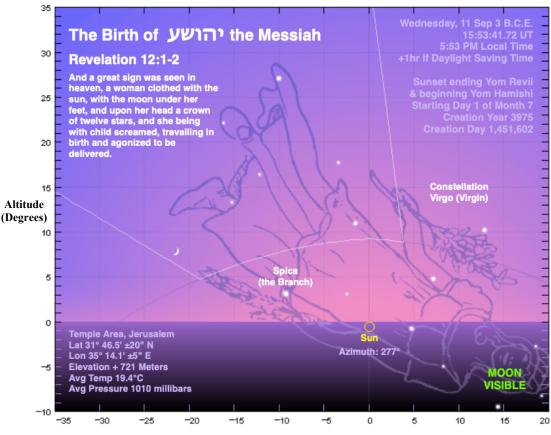
The Birth of יהושע the Messiah

Insight Based on The Star that Astonished the World by Ernest L. Martin

According to **2** Corinthians 12:2 there are *three* heavens. Tradition says the *first* is the air where the birds fly, the *second* is where the sun, moon and stars are found, and the *third* is where Elohim dwells. *Shemesh* is Hebrew for *sun* and *Yerach* is Hebrew for *moon*. According to Genesis 1:14, Elohim created *Shemesh*, *Yerach* and the stars for *signs*. In Revelation 12:1-2, John describes a *great sign* with *Shemesh*, *Yerach* and the stars in the *second* heaven.

Revelation 12:1-2 ¹ And a great sign was seen in heaven, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars, ² and she being with child screamed, travailing in birth and agonized to be delivered.

New Moon at Jerusalem at the Moment of Sunset



DAZ = Delta Azimuth: Moon-Sun (Degrees)

This graphic is from **torahcalendar.com**, under the menu item: **Determining the Hebrew Month** selected to display the **New Moon Day** for **Month 7** in **3 B.C.E.** The diagram shows the horizon at the moment of sunset at **Jerusalem**. The disc of the sun is shown just below the western horizon. Notice the position of the moon and the sun in relation to the constellation **Bethulah** or Virgo (the Virgin).



The prophet Isaiah made a prophetic allusion to this *great sign* in **Isaiah 7:14** many years *before it was seen*, "הוה" *Himself will give you a sign*." This great sign, which was seen in heaven over 700 years later, was described by John as, "A woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet."

Notice the positions of **Shemesh** and **Yerach** in relation to the constellation **Bethulah** or Virgo on **Yom Teruah** on **Day 1** / **Month 7** on the **Creation Calendar**. On this very day **Shemesh** (the sun) is **clothing** the woman mid body, and **Yerach** (the moon) is **under her feet**. On the day before, **Yerach** was not under the woman's feet and it was not visible. On the day after, **Yerach** had moved 12 degrees east, away from under the woman's feet and into the constellation Libra.

The prophecy in Revelation 12:2 states that the woman "being with child, screamed, travailing in birth and agonized to be delivered." This refers to the actual moment when יהושע Messiah was born between sunset and moonset on New Moon 7 on the Creation Calendar, between 5:53 and 6:35 P.M. on September 11, 3 B.C.E. on the proleptic Julian Calendar.

The best time to sight the crescent of *Yerach* (the moon) on that day was around **6:12 P.M.** [± **10 minutes**], which is likely the *moment* the Messiah was born. This is possible to determine as **6:12 P.M.** was also the moment that the *brightest star* in *Bethulah* or Virgo touched the horizon, or "*alighted to the earth*." The name of this star is *Tsemech* in Hebrew, or *Al Zimach* in Arabic, and it was the subject of prophecy by Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Zechariah. *Tsemech* was written about by E. W. Bullinger.

E. W. Bullinger The brightest star in Virgo has an ancient name handed down to us in all the star maps, in which the Hebrew word (מַמֹּמוֹ) *Tsemech* is preserved. It is called in Arabic *Al Zimach*, which means *the branch*. This star is in the ear of corn which she holds in her left hand. Hence the star has a modern Latin name, which has almost superseded the ancient one, *Spica*, which means, *an ear of corn*. But this hides the great truth revealed by its name *Al Zimach*. It foretold the coming of Him who should bear this name. The same Divine inspiration has, in the written Word, four times connected it with Him. There are twenty Hebrew words translated "*Branch*," but only one of them (*Tsemech*) is used exclusively of the Messiah and this word only *four times*. E.W. Bullinger, The Witness of the Stars, Kregel Publications, 2000, pp. 31-32. [Reprint of the 1893 Edition]

The Latin name Spica means $an \ ear \ of \ corn - a \ kernel \ of \ wheat$. This is significant, for Joseph Seiss noticed that in John 12:23-26, יהושע Messiah compared Himself to a kernel of wheat falling to the earth.

John 12:23-26 ²³ And יהושע responded to them, "The hour is come that the Son of Man should be magnified. ²⁴ Truly, truly I say to you, unless a **kernel of wheat** falls to the earth and dies, it remains a single seed. But if it dies, it bears fruit. ²⁵ He that loves his life will lose it, but he who hates his life in this world will preserve it for the **Age of Life**. ²⁶ If anyone serves Me, let him follow Me. And where I am, there also My servant will be. The Father will honor anyone who serves Me." Joseph A. Seiss, The Gospel in the Stars, Kregel Publications, 1999, p. 28. [Reprint of the 1882 Edition]

The heavenly sign shows a kernel of wheat - Spica - coming to the earth when it touched the horizon on Day 1 / Month 7 on Yom Teruah in 3 B.C.E. יהושע Messiah was that kernel of wheat who was sent from heaven to earth at around 6:12 P.M. on the Day of Trumpets. The death of יהושע Messiah at Passover was destined to bear much fruit by bringing the Age of Life to all who believe and obey Him. The Hebrew word for the Branch – Tsemech (צמהו) – was referred to by the prophets of Israel centuries before the Messiah was born. In a Messianic prophecy, the prophet Isaiah said that the Branch would be beautiful to the survivors in Israel.

Isaiah 4:1-6 ¹ And seven women shall grasp one man in that day, saying, "We will eat our own bread, and wear our own clothing: Only let us be called by your name to remove our reproach."



 2 In that day the **Branch** (ממה) of יהוה will be beautiful and resplendent, and the fruit of the land will be the pride and splendor of the survivors in **Israel**. ³ And it shall come to pass that those who are left in **Zion**, who remain in **Jerusalem**, will be called set-apart, all who are written among the living in **Jerusalem**. ⁴ יהוה will wash away the filth of the daughters of **Zion**. He will cleanse the bloodstains from **Jerusalem** by a spirit of judgment and a spirit of **fire**. ⁵ Then יהוה will create over all of **Mount Zion** and over those who assemble there a cloud of smoke by day and a **flaming fire** by night - ⁶ a splendid canopy will cover everyone. It will be a shelter and shade from the heat of the day, and a refuge and hiding place from the storm and rain.

The prophet Jeremiah foretold that the *Branch* was a Son of **David** who would reign wisely as **KING**, and that His name would be יהוה **Our Righteousness**.

Jeremiah 23:5-6 ⁵ "Behold, the days are coming," says יהוה, "When I will raise up to **David** a righteous **Branch** (צמה), a **KING** who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land. ⁶ In His days **Judah** will be saved and **Israel** will live in safety. This is the name by which He will be called: 'הוה' **Our Righteousness**."

The prophet Zechariah foretold that the *Branch* was a **SERVANT** who would build the Temple of יהוה. He was a **MAN** clothed in majesty, a **PRIEST** on His throne and even a **HIGH PRIEST** symbolized by **Yeshua** I.

