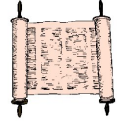




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"Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price," Isa. 55:1.

"...freely ye have received, freely give," Mat. 10:8.

THE HEAVENS DECLARE YAHWEH'S GLORY!

By Jerry Healan

I was recently sent an email that accused the assemblies of being worshippers of the Babylonian calendar system (among many other things) because we utilize the sun, moon and stars to establish the annual holyday calendar. I will not reveal who the man is, but here is what his email said after visiting our site on the Internet, "Just scanning over this, I must conclude it to be MESSIANIST JEW nonsense. They love to say "G-D" because they think they cannot pronounce His name, yet they trip over themselves by saying "Yeshua" for Jesus Christ. BTW (BTW means "by the way") "Yeshua" means "hanged one" or "malefactor," which is PRECISELY why these Christ-hating kikes spell it that way. OK, so this particular site doesn't spell it that way, but I suspect a Jewish rat behind it. I say this because they believe the old Parsee / Dualist nonsense about a "bad god" they call "Satan," and they are champions of an old, LUNAR (Babylonian) calendar. If you think we are to keep that old Jewish calendar, may I suggest you read my book, Children of Light? There are SO many worms in the so-called "Identity" movement, trying to drag us down under the old Babylonian whore of a system, pretending to be "Israelites," it makes me sick. Next thing you know, like Jonathan D. Brown, they'll be convincing all the Israelite men to adulterate their marriages, and become polygamous."

Now we could all be greatly insulted and offended by this man's venomous statements, but the sad thing is that this man is deceived by the great deceiver and our own response should be to pray for him rather than hate or condemn him.

But what about his statement concerning the calendar? Today's world goes by the Gregorian Calendar. The truth of the matter is that Julius Caesar had a great deal to do with its formation as well as Augustus Caesar and Pope Gregory. Julius Caesar thought so highly of himself that he wanted himself to be declared to be "divine." This led to his assassination, of course, but his nephew successor Augustus (Octavian) accomplished the task of creating him into a god by declaring that a comet which appeared in the heavens at that time was the resurrected Julius Caesar ascending into heaven to take his place among the gods. Then Augustus declared himself to be the adopted son of the god Julius Caesar thereby also making himself "divine."

THE MODERN DAY CALENDAR

The modern day calendar could be called the Julian/Augustinian/Gregorian calendar because each man placed his distinctive mark upon it. The original Roman calendar began around the equinox similar to Yahweh's holy calendar. Julius Caesar added his name to one of the previous Roman months and the adopted son Augustus did the same thing. But Pope Gregory shifted the beginning of the year to the month of January.

JANUARY/JANUS

January is named after the Roman god Janus. According to *Webster's New World Dictionary*, Janus was the god who was **guardian of portals** and patron of **beginnings and endings**; he is shown as having two faces, one in front, and the other at the back of his head.

Now let's think about this a little bit. A guardian of portals would be a porter would he not? Wouldn't he be the one who opens and the one who closes? Isn't that what

Yahshua is? “These things saith He That is Holy, He That is True, He That hath the key of David, He That openeth, and no man shutteth, and shutteth, and no man openeth,” Rev. 3:7. Doesn’t this statement make Yahshua the true porter, the true keeper of the door? Doesn’t that make Janus not only a false deity, but one who seeks to replace the true porter, in other words, a counterfeit?

The next statement in the definition says that Janus was patron of beginnings and endings. Again, Yahshua declared that He was the Aleph (Alpha in Greek) and Tau (Omega in Greek). Since the Hebrew begins with the Aleph and ends with the Tau, this indicated that Yahshua is the first and the last, the beginning and the ending. Thus, for Janus to possess the power of beginnings and endings once again makes him a usurper and counterfeit.

So what have we found to be right, good and correct about this false pagan god? Nothing at all. As a matter of fact, taking a quick look back into *Webster’s New World Dictionary* reveals that the very next word following Janus is Janus-faced which is defined as two-faced; **deceiving**.

Therefore, we can come to only one conclusion, Janus is a deceiver! What about the month that is named for him? Shouldn’t this alert us to the possibility that if this god Janus was two-faced and a deceiver, that this calendar that begins with a month that is named after this ancient pagan god is also false and deceptive? We surely think and believe so.

MOON/MONTH

Another thing that our modern day Roman calendar does is obscure the true meaning and interplay between the words moon and month.

There are two Hebrew words that are utilized inter-

changeably for moon and month. These words are yerach and chodesh.

In order to reveal how interchangeable they are I will give some Scriptural examples wherein they are utilized in each case. “And for the precious fruits brought forth by the sun, and for the precious things put forth by the moon (yerach),” Dt. 33:14.

“Three shepherds also I cut off in one month (yerach); and my soul lothed them, and their soul also abhorred me,” Zech. 11:8.

“This month (chodesh) shall be unto you the beginning of months (chodesh): it shall be the first month (chodesh) of the year to you,” Ex. 12:2.

“Thus saith the Sovereign Yahweh; ‘The gate of the inner court that looketh toward the east shall be shut the six working days; but on the sabbath it shall be opened, and in the day of the new moon (chodesh) it shall be opened’,” Ez. 46:1.

Do you see the interplay between both Hebrew words for month and moon? The Hebrew concept of a month was a lunation or period of time from one new moon to the next new moon. This is what Yahweh established in the beginning. If we take a quick look at the English word for month in *Webster’s New World Dictionary* it will tell us to also see MOON. Why is that? Because originally, a month was a lunation cycle. As a matter of fact, the definition for lunation is the interval from one new moon to the next; lunar month.

Our English word “month” was derived from the word “moon”. It has to do with a lunation, a cycle of the moon from one new moon to the other. But Caesar’s calendar changed all of that. Caesar’s calendar takes away from our knowledge when the year truly should begin. It also takes away the knowledge that a month is truly a luna-

tion, a cycle of the moon.

The prophet Daniel speaks of a little horn which would come on the scene of world power who would, "...think to change times and laws...", Dan. 7:25.

Even though our modern day calendar appears to be so right, so good, so stable, it is deceptive. The year begins at the wrong time. It begins with a month whose very name means to be deceptive. It takes away the knowledge concerning what a true month should be. It ties us in with a solar year rather than the proper lunar year. It has to do with the worship of the principal element in our system and that is the sun.

For someone to charge us with employing the old Satanic Babylonian Lunar calendar simply means that he has never truly searched the Scriptures nor secular documents in order to allow them to be his guide concerning the calendar.

SUN, MOON & STARS

The Scriptures proclaim, "And Elohim said, 'Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and **let them be for signs, and for seasons and for days, and years**: and let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth:' and it was so. And Elohim made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: He made the stars also. And Elohim set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth, and to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and Elohim saw that it was good, Gen. 1:14-18.

Notice that these lights were to be for signs. The Hebrew word for signs is **אוֹת** (*owth*) which is defined as a signal (literally or figuratively), as a flag, beacon, monument,

omen, prodigy, evidence (*Strong's Exhaustive Concordance* #H226).

They were also to be for seasons. The Hebrew word for seasons is מוֹד (mow`ed, mo-ade') which is defined as, properly, an appointment, i.e. a fixed time or season; specifically, 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). (*Ibid* #H4150).

It is by the movement of the sun, moon, earth and stars that we are able to determine where we are in the process of time. We know that the 24 hour day consists of a period of daylight and dark. One cycle of daylight and darkness yields a day. Seven daily cycles yields a week. Then there is a month which should be a lunar cycle (lunation), and finally there is the year. There are also seasons associated with the year. While people in the tropics and polar regions may not experience the same seasonal effects that those of us do who live sandwiched between those regions, the fact of the matter is that the sun, moon and stars make an annual progression which is easily observable and distinguished by the equinoxes and solstices.

According to the word of the very One Who created it all, we are to utilize the sun, moon and stars to aid us in determining the year, the month, the week and the day.

A YEAR

Did you know that there is more than one year? There is a calendar year, a solar year, a sidereal year, a lunar year and an anomalistic year to name the most important.

A **calendar year** is a period of 365 days (in leap year, 366 days) divided into 12 months and regarded in the Gregorian calendar as beginning January 1 and ending the following December 31 (*Webster's New World Diction-*

ary). A **solar year** is the period (365 days, 5 hours, 48 minutes, and 46 seconds of mean solar time) spent by the sun in making its apparent passage from vernal equinox to vernal equinox. A **sidereal year** is the period (365 days, 6 hours, 9 minutes, and 9.54 seconds of mean solar time) spent by the sun in its apparent passage from a fixed star and back to the same position again: it is the true period of the earth's revolution, and the difference in time between this and the tropical year is due to the precession of the equinoxes. A **lunar year** is a period of 12 lunar months, as in the Jewish calendar. It is a 354 day year. An **anomolistic year** is the period of time for the earth to make one complete revolution from perihelion to perihelion (365 days, 6 hours, 13 minutes, and 53 seconds).

The Caesars and Roman Catholic Popes have misled us into observing the Gregorian calendar. It is important to understand that Yahweh's calendar especially utilized the lunar calendar in conjunction with the equinoxes. Such is what we intend to prove in this treatise.

THE SEASONS

Yahweh appointed the sun, moon and stars for the purpose of not only giving light, but for determining signs, seasons, days and years (Gen. 1:14). We know that He especially gave the sun, moon and stars to govern or rule the day and night, "7To him that made great lights: for his mercy *endureth* for ever: 8**The sun to rule by day:** for his mercy *endureth* for ever: 9**The moon and stars to rule by night:** for his mercy *endureth* for ever," Psa. 136:7-9.

The book of Psalms also gives us another key concerning how the year is to be determined. Look at the Hebrew word מֹוֹד (mow`ed, mo-ade') and its definition again. Notice that a מֹוֹד (mow`ed, mo-ade') is defined as, properly,

an appointment, i.e. a fixed time or season; specifically, a festival; conventionally **a year**.

Does Yahweh's word tell us what He has given us to utilize in defining the period of a year? Absolutely! Yes! "He appointed the moon for seasons (מוֹדִים *mow`edim* [plural of *mow`ed*, *mo-ade*]): the sun knoweth his going down," Psa. 104:19.

