

The Buildup To The Marriage Covenants And The Patterns Given Which Are Relevant To Both Of Them

We are now entering the study of a timeline of the Plan of Salvation which is being used to qualify an acceptable bride for the function of the Second Eve, the Eternal Helpmate in the family of the Elohim and specifically in the Household of our Patriarch Father. Yehovah/The Word will follow through with His commitment to assume the responsibilities of the Second Adam and to becoming a Savior/Husband to her. We will be observing some of the patterns which were imbedded at the beginning and come to their conclusion in this timeline of the Plan. Others will continue on with extended purposes later in the Overall Plan.

As we review many of the patterns pertaining to the Marriage Covenants, we will see a lot of similar examples in both the First Marriage Covenant and the Second Marriage Covenant over the course of their individual timelines. This is necessary to establish the intent and purposes for each of them, which will clearly illustrate to us that the physical application is a forerunner, a shadow of a spiritual reality to come.

We will also be covering why there was a need for a Second Marriage Covenant, a **Better Covenant as scripture instructs us**. Just as in the case of the first Eve, there will be many times of testing to see if she would remain faithful to her husband's instructions. Satan will do everything he is allowed to do to end her successful participation in it.

Glossary of Some Important Definitions

Before we enter the realm of the Two Marriage Covenants and the changing landscape of the participants called to them, we need to put in perspective who is who to be able to follow the patterns for each.

Native Israel: The original 12 tribes who are blood descendants of Jacob.

National Israel: The 10 Northern tribes of Israel who seceded after the death of Solomon.

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National Judah: The 2 southern tribes of Judah and Benjamin with their capital at Jerusalem and one family from Levi.

Jews of Judah: The first reference to “Jew” in scripture is when Israel was warring with the Jews. This one throws a lot of people for a loop thinking all of Israel are Jews. However, that is not the truth, nor does it have any factual basis for it. These Jews are only from the tribes of Judah and Benjamin, direct blood descendants.

Jews of Judaism: This class of people do not have to have any blood of Judah or Benjamin in them. **They are termed “Jews” because they follow the tenets of Judaism**, which is a roll out of the Oral Traditions of the Elders, which morphed into Mishnaic traditions which were written down, and finally into Talmudic traditions and all their arguing and fighting for dominance over all other opinions.

This is, and will be, a fascinating study into the mysteries of the Elohim which we are to be stewards of, as Paul instructs us repeatedly.

1 Cor 4:1-2 So, let a man think of us as simple attendants of Christ/Messiah and stewards of the mysteries/hidden truths of God/Elohim. And the rest, it is sought among stewards that one be found faithful.

So, let’s start this chapter with some of these mysteries being revealed to us to give us a foundation as to what we will be looking into as to the Marriage Covenants and the physical participants in them.

There is only one account in the entirety of the Bible which instructs us in the sequence of events of the two Marriage Covenants and the participants being called to it. We will review that first which will give you, the reader, an understanding of some of the timeline we will be studying. It is no accident it was given to us by the Bridegroom in the format of a parable. Never lose sight of why a parable was used by our Savior/Husband.

Matthew 13:34-35 Jesus spoke all these things in parables to the crowds; and He did not speak to them without a parable; so that it would be fulfilled what was spoken by the prophet, saying: I will open My mouth (Whose Mouth? My mouth, Yehovah’s when He would

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come in the flesh) *in parables; I will reveal things hidden from the foundation of the world.* (Patterns and Goals)

Mark 4:10-12 And when He was alone (from the crowds) *those around Him, the twelve, asked Him about the parable. And He said to them,* (the twelve, not all) *to you* (once again not the all) *it has been given* (by Father) *to know the mystery* (hidden truth) *of the Kingdom* (the notion of the foundation of the spiritual Royal Power and Plan) *of God/Elohim. But to these, those* (the crowd) *outside, all things are being given in parables, that seeing, they may see and not perceive; and hearing they may hear but not understand, lest they should convert* (from Judaism and the treacherous ways of it and return to their Marriage Covenant vows) *and sins be forgiven.*

This is a major point of instruction from our Savior/Husband while He was in the flesh. He is stressing here a shift in the participants in the timeline of the Marriage Covenants. Those who were outside were the descendants of the Jews of the Nation of Judah. That is, the tribes of Judah and Benjamin. They were never divorced like the Nation of Israel had been. We will be covering their treacherous ways and activities as they are spelled out in scripture later in the study. **After the death of John, the Baptist, their timeline to repent of their errors was concluded.** Only those who had remained faithful to the terms and conditions of the FMC were allowed to finish qualifying under and in them. **It was now the transition time (for) the calling of the Gentile nations, from every tribe and tongue of them.** They were now being called, in fact, seized at all the exits of the highway of mankind.

