

WHAT TIME IS IT?



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RESTORING THE NEW MOON Calendar of YHWH

*"Thrust in Your sickle and reap,
for the time is come for You to reap, for the
harvest of the earth is ripe." - Revelation 14:15*

DO YOU KNOW WHAT TIME IT IS?

The clock in the heavens is ticking, and humanity is under an inescapable deadline! For the servants of YHWH this count-down takes them closer to the greatly anticipated return of Yahsha Messiah and the liberation of mankind, but for the United Nations and the Whore of Babylon, this count-down means one day closer to judgment and sure destruction! (Revelation 14:15)

It was the religion of Rome which changed YHWH's "times and laws", thus fulfilling her place as "anti-Christ". Now, it's time that everyone discard her apostate holidays based on Rome's solar calendar! Once again, pagan Christianity has accepted another counterfeit of Satan. Because of this, the ordained New Moon calendar has been hidden from the world for many centuries - until these last days! Let all bear witness that the Remnant of YHWH restores YHWH's prophetic clock and the appointed times of YHWH's Feasts! Look up! For the "Second Coming" of Yahsha Messiah will occur on the *Seventh Chodesh!*
"from one New Moon to another...all flesh will come to worship before Me, says YHWH" - Isa.66:23

A SHORT HISTORY IN "TIME"

*"...and he (Rome) will think to change
(YHWH's) times and laws..." - Daniyl 7:25*

The only method of study which will ever bring order and unity out of the obviously confused religious spectrum is to completely harmonize all of the passages on a certain subject, considering all factors of history, true science, and yes, even common sense. Most of us living in the world today might think that the counting of "time" has always been the same. Due to the prophetic fulfillment of Rome's conquest of the world, we have inherited their calendar that counts the YEAR in twelve months, the MONTHS in 28-31 days, and the WEEK in seven days. This "way" of counting the WEEK has always been the basis for YHWH's week. YHWH ordained the 7-day Week and commanded all to acknowledge Him by Resting on that Seventh Day. From *Wycliffe Bible Encyclopedia*, Vol. 2, p.1710, we read -

"3. **Week**, The next division of time, the week (shabua (Heb.)...was used throughout the biblical world from time immemorial. Yet it has no connection with astronomical phenomena...the week as a divisor of time was strictly a religious matter..."

However, "Time" has not always been counted in every nation as a Solar Year of Twelve fixed months, nor has the Week always been Seven days in every culture. Fact: the Romans did not have a "seven day" Week until Julius Caesar "Father of the Roman Empire" reformed the Calendar in 46 bce. The ancient Romans DID NOT even have a "day of rest" until it was officially legislated by Constantine the Great - the "savior of Catholic Christianity" in 321 ce! The making of an EXACT calendar has perplexed men for ages because the divisions of Time by days, months, and years do not FIT together. A Lunar Year cannot be reckoned exactly in Days because a month is 29 days, 12 hours, 44 minutes, and 2.8 sec's.

Likewise, the Solar Year cannot be counted in complete days or Lunar months because it lasts for 365 days, 5 hours, 48 minutes, and 46 seconds - about 12-1/3 lunar months. Early peoples could not adjust their calendars accurately for the fractional parts of Days or Months. Hence, their Years always got out of step with the seasons. The ancient

Roman calendar, like the calendar which YHWH gave to His people in the beginning, was strictly a "lunar" calendar. A "lunar" calendar preserves the length of the Synodic Month - the interval between two successive New Moons or Full Moons - and completely disregards the Solar Year! *Collier's Encyclopedia*, 1980, Vol.5, p.138 tells us this ancient Roman calendar was strictly Lunar. The ancient Roman days were set within this Lunar Month,

"Among the early Romans, it was the duty of the high priest to determine and proclaim (calare) the start of each new month. From this they got the term *calendae* (or *calends*, the first days of the month) and we get our term 'calendar'."