It is the moon that determines the seasons (*moeds*), the **annual feasts** (not the Sabbath cycle), and **years** (also *moeds*).

Yahweh told Moses, "This month (chodesh/moon/month) *shall be* unto you the beginning of months (chodeshim/ moons/months): it *shall be* the first month of the year to you," Ex. 12:2. The month spoken of here is the month named "abib", "And Moses said unto the People, 'Remember this day, in which ye came out from Egypt, out of the house of bondage; for by strength of hand Yahweh brought you out from this place: there shall no leavened bread be eaten. This day came you out in the month (chodesh/moon/month) Abib,'" Ex. 13:3-4.

In Lev. 23, Yahweh proclaims, "These are the feasts (*moeds*) of Yahweh, even holy convocations, which ye shall proclaim in their seasons (*moeds*). In the fourteenth day of the first month (chodesh/moon/month) at even is Yahweh's Passover. And on the fifteenth day of the same month (chodesh/moon/month) is the feast of unleavened bread unto Yahweh: seven days ye must eat unleavened bread....Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, 'In the seventh month (chodesh/moon/month), in the first day of the month, shall ye have a sabbatown, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, an holy convocation...Also on the tenth day of this seventh month (chodesh/moon/month) there shall be a day of atonement: it shall be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall afflict your souls, and offer

an offering made by fire unto Yahweh...Speak unto the children of Israel saying, "The fifteenth day of this seventh month (chodesh/moon/month) shall be the feast of tabernacles for seven days unto Yahweh," vv. 4-6, 24, 27, 34.

These were the seasons (*moeds*/appointments) or feasts of Yahweh which were determined by the moon in accordance with Psa. 104:19. While most of the Jewish people and several churches and assemblies continue to observe this calendar, the main point and fact is that it has been kept hidden to the general world at large and even many of those who do have this knowledge seem to think that it isn't important. But those of us who do observe this calendar do realize the importance of it even though there may be disagreement and confusion as to exactly when we should observe them.

A MONTH

The calendar is a very controversial issue in and out of the assemblies. Exactly what constitutes a new moon is also highly controversial. There are those who go by the molad or conjunction, others by the visible crescent and still others by the full moon. We covered this in our booklet entitled "*Why We Observe the Visible New Moon*" (For a reprint of this article, please write us).

We observe the visible crescent due to various and sundry witnesses which I will detail with the following: *The Encyclopedia of Religion and Ethics*, Ed. James Hastings, Vol. 3, 1911, Article "Calendar (Jewish)" has this to say, "Records dating from the closing years of the Second Temple inform us that **the time of new moon was fixed on the evidence of observers who declared that they had descried the crescent in the sky.** This would imply that no one knew beforehand whether the month was to have 29 days (hence called 'defective,' **הפך**) or 30 days ('full,' **מעובר** or **מלא**; cf Bornstein, *op. cit.* 26ff). (p. 117)

Qodesh La Yahweh Press reports, "The Jews of the first few centuries of the common era continued the ancient practice of **determining their months by the appearance of the new moon, which for them presented itself with the first glimpse of crescent moonlight in the first phase of the moon.** (It did not start with a completely dark moon as a new moon is often misconstrued today.)" (*The Sabbath and Jubilee Cycle*, p. 341).

The *Journal of Near Eastern Studies*, Vol. 8 no. 1, 1954 University of Chicago states, "The Jews had a lunar calendar, in which **the first day of the month must begin a reasonable time after the conjunction of the moon, since the interval between conjunction and the evening when the first crescent becomes visible** (this interval is called henceforth "translation period") is a length which varies from about 16 to 42 hours in the Near East." (p. 6)

Our People, History of the Jews, A text book of Jewish History for the school and home by Jacob Isaacs confesses, "The last Nassi (leader) who played a major role was Hillel II, the thirteenth direct descendant of Hillel the Elder. He brought back some measure of scholarship and authority to the office of the Patriarch. **He is best known for the calendar reforms which were instituted during the term of his office.** He prepared a permanent calendar based on astronomic calculations. Henceforth, the Jewish calendar was determined and established by a set of definite rules, based on exact scientific calculations of the lunar year, with its twelve or thirteen months of 29 or 30 days. In order to adjust the 354 day lunar year to the 365 day solar year, he introduced the inclusion of seven leap years, with an additional Adar II, in each cycle of 19 years.

"This exact method of determining the Jewish calendar for all subsequent generations obviously had many advantages and benefits. It relieved the Bet Din of Palestine

of the difficult and often dangerous task of communicating the date of the New Moon to distant communities. The Jews in the diaspora were no longer dependent upon the Holy Land for the determination of the holidays and leap years. On the other hand, it severed the last bond that tied the entire Jewish community everywhere to the nassi and to the Holy Land. Hitherto, **it had been the function of the Nassi to fix the calendar and each New Moon by official proclamation on the basis of the testimony of witnesses who had seen the rise of the new moon.** The far reaching innovation of Hillel II ended this personal prerogative of the Nassi, and provided total religious autonomy for the Jewish communities in exile.” (Calendar, Palestinian Oral Tradition, pp. 106-107).

Finally, the *Mishneh Torah: Set Feasts* also witnesses, “2. **Witnesses who saw the new moon must go to the court to bear witness** even if it happens to be a Sabbath, as it is written: “Which you shall proclaim, each in its proper season” (Leviticus 23:4); and whenever proper season is used in a biblical command, it supersedes the Sabbath. For this reason, they are allowed to break the Sabbath only when the new moon of Nissan and that of Tishri are concerned, to determine the time of the festivals. When the Temple was still in existence, the additional offering presented on Rosh Hodesh superseded the Sabbath, which was profaned on account of any Rosh Hodesh coinciding with it. (Chapter three, p. 100).

The true fact revealed in these testimonies is that the ancients observed the visible new moon crescent to determine the beginning of the month, but under Hillel II the system was reformed to utilize the molad (conjunction) as the beginning of the month. *The Encyclopedia Judaica* also witnesses to the visible new moon as well as other works, but we have already presented five scholarly witnesses which should be sufficient for this present article.

THE EQUINOXES

Another controversy found among the assemblies and others is when does the year begin? Some say it begins with the new moon nearest the vernal equinox. Others say that it begins with the first new moon after the vernal equinox. Due to our studies, we are going to present something a little different. It will be controversial, no doubt, but it is something that we have given careful consideration and feel that this would be the more correct way.

Some will not receive the story of the equinoxes because they proclaim that they are just an imaginary event that occurs, but the fact of the matter is that the term equinox simply means equal night. In other words, there is a time of the year when we have an equal amount of daylight and an equal amount of darkness or night. This event occurs when the sun is directly over the equator. It occurs twice per year, in the spring (vernal equinox) and in the fall (autumnal equinox).

The vernal equinox usually occurs around Mar. 21 which heralds the beginning of spring, while the autumnal usually occurs around Sept. 21 which heralds the beginning of fall. (Didn't Yahweh say that He put the sun, moon and stars in the heavens for signs and seasons?)

THE 24 HOUR DAY

Another erroneous practice is the present world's observance of the 24 hour day. The day begins and ends at midnight, but this is not the manner in which the ancient days were observed. While there were many different peoples, with their different manners in which they observed their times from the day, to the month, to the year, the fact of the matter is that the Hebrews observed the day from around sunset to sunset.

Remember the sun was given to rule the daylight portion of the day while the moon and stars were given rule over the night.

According to accounts in the Encyclopedia Judaica, the daylight portion of the day ended when two or three stars were able to be seen in the heaven. This is corroborated by the account in Nehemiah where the people worked until the stars appeared, “So we laboured in the work: and half of them held the spears from the rising of the morning **till the stars appeared**. 22 Likewise at the same time said I unto the people, Let every one with his servant lodge within Jerusalem, that in the night they may be a guard to us, and labour on the day,” 4:21-22.

Therefore, if the daylight portion of the day ends with the sighting of two or three stars, then the nighttime also ends when only a couple of stars are left visible in the morning.

THE ANNUAL DAY

It isn't difficult at all for us to understand that a day is composed of 24 hours of which there is a daylight portion and a nighttime portion. When everything is lit up by the sun's light (around sunrise or a little before) then we understand that the daylight portion of the day has begun. Consequently, when the light is gone (around sunset or a little after) we understand that we are in the nighttime portion of the 24 hour day.

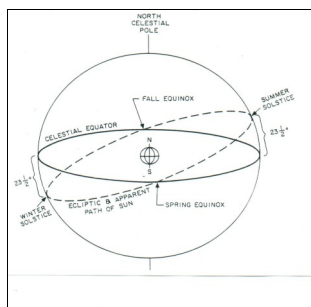


Fig. #1—Graphic of equinoxes & solstices

Many people do not understand, however, that there is an annual day. This concept can be understood by searching out a few Scriptures. After Israel had been in the wilderness for a short period of time, Yahweh had

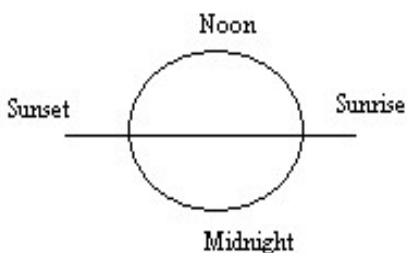


Fig. #2.—The main quadrants of a 24 hour day.

Moses choose a leader of each of the tribes of Israel, twelve men in all, to go and search out the land of Canaan which was to be their inheritance. (Num. 13)

The men searched out the land for 40 days but when they returned, ten of the men brought up an evil re-

port which so disturbed the people that they lifted up their voices in mourning and weeping. Furthermore, the children of Israel murmured against Moses and Aaron for bringing them out of Egypt. This highly displeased Yahweh to the point that He decreed that none of the Israelites from 20 years of age and upward would enter into the promised land (Num. 14:11-12; 21-37). Notice that in Num. 14:34 Yahweh ordained **a year for a day**, “**After the number of the days in which ye searched the land, even forty days, each day for a year, shall ye bear your iniquities, even forty years, and ye shall know My breach of promise.**”

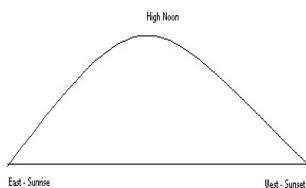


Fig. #3—The sun's daily circuit or tequphah.