Luke 16:16 *The Law and the Prophets were* (used) *until John* (the time allotted for them to help them to repent of their ways); *from then on the kingdom of God/Elohim is being preached, and every man* (no longer just the Nations of Israel and Judah) *is being seized to be in it.*

These are all simple understandings of the participant timelines in the Plan as pertaining to the Marriage Covenants. The following scriptures given in a parable, give us a very clear understanding of this great mystery of hidden truth set before

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the foundation of the world. The Elohim have lots of contingency plans to keep things moving forward on the right path to an acceptable conclusion.

Before we get to chapter 12 of Exodus and examine all the pertinent activities in the relationship which was expected between Native Israel and Yehovah prior to the consummation of the First Marriage Covenant, let's take a look at a synopsis of Native Israel's activities and actions which led to them being separated into 10 Northern tribes and 2 Southern tribes. This is valuable knowledge in understanding a large section of the timeline of the Plan. In Jeremiah, we can find a wealth of knowledge.

Jer 3:1 They say, if a man sends away his wife and she goes from him and will be for another man, will he return to her again? (Emphasis here on him doing the returning to her) Would not the land be greatly defiled by that? But you play the whore with many lovers, yet you return back to Me, says Yehovah.

There is a timeframe in which Yehovah her Husband will take her back but she needs to get it rolling. Then He will be a Savior to her in accepting her back. The door is not open forever in a Husband/wife relationship under the terms and conditions of the First Marriage Covenant.

Jer 3:2-3 Lift up your eyes on the bare heights and see if there is a place you have not lain with another. By the highways (of the nations) you have sat waiting for them, like an Arab in the wilderness. And you have defiled the land with your fornications and with your evil. Thus, the showers are withheld, and the late rain has not been given. And the forehead of a woman who is a whore is on you; yet you refuse to be ashamed.

Vivid and clear! A marriage relationship where she played the whore and didn't try to hide it. She did not fake loyalty and faithfulness to her Husband. He used the physical promised blessings to her as a means of getting her to repent and return to Him. However, to no avail. She was done with Him in a marriage commitment because she lusted like a stallion in the wilderness for other lovers. As a merciful Husband, He will always want the best for her even though it could

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no longer be in a relationship of marriage. So, later in the Plan that mercy will come into full view.

Jer 3:4-5 Will you not cry to Me from this time forward; my Father; the gentle guide of my youth. Will He remain angry forever? Or will He hedge it (keep it in) to the end? Behold, you have spoken, and you have done all the evil things that you could.

Let's jump ahead in the chapter for a moment to see this new relationship addressed in more detail.

*Jer 3:19-20 But I said: how can I put you among the sons, and give you a pleasant land, a beautiful inheritance among the multitude of nations? And I said **You shall call Me, my Father; and you shall not turn away from Me** (in that relationship) **as you surely did as a treacherous wife departs from her companion, as you have dealt with Me, O daughter of (Native) Israel, says Yehovah.***

Here we have Yehovah/The Word/Christ/Messiah giving us instruction as to one of the segments in the future timeline of the Plan of Salvation. This is the daughter of Native Israel who consisted of the 10 Northern tribes who formed the Nation of Israel in their apostacy under Jeroboam and the two golden calves they worshipped after separating from Judah and Benjamin, who became known as the Nation of Judah. His love for them is endless and He has made a way where they could still share in the family relationship as children. Thus, they will no longer be calling Him Husband but Father just as the prophet Isaiah instructs us in his book and in chapter 9 and verse 6. He tells us one of Yehovah/The Word/Jesus' titles will be **everlasting Father**. Not in competition with the Father, but One who has children of His own as a result of the union between He and His bride in the Patriarch Fathers household. This is just a simple answer to the questions of Jeremiah 3:4-5. There is a lot more information contained here for the entire Plan but we will just focus on the two entities who were betrothed and married to Him under the terms and conditions of the First Marriage Covenant (FMC). Verses 6-11:

Jer 3:6-9 Yehovah also said to me in the days of Josiah the king, have you seen what apostatizing Israel has done? She has gone up on

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every high hill (the high places) *and under every green tree* (the groves), *and has fornicated there. And after she has done all these things will she return to Me? But she did not return.* (He held out for it to happen, but time is up) *And her treacherous sister Judah saw it.* (O yes, she did, and she saw how stupid Israel acted in her eyes by not trying to fake a relationship) *And when I saw all the causes which apostate Israel committed in adultery, I sent her away with a divorce document I gave her detailing her whoring ways. Yet her treacherous sister Judah did not fear, but she went and whored herself also. And it happened, as a result of the folly of her whoredom that she also defiled the land and fornicated with stones and with trees.* (Objects of worship made from them.)