Zechariah 3:7-8 ⁷ "This is what יהוה of Hosts says: 'If you will walk in My ways and keep My requirements, then you will govern My house and have charge of My courts, and I will give you a place among these standing here. ⁸ Hear Oh **HIGH PRIEST Yeshua I** and your associates seated before you, who are men symbolic of things to come: I am going to bring My **SERVANT**, the **Branch** (צמה).'"

Zechariah 6:12-13 ¹² And speak to him saying, this is what יהוה of Hosts says: "Here is the MAN whose name is the Branch (צמה), and He will branch out from His place and build the Temple of יהוה. ¹³ And He will build the Temple of יהוה, and He will be clothed with majesty and will sit and rule on His throne. And He will be a **PRIEST** on His throne. And there will be prosperity between the two."

Zechariah 9:9-10 ⁹ Rejoice greatly, Oh Daughter of **Zion**! Shout, Oh Daughter of **Jerusalem**! See, your **KING** comes to you, righteous and having salvation, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰ I will take away the chariot from Ephraim and the horse from **Jerusalem**, and the battle bow will be broken. He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the river to the ends of the earth.

In studying the prophets, several things can be learned about the identity of the *Branch*. The *Branch* is a KING, a SERVANT, a MAN, a PRIEST – even a HIGH PRIEST. His name is יהושי Our Righteousness which indicates that the *Branch* is יהודה 'Himself. These exact same themes about יהושע Messiah were developed in the Messianic Scriptures. He is presented as the KING in *Matthew*, as the SERVANT in *Mark*, as the MAN in *Luke*, as a PRIEST and יהוד Himself in *John*, and as a HIGH PRIEST in *Hebrews*. The prophet Zechariah even prophesied to a high priest *named* יהושע, or Yeshua I son of Jehozadak, that he was *symbolic of things to come*. The name of the high priest in Zechariah's prophecy was to be the very name of the Messiah.

As *Spica* or the *Branch* came from heaven to earth when it touched the horizon at 6:12 P.M. on Day 1 / Month 7 on Yom Teruah on the Creation Calendar (September 11, 3 B.C.E.), so did the *Branch* Messiah come to the earth to fulfill His destiny. In Hebraic thought, as *Yerach* (the moon) reflects the light of *Shemesh* (the sun), so *Israel* is to reflect the light of the *Creator* to the nations. The Messiah of Israel was born at 6:12



P.M. when the first visible crescent of *Yerach* was *most clearly* reflecting the light of *Shemesh*. He is the *Light of the World* as He said in **John 8:12** and the *Great Light* spoken of in **Isaiah 9:2**.

The constellation *Bethulah* or Virgo represents the Hebrew tribe of *Zebulun* which means *Habitation*. This is significant, as יהושע Messiah's *habitation* was in *Capernaum* in the land of *Zebulun*, and *Zebulun* represents the Hebrew constellation in which the sign of His birth appeared. The prophet Isaiah made a prophetic allusion to the fact that the Messiah would be seen in the land of *Zebulun*, a prophecy which Matthew understood.

Isaiah 9:1-2 ¹ Although at first the land of **Zebulun** was lightly afflicted, and afterward **Naphtali** was grievously afflicted by the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan in Galilee of the nations, ² the people who were walking in darkness have seen a **Great Light**, those who dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them a **Light** dawned.

Matthew 4:12-17 ¹² And יהושע, having heard that John was cast into prison, departed to Galilee, ¹³ and having left Nazareth, He came and dwelt at Capernaum which is by the sea, in the borders of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴ to fulfill what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet, saying, ¹⁵ "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, by the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan in Galilee of the nations, ¹⁶ the people who were walking in darkness have seen a Great Light, those who dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them a Light dawned." ¹⁷ From that time began to proclaim and to say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

However the heavens declare even more than this. For at the very moment the *Branch* was coming to the earth, and *Yerach* was reflecting the light of *Shemesh* above the horizon, the planet *Tzedeq* (Jupiter) was very close in conjunction with the brightest star of the constellation *Leo* which was below the horizon. *Tzedeq* is the same word that appears in Melchi-*zedek* which means "King of *Righteousness*" and refers to the Messiah.

Tzedeq or Jupiter is the planet of the Messiah. Leo is the constellation of Judah from which the Lion of Judah – the Messiah – comes. The brightest star in Leo is Regulus which is the King star. Tzedeq near Regulus in Leo signaled the birth of Messiah the King – the Lion of Judah. Tzedeq near Regulus in Leo was clearly seen above the horizon in the morning for several days after the Messiah was born. With the dawning of the day, the heavens clearly bore witness to the birth of the Messiah. This sign, which was seen in the morning at the dawning of day, was the subject of prophecy:

Psalm 65:8 Those living far away fear your wonders; where **morning dawns** and evening fades you call forth songs of joy.

Psalm 112:4 Even in darkness, **light dawns** for the upright, for the gracious, compassionate and righteous.

2 Peter 1:19 And we have the prophetic word made more sure. You will do well to pay attention to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, till the **day dawns** and the morning star arises in your hearts.

The Messiah was *not* born at the **Festival of Sukkot** as this was a full **2 weeks** *after* the sign given in **Revelation 12:2** which refers to the actual *moment* of His birth. This is confirmed in the Messianic Scriptures in **Luke 2:3** where it states that everyone in **Judea** went to their *own city* to enroll for a census. Yet at **Sukkot**, all **Israelite** males were to appear before יהוה **Judea** at the time of **Sukkot**. Even if they would have, it is certain that every **Israelite** male in **Judea** not born in **Jerusalem** would *not* have broken the commands of יהוה to appease the **Romans**.



According to Numbers 29:1, Day 1 / Month 7 is called Yom Teruah or the Day of Trumpets. It has traditionally been understood that on this day a ram's horn or shofar is blown to awaken the people and alert them of coming judgment. Day 1 / Month 7 on Yom Teruah is New Year's Day or Rosh Hashanah the "head of the year" for 49 out of 50 Civil Years on the Creation Calendar. The only exception is in a Jubilee Year when Day 10 / Month 7 on Yom Kippur is New Year's Day or Rosh Hashanah the "head of the year." Yom Teruah on Day 1 / Month 7 has many prophetic themes associated with it.

In Temple times, *trumpets* were blown every month when the first visible crescent was sighted in **Israel** according to **Numbers 10:10**. Instructions are given in **Psalm 81:3** to blow a *shofar* whenever the first visible crescent moon is sighted. In **Leviticus 23:24** and **Numbers 29:1** *trumpets* are specifically instructed to be blown on **Yom Teruah** on **New Moon 7**.

Yom Teruah has been called Ha'Melech which literally translates as "The King." Ha'Melech is in fact the birthday of יהושע Messiah who is the Son of David, King of Judah and Israel. In Matthew 2:2, the magi were searching for the one born "King of the Judeans." According to Matthew 2:9-11, the magi found יהושע as a young Child at His house. At this time the magi declared that יהושע was the King of the Judeans", and this likely occurred on Ha'Melech in 2 B.C.E., one year to the day after He was born.

Joseph son of Jacob was released from prison on Yom Teruah in 1759 B.C.E. when he was 30 years old, and then became a savior of the world in a time of famine. This was a pattern for יהושע son of Joseph who officially began His ministry on Yom Teruah when He was 30 years old, and then became the Savior of the world.