Psa. 19 speaks of the sun's circuit, “In them (the heavens) hath He set a tabernacle for the sun, which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race. **His going forth is from the end of the heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it:** and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof,”

vv. 4-6.

The sun has a daily circuit. As is described, that circuit is unto the ends of it (heaven). In other words, The sun rises in the east and follows a daily circuit to the west where it

sets. When the sun is up and shining (making its circuit) there is nothing hid from its heat. The Hebrew word for this **circuit** is “tequphah.”

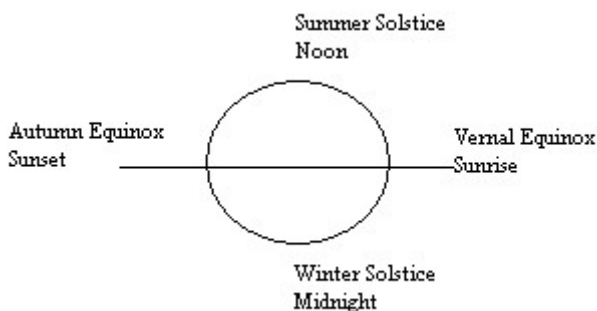
Looking at Figure #3 above, the sun’s daily circuit (tequphah) would be around sunrise (a little before) to a little after sunset.

THE ANNUAL CIRCUIT

There is an annual circuit, an annual tequphah, an annual day. How can we discover this annual circuit, this annual tequphah, this annual day? Simply by tracing the sun’s movement.

As we know, the earth actually travels around the sun and also the earth is spinning on its axis like a child’s top. The earth’s spinning is what gives the impression that the sun rises and sets every day. Also, the sun appears to travel northward and southward because of the earth’s wobble. This wobble causes the sun to appear as if it is traveling between the Tropic of Capricorn and the Tropic of Cancer.

When the sun is at the equator in its northward travel, we are at the time of the vernal (spring) equinox. At this time traditional spring begins. The sun continues on its northward travel until it reaches the Tropic of Cancer.



This is called the summer solstice, summer begins. The sun then begins to travel southward until it reaches the equator once

Fig. #4—The main quadrants of the annual day.

again. Upon reaching the equator we have reached the autumnal equinox, fall begins. The sun continues southward until it reaches the Tropic of Capricorn. This is known as the winter solstice (winter begins). The sun then begins to travel northward again, heading for the equator and the vernal equinox.

Notice the four important events in the course of the sun's travel. Equator, vernal equinox (equal days and nights), spring begins; Tropic of Cancer, summer solstice, summer begins (longest day of the year); Equator, vernal equinox (equal days and nights), fall begins; Tropic of Cancer, winter solstice (shortest day of the year), winter begins. (See Fig. #1 & 2)

Now let's put this in terms of the annual day, annual circuit of the sun, annual tequaphah. We know that the daily sun is at its apex in the heaven at noon. Its farthest northward movement is the Tropic of Cancer (summer solstice). This would be like an annual noon day because the sun is at its apex and there is a greater period of light. (The longest day of the year.)

Therefore, the vernal equinox would be likened to the sunrise while the autumnal equinox would be likened to sunset. The winter solstice would be likened to midnight (for the northern hemisphere; See Fig. #4).

If, according to Psa. 19, the daily circuit (tequphah) of the sun is from east to west, then the annual circuit (tequphah) would be from vernal equinox to autumnal equinox (its travel being northward, of course) because this is when the sun is shining in its strength.

The annual night begins with the autumnal equinox, days begin to get shorter, until it reaches the Tropic of Capricorn which would be the annual midnight (longest nighttime period, shortest daylight hours). The annual night ends around the vernal equinox when the annual

day begins.

THE HEAVENS DECLARE

We are going to momentarily leave the calendar discussion in order to bring something else into play. Psa. 19 proclaims, “The heavens declare the glory of Elohim; and the firmament sheweth his handywork. 2 Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge. 3 *There is* no speech nor language, *where* their voice is not heard. 4 Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun, 5 Which *is* as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, *and* rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race. 6 His going forth *is* from the end of the heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof,” vv. 1-6.

Do you get that? The heavens are declaring the glory of Elohim. His handiwork is shown in the firmament. Day and night speak of His knowledge. After all, weren’t the sun, moon and stars not only placed there for lights, but for signs (owth = a signal, as a flag, beacon, monument, omen, prodigy, evidence)? And aren’t they for seasons (moeds = a signal as appointed beforehand)? (Gen. 1:14)

Can we figure out at least part of the story that they are telling us? Would this story be in line with Yahweh’s word, the Holy Bible? Absolutely! Let’s see if we can figure out at least the general overview of the story.

There are 7 days in the week. The first six days are set apart for man to work His work but the 7th day belongs to Yahweh. The 7th day is set aside for rest according to Yahweh’s commands. The Apostle Peter writes, “But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with Yahweh as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day,” 2 Pet. 3:8.

From this, we can learn that Yahweh has allotted 6 thousand years for man to work his work on the earth (which is generally unrighteousness), but the 7th period of one thousand years belongs to Yahweh.

There are 7 annual high days or holy days. As these days are observed, we learn much about Yahweh's plan of salvation. The first annual high day is preceded by the Passover sacrifice on the afternoon of the 14th which points us to Yahshua our Passover (1 Cor. 5:7). The high day itself begins the days of unleavened bread which points us to the true bread from heaven (Ex. 16, Jn. 6), Yahshua, Who is able to unleaven us or cleanse us of our sins. We eat unleavened bread for 7 days which typifies the total and complete power of Yahshua to deliver us from our sins. The last day or seventh day of unleavened bread is also a holy day.

Pentecost or the feast of weeks is the 3rd annual holy day which pictures the pouring out of the Holy Spirit on the firstfruits (those who are first called to take part in Yahweh's kingdom).

The 4th annual holy day is the feast of trumpets. This day is the first day of the 7th month. It typifies the kingdoms of this world becoming the kingdom of our Sovereign Yahweh and His Messiah (Yahshua; Rev. 11:15) at the culmination of the 6,000 years and the beginning of the 7th period of 1,000 years.

The 5th annual holy day occurs on the 10 day of the 7th month and is called Yom Kippur or the day of atonement. This typifies the binding of Satan for 1,000 years (Rev. 20:1-3), the forgiveness of the sins of Israel and their restoration to the kingdom.

The 6th annual holy day begins on the 15th day of the 7th month which typifies the kingdom of heaven ruling on the earth with the peace, righteousness and plenteousness that will take place.

Finally, the 7th annual holy day occurs on the 22nd day of the 7th month. It is called the last great day, which typifies the great white throne judgment which will take place after the 1,000 year millennial rule (Rev. 20:11-15).

This whole plan is set to take place and has been taking place during the 7,000 years allotted by Yahweh.

Thus, we see how the daily, weekly, monthly, and annual holy calendar in conjunction with the sun, moon and stars, bears witness to Yahweh and His plan. They are like a signal, forewarning us beforehand. But there is another phenomenon that is taking place which requires such a great period of time that the generations of the earth have not paid attention to it. That phenomenon is called the equinoxes and their precession through the heavens.

The equinoxes occur in certain specific houses of the mazzaroth or Zodiac, if you please, year after year. While the sun passes through each constellation of the mazzaroth (Zodiac) around 30—31 days, making it through all twelve in a year's time, the equinoxes are passing through the constellations on a much, much slower pace. It has been calculated that it takes somewhere in the neighborhood of 2160 years for the equinoxes to travel through a respective constellation and enter into another one. It takes about 25,920 years for them to make a complete circuit.

In other words, if the equinoxes originally began their movement (precession) through the constellations, let's say, at Aquarius (spring equinox)/Leo (fall equinox), it would take 25,920 years for them to return to their original point of beginning.

TRACING THE BEGINNING

The equinoxes are currently occurring in Pisces and Virgo. Since we can determine that we are nearing the end of

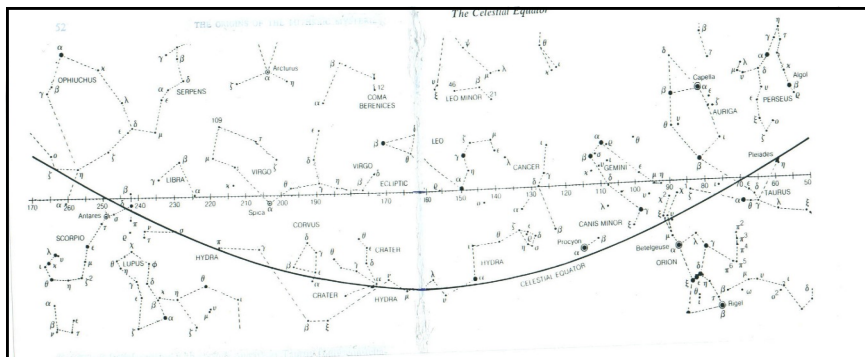


Fig. #5—The Celestial Equator showing the equinoxes occurring in Taurus and Scorpio

6,000 years of the history of man, we can trace back 6,000 years and determine that the equinoxes were originally occurring in the constellations Taurus and Scorpio.

Can we verify this. Yes! In his book *The Origins of the Mithraic Mysteries*, David Ulansey reveals a chart called the “Celestial Equator” (Fig. #5). This chart shows the equinoxes occurring in Taurus and Scorpio. (See the graphic on the next page.)

It is important that we establish where the Mithraic Mysteries originated. According to the *Encyclopedia Britannica*, Mithras was born of a rock...then the god nude, cutting fruit and leaves from a fig-tree...” (14th Edition, Vol. 15, p. 620).

Let’s see what is truly meant here. Who is the Rock? Isn’t it Yahweh? (Dt. 32:3-4). Who was born of or made by the Rock? Wasn’t it Adam? (Gen. 1:26-28; 2:7). Mithras was naked and so were Adam and Eve (Gen. 2:25). Furthermore, Adam and Eve took of the forbidden fruit (Gen. 3:6) which opened their eyes to their nakedness whereupon they sewed **fig leaves** together to cover that nakedness (Gen. 3:7). Mithras took fruit and leaves from a fig tree. He ate of the fruit to quench his hunger and then clothed himself with fig leaves! Weighing the evidence (there is more), Mithras could be none other than the man Adam,

the first man created by the Sovereign Yahweh.