It is important to note here how Yehovah looks at this type of behavior of worshipping another whom she was not married to. He typifies it in the language and terms of illicit sex. The gift of sex given to a man and a woman is the physical underpinning of being One with another. Two beings coexisting in the well-being of each other which will produce others to also share in it. It was to be used to instruct mankind about the relationship the Elohim had shared for eternity.

Oneness is Their goal for all of us, to share in the same goals and outlook in an environment of peace and harmony. Satan had influenced National Israel into completely abrogating her responsibility in such a sacred relationship.

Jer 3:10-11 And yet for all this, her treacherous sister Judah has not turned to Me with her whole heart, but in pretense (of a faithful marriage relationship), *says Yehovah. And Yehovah said to me, the apostate Israel has justified herself more than treacherous Judah.*

What an indictment leveled against the tribes of Benjamin, Judah, and some of Levi here. They are the Biblical Jews of the Nation of Judah recorded in the First Marriage Covenant scriptures. We will address who they have become later. It is obvious that National Israel was divorced for her reckless filthy activities, but the Nation of Judah was not divorced so that prophecies could be fulfilled later in the Plan. This is an important aspect to being able to understand the mystery of the Bride and her Savior/Husband. But now onto the reading of Matthew 22.

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Mat 22:1-6 *And answering Jesus again spoke to them in parables (what is the purpose for speaking in parables? So many will not understand, only those whom it is given to do so, Luke 8:10), saying: The Kingdom of heaven is compared to a man, a king, who made a wedding feast for his son. And he sent his slaves (Moses and Aaron) to call those who were **being called** to the wedding feast: but they did not desire to come (Native Israel). Again, he sent other slaves (the Prophets), saying, tell the ones written to (now only the Nation of Judah), behold, I have prepared my supper; my oxen, and the fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come to the wedding feast. But none cared, they went away one to his own field, and one to his merchandising (Jews of Judaism). And the rest seized his slaves, insulted, and killed them.*

Mat 23:30-31 *And you say, if we had been in the day of our fathers, we would not have been partakers with them in the blood of the prophets. (as they were about to murder Christ the Son). So, you witness against yourselves, that you are the sons of those who murdered the prophets.*

Mat 22:7-11 *And hearing, the king became angry. And sending his armies, he destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. (The Jews of Judaism and Jerusalem) Then he said to his slaves, indeed, the wedding feast is ready, but those who had been written to (Israel and Judah) were not worthy. Therefore, go onto the exits of the highways and call to the wedding feast as many as you may find. And going out onto the highways, those slaves (Apostles) gathered all, as many as they found (Gentiles), both evil and good. (Why both evil and good? For most of us Gentiles were not in a classification of “good” when we were called, were we? Most of us needed the blood of Christ applied to us, and a water baptism death, before the old us could get to that stage in our calling) And the wedding feast was filled with reclining guests. And the king coming in to look over those reclining, he saw a man there who had not invested in a wedding garment*

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Rev 19:8 And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, pure and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.

Mat 22:12-14 And he said to him, Friend, how did you come in here not having (put the time into securing) a wedding garment? But he was silent. Then the king said to the servants, bind his feet and hands, take him away, and throw him out into the outer darkness, and there shall be the weeping and gnashing of teeth. **For many are called, but few are chosen.**

Luke 13:28 There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth when you see Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and all the prophets, in the Kingdom of God, but you yourselves thrust outside.

Pro 31:29 Many daughters have done well, but you excel them all.

What are the 3 steps in qualifying to become the Bride of the Son?

Rev 17:14 These will make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them, because He is Lord of lords, and King of kings: **and the ones with Him are the called, chosen, and faithful ones.**

Revelation 12:11 And they overcame him (Satan) by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of **their** testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.

We are going to cover this entire process in this study in the upcoming chapters focusing on the wedding feast: of the participants who were betrothed to Christ/Messiah under the terms and conditions of both Marriage Covenants. And yes, there will be many, many patterns coming full circle as we do. Patterns we have previously examined at the time of their conception and infancy.