יהושע is called the "King of the Judeans" 18 times in the Messianic Scriptures: Matthew 2:2, 27:11, 27:29, 27:37, Mark 15:2, 15:9, 15:12, 15:18, 15:26, Luke 23:3, 23:37, 23:38, John 18:33, 18:39, 19:3, 19:19, 19:21, 19:21. In Hebrew gematria, the number 18 equates with life, and in Acts 3:15, יהושע is called the Prince of Life.

The Scriptures in Leviticus 23:24 refers to Day 1 / Month 7 as Zikkaron Teruah or "A Remembrance of the Blowing of Trumpets." יהושע Messiah was born at the moment that Israel is commanded to remember to blow trumpets. His arrival on earth was heralded with trumpets! The sounding of trumpets also links the moment of His birth with the coronation theme in Ha'Melech. The incredible timing of the birth of יהושע Messiah reflects His providence as the King of Kings and the Master of the Universe.

His birth came about when He was *delivered*, which is the theme of another name for this day, the "Day of the Delivery of the World." In Hebraic thought, Yom Teruah / Rosh Hashanah — the day when יהושע Messiah was born — is reminiscent of the voice of a woman in labor and announces the birth of a new world.

Adin Steinsaltz / Josy Eisenberg All births imply delivery. This also happens at Rosh Hashanah, which is deservedly called the "day of the delivery of the world." The sound of the shofar is reminiscent of the voice of a woman in labor. This is the cry that announces the birth of a new world. Adin Steinsaltz & Josy Eisenberg, The Seven Lights on the Major Jewish Festivals, Jason Aronson Inc., 2000, pp. 46-47.

Yom Teruah is also called Yom Hadin or the "Day of Judgment." According to Judgan tradition, every inhabitant of the world passes before the Creator for judgment on this day as sheep before a Shepherd. In Hebraic thought, the gates are opened for the righteous to enter on Yom Hadin. They remain open for 10 days of awe leading to Yom Kippur when the gates are finally closed. It has been taught that Elohim remembers to open the books in heaven on Yom Hadin when assessing what the year ahead will hold.

Another name for this day is Yom Hakeseh or the "Hidden Day." It has been taught that the plans of יהוה concerning the final Day of Judgment are hidden from Satan the adversary. However, this day may be known in the demonic realm, as Matthew 8:29 records two persons possessed with devils saying, "Have you come here to torment us before the appointed time?"



Yom Teruah has also been a "Hidden Day" because in ancient Israel it was very difficult for Israel's leaders to consistently determine the exact day on which Yom Teruah, or any New Moon for that matter, began. For this reason, this day was somewhat shrouded in mystery or a "Hidden Day." Historically, Israel celebrated Yom Teruah on two days – on both the day after Day 29 / Month 6 and the day following that – to ensure they were observing Yom Teruah.

"The woman" in the prophecy of Revelation 12:1-2 is represented by the constellation Bethulah or Virgo and refers to two things. It first refers metaphorically to the "virgin daughter of Israel" – the children of Elohim, the elect of Israel, the assembly of the righteous, the redeemed, the Israel of Elohim. The Scriptures refer to Israel as a virgin daughter in 2 Kings 19:21, Isaiah 37:22, Jeremiah 14:17, 18:13, 31:4, 31:21, Lamentations 2:13 and Amos 5:2.

The "virgin daughter of Israel" prophetically refers to those who "obey the commandments of Elohim, and remain faithful to יהושע" according to the prophecy of Revelation 14:12. The Messiah was to come from the tribe of Judah which is one of the twelve tribes of Israel. These twelve tribes are symbolically represented by the crown of twelve stars upon the woman's head.

"The woman" secondly refers more specifically to the mother of the Messiah whose name was Miriam. She was a virgin who came from the virgin daughter of Israel. The birth of יהושע Messiah was foretold by the prophet Isaiah who spoke of a coming sign.

Isaiah 7:14 Therefore יהוה Himself is giving you a **sign**: Behold, the virgin is conceiving and is bringing forth a Son, and has called His name Immanuel.

This prophesied sign was seen over 700 years later when יהושע Messiah was born on Yom Teruah in 3 B.C.E.

Isaiah 9:6-7 ⁶ For a Child is born to us, a Son is given to us, and the government will be on His shoulders. And His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty El, Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace. ⁷ Of the increase of His government and of peace there is no end, on the throne of **David**, and over His kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from now to eternity [World to Come]. The zeal of הוה of Hosts accomplishes this.

Matthew's account of the Messiah's birth makes a reference to Isaiah's prophecy.

Matthew 1:18-25 ¹⁸ This is how the birth of יהושע the Messiah came about: His mother Miriam was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before their coming together, she was found to have conceived through the Set Apart Spirit, ¹⁹ and Joseph her husband being righteous, and not wanting to expose her to public disgrace, determined to divorce her quietly. ²⁰ But after considering this, a messenger of יהושע appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to receive Miriam as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Set Apart Spirit. ²¹ She will give birth to a Son, and you are to give Him the name 'he will save His people from their sins." ²² All this took place to fulfill what יהוה had said through the prophet: ²³ "Behold, the virgin is conceiving, and is bringing forth a Son, and has called His name Immanuel," which is interpreted, "El with us." ²⁴ When Joseph woke up, he did what the messenger of יהושע had commanded him and received Miriam as his wife. ²⁵ But he had no union with her until she gave birth to a Son. And he gave Him the name ²⁵ But he had no union

Luke gives further historical confirmation of the Messiah's birth.

Luke 2:6-7 ⁶ While they were there, the time came for the baby to be delivered, ⁷ and **she gave** birth to her firstborn, a Son. She wrapped Him in swaddling clothes and placed Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.



For *those who are watching*, who are *filled with the Spirit of* יהוה, the Scriptures give all that is needed to discern the *year*, *month*, *day*, *hour* and *moment* of the Messiah's birth, as well as the precise time of His return. That is why the Master of the Universe instructed all of those who love Him and keep His commandments to *watch*. The elect of Elohim should now be *watching* more than ever before. This is an honorable task as יהושע Himself said that those servants who are found *watching* when He comes are *blessed*.

Luke 12:35-38 ³⁵ "Let your waist be girded and your lamps burning; ³⁶ and you yourselves be like men who wait for their Master, when He will return for the wedding, that when He comes and knocks you may open to Him immediately. ³⁷ Blessed are those servants whom the Master, when He comes, will find watching. Assuredly, I say to you that He will gird Himself and have them sit down to eat, and will come and serve them. ³⁸ And if He should come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find them so, blessed are those servants."

יהושע Messiah gave several signs concerning the *end* of the **Age of the Messiah**.

Signs of the End of the Age of the Messiah

The *first sign* יהושע gave of the *end* of the **Age of the Messiah** is that it would be as in the days of Noah and Lot, and both Noah and Lot knew *exactly* when the judgment was coming *in advance*. According to Josephus, the first man Adam had predicted that the world would be destroyed by fire, and at another time by water.

Josephus, Antiquities 1 / 68-71 ⁶⁸ Now this Seth, when he was brought up, and came to those years in which he could discern what was good, became a virtuous man; and as he was himself of an excellent character, so did he leave children behind him who imitated his virtues. ⁶⁹ All these proved to be of good dispositions. They also inhabited the same country without dissentions, and in a happy condition, without any misfortunes falling upon them till they died. They were the inventors of that peculiar sort of wisdom which is concerned with the heavenly bodies, and their order. ⁷⁰ And that their inventions might not be lost before they were sufficiently known, upon Adam's prediction that the world would be destroyed at one time by the force of fire, and at another time by the violence and quantity of water, they made two pillars; the one of brick, the other of stone: they inscribed their discoveries on them both, ⁷¹ that in case the pillar or brick should be destroyed by the flood, the pillar of stone might remain, and exhibit those discoveries to mankind; and also inform them that there was another pillar of brick erected by them. Now this remains in the land of Siriad to this day. William Whiston, The Works of Josephus, p. 32.

