

RASTAFARI IN COVENANT

DANAFFA

Month of the Triumphant

(1st – 30th Danaffa / 1st– 30th May 2021)

Revelation 19:15-16

Hebrews 9:28

Revelation 3:12



EXALT TO VICTORY



PART ONE

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JAH! RAS TAFARI! HAILE SELASSIE !!

Majesty Love, Rastafari! Blessed Love People. Danaffa blessings to one and all. Rastafari!

Thanks be to the Most High Jah! Rastafari! For this wonderful month and season of Danaffa, which means, Month of the Triumphant.

O JAH! We lift up our hearts unto You and declare Your Dominion, Victory, Power and Glory as we fly the banner of faith and truth and as we honour Your victory in this wonderful time and blessing of I n I Rastafari liberation month of Danaffa “Exalt to Victory”.

Resurrection Day

In this issue of Danaffa, we will first “Exalt to Victory” the Resurrection Day of our Lord and Saviour Yesus Kristos (Jesus Christ). Our Lord dealt the death blow to death itself when He rose from the dead after three days, showing and declaring Himself as the eternal life (St Matthew 28:6-10). Blessed are those who believe and receive Him as the Resurrection and the Life, the love of God to Mankind (St John 3:16 / 11:25).

His Imperial Majesty's Return

In the main content of this edition, we “Exalt to Victory” the triumphant return of H.I.M. Haile Selassie 1st to Ethiopia in 1941 on May 5th (Danaffa 5th) after:

- His condemnation and judgement of the nations of the world on 30th June 1936 at the General Assembly of League of Nations in Geneva, Switzerland.
- 5 years exile and the Italian conquest and occupation Ethiopia. He returned victorious with the surrender and defeat of the fascist regime.
- His Imperial Majesty's judgement brought destruction and death to League of Nations and to the world. The failure of the world's leaders to hear his voice and heed his warning, resulted in the deaths of over 50 million people in the greatest conflagration of war since the world began, known as World War 2.

It is through these events, with His Imperial Majesty's triumphant return to Ethiopia in this Danaffa month that his legend was established:

“The Power of the Holy Trinity Has Conquered”

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RESURRECTION DAY



This is the day that must be the first to I n I Rastafari and it must be the last, for it is the day that exists forever. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the day of the Resurrection to life of Him Who is the Resurrection and the Life.

This is the day of victory of Him Who came from the eternal realm, to set those of us who would believe, in place to follow Him into the eternal realm at the appointed time.

This is the day of revelation. As with a natural birth, the head comes first and the body follows. So, it is with the eternal spiritual birth. Yesus Kristos (Jesus Christ) the Head was

raised to eternal life first, therefore the body of those who believe and receive Him will follow.

This is the day when death was put to death and life was made everlasting for man.

This is the day that truth, the word and life of God prevailed, and death, the grip and lie of the deceiver, was found and cast out.

This is the day of Yesus Kristos (Jesus Christ) the Great I AM, the One Who is indescribable, incomprehensible, irresistible and invincible.

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The Heaven of heavens cannot contain Him
The evil and jealous ones like the Pharisees because of His power and greatness
couldn't stand Him and learned that they couldn't stop Him;
Even Pilate couldn't find fault with Him;
The witnesses couldn't agree against Him;
Herod couldn't kill Him;
Death couldn't handle Him;
The grave couldn't hold Him;
Let Him be praised, honoured and revered;
For He has always been, He is alive now and always will be
He has no predecessor and will have no successor
For He is the One and Only Eternal Ancestor
Whose name is above every name
That at the name of Yesus Kristos, Jesus Christ, Messiah Yeshua
Every knee shall bow, and every tongue shall confess
Yesus, Jesus, Yeshua is LORD to the glory of God the Father.

*"For God so loved the world that He gave His Only Begotten Son,
that whosoever believes in Him should not perish but have
everlasting life*

(St John 3:16)

**This is the day of Yesus Kristos, I n I Lord and Saviour
O JAH RAS TAFARI! HAILE SELASSIE !!**

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“On this day Ethiopia indeed stretches out her hands to God, shouting and telling out her joy to her own sons!