By the time we get to the twelfth chapter of Exodus we can clearly see a pattern of duality; with Moses being used in the First Marriage Covenant with Native Israel and Paul with the calling of the Gentiles to the Second Marriage Covenant. Both Covenants had some similar terms and conditions as well as some different ones.

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Moses was used to introduce the El of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob to the apostate descendants of them. After Jacob's death, his sons and their successive generations fell further from the knowledge of the Elohim and in particular; of Yehovah, and His relationship with their fathers. Over the course of some four hundred and thirty years they assimilated deeper and deeper into the culture of Egypt as to its gods and mores in society.

As we have read in **Exodus 6:2-3** Moses even had to tell them the name of the El of their fathers which was Shadday El, a Covenant name being descriptive of the relationship shared between them and of the responsibilities of His part in it. He then instructed Israel that in their Covenant, His name would be Yehovah (or any way you wish to spell YHVH). This name was reflective of what would be the essence of their relationship with Him, "**Giver of eternal life.**" To be able to understand the depth of this relationship, they would need to prove themselves to be faithful and obedient to the terms and conditions of it.

After Moses had visually established who Yehovah was, not just through words but through His mighty deeds and works over Pharaoh and Egypt, it was time to move forward with the basics of the relationship as they are spelled out and patterned in the moedim; the annual appointed times of meeting with both of the Elohim, the two Eternal Beings we know as Father and Son under our Covenant terms and conditions.

Moses was also assigned the task and function of betrothing an acceptable bride to Yehovah/The Word/Christ/Messiah. This had and would further prove to be a formidable task. Paul had the same task and function under our Marriage Covenant terms and conditions. However, at that time, Paul was introducing us to whom our Husband was and had been so we could better understand the mystery surrounding it. We are also introduced to the other member of the Elohim who we call Father for we first must be His children to be able to marry after His kind. **That is a Covenant change made clear so we would not follow in the error of Judaism, which by the way; was, and is not, the religion of Moses.** Judaism insists Father Elohim was their God. Yet Christ/Messiah says no, He was not and is not.

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John 8:52-59 Then the Jews (of Judaism) said to Him, now we know that you have a demon. Abraham died, and the prophets, and you say, if anyone keeps My words, he will never ever taste death. Are you greater than our father Abraham who died? (remember He had just told them in verse 44 that their father was the devil) *And the prophets died! Whom do you make yourself to be? Jesus answered, If I glorify Myself, My glory is nothing* (for it was in the Father's bosom John 1:18) **it is My Father who glorifies Me, who you say is your God. But you have not known Him;** (did you get that, not known Him ever!); *but I know Him, and if I say that I do not know Him, I would be a liar like you. (that's not polite!) But, I know Him, and I keep His word. Your father Abraham leaped for joy that he should see My day, and he saw and rejoiced.* Then the Jews (of Judaism) said to Him, you are not yet 50 years, and have you seen Abraham? Jesus said to them, truly, truly, I say to you, **before Abraham came into being I AM.** Then they took up stones that they might throw them at Him..."

Why? Because He just told them He was the El of the Elohim who had been the interactive God with Abraham and of his descendants. Thus, they wanted to stone Him for blaspheming their false traditions in Judaism. Judaism today, as well as many who call themselves enlightened Christians, fall for the same deception of Satan as to whom is who of the Elohim, and as to who functions as what through the timeline of the Plan. It is probably good to give a quick Biblical definition of what a "Jew" was during the time of Christ/Messiah as well as today. **Forget the myth of all Jews are of Judah's blood.**

Mark 7:1-4 And the Pharisees and some of the Scribes were assembled to Him, having come down from Jerusalem (their sphere and seat of power). *And seeing some of His disciples eating with unclean hands, that is unwashed hands* (according to their prescribed manner) *they found fault.* (If you can't get the Teacher, go after his disciples so you can associate Him with error, pure politics) *For the Pharisees and ALL THE JEWS do not eat unless they wash the hands with the fist, holding the traditions of the elders* (found nowhere in

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scripture or in the instructions of Moses). *And coming from the market, they do not eat unless they wash themselves. And there are **MANY OTHER THINGS** which they received (from their erroneous elders) to hold: washings of cups, and of utensils, and of bronze vessels, and couches.*

Please observe how they in their own words define what a Jew is. **One who follows the traditions of the elders and not the commands of God, or Moses for that matter.** That is why Christ/Messiah says what He does in Matthew 23 just before He rebukes the Scribes and the Pharisees over and over again.