The world was judged by a flood of water in Noah's time and it will be judged by fire at the moment the Age of Life begins. אהושע Messiah said that the coming of the Son of Man would be as the day Noah entered the ark, and as the day Lot went out of Sodom.

Luke 17:26-30 ²⁶ And as it was in the days of Noah, so it will be also in the days of the Son of Man: ²⁷ They ate, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, **until the day that Noah entered the ark**, and the **flood** came and destroyed them all. ²⁸ Likewise as it was also in the days of Lot: They ate, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they built; ²⁹ but on **the day that Lot went out of Sodom** it rained **fire and brimstone** from heaven and destroyed them all. ³⁰ **Even so will it be in the day when the Son of Man is revealed**.

The Scriptures say that the judgment by *fire* at **Sodom** and **Gomorrah** occurred at the *dawning of the day*.



Genesis 19:23-26 ²³ The sun had risen upon the earth when Lot entered Zoar. ²⁴ Then יהוה rained brimstone and fire on Sodom and Gomorrah, from יהוה out of the heavens. ²⁵ So He overthrew those cities, all the plain, all the inhabitants of the cities, and what grew on the ground. ²⁶ But his wife looked back behind him, and she became a pillar of salt.

יהושע Messiah may have spoken of the judgment by *flood* [Luke 17:27] and by *fire* [Luke 17:29] at the *same time* to signal that the judgment by *fire* at the end of the Age of the Messiah would be on the *same month* as the judgment by *flood* in Noah's time, and at the *same hour* as the judgment by *fire* in Lot's time.

Genesis 7:11-16 ¹¹ In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month [Month 2], the seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the fountains of the great deep were broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened. ¹² And the rain was on the earth forty days and forty nights. ¹³ On the very same day Noah and Noah's sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth, and Noah's wife and the three wives of his sons with them, entered the ark – ¹⁴ they and every beast after its kind, all cattle after their kind, every creeping thing that creeps on the earth after its kind, and every bird after its kind, every bird of every sort. ¹⁵ And they went into the ark to Noah, two by two, of all flesh in which is the breath of life. ¹⁶ So those that entered, male and female of all flesh, went in as Elohim had commanded him; and ⁷ Shut him in.

Noah entered the ark on Day 17 / Month 2 in 2321 B.C.E. [Genesis 7:11]. [17 Iyyar = Sunday, June 8, 2321 B.C.E. (873,830) = Day 17, Month 2] Lot left Sodom and *fire* fell on the city at the *dawning of the day* on Day 16 / Month 1 on Resheet Firstfruits in 1931 B.C.E.

Midrash Rabbah 50:12 The king was angry with them [the citizens] and wished to punish them. Said the king: 'If I punish them in the presence of the townsman alone, they will say, "Had the provincial been here, he would have protected us;" while if I punish them in the presence of the provincial they will say, "Had townsman been here he would have protected us." Similarly, because some of the Sodomites worshipped the sun and others the moon, Elohim said: 'If I punish them by day they will say, "Had the moon been there it would have protected us." while if I punish them at night they will say, "Had the sun been there it would have protected us." Therefore [He destroyed them] on the sixteenth of Nisan [Day 16 / Month 1], when both the sun and the moon are visible in the sky. \(^1\) Hence it is written, THE SUN WAS RISEN UPON THE EARTH WHEN LOT CAME TO ZOAR (Genesis 29:23).\(^2\)

Rabbi Dr. H. Freedman, (Translator) The Midrash Rabbah (Third Edition), The Soncino Press Ltd., New York, 1983.

It rained fire on Sodom and Gomorrah at the dawning of the day at sunrise [Genesis 19:23] on Day 16 / Month 1 [Midrash Rabbah 50:12] in 1931 B.C.E. [16 Nisan = Tuesday, April 18, 1931 B.C.E. (1016233) = Day 16, Month 1] This traditional date for Day 16 / Month 1 is based on the supposition that Lot fed the angels Unleavened Bread on Day 15 / Month 1 on the day before it rained fire on Sodom and Gomorrah [Leviticus 23:6 / Numbers 28:17].

Genesis 19:1-3 Now the two angels came to Sodom in the evening, and Lot was sitting in the gate of Sodom. When Lot saw them, he rose to meet them, and he bowed himself with his face toward the ground. And he said, "Here now, my lords, please turn in to your servant's house and spend the night, and wash your feet; then you may rise early and go on your way." And they said, "No, but we will spend the night in the open square." But he insisted strongly; so they turned in to him and entered his house. Then he made them a feast, and baked Unleavened Bread [matzos], and they ate.



Although יהושע Messiah said that no man *intuitively knows* [oiden oidev] the day or the hour of the end of the Age of the Messiah, there is nothing intuitive concerning Month 2 for the month of the water judgment [Genesis 7:11], or the dawning of the day as the hour of the fire judgment [Genesis 19:23].

That the *unquenchable fire* judgment at the end of the **Age of the Messiah** will occur at the *dawning of the day* seems to be confirmed by Peter's recounting of the transfiguration which took place at the *dawning of the day* on the Eve of Sukkot on Day 14 / Month 7 in 33 C.E. [14 Tishri = Monday, September 28, 33 C.E. (1733382) = Day 14, Month 7]

יהושע Messiah gave this *vision* as a *prophetic sign* of the *hour* when He will come to reign in the **Millennial Kingdom**. The *hour* on which the *vision occurred* shows us the *hour* on which the *reality of the vision* will be *fulfilled*. This is clear from Peter's recounting of the transfiguration which he gave shortly before he died.

2 Peter 1:16-21 ¹⁶ "For we did not follow cunningly devised fables when we made known to you the power and coming [parousian παρουσίααν] of our Master 'Messiah, but were eyewitnesses of His majesty. ¹⁷ For He received from Elohim the Father honor and esteem when such a voice came to Him from the Excellent Majesty: "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." ¹⁸ And we heard this voice which came from heaven when we were with Him on the set apart mountain. ¹⁹ And so we have the prophetic word confirmed, which you do well to heed as a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns and the Morning Star rises in your hearts [Numbers 24:17 / Revelation 22:16]; ²⁰ knowing this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation, ²¹ for prophecy never came by the will of man, but set apart men of Elohim spoke as they were moved by the Set Apart Spirit."

When Peter spoke of the *dawning of the day*, he prophesied *the hour* in which the vision *occurred* at *sunrise* at the *dawning of the day* on the Eve of Sukkot in 33 C.E., as well as *the hour* when the vision will be *fulfilled* around the time of *sunrise* in Israel at the *dawning of the day* on which the Seventh Millennium begins.

On Day 11 / Month 1 in 34 C.E., on the Mount of Olives, only three days before the crucifixion, Peter, James and John asked יהושע Messiah three questions in the Olivet Discourse. [11 Nisan = Sunday, March 21, 34 C.E. (1733556) = Day 11, Month 1]

Matthew 24:3 Now as He sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, "Tell us, 1) When will these things be? 2) And what will be the sign of Your coming, 3) and of the end of the Age [of the Messiah]?"

In the third question, the disciples wanted to know *when* the end of the **Age of the Messiah** would come. The Messiah said that the end of the **Age of the Messiah** would be like *the day* Noah entered the ark.