- *Compton's Pictured Encyclopedia*, Vol. 3, p.22
However, the Roman week consisted of eight days - NOT seven! The Roman priests, who "called" the first day of the month were not "expert astronomers", by Julius Caesar's time, the summer months were occurring in the Spring! In 46 bce, with the help of Sosigenes the mathematician, Julius Caesar "reformed" Rome's ancient lunar calendar.

"**Julian** - By 46 bc, when Julius Caesar was made Pontifex Maximus, calendar dates had come to be decidedly out of step with natural (seasons). So many complaints had been lodged that Caesar had the opportunity to effect radical CHANGE. Caesar deliberately ABANDONED the LUNAR year entirely and adopted a SOLAR year."

- *Collier's Encyclopedia*, Vol.5, p.138

Without any argument or debate from the experts, events in both Old and New Testaments were undeniably based upon lunar time. Yahsha the Messiah and His Apostles observed YHWH's harvest feasts according to the New Moon calendar, just as Mosheh had instructed Israyl and which her Prophets confirmed. However, as we have read from these same scholars, all the Laws of YHWH have been lost under Roman Christianity!



THE CALENDAR IN GENESIS

"...On the seventeenth day of the Second Moon, on that day all the fountains of the great deep were opened up; and the windows of heaven were opened; and rain was on the earth for forty days & forty nights"-

(The day the Great Flood began!) - Genesis 7:11-12
In too many cases, both Jews and Christians have

made VOID the word of YHWH by their traditions, either binding upon the people heavy burdens OR else "doing away" with His Laws while adding idolatrous pagan customs. Let us learn YHWH's ways with sincerity and integrity of faith, then let us repent to Father YHWH with thanksgiving! Wasn't Yahsha's life and death for us worth learning what "true time" really means to our heavenly Father?

"Ancient Calendars. The earliest complete calendars were...based on lunar observations. The Moon's phases occur over an easily observed interval...religious authorities declared a month to have begun when they first saw the new crescent Moon." *1996 Grolier Multimedia Encyclopedia*, Vers. 8.0.2

"And YHWH said, Let there be lights in the expanse of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them SERVE as SIGNS (Heb. owtth) and SEASONS (Heb. mo'ade) and for days and years."

- Genesis 1:14.

When Almighty YHWH gave His directions to ancient Israyl He gave them as a father would to a child, speaking in simple, explicit, candid language, not veiled technical terms. Would a little shepherd lad, such as David, living constantly in the open fields tending sheep, be able to determine the vernal equinox and astronomical conjunction of a new moon (as the Jews employ) rather than sighting a visible new moon crescent? Would it not be simpler to allow the movement of this great "sign" in heavens to determine the divisions of the year? The renewal of the moon each month would be so obvious that no one could mistake what was occurring. "The New Moon was an important national festival, often called a feast" *Ungers Bible Dictionary*, p.352. Yet, this is not the case with the Jewish calendar - its new (black) moon cannot be sighted with the naked eye! Even the Jews have "changed YHWH's times and laws"! *Why change perfection?*

From Gen. 1:14, we see that the sun and moon serve as "signs". This is *Strong's Concordance* Hebrew word #226 *owth*, and means:

226. **אוֹת** *owth*, *oth*; prob. from 225 (in the sense of appearing); a signal (lit. or fig.), as a flag, beacon, monument, omen, prodigy, evidence, etc.:—mark, miracle, (en-) sign, token.

The word "seasons" is Hebrew word #4150:

4150. מועֵדָה *mōw'ādāh* (2 Chron. 8:13), *mo-aw-daw'*; from 8250; prop. an appointment, i.e. a fixed time or season; spec. a festival; conventionally a year; by implication, an assembly (as convened for a definite purpose); technically the congregation; by extension, the place of meeting; also a signal (as appointed beforehand);—appointed (sign, time), (place of, solemn) assembly, congregation, (set, solemn) feast, (appointed, due) season, solemn (-ity), synagogue, (set) time (appointed).