*Mat 23:1-3 Then Jesus spoke to the crowd and to His disciples, saying, the Scribes and the Pharisees **settled into** (correct translation of what they had done #2523) *Moses' seat. Then all things, whatever they tell you to keep (according to Moses), keep and do. But! Do not do according to their works (Judaism/traditions of the elders) for they say, and do not do.*" (Hypocrites!)*

But watch how Christ/Messiah further separates their religion from the very word of God.

Mark 7:5-9** Then the Pharisees and the Scribes questioned Him, why do your disciples not walk according to the traditions of the elders, but eat bread with unwashed hands (according to our ritualistic method)? And answering He said to them, well did Isaiah prophesy of you, **HYPOCRITS** (not nice again, bad Christ/Messiah); as it is written: this people honors Me with the lips, but their heart is far from Me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men. **Forsaking the commandments of God, you hold the traditions of men: washings of utensils and cups, and **MANY OTHER SUCH THINGS** you do like this. And He said to them, **do you do well in setting aside the commandments of God so that you may keep your traditions?**

Our Savior goes on to contrast what they teach and observe as to what Moses taught and observed. **Judaism is not the religion of Moses**, so please do not let anyone lead you astray on that point. Also, to be considered a Jew in Christ's time one had to follow a prescribed set of rules of the Pharisees in their deluded

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traditions of the elders. It had nothing to do with being from the tribe of Judah in their eyes, only obediently doing what they taught and suborning the commands of God to a lesser position. That is why the last living Apostle stressed the fact that the Jews of Judaism had their own Passover instead of the Passover of Yehovah the Lord which, we will cover later.

When reading through the Second Marriage Covenant (SMC) scriptures, we can see that the teachers of the traditions of the elders were constantly harassing Paul after he **rejected Judaism** to follow the example of Christ/Messiah and His love of Father/Elohim. They tried desperately to foul up his efforts to bring a chaste virgin Bride to Christ/Messiah from the Gentiles. However, he also tried to convince his fellow countrymen that they were also able to marry into a New Marriage Covenant with Christ as we covered in an earlier chapter and may again later. However, Paul was specifically tasked with initiating the start of the count of the Gentiles required to complete the number of those who would completely internalize the Lamb of Father's household, because Native Israel had fallen short of the prescribed number.

Rom 11:25 For I do not desire, brethren, that you should be ignorant of this mystery (which, in fact, is actually a hidden truth), lest you should be wise in your own estimation, that hardening in part has happened to Israel until the fullness (full count) of the Gentiles has come in.

Into what? The completion of the Marriage Covenant so the Plan could move forward. Native Israel: both the Nation of Israel and the Nation of Judah, had exhausted their time to do so, the time allotted to them to qualify to complete the number of the bride, the eternal helpmate, the second Eve. Some remained faithful throughout the process, but the vast majority did not, just as in these Second Marriage Covenant times of ours. "Many are called but few are chosen." Paul does tell us there are those who certainly did qualify to be the elect through their election process in **Romans 11:7**.

Paul also tells us about his efforts to the Gentiles:

2 Cor 11:2 For I am jealous for you with godly jealousy. For I have betrothed you to one husband (there are not two Husbands as some

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disgustingly profess, and never have been!) *that I may present a chaste virgin to Christ/Messiah.*

We mentioned earlier that Moses was instructed to explain to Native Israel that Yehovah/The Word/Christ/Messiah was known to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob as Shadday El and not as Yehovah. In earlier chapters, we covered some of His other names as well. In His Covenant relationship, He was their physical protector and provider. That was very important in the effort to establish a faithful and obedient husband and wife relationship between a man and a woman; Abraham and Sarah. It eventually reached an acceptable level for the Plan to move forward but that upward motion went downhill shortly after that with Isaac and his wife and then further with Jacob and his wives, all four of them.

This was not the desired outcome, but it had been planned for nonetheless, before the foundation of the current world. The Elohim had learned a lot about character previously from the angelic creation. They were hoping that mankind existing in a physical state of temporary life, and being dependent upon the other aspects of creation around them to live, **would develop a desire to care for the creation and each other.** It had become obvious that Yehovah/The Word would have to pick up the function and responsibilities of the male part of a faithful Marriage Covenant bond Himself to further the Plan along. The intent was to keep the physical bride on a qualifying path and to not have a conspiring and conniving wife on His hands. Without this course correction taking place, the Plan of Salvation would not come to an acceptable conclusion.