Matthew 24:36-39 ³⁶ "Concerning the day and hour [of the end of the Age of the Messiah] no one intuitively knows [oiden older], not even the messengers in heaven, but only the Father. ³⁷ As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸ For they were in the days before the flood, eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; ³⁹ and they knew not until the flood came and took them all away. So shall the coming of the Son of Man be."

These prophecies will be *literally fulfilled* when the Messiah comes to rule in the **Age of Life** at the *dawning of the day* on the **Day of Salvation**.

יהושע Messiah even employed imagery from the *flood* judgment in Noah's time concerning the *fire* judgment at the end of the **Age of the Messiah**. He prophesied that *many* will be *standing outside knocking at the door* after He has risen up and *shut the door*.



Luke 13:24-30 ²⁴ "Strive to enter through the narrow door, for many, I say to you, will seek to enter and will not be able. ²⁵ When once the Master of the house has risen up and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and knock at the door, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open for us,' and He will answer and say to you, 'I do not know you, where you are from,' ²⁶ then you will begin to say, 'We ate and drank in Your presence, and You taught in our streets.' ²⁷ But He will say, 'I tell you I do not know you, where you are from. Depart from Me, all you workers of iniquity.' ²⁸ There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the Kingdom of Elohim, and yourselves thrust out. ²⁹ They will come from the east and the west, from the north and the south, and sit down in the Kingdom of Elohim. ³⁰ And indeed there are last who will be first, and there are first who will be last."

It is also clearly evident that *righteous* Noah knew seven days in advance that judgment was coming.

Genesis 7:1-4 ¹ Then יהוה said to Noah, "Come into the ark, you and all your household, because I have seen that you are righteous before Me in this generation. ² You shall take with you seven each of every clean animal, a male and his female; two each of animals that are unclean, a male and his female; ³ also seven each of birds of the air, male and female, to keep the species alive on the face of all the earth. ⁴ For after another seven days I will cause it to rain on the earth forty days and forty nights, and I will destroy from the face of the earth all living things that I have made."

Noah knew in advance on Day 10 / Month 2 in 2321 B.C.E. that the flood would occur after seven days on Day 17 / Month 2 in 2321 B.C.E. [17 Iyyar = Sunday, June 8, 2321 B.C.E. (873837) = Day 17, Month 2]

Genesis 7:10-11 ¹⁰ And it came to pass after seven days that the waters of the flood were on the earth. ¹¹ In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, on that day all the fountains of the great deep were broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened.

And just as righteous Noah knew the date for the judgment by *water* before it came to pass, so too will the righteous know the date for the judgment by *fire* before it comes to pass. It is *not intuitive* for a person to know *the day and the hour* the **Age of the Messiah** will end, or to know *the day and the hour* in **Jerusalem**, **Israel** at any given time.

However, *it is now possible* for anyone with access to the internet to know the **Hebrew Day** and the **Hebrew Hour** in **Jerusalem**, **Israel** in *real time* by looking at the **Determining the Hebrew Hour** section of **www.torahcalendar.com**. <www.torahcalendar.com/HOUR.asp>

A second sign יהושע gave of the end of the Age of the Messiah is that it would in the time of wheat harvest.

Matthew 13:24-30 ²⁴ Another parable He put forth to them, saying, "The Kingdom of Heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field [during the 6000 years of the Present Age]. ²⁵ But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat and went his way. ²⁶ But when the grain had sprouted and produced a crop, then the tares also appeared. ²⁷ So the servants of the owner came and said to him, 'Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have tares?' ²⁸ He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' The servants said to him, 'Do you want us then to go and gather them up?' ²⁹ But he said, 'No, lest while you gather up the tares you also uproot the wheat with them. ³⁰ Let both grow together until the harvest, and at the time of harvest [Month 2] I will say to the reapers, "First gather together the tares and bind them in bundles to burn them, but gather the wheat into My barn.""



Matthew 13:36-43 ³⁶ Then יהושע sent the multitude away and went into the house. And His disciples came to Him, saying, "Explain to us the Parable of the Tares of the Field." ³⁷ He answered and said to them: "He who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. ³⁸ The field is the world, the good seeds are the sons of the Kingdom, but the tares are the sons of the wicked one. ³⁹ The enemy who sowed them is the devil, the harvest is the end of the Age [of the Messiah], and the reapers are the angels. ⁴⁰ Therefore as the tares are gathered and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the Age [of the Messiah]. ⁴¹ The Son of Man will send out His angels, and they will gather out of His Kingdom all things that offend, and those who practice lawlessness, ⁴² and [at the resurrection of damnation in The World to Come] will cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³ Then the righteous will shine forth as the sun in the [Millennial] Kingdom of their Father. He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

Mark 4:26-29 ²⁶ And He said, "Kingdom of Elohim is as if a man should scatter seed on the ground, ²⁷ and should sleep by night and rise by day, and the seed should sprout and grow, he himself does not know how. ²⁸ For the earth yields crops by itself: first the blade, then the head, after that the full grain in the head. ²⁹ But when the grain ripens, immediately he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."

Interestingly, **Month 2** is always right in the midst of the *wheat harvest* in Israel. When יהושע Messiah taught these **parables**, He revealed things which have been kept secret since the *disruption of the world* commenced the **Present Age**.

A *third sign* of the coming of the Son of Man is that this day *may not* be on a **Sabbath** or a **High Sabbath**. On *judgment day*, there will be an *instantaneous separation* of the righteous from the wicked.

Matthew 24:40-42 ⁴⁰ "Then two will be in the field, one is received and the other left, ⁴¹ two grinding with a mill, one is received and the other left. ⁴² Watch therefore, for you do not intuitively know what day your Master will come."

Luke 17:34-36 ³⁴ "I tell you, in that night there will be **two people in one bed**: the one will be received and the other will be left. ³⁵ **Two will be grinding together**: the one will be received and the other left. ³⁶ **Two will be in the field**: the one will be received and the other left."

These very familiar prophecies reveal specific information to those who are destined to be *received* by Elohim who *obey* the commandments of Elohim and remain faithful to יהושע.

Revelation 14:12 This calls for patient endurance by the set apart ones who obey the commandments of Elohim, and remain faithful to יהושע.

Therefore, from the Messiah's sayings in **Matthew 24:40-42** and **Luke 17:34-36** it seems possible to deduce that those who are going to be *received* by Elohim will be *working* on the day the Son of Man comes, and that this day may not be in the midst of a **Sabbath** or a **High Sabbath**.

A fourth sign יהושע Messiah gave of the end of the Age of the Messiah concerns the appearance of a faithful and wise servant with food in due season.

Matthew 24:45-51 ⁴⁵ "Who then is a **faithful and wise servant**, whom his Master made ruler over His household, to give them **food in due season?** ⁴⁶ Blessed is that servant whom his Master, when He comes, will find so doing. ⁴⁷ Assuredly, I say to you that He will make him ruler over all his goods. ⁴⁸ But if that evil servant says in his heart, 'My Master is delaying His coming,' ⁴⁹ and begins to beat his fellow servants, and to eat and drink with the drunkards, ⁵⁰ the Master of that servant will come on a day when he is not looking for Him and at an hour that he



is not aware of, 51 and will cut him in two and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites. There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

Luke 12:39-44 ³⁹ "But resolve to know this: If the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief would come, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰ You also must be ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you would not suppose. ⁴¹ Peter asked, 'Master, are you telling this parable to us, or to everyone?' ⁴² The Master answered, "Who then is the **faithful and wise steward**, whom the Master puts in charge of His servants to give them **food at the due season?** ⁴³ Blessed is that servant whom his Master finds doing so when He returns. ⁴⁴ Of a truth I say to you, He will put him in charge of all His possessions."