This day also is the day when Ethiopia will yearly celebrate her national feast, for it is the day of the liberation of the sons of Ethiopia, from the heavy yoke and the chains of the stranger's government and the day when we are reunited with our dear and loving people, severed from us for five years.

On this day, we will remember the heroes who loved their country and gave themselves for her, who shed their blood and crushed their bones to defend that independence which they had inherited from their ancestors, who honoured their King and their Flag...

...On this day we defeated the enemy; therefore, you should rejoice heartily in the spirit of Christ. Do not reward evil for evil. Do not commit any act of cruelty

like those which the enemy committed against us up to this present time. Do not allow the enemy any occasion to foul the good name of Ethiopia. We shall take his weapons from the enemy and make him return by the way he came.”

WAR AND VICTORY ~ THE STORY

Scramble for Africa

In 1884 at the Berlin Conference, a meeting between the European nations was convened to create rules on how to peacefully divide Africa among themselves for colonization.

By 1914, 90% of the continent was under European control except for Liberia, which was a state created by American abolitionists, and Ethiopia, who preserved her independence at the famous Battle of Adowa in 1896, when Emperor Menelik II led the Ethiopian patriots to victory over Italy.

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Beginnings of the Coming War

Fast forward to 1936, 40 years after the Battle of Adowa with Italy, who were still smarting over their defeat and were now preparing to make war again on what was the only independent, indigenous African nation at that time.

By now, Ethiopia was a member of the League of Nations, through the work of Ras Tafari. Yet Italy, who was also a member, without regard to Ethiopia's sovereignty, broke international law and entered the Ethiopian realm at Walwal on 5th December 1934. This incident was the catalyst for the soon coming war.

Italy Attacks Adowa and His Imperial Majesty proclaimed mobilization

Ten months later, Italy began the war. Where did she first attack? Adowa.

On that very day, 3rd October 1935, His Imperial Majesty issued the following proclamation of mobilization:

The Lion of Judah has Prevailed, Haile Selassie I, Elect of God

King of kings of Ethiopia

People of my country Ethiopia! You know Ethiopia's ancient tradition since the days of Menelik I and that she is well known and honoured for her independence.

Forty years ago today, Italy, boasting of her ability and strength, had wanted to acquire our people as slaves after destroying Ethiopia's independence.

When she came into our country to fight us, our God, who does not like violence, helped us and when He gave us victory, we did not seek to recover our land that had gone. As Italy violated the borders in the Hamasien and Somali regions and took away our patrimony, your eye can see and your ear can hear the yoke of serfdom which our brothers, who live in the areas she usurped, have had to bear.

While we are sad at the violence wrought against them and while we do not seek to recover our lost lands, Italy is now thinking of imposing the yoke of bondage upon the people who live in the whole of our country. Having brought war, surreptitiously, to the Ogaden region, she is killing our people who do not seek conflict and she is violating the treaty which we had concluded. We for our part had entered the League of Nations that was established for the sake of world peace and therefore we informed the League with the intention that the offender be identified once the Walwal conflict had been looked into by the arbitrators.

While Italy was reckoning to corrupt with blandishments every intention of ours to have the matter peacefully settled by arbitral verdict, she coveted our venerable country – meaning to deprive her of her liberty and to destroy it – which was well known for her antiquity and which has lived in freedom for more than 3000 years.

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I would be very distressed if we were to be thought of as being defeated; therefore, people of my country Ethiopia, help me, you who have strength with your strength, you who lack strength with your sympathy!

The reason for which you are to help with strength and with sympathy is that you know it to be for the sake of your religion and your freedom, for your Emperor, who in mutual thought and assistance, is like a father and like a son and for the sake of your flag, which profoundly manifests independence....

As death can in any event not fail to occur, it would be wrong to forget that it is of great advantage having it said that someone dies shedding his blood for his country's liberty, his King's honour and for the good name of his generation, rather than that he died of a cough, a head-cold or of typhoid. If someone dies in war, he is said to be extraordinary, but to be stunned at someone's death is to debase the dignity of valour.