Were Adam and Eve worshipped as gods or elohim? Absolutely! The story is found in the Mithraic Mysteries as well as other paganistic religions. But it is also found in Yahweh's word.

The serpent had told the woman, "...For Elohim doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and **ye shall be as elohim**, knowing good and evil," Gen. 3:5. Adam and Eve disbelieved Yahweh, choosing rather to believe the words of the serpent.

Adam and Eve became the first deities in the false paganistic worship of man-made deities. The first woman was named by Adam as the mother of all living (Gen. 3:20).

The *Encyclopedia Britannica* again reveals that there was a goddess called the "Great Mother of the Gods." This Great Mother was the mother of all gods and men. (14th Edition, Vol. 10, p. 733) Eve was the mother of all mankind. It takes no stretch of the imagination to come to understand that since this Great Mother is the mother of all men, then she has been deified to also be the mother of all the gods (elohim).

She was also identified as Cybele, Dindymene, Rhea, Ge, Demeter, Maia, Ops, Tellus, Ceres and Isis, among others. (*Ibid*)

The amazing thing about the worship of Mithras is that **Sunday** was his special day of the week while **Dec. 25th** was observed as His birthday. The Great Mother was worshipped with her consort Attis whose story and mode of worship is the same as that of Ishtar (Easter/Isis) and Tammuz.

Mithraism and the worship of the Great Mother goes farther back into antiquity than most people have realized. It goes all the way back to the beginning, back to the first man and woman.

The Mithraic Mysteries reveal that the equinoxes were occurring in Taurus and Scorpio at about the time of Adam. This is confirmed by another work entitled *Has The Age Of Aquarius Arrived?* By Naomi Bennett. She writes, "Schwaller de Lubicz showed that the Zodiac of Dendera in the Temple of Hathor (around 100 BC) was actually a time clock measurement that marked the procession of the equinoxes from the Age of Pisces back to the Age of Taurus which started in 4380 BC by his calculations."

Since Adam arrived on the scene around 4000 BCE, when he was created, the vernal equinox was occurring in Taurus and the autumnal equinox was occurring in Scorpio.

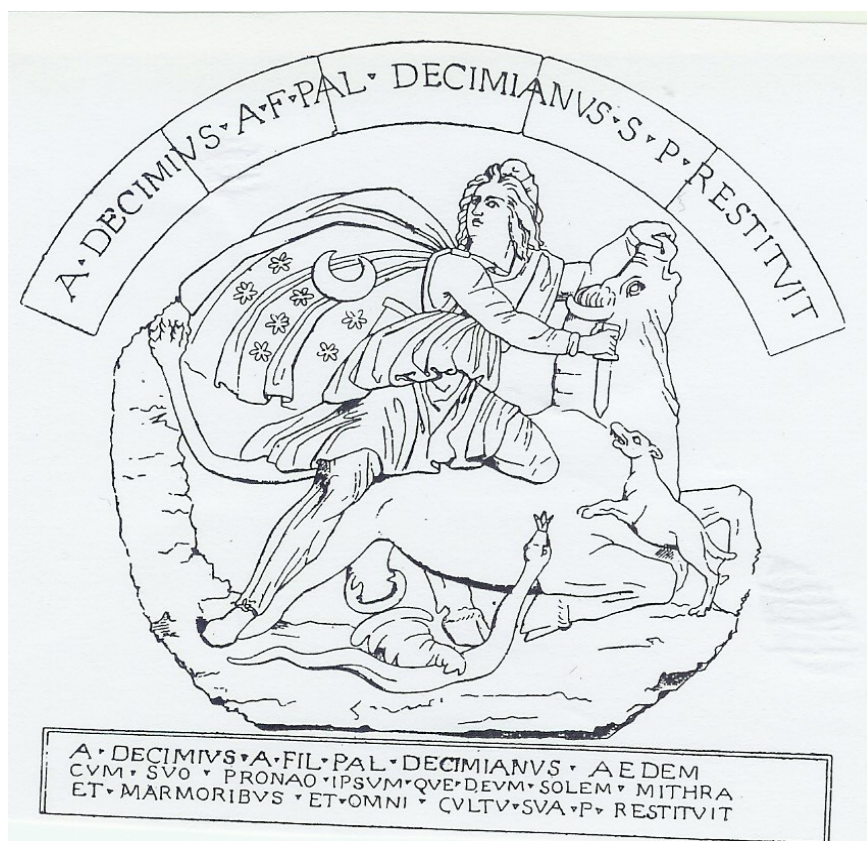


Fig. #6 Mithras sacrificing the bull (Adam) with the Scorpion grasping his genitals

THE STORY

The question now is, Is the precession of the equinoxes declaring a story in the same manner as the seven day week and the annual holy days? Can we determine what that story is by tracing their precession? How does this story glorify Yahweh and how does it reveal His plan? Is it in harmony with Yahweh's word? That's the taste test.

The equinoxes are presently occurring in Pisces and Virgo. This has been taking place for around 2,000 years. We are now approaching the time when they are going to shift into different constellations. Tracing back 6,000 years, we find that they were occurring in Taurus and Scorpio when Adam and Eve were created.

Notice the graphics of the bull-slaying or Tauroctony (Fig. #6 & 7). The high Priest Mithras is in the process of sacrificing this bullock.

Now the question is, Exactly what sacrifice is this Tauroctony representing? The answer would be Adam's. The ancient Hebrew name for Adam is אָדָם. Hebrew reads from right to left, so the first letter in the name Adam is the aleph (א). The original Hebrew letters served not only as letters, but as numbers and hieroglyphics. The aleph (א) represented the number 1 (one [for the first man]) and was an hieroglyphic for the head of an ox (an animal of sacrifice). The slaying of the ox (א [hieroglyphic of an ox]) represents the entrance of death into the world by the first (א [the number 1]) man Adam (אָדָם).

The scorpion at the genitals represents the pain, grief, suffering and the sting of death that his posterity would also go through, as the Apostle Paul writes, "Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned...Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression...For if through the offence of one

many be dead...for the judgment was by one to condemnation...For if by one man's offence death reigned by one...Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation...For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners," Ro. 5:12-19. "For since by man (Adam) came death...For as in Adam all die...The sting of sin is death; and the strength of sin is the law," 1 Cor. 15:22, 23, 56.



5.8 Tauroctony with two trees in background behind bull. The tree on the right is leaf-bearing (symbolizing spring) and has a raised torch and bull's head next to it, while the tree on the left is fruit-bearing (symbolizing autumn) and has a lowered torch and scorpion next to it (CIMRM 335).

Fig. #7. Another depiction of Mithras. Notice the torches which represent the equinoxes. The head of an ox is beside the tree to the right (spring equinox). A scorpion is beside the tree to the left (autumn equinox).

Thus, the beginning of Yahweh word, the Holy Scriptures speaks of the sin of Adam and the entrance of death upon himself and his posterity. However, even before this story was written down by the hand of Moses over 2,000 years later, this story was being announced in the heavens as a

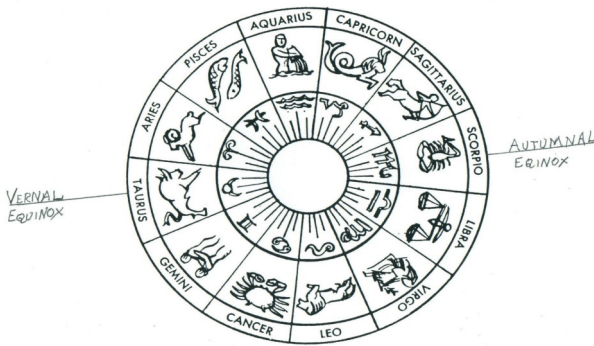


Fig. #8. Equinoxes occurring in Taurus and Scorpio at the time of Adam and Eve announcing the entrance of sin and death.

of the nation, but he was also worshipped and served through the Apis bull. While the Hindus of India still preserve this bull and cow worship, most would be shocked and surprised to find that it is also being preserved in Christianity (order our free articles entitled *The Devices of Satan* and *The Covenant of the Clean and the Unclean*).

THE SHIFT



Fig. #9. Equinox occurrences during Israel's deliverance depicting Aries (Passover) & Libra years. Imagine their (the law).

reminder.

Another point to consider is that all of the ancient pagan deities were worshipped as bull-gods. Pharaoh, king of Egypt was not only wor-

shipped by the

Egyptians as

the son of god

and the savior

The ancients were used to the equinoxes occurring in Taurus and Scorpio (See Fig. 8). Their beginning and ending of the annual day with the bringing in of the harvest had been going on in this manner for somewhere in the

neighborhood of 2,000 years. Imagine their

horror when the equinoxes shifted out of the traditional constellations into two new ones.

The significant event of the precession of the equinoxes into other constellations took place either prior to or during the deliverance of the children out of the land of Egypt. After all, the events that take place in heaven are a signal of events that have taken place, events that are taking place and events that will take place.

The spring equinox shifted from Taurus into Aries while the autumn equinox shifted from Scorpio into Libra (See Fig. #9). What event or events were these signs announcing?

Yahweh's people, Israel, had gone down into Egypt under the hand of Joseph. While there, Israel was eventually put under cruel bondage to the Egyptians (Ex. 1:8-14). The entrance of the vernal equinox into the constellation Aries was announcing the deliverance of Yahweh's people Israel through the Passover lamb.