Now, we will be picking up where Moses is actively preparing Native Israel to be a chaste virgin to the Being we know as Yehovah/The Word/Christ/Messiah. The betrothal period will consume the time just prior to them leaving Egypt, and up to the time they come to Mount Sinai in the wilderness at Pentecost/Feast of Weeks.

The First Marriage Covenant terms and conditions are very specific. They contain instructions about how each will function in the relationship; as the Husband, Provider and Savior, and as the wife; being obedient and faithful to her Husband's rules for the family. It was imperative for Native Israel to keep very specific times of meeting with Him, which are called "appointed times" or in Hebrew, moedim.

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The very first thing given to Native Israel before leaving Egypt was the means and method of knowing when these very specific days are. Thus, she would be without excuse to keep them correctly.

The Calendar of Yehovah Restated and Brought to Remembrance

Just as the apostate descendants of Israel/Jacob had lost all understanding of who Shadday El was they also did likewise for His yearly Calendar. The fact it is being corrected here, prior to anything else other than His name is very, very significant to the timeline and the efforts of Native Israel to worship Him.

*Ex 12:1-2 And Yehovah said to Moses and to Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying, this month shall be the **Head** (#7218) of months for you. It shall be the **first** (#7223) of the months of the year for you.*

This was given before the delineation of the Covenant appointed times of meeting. It was also given long before the commands for the Sabbath. These moedim were the annual rehearsals of the epic reality they represented in the timeline of the Plan. Both Moses and Aaron were given this instruction as to the start of the year. Please notice the double emphasis on this month as well, **it was the Head of the months and it was the First of the months**. No misunderstanding that. Unfortunately, Judaism has decided the **seventh** month is the Head of all the months and sets their fake calendar by starting the count backwards from it to get to the beginning of the first month and thus the year.

Head here is #7218 Ro'sh. Notice what emphasis Strong's puts on its meaning: *"from an unused root apparently meaning to shake; the head (as most easily shaken), whether literally or figuratively (in many applications; of place, time, rank, etc.)"*

Please drink this in. It is called the Head of the months because of its description. **This month is the first month in which the very first limited heads of barley grain can be easily shaken to separate the seeds from the head and thus be able to be ground into flour.** Please put this into your Calendar understanding. The first of the mature heads, the Aviv heads, will take place **DURING THIS MONTH! NOT BEFORE IT**. This first maturing grain will be deemed the first of the firstfruits of barley as we will discuss a little later. Was Yehovah talking to them during the previous month? Of course not, for He said to them **THIS** month will be the Head

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and First to you in setting MY appointed times of meeting. The one they are in, not the 12th month of the previous year like **some false prophets proclaim and mislead many who are being called out of confusion to stumble back into it.**

The Brown Driver Briggs says of it: “head” as in head of man, head as seat of vision, chief over others, and the sum of essential content of matters.

The Elohim were being very particular about this month and are giving Native Israel, and thus us, **identifying markers and clearly visible signs to when it is.** To get all of what They are instructing we have to find a pattern from what is written in scripture: here a little, there a little, line upon line and precept upon precept. Native Israel had Moses to assist them with their Betrothed’s instructions, but we have the very spirit of the Elohim; both Father and Son to assist us. **That is a very big course correction!** Yes, the content of this month of the first easily shaken heads is more important than all the rest for in it the rehearsals of the epic events in the Plan of Salvation commence. We are required to worship the Elohim in spirit and in truth.

This first month gives us the understanding of whom is who in the functions of the Marriage Covenant relationship. The information contained in the rehearsals of this month makes it possible for us to envision the Marriage Covenants dynamic start with the Second Adam prophesying His intent to lay down His very life for His wife, the Second Eve. That is 180 degrees opposite of the first Adam’s actions. **This is the time and place where our Savior becomes the Tree of Life to Native Israel and eventually to us as we are grafted into it.** It is for that very reason Judaism was dumbed down by Satan and their vanity and politicking to proclaim the seventh month as the Head of the months. **Satan has been allowed to deceive their thinking so they would not understand the significance of the month of Abib (as we will see) as the month which contained the vital, essential, and visionary information as to the Plan of Salvation.** It tells us who the Savior actually was and would be in the days of His physical coming. Because of their treacherous actions, they, the Jews of Judaism, would not be able to have a relationship with the Elohim, and in particular, with Yehovah/The Word/Christ/Messiah in sincerity and truth. Once again as Paul tells us in **Romans 11:7-8**, their hearts were hardened and they were given a spirit of stupor, or as