*It cannot be doubted that to a soldier, a peasant or a trader, his country's independence is his greatest pride. It is therefore important to convince you, to the utmost extent possible, that quarrels and deceitfulness amongst you should disappear, that love and unity should spread and that a servant should acknowledge obedience to his master and a soldier to his officer. **If the Italians are proud of their weapons against us, we on our part are proud that our greatest weapon against them is the help of God. Our flag, red, yellow and green and our seal with its legend, the Lion of the Tribe of Judah has prevailed, are the symbols of our independence;** lest these symbols of our freedom should perish, it is a great honour, for our good name and for our history, that we die shedding our blood to the very last drop.*

War Proceeds

"The war against Italy proceeded battle after battle, will pitted against will, right against wrong, good against evil, one nation, ever ready to maintain its Godly inheritance, while the other, determined to destroy it".

The Decision on Advice to go Abroad

"...On Thursday 22nd Miyazya (30th April) after we had re-entered our capital city, Addis Ababa, the ministers and nobles and all the great men assembled in Our palace and an important council was held. At the council it was decided, on the basis of advice proffered, that it would be well for the Emperor to go to Europe to inform the League of Nations, by his own voice, of all the violence Italy had perpetrated against us..."

His Imperial Majesty and his entourage set out from Dire Dawa by train on May 2nd and reached Jibuti on 3rd May. On the 4th May the King boarded the British warship Enterprise. The ship set out on her voyage, passing through the Suez Canal, it reached Port Said in Egypt. On the 5th day they reached the Port of Haifa in Israel".

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Visit to Jerusalem

“...We set out for Jerusalem and when we reached the railway station there, the British Government authorities received Us with honour. First of all, We went to Golgotha and after We paid homage at the Tomb of our Lord, We went to the King David Hotel...”

Transmission to the League of Nations

“...Later on [in Jerusalem] in accordance with the plans which We had made when departing from Addis Ababa, We transmitted to the League of Nations at Geneva the following message, in order to explain the reason why We had come here as an exile from Our country”:

*“To the Secretary General of the
League of Nations at Geneva*

We would request you to make known, on Our behalf, the following to member governments:

*In leaving for abroad to stop the total extermination of the Ethiopian people, **We are resolved to devote Ourselves in peace and in liberty to halting a war or aggression such as has never been seen or heard of in modern times, that is without parallel and is outside the character and nature of man.***

We also wish to bring about protection from Italian evil deeds and the honouring of international obligations as a basis of Ethiopia's ancient independence and, indeed, the peace of the nations of the world.

From the beginning We have done everything possible to prevent peace being disturbed. We faithfully defended our country until Italy began to strike with poison gas like rain and until it became obvious that our resistance could not be continued, for if we did [not] resist the result would only be the extermination of the Ethiopian people.

And now We request that the League of Nations should not cease the strenuous efforts to have the covenant honoured and that it should not recognise claims of sovereignty or of territorial expansion through improper military force in breach of treaty obligations”.

Jerusalem, 11th Genbot 1928 (19th May 1936)

Haile Selassie I, Emperor.

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Coming in Part Two:

The Judgement of the Nations

The Herald of the Lord's coming glory for Judgement

I N I RASTAFARI

Tribe of Judah, let us give thanks to JAH Most High for this wonderful month and season of Danaffa, Exalt to Victory, Month of the Triumphant.

Thank You JAH for lifting us up as we celebrate Rastafari Liberation, when we fly the banner of new creation, new prosperity and new life.

This, our banner, is the flag of eternal truth, victory, liberty and faith.

Glory be to our God, Who has given I n I Rastafari victory in the strength of a new and eternal heritage and in the power and seal of a new revealed legend that declares "The Power of the Holy Trinity Has Conquered!"



The Lion of the Tribe of Judah Has Prevailed!

The Power of the Holy Trinity Has Conquered!

JAH! RAS TAFARI! HAILE SELASSIE II!