A NEW BEGINNING

“And Yahweh spake unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying, **This month shall be unto you the beginning of months: it shall be the first month of the year to you.** Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, ‘In the tenth day of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for an house: and if the household be too little for the lamb, let him and his neighbour next unto his house take it according to the number of the souls; every man according to his eating shall make your count for the lamb. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats: and ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in the evening. And

they shall take of the blood, and strike it unto the two side posts and on the upper door post of the houses, wherein they shall eat it. And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread; and with bitter herbs they shall eat it. Eat not of it raw, nor sodden at all with water, but roast with fire; his head with his legs, and with the purtenance thereof. And ye shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; and that which remaineth of it until the morning ye shall burn with fire. And thus shall ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it is Yahweh's passover. For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the elohim of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am Yahweh. And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt. And this day shall be unto you for a memorial; and ye shall keep it a feast to Yahweh throughout your generations; ye shall keep it a feast by an ordinance for ever. Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread; even the first day ye shall put away leaven out of your houses: for whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul shall be cut off from Israel. And in the first day there shall be an holy convocation, and in the seventh day there shall be an holy convocation to you; no manner of work shall be done in them, save that which every man must eat, that only may be done of you. And ye shall observe the feast of unleavened bread; for in this selfsame day have I brought your armies out of the land of Egypt: there shall ye observe this day in your generations by an ordinance for ever. In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at even, ye shall eat unleavened bread, until the one and twentieth day of the month at even. Seven days shall there be no leaven found in your

houses: for whosoever eateth that which is leavened, even that soul shall be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he be a stranger, or born in the land. Ye shall eat nothing leavened; in all your habitations shall ye eat unleavened bread,” Ex. 12:1-20.

Yahweh was bringing forth a new thing in the earth. Yes, He was bringing forth a new people, a new nation; and a new age, the children of Israel were to be taken out of their low estate and were to become a new nation, a kingdom of priests (Ex. 19:5-6).

This new kingdom of priests was to have a year that no longer began with the new moon of the constellation Taurus, but their year was to begin with the new moon of Aries.

Josephus reports, **“In the month of Xanthicus, which is by us called Nisan, and is the beginning of our year, on the fourteenth day of the lunar month, when the sun is in Aries, (for in this month it was that we were delivered from bondage under the Egyptians,) the law ordained that we should every year slay that sacrifice which I before told you we slew when we came out of Egypt, and which was called the Passover; and so do we celebrate this Passover in companies...”** (*Antiquities of the Jews*, Chapter X. 5, p. 79).

LIBRA

The occurrence of the autumnal equinox in Libra is also telling us a story, if we will allow it. Libra is always represented as a pair of scales or balances. Scales and/or balances are always utilized by the justice system to represent the judicial system and its laws (supposedly of equality).

Yahweh led the Israelites out into the wilderness and made a covenant with them. This covenant specifically had to do with His commandments (Ex. 20), statutes and

judgments (Ex. 21—23).

While there had been plenty of animal sacrifices under the signs of Taurus and Scorpio, there had never been such a great Passover sacrifice which Yahweh instituted in association with Aries and the great deliverance that Yahweh brought about through it.

While there had been plenty of manmade laws, judgments and statutes administered under the power of Taurus the bull and Scorpio, Yahweh had never made all of His law, judgments and statutes known as He did under the hand of Moses and the sign of Libra.

He made His will to be known and He called His own people out of the then known world to administer His will among themselves. They were to be a great light to the world. When the world saw how greatly blessed they were because of their obedience and execution of His ways, they would beat a path to Israel's door to see how and why they were so greatly blessed and they would then administer those same laws, judgments and statutes in their lands so that they and their own people would also be blessed. That was the way it was supposed to work in theory, but it didn't work so well in application.

Instead of obeying Yahweh and setting the standard and example for the nations, Israel looked at the other nations, desiring to follow their example rather than submitting to Yahweh's will. Yahweh had made a covenant with the first man, Adam, but Adam failed in the administration of his part of the covenant and had to be cast out of the Garden of Eden (Gen. 2:15-16; 3:All). The Prophet Hosea was inspired to proclaim, "O Ephraim, what shall I do unto thee? O Judah, what shall I do unto thee? For your goodness is as a morning cloud, and as the early dew it goeth away. Therefore have I hewn them by the prophets; I have slain them by the words of My mouth: and thy judgments are as the light that goeth forth. For I desired mercy, and not sacrifice; and the knowledge of Elohim

more than burnt offerings. But they like men (this should be rendered as Adam, the Hebrew is אָדָם [Adam]), have transgressed the covenant: there have they dealt treacherously against Me,” Hos. 6:4-7.

Since Israel and Judah failed in their responsibility to obey Yahweh, they were cast out of the promised land of Canaan as Adam was cast out of the Garden of Eden.

The kingdom of Israel had been split into two kingdoms because of Solomon’s disobedience (1 Ki. 11). The northern kingdom was purged from their inheritance by 722 BCE. The kingdom of Judah continued until about 587 BCE.

The original covenant had been nullified by the actions of the Israelites themselves. Yahweh would have to make a new covenant with the houses of Judah and Israel (Jer. 31:31-34).

THE TRUE PASSOVER LAMB

Yahweh inspired Jeremiah to proclaim, “Therefore, behold, the days come, saith Yahweh, that it shall no more be said, ‘Yahweh liveth, That brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt;’ But, ‘Yahweh liveth, That brought up the children of Israel from the land of the north, and from all the lands whither He had driven them;’ and I will bring them again into their land that I gave unto their fathers,” Jer. 16:14-15.

Notice it carefully! The New Covenant will be a much greater covenant based upon better promises, because it is based upon Yahweh’s promise only, Yahweh’s word, not man’s. The covenant that He made with Israel in the wilderness was based upon Yahweh’s word and man’s word. Man fails; Adam failed; Israel failed; Yahweh didn’t and doesn’t fail.

Notice also that the deliverance Yahweh is speaking of is

such a great deliverance that the former Egyptian deliverance will be greatly surpassed!

The Old Covenant was based upon the sacrifice of the Passover lamb and also daily, weekly, monthly and annual animal sacrifices. But this deliverance will require a greater sacrifice. It will require a sacrifice that fulfills all of the animal sacrifices, and then some (Heb. 9:1-28; 10:1-4).

This greater deliverance and covenant required a greater Passover sacrifice to initiate it, "But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of Elohim; from henceforth expecting till His enemies be made His footstool. For by one offering He hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified. Whereof the Holy Spirit also is a witness to us: for after that He had said before, 'This is the covenant, that I will make with them after those days, saith Yahweh; I will put My laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; and their sins and iniquities will I remember no more.' Now where remission of these is, there is no more offering for sin. Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Yahshua, by a new and living way which He hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, His flesh; and having an High Priest over the house of Yahweh; let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for He is faithful That promised;) And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching," Heb. 10:12-25.

Aries, the Ram, had proclaimed the deliverance of the children of Israel from Egypt through the Passover. It an-

nounced that message for around 2,000 years. It had been proclaiming the glory of Yahweh, the message of the Passover deliverance. Israel continued to look back on the Egyptian deliverance, but most failed to look forward to the true Passover Lamb that the heavens were also declaring, “Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even **the Messiah our Passover is sacrificed for us,**” 1 Cor. 5:7. Most of today’s Jewish people still look back to that Egyptian Passover, not recognizing and even disregarding the true Passover Lamb, Yahshua.

ANOTHER SHIFT

At the time of Yahshua, the equinoxes had either shifted or were shifting out of Aries and Libra into two new houses, that of Pisces and Virgo. Yahshua, the true Passover Lamb had fulfilled the will of Yahweh bringing opportunity for a New Covenant, a new deliverance, a new system. The old age had passed and another was coming in (See Fig. #10).

During the span of Aries and Libra, Yahweh had delivered Israel from Egypt via the Passover lamb (Aries) and had given them His law (Libra). Toward the end of this cycle or age, He brought in the true Passover Lamb (Yahshua) and the promise of a better covenant so that His people could truly keep His law.

Pisces has to do with fishes. Yahshua proclaimed to His disciples, “Follow Me, and I will make you **fishers of men,**” Mat. 4:19. Furthermore, the very first ones that He called were fishermen, “And Yahshua, walking by the Sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea: for **they were fishers,**” Mt. 4:18.

James and John, his brother, were also fishermen, “And going on from thence, He saw other two brethren, James

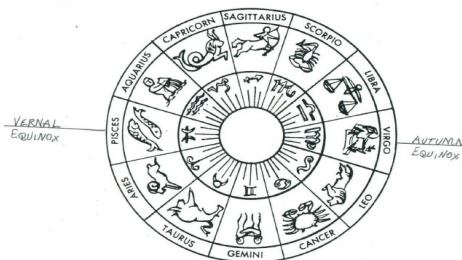


Fig. #10. Occurrence of equinoxes in the present age of Yahshua's Ministry.

the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, **in a ship** with Zebedee their father, **mending their nets**; and He called them. And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed Him," Mt. 4:21-22.

The family of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob were shepherds. Moses was a shepherd. David was a shepherd. Even the announcement of the birth of the Messiah went forth to shepherds in the field (Lk. 2:8). After they had seen the child, they went forth proclaiming the witness of His birth (Lk. 4:17-18).

The account of the first four disciple's calling to the ministry was made more clear in Lk. 5:1-11. Yahshua taught out of Simon's boat near the shore of Lake Gennesaret (5:1-3). When He finished, he told Simon to go to the deeper water and let their nets down. Simon Peter doubted because they had labored all night and caught nothing, but he did Yahshua's bidding and the nets were so full that they began to break. Peter motioned to James and John to come help. They filled the boats to the point that they were almost sinking. This astonished them so much that they forsook all and followed Yahshua (vv. 4-11).

When Yahweh announced to Jeremiah concerning the greater deliverance in chapter 16:14-15, He followed these verses up with, "Behold, **I will send for many fishers**, saith Yahweh and **they shall fish them**; and after will I send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain, and from every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks," v. 16.

Yahshua's ministry truly appears to be focused on the shift of the vernal equinox from Aries to Pisces. In one in-

stance written of in Mat. 14:13-21; Mk. 6:31-43; Lk. 9:10-17 and Jn. 6:1-14, Yahshua fed five thousand men, besides women and children, with 5 barley loaves and **two fishes**.

Another account in Mt. 15:29-39 and Mk. 8:1-9 reveals that He fed four thousand men besides women and children with 7 loaves of bread and a **few small fishes**.

The Apostle John reports in his account (Jn. 6:1-14) associated with Mat. 14:13-21; Mk. 6:31-43 and Lk. 9:10-17 that Passover, the feast of the Jews was **near**. The Greek word utilized for “near” is “eggus” which is also translated as “at hand, or ready” in various places in the Scriptures. This certainly would explain the barley loaves, since barley grain is associated with Passover.