The *faithful and wise servant* with *food in due season* is the last *sign* מרושע gave regarding the coming of the Son of Man at the *end* of the Age of the Messiah before He gave the Parable of the Ten Virgins.

The Parable of the Ten Virgins

The Parable of the Ten Virgins is actually quite frightening when one contemplates that it will come to pass.

Matthew 25:1-13 ¹ "Then the Kingdom of Heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the Bridegroom. ² Now five of them were wise, and five were foolish. ³ Those who were foolish took their torches and took no oil with them, ⁴ but the wise took oil in their vessels with their torches. ⁵ But while the Bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept. ⁶ And at midnight a cry was heard: 'Behold, the Bridegroom is coming; go out to meet Him!' ⁷ Then all those virgins arose and trimmed their lamps. ⁸ And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our torches are going out.' ⁹ But the wise answered, saying, 'No, lest there should not be enough for us and you; but go rather to those who sell, and buy for yourselves.' ¹⁰ And while they went to buy, the Bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with Him to the wedding; and the door was shut. ¹¹ Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open to us!' ¹² But He answered and said, 'Assuredly, I say to you, I do not know you.' ¹³ Watch therefore, for you do not intuitively know the day nor the hour."

The response that will be given to the 5 foolish virgins in Matthew 25:12 is the same response that יהושע said He will give to those who practice lawlessness in Matthew 7:23. This teaches us that the 5 foolish virgins are those who practice lawlessness — these are those who do not observe the 10 Commandments.

Matthew 7:21-27 ²¹ "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. ²² Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?' ²³ And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!' ²⁴ Therefore whoever hears these sayings of Mine, and does them, I will liken him to a wise man who built his house on the rock: ²⁵ and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock. ²⁶ But everyone who hears these sayings of Mine, and does not do them, will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand: ²⁷ and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it fell. And great was its fall."

יהושע prophesied in **Matthew 7:21-23** that many will cry to the "Lord" or to "Adonai" or to "without success. Many will not enter into the **Age of Life** because they refused to cease from idolatry, they refused to



observe the 4th Commandment regarding the Sabbath, or because they refused to abstain from the unclean as Paul instructed the Corinthians.

These three issues are addressed in the "*Heart of the Law*" in Leviticus 17-19 – the middle section of the middle book of the Torah. Moses taught on the sanctity of blood and the difference between the clean and unclean, the laws of sexual morality, and the admonition to observe Sabbaths and to abstain from idolatry. These three issues were the *minimum requirements* of fellowship established by James, and the apostles and elders, all of whom deferred to Moses and to the will of the Father הוה Elohim in heaven.

Acts 15:19-21 ¹⁹ Therefore I [James] judge that we should not trouble those from among the Gentiles who are turning to Elohim, ²⁰ but that we write to them to abstain from things polluted by idols [idolatry], from sexual immorality, from things strangled, and from blood [from eating unclean and detestable things]. ²¹ For Moses has had throughout many generations those who preach him in every city, being read in the synagogues every Sabbath.

Acts 21:25 But concerning the Gentiles who believe, we have written and decided that they keep themselves from things offered to idols [idolatry], from blood, from things strangled [from eating unclean and detestable things], and from sexual immorality."

James reasoned that if people who were turning toward the Creator agreed to this *basic moral code*, they could learn more about the faith every **Sabbath** when the five books of Moses were read in the synagogues. Paul, quoting Isaiah, advised everyone who was coming to faith from among the Gentiles to separate themselves to 'הרוה', and not to touch what is unclean in order to be *received* by Elohim.

2 Corinthians 6:14-7:1 ¹⁴ Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness? ¹⁵ And what accord has Messiah with Belial? Or what part has a believer with an unbeliever? ¹⁶ And what agreement has the temple of Elohim with idols? For you are the temple of the living Elohim. As Elohim has said: "I will dwell in them [Exodus 25:8, 29:45] and walk among them. I will be their Elohim, and they shall be My people." [Leviticus 26:12] ¹⁷ Therefore, "Come out from among them and be separate," says הוה "Do not touch what is unclean, and I will receive you." [Isaiah 52:11, Revelation 18:4] ¹⁸ "I will be a Father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says הוה Almighty." [2 Samuel 7:14, Jeremiah 31:9]

John has prophesied that anyone found not observing this *basic moral code* will not inherit the Age of Life.

Revelation 21:6-8 ⁶ And He said to me, "It is done! I am the **Aleph** and the **Taw** [אַר], the Beginning and the End. I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts."



He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his Elohim and he shall be My son. ⁸ But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death."

Revelation 22:12-15 ¹² "And behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to give to every one according to his work. ¹³ I am the Aleph and the Taw [N], the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last." ¹⁴ Blessed are those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city. ¹⁵ But outside are dogs and sorcerers and sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and whoever loves and practices a lie.

One fascinating aspect of the **Parable of the Ten Virgins** is that *immediately* before the Son of Man comes – all 10 virgins *including* the 5 wise virgins are sleeping! Only hours before the Bridegroom comes the 5 wise virgins will advise the 5 foolish virgins to go and buy oil for themselves. The righteous would never tell anyone to go and buy on a Sabbath or a High Sabbath for they would be sinning if they did. This also seems to indicate that the Son of Man will not come in the midst of a Sabbath.

The Parable of the Ten Virgins confirms that *many who believe they are ready will not in fact be ready* for the coming of the Son of Man. Many will be scrambling at the last moment assessing whether the things they have been taught their whole lives could actually be wrong. And as they are doing this, the judgment will suddenly happen and *the door will be shut* and *they will not be received* into the Age of Life.

Practicing *lawlessness* is the last thing anyone wants to be doing on the day of judgment. For on the day the Son of Man comes there will be many *sincere people* who adhered to a set of beliefs their whole lives *who will not receive the salvation which they thought they already had because they refused to repent of their evil deeds when the opportunity presented itself.* Elohim will not be pleased with them because of their *refusal to cease from idolatry* just as He was not pleased with those in the Exodus. Paul saw the writing on the wall for the religiously deluded in his generation and he gave them this advice.

1 Corinthians 10:1-11

Moreover, brethren, I do not want you to be unaware that all our fathers were under the cloud, all passed through the sea,

all were immersed into Moses in the cloud and in the sea,

all ate the same spiritual food,

and all drank the same spiritual drink.

For they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them, and that Rock was Messiah.

But with most of them Elohim was not well pleased, for their bodies were scattered in the wilderness.

Now these things became our examples, to the intent that we should not lust after evil things as they also lusted.

And do not become idolaters as were some of them. As it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play." [Exodus 32:6]

Nor let us commit sexual immorality, as some of them did, and in one day twenty-three thousand fell;

nor let us tempt Messiah, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed by serpents;

nor complain, as some of them also complained, and were destroyed by the destroyer.

Now all these things happened to them as examples, and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the ages [Present Age, Age of Desolation, Age of Instruction, Age of the Messiah] have come.



The Wicked Servant is Unaware of the Hour of the Master's Coming

יהושע Messiah *has not changed* since the Exodus, and He exhorts His elect to *resolve to know* that it is the *wicked servant* who will be *unaware* of the time of His return.