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the Greek means: *“lethargy and slumber, to be stricken with: dulling of the spiritual senses.”*

Yehovah also instructed Moses and Aaron that it was not just the Head of the months **but also the First of the months and not the second or twelfth or any other for that matter**. The Hebrew for first here is #7223 Ri’shon; from #7221 in Strong’s. The BDB says of it: *former, first, chief*. We know it is not referring to *“former”* here because Yehovah said **THIS** month. This word is a fascinating word and is used often as former and chief as well as first in some very definitive instruction in scripture pertaining to the appointed times of meeting and Their rehearsals contained in each.

Now, we will look at the second defining sign of this month as found in its name.

Deu 16:1 Guard the month of Abib, and keep the Passover to Yehovah your Elohim (because He is the only One, they actually knew at that time, as Christ/Messiah instructed us earlier). For in the month of Abib Yehovah your Elohim brought you out of Egypt by night.

Ex 13:4 Today you are going out in the month of Abib.

Ex 23:15 You shall keep the pilgrimage festival of Unleavened Bread. Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread, as I have commanded you, at the set time of the month of Abib. For in it you came out from Egypt, and they shall not appear before Me Reyqam: (ineffectually, undeservedly, without cause and thus; in vain and void, without effect and in an empty condition. Unfortunately, that is exactly what ended up happening as we will see and as the earlier scriptures instructed us).

Ex 34:18 You shall keep the pilgrimage festival of Unleavened Bread. Seven days you shall eat unleavened bread, which I commanded you, at the appointed time in the month Abib. For in the month of Abib you went out from Egypt.

There is no doubt what the name of this month is. **It is the most important month of the year to the Elohim and to Their Plan of Salvation.** The name of this month

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of “*most easily shaken heads*” is Abib #24 in Strong’s which tells us it is “*from an unused root meaning to be tender. Green, a young ear of grain; hence the name of the month Abib or Nisan.*”

The BDB says of it: 1) *fresh young ears of barley.*

It becomes very obvious when understanding the essence of these two descriptive signs which occur during the month of Abib, that this month will be the first month to have quantities of aviv barley, enough for a wavesheaf offering, **being surrounded by a vast majority of unripe fields of green ears.** These mature barley locations with heads of grain which can have their seeds separated from them by shaking or winnowing by the middle of the month were to be searched out as the primary sign of the year changing. These are defining terms in the words used by Yehovah as to this month. We are all given the option of believing them or not. It’s all about making the right choices. **These defining characteristics are the main criteria for determining which month is to be used to start the year.** Often one can observe green heads of barley the month before the first month, but they are empty heads. Only when you have a month of enough mature heads which can be easily shaken and ground into an omer wavesheaf offering, can you start the year. Everything is to be in the month of Abib nothing prior to it as Moses and Aaron were instructed by Yehovah. They were two witnesses to it.

The Elohim have placed these signs in the Promised Land in a way they can’t be eradicated, try as one might. **The chief sign of this month, is having enough heads of barley mature enough for the omer offering during the days of UB, the middle of the month, and after the 14th Passover.** We can’t repeat that enough. It is the First of the Firstfruit of barley and is representative of our Savior and the unselfish act of being beaten on our behalf. There are rules associated with this First of the Firstfruit Wavesheaf offering, which emphasizes that it is taken from the very first heads to mature in the Promised Land. The Elohim emphasize this in both Marriage Covenant scriptures.

*Ex 22:29 You shall not delay giving your harvest and your vintage.
You shall give to Me the firstborn of your sons.*

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If you remember back, we covered the first instances of these commanded practices as to firstfruit and firstborn offerings of Cain and Abel and how being negligent in the timing was a bad situation to be in as witnessed with Cain.

In **Mark 4:29** we are instructed, *But when the grain ripens, he immediately puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come.*

This is contained in the instruction Christ/Messiah was giving about the Kingdom using the example of how grain grows in verses 26-29.

Ex 23:19 *The First of the firstfruits of your ground you shall bring to the house of Yehovah your Elohim...*

When was the practice of the wavesheaf of barley to begin? Was it in Egypt? Was it in their journeys in the Wilderness?