The traditional Passover that had been observed for so long a time was soon to be changed. There would no longer be a requirement to sacrifice a lamb for the Passover associated with the Egyptian deliverance. Yahshua, the true Passover Lamb had come and instituted a change in the Passover observance. The new symbols were to be the bread and the cup representing His body and His blood.

THE 153 FISH

After His resurrection, Yahshua appeared to His disciples several times. The 21st chapter of the book of John speaks of the third time that He appeared to His disciples. Seven of the disciples were together including Simon Peter, James and John. Evidently, they didn’t know what to do so Peter said, “I go a fishing.” The others went along with him (1-3).

They fished all night and caught nothing. In the morning, Yahshua stood on the shore and asked them if they had caught anything to which they answered no (vv. 4-5). He then instructed them to cast the net on the right side of the boat and they would find their catch. They did so and

the number of fishes was so great that they couldn't draw it into the boat (v. 6).

When they had drawn the net to the shore the number of fish that they had caught was 153 (v. 11).

It is our belief that every inspired word of Yahweh is for a special purpose and reason. The account of the 153 fishes is a very important account to understand.

Israel's deliverance from Egypt and the subsequent trek in the wilderness was begun through several important steps. There were the 10 plagues poured upon Egypt, the 10th being the Passover which led to their deliverance (Ex. 12). Then there was the deliverance through the Sea which vanquished all of their enemies (Ex. 14). Bitter waters were made sweet in one account (Ex. 15), then they were led to the true occurrence of the Sabbath day through the witness of the Manna (Ex. 16). The rock was struck giving them water to drink followed by a battle with the Amalekites (Ex. 17). Jethro instructed Moses in the placement of a governmental structure of leaders and judges to handle the matters of the people (Ex. 18). Yahweh made His covenant with the people giving them His commandments, statutes and judgments (Ex. 19, 20, 21, 22, 23). Then Yahweh called Moses up to receive the tables of the covenant as well as instructions for building the tabernacle with its appurtenances, establishing the priesthood, etc. (Ex. 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31).

The tabernacle was to be Yahweh's dwelling place on earth (Ex. 25:8). Yahweh gave one man the spirit and ability to oversee and complete the project, "And Yahweh spake unto Moses, saying, 'See, I have called by name Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah: and I have filled him with the spirit of Elohim, in wisdom, and in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship, to devise cunning works, to work in gold and in silver, and in brass, and in cutting of stones, to set them, and in carving of timber, to work in

all manner of workmanship,” Ex. 31:1-5.

Interestingly, the name Bezaleel adds up to 153 in the Hebrew language (Bezaleel = בְּצַלְאֵל = ל 30, א = 1, ל = 30, ז = 90, ב = 2. 30 + 1 + 30 + 90 + 2 = 153).

Bezaleel means “In the shadow of El.” The priesthood, tabernacle and offerings were said to have been an example and **shadow** of heavenly things in Heb. 8:1-5. Here we have one whose name means “In the shadow of El” making things that are shadows of heavenly things, specifically the dwelling place for Yahweh on earth during that period of time.

Yahshua is shown to be the builder of the more permanent structure wherein the Heavenly Father will dwell. Paul writes, “For we are His (Yahweh’s) workmanship, **created in the Messiah Yahshua** unto good works, which Yahweh hath before ordained that we should walk in them...For through Him (Yahshua) we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father. Now there ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and are of the household of Elohim; **and are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Yahshua the Messiah Himself being the chief corner stone; in Whom (Yahshua) all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy Temple in the Sovereign (Yahshua): in Whom (Yahshua) ye also are builded together for an habitation of Yahweh (the Father) through the Spirit,**” Eph. 2:10, 18-22.

Yahshua told His disciples, “In My Father’s house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. **I go to prepare a place for you.** And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto Myself; that where I am, there ye may be also,” Jn. 14:2-3.

Bezaleel, the builder of the tabernacle in the wilderness, was a type, a shadow, a forerunner of Yahshua the Messiah, the true builder of the house of Yahweh Elohim.

SONS OF ELOHIM

The Apostle Peter writes, "Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently: being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of Yahweh, which liveth and abideth for ever. For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away: but the word of Yahweh endureth for ever. And this is the word which by the good news is preached unto you. Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings, as newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby: if so be ye have tasted that Yahweh is gracious. To Whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of Yahweh, and precious, **Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house**, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to Yahweh by Yahshua the Messiah. Wherefore also it is contained in the Scripture, 'Behold I lay in Zion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on Him shall not be confounded.' Unto you therefore which believe He is precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the Stone Which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner, and a Stone of stumbling, and a Rock of offence, even to them which stumble at the word, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed. But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people, that ye should shew forth the praises of Him Who hath called you out of darkness into His marvellous light: Which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of Yahweh: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy," 1 Pet. 1:22-25, 2:1-10.

Notice that! We become a living spiritual stone placed in a spiritual building that Yahweh is building through

Yahshua the Messiah and not through man. We also become a spiritual priesthood!

The Apostle John writes, “Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, **that we should be called the sons of Elohim**: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. Beloved, **now are we the sons of Elohim**, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when He shall appear, we shall be like Him; for we shall see Him as He is,” 1 Jn. 3:1-2.

Through Yahshua the Messiah, the true Bezaleel (153), the true builder of the house of Yahweh, we become the children, sons of Elohim. Sons of Elohim in Hebrew is בְּנֵי הָאֱלֹהִים. When sons of Elohim is converted to numbers and added up it also equals to 153! מ = 40, י = 10, ה = 5, ל = 30, א = 1, ה = 5, י = 10, נ = 50, ב = 2. $40 + 10 + 5 + 30 + 1 + 5 + 10 + 50 + 2 = 153!$

The instance of the 153 fishes did not go for naught. It had a purpose. It was telling us something. It was telling us that Yahshua is the true Bezaleel (153), the true builder of the house of Yahweh and that, through Him, we can become a part of that house to wit: sons of Elohim (153)! So was the shifting of the equinox into the constellation of Pisces! Pisces points us to the age wherein Yahweh fishes for men.

VIRGO

The Autumnal equinox shifted from Libra to Virgo. Virgo is associated with a virgin. It is obvious that Yahshua was born of a virgin. When it was announced to Miriam that she was to have a son (Lk. 2:26-33), she responded with, “How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?” v. 34.

Miriam was betrothed to Joseph. When he realized that she was pregnant, he thought about putting her away privately (Mt. 1:18-19). But as he thought to do this an angel

appeared to him in a dream explaining that the child that was conceived in her was of the Holy Spirit (v. 20). The account certainly testifies that Joseph and Miriam had had no previous sexual contact. Neither had she had sexual contact with any other man (even though many of the disbelieving Jewish rabbis, and others, have put out false rumors to the contrary).

Verses 23-24 explain, "Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of Yahweh by the prophet, saying, 'Behold, **a virgin** shall be with child, and shall bring forth a Son, and they shall call His name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, El with us.'"

Truly, the message to the New Testament Assembly is one of keeping oneself pure and unspotted from the world (Jas. 1:27).

The Apostle Paul writes, "Would to Elohim ye could bear with me a little in my folly: and indeed bear with me. For I am jealous over you with a pious jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, **that I may present you as a chaste virgin to the Messiah,**" 2 Cor. 11:1-2.

The book of Revelation, chapter 14 reveals the 144,000 firstfruits who appear at the end of the age of Pisces and Virgo, "And I looked, and lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Zion, and with Him an hundred forty and four thousand, having His Father's name written in their foreheads. And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps: and they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth. These are they which were not defiled with women; **for they are virgins.** These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto Yahweh and to the lamb. And in their



Fig. #11. Occurrence of the equinoxes in the kingdom age.

ly Spirit which restores them to spiritual virginity. They are expected to remain in such state until the end of their lives or the kingdom appears, whichever comes first. The age will culminate with the appearance of Yahshua (a virgin) and His virgin bride to rule in the heavenly government of Zion.

THE NEXT SHIFT

It has been about 2,000 years since Yahshua was born and His ministry was begun. During this time the equinoxes have been occurring in Pisces and Virgo, but the stage is now being set for another shift. The equinoxes will soon shift into Aquarius and Leo (See Fig. #11).

Aquarius typifies water being poured out. Yahshua likened the Holy Spirit to water in Jn. 7:37-39. Yahweh admonishes Israel, "Yet now hear, O Jacob My servant; and Israel, whom I have chosen:" Thus saith Yahweh That made thee, and formed thee from the womb, Which will help thee; 'Fear not, O Jacob, My servant; and thou Jesurun, whom I have chosen. For **I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour My spirit upon thy seed, and My**

mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of Yahweh," vv. 1-5.

Thus, the focus of Yahweh's work for the last 2,000 years (\pm), has been to fish for men who will repent, be baptized in the name of Yahshua the Messiah and receive the Ho-

blessing upon thine offspring: and they shall spring up as among the grass, as willows by the water courses. One shall say, 'I am Yahweh's; and another shall call himself by the name of Jacob; and another shall subscribe with his hand unto Yahweh, and surname himself by the name of Israel," Isa. 44:1-5.

Again, the prophet Joel was inspired to write, "Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly: gather the People, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts: let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet. Let the priests, the ministers of Yahweh, weep between the porch and the altar and let them say, 'Spare Thy people, O Yahweh and give not Thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among the people, 'Where is their Elohim?" Then will Yahweh be jealous for His land, and pity His people. Yea, Yahweh will answer and say unto His people, 'Behold, I will send you corn, and wine, and oil, and ye shall be satisfied therewith: and I will no more make you a reproach among the heathen: But I will remove far off from you the northern (hidden one) *army*, and will drive him into a land barren and desolate, with his face toward the east sea, and his hinder part toward the utmost sea, and his stink shall come up, and his ill savour shall come up, because he hath done great things," 2:15-20.

Notice that the events spoken of here have not yet taken place. What is being spoken of here? Yahweh had given His heritage, Israel and Judah, into the hand of the heathen during the Assyrian and Babylonian incursions into the land in 724-721 BCE and 604-587 BCE respectively. Since those times, the heathen have had power and rulership over the earth. Yahweh gave His people into their hands because of their disobedience. This will continue until the age of Aquarius and Leo is ushered in.