Matthew 24:43-51 ⁴³ "But resolve to know this: If the owner of the house had known at what time of night the thief was coming, he would have kept watch and would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁴ So you must also be ready, for at an hour when you do not expect, the Son of Man will come. ⁴⁵ Who then is the faithful and wise servant, whom the Master has put over His household to give them food at the due season? ⁴⁶ Blessed is that servant whose Master finds him doing so when He returns. ⁴⁷ Truly I say to you, He will put him in charge of all His possessions. ⁴⁸ But suppose that wicked servant says to himself, 'My Master is delaying His coming,' ⁴⁹ and shall begin to beat his fellow servants and to eat and drink with drunkards. ⁵⁰ The Master of that servant will come on a day when he is not looking, and at an hour he is not aware of. ⁵¹ He will cut him to pieces and assign him a place with the hypocrites, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

Luke 12:45-48 ⁴⁵ "But if that servant says in his heart, 'My Master is delaying His coming,' and shall begin to beat the menservants and maidservants and to eat and drink and be drunk. ⁴⁶ The Master of that servant will come on a day when he does not expect, and at an hour he is not aware of. He will cut him to pieces and assign him a place with the unbelievers. ⁴⁷ That servant who knows his Master's will and does not get ready, or does not do what his Master wants, will be beaten with many blows. ⁴⁸ But the one who does not know, and does things deserving punishment, will be beaten with few blows. From everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked."

It is the wicked servant who will not know the day and the hour of His Master's return. It is the unbeliever who will not know the day and who will be unaware of the hour of the Master's return. Paul affirmed that although the day of יהוה would come as a thief in the night to those living in darkness, it would NOT overtake the children of the light as a thief.

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 ¹ And concerning the times and seasons, brothers, you have no need of my writing to you, ² for you know very well that the day of יהוה will come like a thief in the night. ³ When they are saying, 'Peace and Security,' sudden destruction will come on them, as labor pains on a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. ⁴ But you, brothers, are not in darkness so that this day should overtake you like a thief. ⁵ You are all children of light and children of the day. We are not of the night, nor of darkness. ⁶ So then, let us not be like others who are asleep, but let us be alert and self-controlled. ⁷ For those sleeping, sleep at night, and those who are drunk, are drunk at night. ⁸ But since we belong to the day, let us watch, putting on faith and love as a breastplate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet. ⁹ For Elohim did not appoint us to wrath, but to receive salvation through our Master יהושע Messiah, ¹⁰ who died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with Him. ¹¹ Therefore comfort one another and build each other up, just as you are doing.

It is apparent that *all of the apostles* understood that the *day of* יהוה would come as a *thief in the night* because Peter and John also refer to this motif in their prophecies.



2 Peter 3:10 But the day of יהוה will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.

Revelation 3:3 "Remember therefore how you have received and heard; hold fast and repent. Therefore if you will not watch, I will come upon you as a thief, and you will not know what hour I will come upon you."

John specifically says in **Revelation 3:3** that the Messiah would come as a thief only *to those who were not watching*. He infers that a person who has received the truth, who is walking in obedience, and who is watching, *will know* the time of the Master's return. John says in **Revelation 16:15** that the servant of Elohim who is watching is *blessed*, as he *keeps his clothes* and will not be ashamed.

Keep Your Clothes

Revelation 16:15 Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watches, and keeps his clothes, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

The Spirit is here is using a *metaphor* to refer to the consequence of events that happened soon after creation, when sin entered the universe. When in the created Adam and Hawah they were naked and *not ashamed*.

Genesis 2:25 And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

However, after Adam and Hawah sinned by eating from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, their *eyes* were opened and they knew that they were naked and were ashamed, as they covered themselves.

Genesis 3:1-7 Now the Shining One was more cunning than any beast of the field which Flohim had made. And he said to the woman, "Has Elohim indeed said, 'You shall not eat of every tree of the garden'?" And the woman said to the Shining One, "We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden; but of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, Elohim has said, 'You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die." Then the Shining One said to the woman, "You will not surely die. For Elohim knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like Elohim, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings.

What happened in the Garden of Eden was about *more* than being ashamed of physical nakedness. At the moment that Adam and Hawah believed the lie of the devil, they *surrendered their spiritual authority over the earth* and also *lost their contingent immortality*. Jubilees 3:15-20 may be construed as teaching that Adam and Hawah lost their *spiritual authority* on Day 17 / Month 2 in Year 1 of Shemittah Cycle 2 in 3972 B.C.E. [17 Iyyar = Sunday, June 21, 3972 B.C.E. (270822) = Day 17, Month 2]

Book of Jubilees 3:15-20 ¹⁵ And in the first week of the first **Jubilee**, Adam and his wife were in the garden of Eden for **seven years** tilling and keeping it, and we gave him work and we instructed him to do everything that is suitable for tillage. ¹⁶ And he tilled (the garden), and was naked and knew it not, and was not ashamed, and he protected the garden from the birds and beasts and cattle, and gathered its fruit, and ate, and put aside the residue for himself and his wife [and put aside that which was being kept]. ¹⁷ **And after the completion of the seven years**



[Shemittah Cycle 1] which he had completed there, seven years exactly, in the second month, on the seventeenth day (of the month) [Day 17 / Month 2 in Shemittah Cycle 2], the Shining One came and approached the woman, and the Shining One said to the woman, "Has Elohim commanded you, saying, You shall not eat of the tree of the garden?" ¹⁸ And she said to it, "Of all the fruit of the trees of the garden Elohim has said to us, Eat; but of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden Elohim has said to us, You shall not eat thereof, neither shall you touch it, lest you die." ¹⁹ And the Shining One said to the woman, "You shall not surely die: for Elohim knows that on the day you shall eat thereof, your eyes will be opened, and you will be as gods, and you will know good and evil. ²⁰ And the woman saw the tree that it was agreeable and pleasant to the eye, and that its fruit was good for food, and she took thereof and ate. Wesley Center Online http://wesley.nnu.edu/biblical studies/noncanon/ot/pseudo/jubilee.htm

The Shining One, a created being, initiated a *seed war* with other fallen angels against the Creator. The path *back to immortality* for mankind could only be accomplished by the brilliance of the Creator who cloaked Himself in flesh as יהושע Messiah and made *atonement* for the sins of mankind.

Those of us who wish to be given dominion over the earth and to obtain immortality must appropriate this atonement and make יהושע Messiah our Master. He is the Savior to all who believe and obey Him and He will lead us on the way back to immortality in the Age of Life. So the metaphor about keeping one's clothes, lest he walk naked is really about being clothed with the righteousness of יהושע Messiah. To overcome the lies of the devil is to be clothed in white garments, and John foresaw that a great multitude would be so clothed.

Revelation 3:5-6 ⁵ "He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not blot out his name from the Book of Life; but I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels. ⁶ He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies."

Revelation 7:9-12 ⁹ After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰ and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our Elohim who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹ All the angels stood around the throne and the elders and the four living creatures, and fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped Elohim, ¹² saying: "So be it! Blessing and majesty and wisdom, thanksgiving and honor and power and might, be to our Elohim to the age of the ages [The World to Come]. So be it!"

The *righteous servants* who *overcome* are *clothed in white garments*. They *see clearly* and have *repented* of walking in *sin* in the way of the Shining One, and their *fine linen* is the *righteous acts* which they do.

Revelation 3:18-22 ¹⁸ "I counsel you to buy from Me gold refined in the fire, that you may be rich; and white garments, that you may be clothed, that the shame of your nakedness may not be revealed; and anoint your eyes with eye salve, that you may see. ¹⁹ As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten. Therefore be zealous and repent. ²⁰ Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me. ²¹ To him who overcomes I will grant to sit with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne. ²² He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the assemblies."

