, a beacon of faith during uncertain times. It has sparked Bible studies, church discussions and personal reflections worldwide. For those outside the Christian faith—including members of the Jewish community—the show has offered an unprecedented exploration of first-century Jewish life, culture and traditions, sowing greater understanding and appreciation of the Hebrew roots of Christianity.

The Chosen has been praised for its universal themes of love, forgiveness and purpose. Its emphasis on the value of individuals—regardless of social status, past mistakes or personal struggles—continues to resonate with anyone searching for acceptance and connection in an overly media-saturated world that leaves more people in desperate loneliness despite greater opportunities for communication than at any time in history.

Though faith-based films and television series often receive limited recognition in mainstream entertainment circles, *The Chosen* has rewritten the old script, earning numerous nominations and prestigious awards including the Gospel Music Association's Dove Award and K-Love's Fan Award, along with nominations for the People's Choice Awards "Favorite TV Drama" previously held by such legendary secular programs as *M*A*S*H*, *Friends*, *Seinfeld* and *Dallas*. The show's meticulous craftsmanship, high production value and especially the gripping performances by the gifted cast have gained the respect of audiences and critics alike.

One of the most lauded aspects of *The Chosen* is that stellar cast with Jonathan Roumie's portrayal of Jesus earning universal praise for its sincerity, warmth and emotional depth. His performance captures both the compassion and authority of Christ, presenting a figure who is both divine and deeply human. Shahar Isaac (Simon Peter), Elizabeth Tabish

(Mary Magdalene) and Paras Patel (Matthew) also deliver unforgettable performances, bringing their characters to life with authenticity and depth.

Let us also spare a thought for the exceptional raw materials provided to the cast, the plot treatments and scripts from creator and head writer, Dallas Jenkins, and his writers team. Jenkins, son of *Left Behind* co-author Jerry B. Jenkins, has consistently emphasized the importance of character-driven storytelling over mere spectacle. His vision for *The Chosen* was not just to retell familiar stories but to deeply explore the human experiences behind them. His crew adroitly balance biblical accuracy with creative liberties, ensuring narratives remain engaging while honoring Scripture. Dialogue is modern yet respectful of historical context making it accessible without losing authenticity.

Upcoming seasons will run through the perfection of the Gospel message, but Season 5 arrives presently abundant in promise and excitement for this show's ability to bring the greatest story ever told to new audiences in newer, evermore intimate, revelatory ways. *The Chosen: Last Supper* will take us through Holy Week as far more than a television series—it is a movement, a God-send shining the light of Jesus into countless lives and offering a much-needed reminder that grace, love and healing are still abundant and available to all in the embrace of Jesus.

7 Most Misused Bible Verses Christians Get Totally Wrong

When was the last time you saw a miracle, or heard someone

speak a prophetic word that truly resonated with your soul?

For many believers, the gifts of the Holy Spirit seem distant, like something out of a Bible story or a fairy tale. But according to Bible teacher Rick Renner, that mindset is not only outdated—it's unbiblical.

"I grew up in a context where we were told we didn't need them, and they didn't even exist anymore," Renner said in a recent teaching on spiritual gifts. But his tone changes quickly when he begins comparing Scripture: "There are only 23 references in the whole New Testament about water baptism ... and not one word of instruction about how to do it."

On communion, he continues, "There are only 28 references ... yet we believe in communion, we practice it with heartfelt faith and commitment."

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Then comes the clincher: "If you count the verses in the New Testament that address the subject of the gifts of the Holy Spirit, you find that there are 103 verses—four times more than anything about water baptism or communion."

So why have spiritual gifts been so easily dismissed in modern church circles?

For Renner, it's a mix of poor theology, tradition and a lack of personal experience. But that personal experience, he says, is where everything changes.

In one service, he shared a word of knowledge about someone's leg being healed. Later, a woman approached him to say, "I'm the one. I couldn't move my leg. When you prayed, the power of God hit my leg and I could just move my leg just perfectly."

These moments are more than emotion—they're evidence.

Renner points to 1 Corinthians 14:26 where Paul writes, "Let all things be done unto edifying." He explains, "When all these things are in manifestation in the church, it causes the church to increase spiritually ... the gifts of the Holy Spirit really enlarge us spiritually."

According to Renner, here's what the gifts do:

- Confirm the reality of Jesus
- Make the gospel tangible
- Bring spiritual maturity
- Enrich the church with knowledge and power
- Foster a partnership between believers and Christ

"When I saw a leg grow for the first time in a meeting, suddenly Jesus the healer stepped off the pages of the Bible and I saw Him," he said. "It brought to me a revelation—not of a fairy tale in the Bible—but of Jesus the present-day healer."

He contrasts this with a visit to Russia's Hermitage Museum during the fall of the Soviet Union. Several paintings depicting Jesus' miracles were labeled as "fairy tales." But then he reflected, "That wasn't really much different than the church I grew up in."

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Renner doesn't just defend the continuation of spiritual gifts—he connects them to Christian maturity. Quoting 1 Corinthians 1:7-8, he notes the gifts were to continue "waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ," and goes further: "The gifts of the Holy Spirit are intended to bring us to a greater level of spiritual maturity."

The argument is simple, yet profound: If God dedicated so much biblical space to spiritual gifts, how can we ignore them?

In Renner's words, "Let all things be done."

Let them be done, not for performance, but for the building up of the body of Christ—and for the undeniable revelation of a living Savior still moving among His people.

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