YHWH established the sun and the moon to SERVE mankind as markers of TIME. They alert us of seasons, days, and years. The greater light, or the sun, was established as a "sign" to mark the bounds for the "day". From Genesis chapter 1, we learn that a 24-hour "day" YHWH's way begins and ends at sunset - NOT at midnight! More proof that apostate Rome has hidden YHWH's clock!

"And YHWH called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. And the EVENING, then the MORNING were the First Day." - Genesis 1:5

See here! YHWH established the night THEN the daylight as one full 24-hour period! It's "evening" or sundown which BEGINS a day - which He created! (See also Leviticus 23:32 and Mark 1:32)

"He (YHWH) appointed the moon for SEASONS' (Hebrew moedim). The sun knows its GOING DOWN (sunset)." - Psalms 104:19

Psalms 104:19 confirms the Torah that the sun's "setting" BEGINS a 24-hour day, and more specifically, as YHWH's Laws and Statutes reveal, the New Moons serves as a beacon of evidence which signals commencing YHWH's new month. There is no other "marker" of time for the common man and his family to observe personally. This witness in the heavens sets YHWH's appointments, i.e. the Feasts for His people, appointed assemblies and joyous family reunion celebrations for both the physical and the spiritual Israyl (Exodus 12:49; Romans 9:6). Both the sun and the moon work together just as the hour and minute hand on a clock. When the statute for Passover's observance declares that the Feast of Unleavened Bread begins at the 15th day of the first moon of the year, then we must count from the sighting of the new moon as DAY ONE up to fifteen days. Then, sunset beginning the 15th day is the beginning of YHWH's "Feast of Unleavened Bread"! Every day, every weekly Sabbath and every High Day Sabbath of

YHWH's Feasts begins and ends at a sunset! It was shortly after sunset of the weekly Sabbath day (which then began the first day of the work week) that Mariam Magdalene went to visit the garden tomb to anoint the body of Messiah, but He had already been raised from the dead on YHWH's weekly Sabbath Day! For more information on the subject of the true "Resurrection Day" request, "The Sabbath - Suggestion or Command?" It's free!



THE MOON or THE "NEW MOON"

From earliest antiquity, we see the "new moon" calendar in use by those YHWH has chosen throughout both the "Old" and "New" Testaments being used exclusively to mark or set time.

In order to comprehend which "moon" YHWH is referring to, we must learn the difference between the two Hebrew words: *yareach* and *chodesh*....

Yareach #3394 (from root 3391) means: a lunation - the moon. This term relates to the shining object in the sky. (see Gen. 37:9, Deut. 4:19, Isa. 13:10) "Lunation" comes from pagan mythology - the Roman or Latin goddess "Luna" relating to light.

Chodesh #2320 from 2318 the new moon, a month where #2318 root *khaw-dash*' means: to be new, cause to rebuild:- renew, repair.

Unless there is a lamination or light from a "rebuilding" moon, there cannot be a new month! Incidentally, Gesenius Hebrew Chaldee Lexicon to the Old Testament shows on p.263: "to produce something new, also to polish a sword, the signification of newness appears to proceed from that of a sharp polished shimmering sword-sickle."

"And IshbiBenob...carried a new sword (chadash)"
- 2 Samuyl 21:16

SPRINGTIME BRINGS THE NEW YEAR!

"This moon shall be the beginning of the year's moons; It shall be the First Moon of the Year."
From Exodus 12:2, we see that YHWH's "new year" begins in the Spring when the Abib barley is in the ear (grain-bearing spike). Another candid witness:

"WATCH FOR the Moon of Green Ears of Barley (Abib), and offer the Passover to YHWH, for in the New Moon of Abib Barley YHWH brought you out of Egypt." - Deuteronomy 16:1.