Continuing in Joel, “Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice: for Yahweh will do great things. Be not afraid, ye beasts of the field: for the pastures of the wilderness do spring, for the tree beareth her fruit, the fig tree and the vine do yield their strength. Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in Yahweh your Elohim: for **He hath given you the former rain moderately, and He will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month,**” vv. 21-23.

Notice that the word “month” is in italics. The reason is that this word has been supplied by the scholars who were thinking that this would clarify the statement. The Hebrew is “בְּרִאשֹׁן” which means “in the first” or “as the first”. In other words, Yahweh is going to restore His land and His people first.

Continuing in Joel, “And the floors shall be full of wheat, and the fats shall overflow with wine and oil. And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpillar, and the palmerworm, My great army which I sent among you. And ye shall eat in plenty, and be satisfied, and praise the name of Yahweh your Elohim, That hath dealt wondrously with you: and My people shall never be ashamed,” vv. 24-27.

Joel 2:15-27 goes hand in hand with Ezek. 37 and the vision of the valley of dry bones wherein Yahweh promises to resurrect the whole house of Israel, both Israel and Judah, to put His spirit in them and make Judah and Israel one stick in His hand!

Notice what Ezekiel is inspired to write, “And they shall dwell in the land that I have given unto Jacob My servant, wherein your fathers have dwelt; and they shall dwell therein, even they, and their children, and their children’s children for ever: and My servant David shall be their prince for ever. Moreover I will make a covenant of peace with them; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them: and I will place them and multiply them, and

will set My sanctuary in the midst of them for evermore. My tabernacle also shall be with them: yea, I will be their Elohim, and they shall be My people. And the heathen shall know that I Yahweh do sanctify Israel, when My sanctuary shall be in the midst of them for evermore,” 37:25-28.

Yahweh is going to raise up and restore His people Judah and Israel to their first place in the world. The power of the kingdom will be given into their hands. At that time Jerusalem will be the center and focal point of the earth, “The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of Yahweh’s house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it. And many people shall go and say, ‘Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of Yahweh, to the house of the Elohim of Jacob; and He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His paths:’ for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of Yahweh from Jerusalem. And He shall judge among the nations (the heathen), and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more,” Isa. 2:1-4.

Once Yahweh has established His kingdom and His people Judah and Israel, filling them with His spirit and bringing them under His covenant, He will then turn His hand to save the other nations, “And it shall come to pass afterward, that **I will pour out My spirit upon all flesh**; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions: and also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days **will I pour out My spirit**. And I will shew wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke. The sun shall be

turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and the terrible day of Yahweh come. And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of Yahweh shall be delivered for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as Yahweh hath said, and in the remnant whom Yahweh shall call,” Joel. 2:18-32.

While the Apostle Peter quoted Joel 2:28-31 (Acts 2:17-21), he was responding to the charge that they were drunk (v. 13). But the time of the day was the third hour (about 9:00 a.m.) which was too early for them to be drunk. Yahweh was pouring His Spirit out upon His people that He was now calling out of this world to become the bride of His Son. He was not ready to establish the Israelite kingdom, however. That would follow in its appointed time.

LEO

The autumn equinox will begin to occur in the constellation Leo. Leo has to do with the lion which is king of beasts. The kingdoms of the world were represented as beast kingdoms in Daniel chapter 7. The beginning kingdom (Babylon) was represented as a lion. Yahweh’s kingdom, the final world ruling kingdom will also be symbolized as a lion.

Yahshua was born of the tribe of Judah. Jacob prophesied, “Judah, thou art he whom thy brethren shall praise: thy hand shall be in the neck of thine enemies; thy father’s children shall bow down before thee. **Judah is a lion’s whelp**: from the prey, my son, thou art gone up: he stooped down, **he couched as a lion, and as an old lion**; who shall rouse him up? The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come; and unto Him shall be the gathering of the people be. Binding his foal unto the vine, and his ass’s colt unto the choice vine; he washed his garments in wine, and

his clothes in the blood of grapes: His eyes shall be red with wine, and his teeth white with milk,” Gen. 49:8-12.

Yahshua is Shiloh and He is also the Lion of the tribe of Judah, “And one of the elders saith unto me, ‘Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof,” Rev. 5:5.

The age of Aquarius and Leo represents the establishment of the kingdom of Elohim upon earth under the hand of the Lion of the tribe of Judah, Yahshua the Messiah.

The Scriptures reveal that Yahshua will first gather His special ones, the 144,000 firstfruits (Rev. 14:1-5) and the tribes of Israel will be resurrected and restored to their kingdom (Ez. 37; Joel 2, etc.).

A lion hunts. Jeremiah reveals that after the fishers have finished their work (when the age of Pisces and Virgo is past) then He will hunt for His chosen, “Behold, I will send for many fishers, saith Yahweh, and they shall fish them; **and after will I send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them** from every mountain, and from every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks,” Jer. 16:16.

THE RESTORATION

This kingdom age is the age that is soon to dawn, yea, that is even beginning to dawn now. Yahweh is going to restore all things, “Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when **the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of Yahweh;** and He shall send Yahshua the Messiah, Which before was preached unto you: **Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things,** which Yahweh hath spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began,” Acts 3:19-21.

The heavens have received Yahshua until the time for the restitution of all things, but all the while they have been declaring the glory, the purpose, the plan of Yahweh. The Psalmist proclaims, "O Yahweh our Sovereign, how excellent is Thy name in all the earth! Who hast set Thy glory above the heavens," Psa. 8:1. The interesting thing about the phrase "Who hast set Thy glory above the heavens," is that some of the Hebrew words are possibly improperly translated.

The word "set" is translated from the Hebrew word "tanah" which is defined as "to *present* (through the idea of *attributing* honor; to *ascribe* (praise); i.e. *celebrate*, *commemorate*, etc. The heavens are presenting, ascribing, commemorating and celebrating the glory, honor and praise of Yahweh. They are presenting His plan to mankind. The problem with mankind is that they forget about looking into the heavens and rather focus on the things on the earth. They neglect, contradict and turn away from His word of truth, thereby falling away from Him and His commanded ways.

Also, the word "above" in Psa. 8:1 is translated from the Hebrew word "al" which is usually translated as upon, above, over, against, etc., but it can also be translated as throughout. Thus, the verse could be read as, "Who has presented, ascribed or commemorated your glory throughout the heavens."

The heavens have been proclaiming the downfall of man and the entrance of sin, corruption and death, with the subsequent deliverance through the Passover Lamb and giving of a new covenant based on better promises, the calling (fishing) out of this world His chosen bride to rule with Him in His glorious kingdom when the times of restitution, the times of restoration come in the kingdom age.

THE CATAclySMIC EVENTS

It is our belief that when the equinoxes shift from one set of constellations into another that cataclysmic events take place. It is obvious that when Egypt was overthrown many cataclysmic events took place not only in Egypt, but all around the world. Other events took place during Yahshua's death burial and resurrection along with the destruction of Jerusalem about 40 years later. Read the book of Josephus concerning the heavenly signs that took place during the downfall of Jerusalem.

We do know that Yahshua prophesied that many, many terrible events were going to take place around the time of His second coming. He told His disciples, "And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh," Lk. 21:25-28.

Both Old and New Testaments reveal that wrath is going to be poured out upon Yahweh's enemies before He sends Yahshua to rule the nations.

The Prophet Isaiah proclaims, "Behold, the day of Yahweh cometh, cruel both with wrath and fierce anger, to lay the land desolate: and He shall destroy the sinners thereof out of it. For the stars of heaven and the constellations thereof shall not give their light: the sun shall be darkened in his going forth, and the moon shall not cause her light to shine. And I will punish the world for their evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; and I will cause the arrogancy of the proud to cease, and will lay low the

haughtiness of the terrible. I will make a man more precious than fine gold; even a man than the golden wedge of Ophir. Therefore I will shake the heavens, and the earth shall remove out of her place, in the wrath of Yahweh of hosts, and in the day of His fierce anger,” Isa. 13:9-13.

The book of Revelation also speaks of a time similar to this, “And I beheld when He had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood; and the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind. And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places. And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains; And said to the mountains and rocks, ‘Fall on us, and hide us from the face of Him That sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: for the great day of His wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?” Rev. 6:12-16.

Notice that this period of time is speaking of the wrath of the Lamb Who is coming back to earth to rule as King of kings and Sovereign of Sovereigns, which is what the shift of the equinoxes from Pisces and Virgo to Aquarius and Leo are declaring. It is not speaking of the great day of the wrath of the Heavenly Father Almighty Yahweh. His wrath is to come at the end of the age of Aquarius and Leo after the kingdom age.

The shifting of the equinoxes into Aquarius and Leo can result in some of the awesome things spoken of in these passages taking place. It can have to do with magnetic and gravitational attractions taking hold of the earth and exerting their influences upon it.

Some things are already in the process of taking place. A huge magma chamber has formed under Yellowstone Na-

tional Park that has scientists worried about a super volcano erupting. This volcano could destroy most of North America and have the most drastic effects on the rest of the world.

The north and south poles are in the process of melting down. For years and years no more than 400 icebergs had been reported breaking off from the north pole. Now more than 1200 are breaking away in a year.

There is a belt of cold water that goes throughout the bottom of the seas which has helped the earth to maintain its temperature balance. This belt flows from the north pole down through the Atlantic, through the cape of South Africa and into the Pacific and Indian Oceans. If this belt is hindered in any way, our climate will change drastically. It can be hindered if the temperature warms up too much or the salinity of the sea water is affected. Too much fresh water from the icebergs could affect this important cooling system.

What about the dangers of chemical, biological and nuclear war? Violence is on the increase in the earth, just as in the days of Noah. We could go on and on, but the point is that the stage is being set for a change.

After all, Yahshua did warn that except He cut the time short, all flesh would be destroyed (Mt. 24:22).

The heavens are declaring the glory of Yahweh. Day in and day out, week in and week out, month in and month out, year in and year out, millennia in and millennia out, they are declaring His glory, His honor, His majesty, His plan. It is too bad that man pays little or no attention to it.

THE CALENDAR

With this in mind, we can now get back to the calendar. There has been so much confusion concerning the calen-

dar because man is not allowing the heavens to dictate or set or establish the calendar. Some are allowing portions which gets them close to Yahweh's calendar, but we need to get even closer to the truth of the matter.