Lev 23:10-11 *Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: when you come into the Land which I give to you, and reap its harvest, **and have brought in the sheaf** (past tense) of the beginning of your harvest to the priest. He shall wave the sheaf before Yehovah, to be accepted on your behalf; **on the day after the Sabbath, the priest shall wave it.***

Please keep this in mind when you read Ephesians.

Eph 5:26-27 *That He may sanctify it, cleansing it by the washing of the water in the word, that He might present it to Himself as a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle, or any such things; but that it be holy and without blemish.*

Deu 16:9 *You shall number to yourselves seven weeks, when the sickle begins to reap in the standing grain, you shall begin to number seven weeks*

Which will take us to Pentecost or Feast of Weeks.

There is another very important rule pertaining to this First of the Firstfruit grain offering in the month of Abib.

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Lev 2:14 And if you bring near a grain offering of firstfruits to Yehovah, new heads from the field dried out with fire resulting in kernels which can be ground into flour then you shall bring it near for an (acceptable) grain offering of your firstfruits.

This is the minimum standard of maturity for a First of the Firstfruit Wavesheaf offering on the first day of the week, the day which follows the weekly Sabbath (#7676) which occurs during the seven days of Unleavened Bread.

The month of Abib cannot begin unless this condition will be met for the potential wavesheaf day of the upcoming month. It is very easy for us today and for the Levites who had charge of such things in their day to know if the maturing grain would meet these requirements two weeks after the New Moon to start the month.

The other sign representing our Savior in this month is the little lamb, which we will discuss. Remember back to Adam and Eve and how Adam was not a savior to Eve, his sinning wife. Instead, he joined her in her sinning ways and when confronted as to his disobedient and unfaithful actions, he blamed his wife and then Yehovah as well. As a result of that, a life had to be given through the shedding of blood so their nakedness could be covered. We will see this pattern of shed blood continue through to the end of the Plan's timeline.

It is easy to see why the Elohim had to transfer this knowledge of the acceptable start of the year to Moses and Aaron so they in turn could instruct Native Israel. This is all vital to keeping the annual rehearsals on each of their appointed days and in their appointed months.

After giving the chronology of their order, and some rules and commands specific to them as well as the actual dates of the days in Leviticus 23, the Elohim give this final statement of responsibility about them.

Lev 23:37 These are the set appointed times of Yehovah which you shall proclaim holy gatherings, to bring a fire offering to Yehovah, a burnt offering and a food offering, a sacrifice, and a drink offering, the thing of a day on its own day.

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That means exactly what it says. You can't split the functions and the ingesting of the offerings of Passover over two days. That pertains to all the others as well. **Everything on the exact day of the month that the Elohim say.** You can't find anywhere in scripture where the Elohim command Passover on any day other than the 14th of the month in its entirety! We will be covering that shortly as we move through Exodus 12.

This chapter of Exodus introduces us to the ultimate course correction in the timeline of the Plan of Salvation. **Yehovah's participation in the function of the Second Adam is the game changing event to start off the Marriage Covenant timeline.** His role, as such, will pick up where the first Adam failed miserably. As mentioned, Adam did not want any part of being a savior to his sinning wife who was of his body; bone of his bone and flesh of his flesh. The Second Adam will be showing His betrothed; Native Israel, that He was willing to lay down His life to set her free from the penalty of sin and thus become her Savior as well as her Husband. As the Head of Creation, it was an act of love; of outgoing concern for her. Thus it is no coincidence that He conducts His own sacrifice in the Head of the months. He, as The Word/Yehovah, had created everything that was created as we examined in earlier chapters. This is a fact stressed in the scriptures attributable to both Marriage Covenants, and even in John's last writings in the Book of Revelation when he addressed the Laodicean Church.

Rev 3:14 And to the messenger of the church of Laodicea, write: these things says the Amen, the Faithful and True Witness, the Head of the creation of God/Elohim.

This same fact is told to us repeatedly by John in his Gospel and Epistle writings that the Being we know as Jesus Christ was an equal member of the Elohim and that everything that was made was made by Him. **John 1:1-4.**

It should be relatively simple to deduct why Yehovah was instructing Moses and Aaron in this knowledge of the start of the year and identifying the month by clearly visible signs in it. Many have tried to discount this simple teaching of the start of the year in the month of Abib, which we have just reviewed. Judaism has gone its own way just as the other religions of the world have done in observing

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their own calendars and setting their own dates they wish to proclaim as their days of worship.

Now, we are onto the timeline changing event which speaks volumes to us about the depth of commitment the Elohim share in Their efforts to bring the Plan to its intended conclusion.