Here, the translation "Watch For..." is the Hebrew

word *shamor* and means: to watch for, as with ALERTNESS - to observe! Therefore, the Law commands that we observe with our own eyes the Rosh Chodesh! The rabbis of Judaism do not "observe" nor "watch for" the chodesh crescent on the western horizon, once again unfaithful teachers of YHWH's Torah Laws, Statutes and Judgments! Furthermore, they bear false witness to all the world by announcing their New Year or "Rosh haShanah" at the 7th Moon in the Autumn! Whereas, YHWH commands we celebrate the TRUE Rosh haShanah at the spring "Abib" New Moon sighting. "...Keep this service in this Moon." - Ex.13:5 Jews utilize a calculated "new moon" resulting in feasts that fall 1-day early! YHWH rebukes apostate Judaism and Rome's solar holidays by declaring in Ishayah 1:14,

"Your new moons (Roman months) and your appointed feasts (Roman holidays) My soul hates!"

Only YHWH's remnant alerts rebellious Babylon to YHWH and His unchanging Torah Covenant!



THE ROYAL SHOFAR!

"Blow the shofar at the New Moon, the full moon, and on the day of our solemn Feast. For this is a Statute for Israyl and a Law of the Father of Yaaqob."

- Psalms 81:3-4

Those who don't blow the shofar upon the personal sighting of the New Moon by two or three witnesses (Deut.19:15) are unfaithful to Him!

"Also in the day of your gladness, at your appointed Feasts, and at the new moons you must make the clarion call on the trumpets..." - Numbers 10:10a

Without blowing the shofar or rams's horn, It's impossible to announce the gathering of YHWH's people for His ordained appointments! The above verses plainly tell us which specific appointments require the blowing the shofar: at the New Moons which begins the month, at the full moon which begins the Feasts of Pesach and Succot, as well as the changing of the Temple guard, choir, and Levitical priests. Although the Levitical Priesthood is no more, but has been replaced by the better Melchizedek Priesthood, we still blow the shofar! In Rev.8, we see the heavenly host blowing the shofar in heaven to announce plagues of judgment!

"And I saw seven malakim who stood before YHWH, and to them were given seven shofars." - v.2

YHWH'S FEASTS SHOW SALVATION!

"Speak to the children of Israyl and say to them, concerning the Feasts of YHWH..." - Leviticus 23: 2
"Therefore, let no one condemn you for eating and drinking in the observance of YHWH's Feast Days, or for adhering to the New Moon calendar, or of the Sabbath, which give the prophetic pattern of the salvation to come for the body of the Messiah."

- Colosians 2:16-17

Yahsha Messiah taught His Apostles to be obedient to the every word of YHWH (Matt. 4:4) This included obeying the statutes and commandments to observe YHWH's feasts at their appointed new moon times (Leviticus 23). Thus, the Apostle Shaul observed and taught the Torah, reminding the new Gentile assembly of Colosia in Greece saying, "Don't let anyone persecute you" for observing YHWH's Laws. It's recorded that they all observed Passover, Pentecost and the Feast of Tabernacles as instructed in the Torah (Deut.16:16; Isa.8:16). It could not have been possible if YHWH had not established a clock by which to set these times! These Feasts contain High Sabbath Days which are the "MARK OF YHWH"! (Ex.31:12-17) To the surprise of many who have the "mark of the Beast", the Apostle Shaul observed and taught the Mark of YHWH to the body of Messiah in Corinth, Greece!...

"For truly, Yahsha Messiah our Passover was offered up for us...Therefore let us keep the feast..."

- 1 Corinthians 5:7b-8a

We are servants to whom we obey (Romans 6:16) so when we forsake Babylon's solar calendar and its pagan holidays for YHWH's calendar and His appointed Feasts, we are following in the example of the Savior - Yahsha Messiah and His Apostles. To be royalty in YHWH's kingdom, you must not be ignorant of the Law of Rosh Chodesh (Hosea 4:6) You must begin observing this bright crescent on the western horizon every month! Behold, "at the last trump" at the appearance of YHWH's 7th Moon "Ethaniam" the King of kings will resurrect His Bride!

Contact the Remnant of YHWH for instructions on making your New Moon calendar using a common Farmer's Almanac. Rejoice at YHWH's New Moon!

"...only a Remnant will be saved." - Romans 9:27

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