There is controversy as to when the year should begin. Let's go back to the circuit of the sun or its tequwphah. Remember that there is a daily circuit (tequwphah) and an annual circuit (tequwphah). The daily circuit or tequwphah of the sun is from east to west. When the sun nears the horizon in the east, even before it arises, we have plenty of light so that it is already morning and day before it rises above the horizon. We still have plenty of light after the sun sets in the west so that we can still call that period of light day.

A search of the *Encyclopedia Judaica* and the Scriptures reveal that to Yahweh's mind and a Hebrew mind, a day doesn't end until 2 or 3 stars have appeared. After all, Yahweh set the sun to rule the day and the moon and stars to rule the night (Gen. 1:16). In Nehemiah, the men worked until the stars appeared (Neh. 4:21-22). This means that as long as the sun was shedding light on everything, even though it might be a little before sunrise or a little after sunset, the sun was ruling and that period was called the day.

The same situation goes for the equinoxes. When the vernal equinox occurs, spring, the annual day begins, and when the autumnal equinox occurs, fall, the end of the annual day (daylight period) comes. The vernal equinox would be likened to an annual sunrise and the autumnal equinox to an annual sunset.

However, before the vernal equinox occurs, it is usually evident that spring has come. The days are warmer and longer. Many of the plants have already sprouted, budded and bloomed; many trees are budding, flowering, and leafing out, etc.

It is obvious that during the original 2,000 years of man's existence, the equinoxes were occurring in Taurus and Scorpio. Therefore, the new moon that occurred when the vernal equinox was taking place in Taurus was the beginning of the year.

When Yahweh delivered Israel something had changed. The equinox began to occur in Aries rather than Taurus. That is why Yahweh told Moses, "This month (moon) shall be unto you the beginning of months: it shall be the first month of the year to you," Ex. 12:2. Otherwise, the Israelites would have followed the Egyptian method of the new moon occurring in Taurus which would have taken place a month later.

Josephus corroborates this by stating that the sun was in Aries. This means that the sun, moon and equinox were all three in that constellation. For around 2,000 years the occurrence of the sun, moon and equinox were to occur in Aries which would announce the beginning of the year and also the proper establishment of annual holy day observance.

THE BARLEY

Some will say, But what about the barley? Isn't the barley associated with the Passover and days of Unleavened Bread? Didn't they need barley to be available and what if it wasn't? Yes, the barley is associated with the Passover and days of Unleavened Bread according to the *Encyclopedia Judaica* and other Jewish writings, especially concerning the second temple period.

But we must ask the question, After the temple was destroyed and the people dispersed how could they determine whether the barley was ripe or not? The people had been dispersed throughout the world. Not until the middle to latter part of the 20th century have we had the travel or communication networks available to be able to

determine whether there was ripe barley available in the Jerusalem area or not and then get that message out to others around the world.

What about those hundreds and hundreds of years when it was impossible to travel to that area to make a determination and get the message back to the people as to when to begin the year and keep the feasts? Remember that travel was painstakingly slow and communication was only as fast as feet, oxen, horses and ships could move.

There had to be another way to determine the beginning of the year and when to observe the festivals of Yahweh even though His people might have been very few and far between. The only way would have been to utilize the signs that Yahweh originally established, to wit; the sun, moon and stars.

It truly appears that the sun, moon and equinox must be occurring in the same constellation in order to determine the beginning of the year.

It is obvious that Yahweh put a time clock in the heavens and also in the plants. A little observance is all it takes to figure this out. There are certain wild flowers that spring forth, bud and bloom every year. They have a time clock that causes them to come forth at the same time each year. The same thing goes for the trees. Some trees are early bloomers, others are late. Some will have sprouted, budded, bloomed and leafed before the vernal equinox occurs. Others will take place around the time that the equinox is occurring and still others will not wake up, bud, bloom and leaf out until after the equinox.

The same thing goes for the autumnal equinox. While a frost will make plants die or go to sleep quicker, the simple fact of the matter is that whether there is a frost or not, some trees will begin to lose their leaves and go dormant before the equinox, others around the equinox and still others after the equinox.

The point of the matter is that these plants have a time clock which is in synchronization with the heavenly signs. Farmers can truly verify this.

Of course, man has not left the grains that he raises for his food alone. He has bred and cross bred until it would probably be impossible to find a strain of barley that is directly descended from the grains of 2,000—4,000 years ago.

Besides that, the land of Canaan was hilly. There were valleys and hillsides where crops were grown. Some would have matured and been available for harvest quicker than others.

Yahweh set His signs in the heavens. The earth is under the influence of those signs and heavenly bodies.

The beginning of the year originally occurred with the sun, new moon and equinox occurring in Taurus. When the equinoxes shifted to Aries and Libra, Yahweh changed the beginning of the year to occur when the sun, new moon and equinox were taking place in Aries. Around the time of Yahshua or a little before, the equinoxes shifted again. The beginning of the year had to be adjusted to the sun, new moon and equinox occurring in Pisces. We will soon have another shift and the beginning of the year will pass into Aquarius.

This means that the new moon can occur before, during or a little after the equinox, but it must take place in Pisces.

THE WAVESHEAF

While the sacrificial system is no longer taking place, there are those who will travel to the Jerusalem area every year to witness as to whether there is barley available or not. The barley was important because it is what the “sheaf of firstfruits” consisted of, “And Yahweh spake unto Moses, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, and

say unto them, When ye be come into the land which I give unto you, and shall reap the harvest thereof, then ye shall bring a sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest unto the priest: And he shall wave the sheaf before Yahweh, to be accepted for you: on the morrow after the sabbath the priest shall wave it,” Lev. 23:9-11.

The Hebrew term for “sheaf of firstfruits” was “omer reyshiyth.” “Reyshiyth” is the first word of Scripture! You must understand that nothing comes before the “reyshiyth.” It is the “reyshiyth” that is the beginning, that begins everything. Thus, the “omer reyshiyth” had to be the very first omer of barley to be found in the land so that not only the harvest could begin, but the people could eat of the new bread of the harvest! Until the “omer reyshiyth” was offered, the people had to eat of the previous harvest.

But this “omer reyshiyth,” this “sheaf of firstfruits” typified the resurrected Messiah. The “omer reyshiyth” began the countdown to shavout/Pentecost, “And ye shall count unto you from the morrow after the sabbath, from the day that ye brought the sheaf of the wave offering; seven sabbaths shall be complete: **Even unto the morrow after the seventh sabbath shall ye number fifty days**; and ye shall offer a new meat offering unto Yahweh. Ye shall bring out of your habitations two wave loaves of two tenth deals: they shall be of fine flour; they shall be baked with leaven; they are the firstfruits unto Yahweh...And ye shall proclaim on the selfsame day, that it may be an holy convocation unto you: ye shall do no servile work therein: it shall be a statute for ever in all your dwellings throughout your generations,” Lev. 23:15-17, 21.

Yahshua had to ascend before the Father’s throne to be accepted as the “firstfruits/firstborn” from the dead (Jn. 20:17; Col. 1:18).

Once accepted, the countdown to Shavout/Pentecost began when the Holy Spirit was poured out on Yahshua’s

disciples which began the spiritual harvest of the New Testament Assembly! (Acts 2)

This all had to take place in the month Abib (green ears). The “green ears” would be the green ears of barley, however, there would be “green ears” of other vegetation that would be breaking forth in newness of life! This would take place in the very early spring in order to picture the resurrection of the Messiah. “Green ears” can appear before the equinox!

EXODUS 34:22

The whole crux of the matter is explained in Exodus 34:22. Yahweh commands, “And thou shalt observe the feast of weeks, of the firstfruits of wheat harvest, and the feast of ingathering at the year’s end.”

“The year’s end” is translated from the Hebrew word “tequwphah.” The word tequwphah has been carefully dealt with in this treatise. The tequwphah is the autumnal equinox. Yahweh set the sun, moon and stars in the heaven as a guide for His people. The sun rules the day, the moon and stars the night. A combination of the sun, moon and stars determines a 24 hour day. A cycle of seven 24 hour days (night and day) makes a week.

It is the moon that determines the months. Moon and month are synonymous. The moon also determines the annual moeds or feasts. But it takes a combination of sun, moon and equinoxes to determine the annual day and the annual night. The annual day presently begins with the constellation Pisces. The equinox occurs in that constellation and the new moon that occurs in that constellation will begin the year. The sun will also be in that constellation or house at that time. These are three heavenly witnesses that the year has begun. Yahweh has set them in the heavens for these purposes. Even the earth itself witnesses to the beginning of the year by budding, blooming

and leafing out.

But man fails to accept and incorporate Yahweh's calendar as the authority. Man has thought to change times and laws which appear to be good, right and convenient. The problem is that man's way has a tendency of blinding him to the truths concerning Yahweh, His word, His commands and His holy calendar. The time is coming, though, as the heavens themselves are announcing to men the glory of Yahweh, His plan and His purpose, that Yahweh's kingdom will come. His rule and His laws and His calendar will be restored. Even though men may scoff at this truth, and more so as the day approaches, it is coming and none can deter it.

CONCLUSION

The heavens are declaring the glory of Yahweh! The movement (precession) of the equinoxes through the constellations is declaring His word, and is complicit with it.

The equinoxes were occurring in Taurus and Scorpio when Adam and Eve were created. They declared that Adam (Taurus) and his posterity would come under the sting of death (Scorpio).

The shift into Aries and Libra declared that there would be a Passover sacrifice (Aries) which would deliver Yahweh's people out of Egypt (the serpent's bondage) into the wilderness to receive the law of liberty (Libra).

Another shift into Pices and Virgo declared that the Passover Lamb Yahshua, after His sacrifice, would fish (Pisces) for those who would become His virgin bride (Virgo).

The final shift into Aquarius and Leo declares that when the fishing process is finished, Yahshua will return to establish His kingdom on earth with His bride. They will then begin to pour out the heavenly waters of the spirit

(Aquarius) upon all mankind during the reign of the Lion King (Leo) Yahshua the Messiah for one thousand years of peace and rest.

The time marches on. Yahweh's word and the heavens are announcing it, are you listening and watching?



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