Revelation 19:6-9 ⁶ Then I heard what sounded like a great multitude, like the roar of rushing waters and like loud peals of thunder, shouting: "Hallelujah! For ההה Elohim Almighty reigns. ⁷ Let us rejoice and be glad and give Him honor! For the Marriage of the Lamb has come, and His



bride has made herself ready. ⁸ And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the set apart ones. ⁹ Then he said to me, "Write: 'Blessed are those who are invited to the Marriage Supper of the Lamb!'" And he added, "These are the true words of Elohim."

Keep the Commands of Elohim and Remain Faithful to יהושע Messiah

The prophecies are clear, those who are *set apart*, those who *keep the commands of Elohim* and *remain faithful to* יהושע *Messiah* will be saved. This should motivate the elect to keep the commands of Elohim and remain faithful to יהושע Messiah.

Revelation 14:12 This calls for patient endurance by the set apart ones who obey the commandments of Elohim, and remain faithful to יהושע.

Peter preached that heaven must *receive* יהושע Messiah until the times of the **restoration of all things** - a phrase which refers to the onset of the **Seventh Millennium**.

Acts 3:19-21 ¹⁹ Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of יהוה, ²⁰ and that He may send יהושע Messiah, who was preached to you before, ²¹ whom heaven must receive until the times of restoration of all things [at the onset of the Seventh Millennium], which Elohim has spoken by the mouth of all His set apart prophets since the world began.

The *restoration of all things* occurs at the moment the **Seventh Millennium** begins when יהושע will *appear* to judge the living and the dead as Paul related to Timothy.

2 Timothy 4:1-2 ¹ I charge you therefore before Elohim and the Master יהושע Messiah, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His [Millennial] Kingdom: ² Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching.

Peter taught that the *inheritance* of a follower of יהושע Messiah was incorruptibility. The reward of immortality is reserved in heaven for each individual who keeps the faith of יהושע Messiah. Peter taught that this *inheritance* would be revealed *in the last time*, after 6000 years, when the Age of Life begins.

1 Peter 1:3-5 ³ Blessed be the Elohim and Father of our Master יהושע Messiah, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Messiah from the dead, ⁴ to an **inheritance** incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, ⁵ who are kept by the power of Elohim through faith for salvation **ready to be revealed in the last time** [when the **Age of Life** begins].

As light was separated from darkness at the *dawning of the day* on **Day One** of creation on the **Day of Salvation** in **Jubilee Cycle 1**, the **Millennial Sabbath** will begin at the *dawning of the day* on the **Day of Salvation** in **Jubilee Cycle 121**. אושי Messiah confirmed this at the Transfiguration on the **Eve of Sukkot** in **33 C.E.** when Peter, James and John saw a *vision* of the Second Coming at the *dawning of the day*.

Every prophet of Elohim *since the world began* has believed the ultimatum which יהוה gave in **Genesis 6:3** – that His Spirit will only strive with *mortal men* for **120 years**.



Genesis 6:3 And יהוה said, "My Spirit shall not strive with man through all the ages [Present Age, Age of Desolation, Age of Instruction, Age of the Messiah, Age of Life, World to Come], for he is mortal, but his days shall be one hundred and twenty [Jubilee Cycles of] years."

Many have understood these 120 years to be Jubilee Years, or a span of 120 Jubilee Cycles of 50 years equivalent to 6000 years. In the traditional Hebraic understanding of time, peace will be restored in the universe when the Age of Life begins after 6000 years.

After 6000 years of this Present Age have expired, the children of the Kingdom will receive *immortality* in the Age of Life, but יהושע will send His angels to gather out anything offensive or anyone practicing lawlessness.

Matthew 13:36-41 ³⁶ Then יהושע sent the multitude away and went into the house. And His disciples came to Him, saying, "Explain to us the Parable of the Tares of the Field." ³⁷ He answered and said to them: "He who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. ³⁸ The field is the world, the good seeds are the sons of the [Millennial] Kingdom, but the tares are the sons of the wicked one. ³⁹ The enemy who sowed them is the devil, the harvest is the end of the Age [of the Messiah], and the reapers are the angels. ⁴⁰ Therefore as the tares are gathered and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the Age [of the Messiah]. ⁴¹ The Son of Man will send out His angels, and they will gather out of His kingdom all things that offend, and those who practice lawlessness."

The "Son of Man" is a title which comes from Daniel 7:13 and refers to the Messiah as potentate over all nations as the Supreme Judge of the World – the one whom the founders of the United States of America appealed to in the Declaration of Independence.

Daniel 7:13-14 ¹³ In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a Son of Man, coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days and was led into His presence [John 20:17]. ¹⁴ Then to Him was given dominion and esteem and a Kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should worship Him [Philippians 2:9-11 / Revelation 11:15]. His dominion is a dominion throughout the ages [World that Was, Present Age, Age of Desolation, Age of Instruction, Age of the Messiah, Age of Life, World to Come], which shall not pass away, and His Kingdom one which shall never be destroyed [in the Age of Life and The World to Come]."

Certain members of the religious establishment in the first century were *highly offended* that יהושע Messiah referred to Himself as the "Son of Man" who would rule in the Age of Life. Peter, as a personal disciple of Messiah, was well trained in the 7000 Year Plan of Elohim as is clearly evident in his writings.

1 Peter 1:3-5 ³ Blessed be the Elohim and Father of our Master יהושע Messiah, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Messiah from the dead, ⁴ to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, ⁵ who are kept by the power of Elohim through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time [shortly before the Age of Life begins].

Peter taught that the *inheritance* of a follower of יהושע Messiah was incorruptible and undefiled. The reward of *immortality* was reserved in heaven for each individual follower and was kept by faith in יהושע Messiah. Peter taught that *salvation* and *immortality* would be revealed *in the last time*, shortly before the Age of Life begins.

In some of the last words he ever wrote, Peter reminded the followers of יהושע Messiah not to be ignorant of the **Seven Days** of creation and corresponding **Seven Millennial Days** in the **7000 Year Plan of Elohim**. This is because he believed that salvation would come at the onset of the **Seventh Millennium**.



2 Peter 3:1-18 ¹ Beloved, I now write to you this second epistle (in both of which I stir up your pure minds by way of reminder), 2 that you may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the set apart prophets, and of the commandment of us, the apostles of the Master and Saviour, 3 knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts, ⁴ and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation." ⁵ For this they willfully forget: that by the word of Elohim the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of water and in the water, ⁶ by which the world that then existed perished, being flooded with water. ⁷ But the heavens and the earth which are now preserved by the same word, are reserved for fire until the day of judgment and perdition of men without Elohim. 8 But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with יהוה one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. 9 יהוה is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. How are will will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up. 11 Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner of persons ought you to be in set apart conduct and piety, 12 looking for and hastening the coming of the Day of Elohim, because of which the heavens will be dissolved, being on fire, and the elements will melt with fervent heat? 13 Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. 14 Therefore, beloved, looking forward to these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, without spot and blameless; 15 and consider that the longsuffering of our Master is salvation – as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given to him, has written to you, ¹⁶ as also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which untaught and unstable people twist to their own destruction, as they do also the rest of the Scriptures. ¹⁷ You therefore, beloved, since you know this beforehand, beware lest you also fall from your own steadfastness, being led away with the error of the wicked; 18 but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Master and Saviour יהושע Messiah. To Him be the brilliance and majesty both now and through all the ages [The World that Was, Present Age, Age of Desolation, Age of Instruction, Age of the Messiah, Age of Life, The World to Come. So be it.

Discern the Times

In Matthew 16:1-4 יהושע Messiah criticized people in His day who could not discern the signs of the times.

Matthew 16:1-4 ¹ Then the *Pharisees* and *Sadducees* came, and testing Him asked that He would show them a sign from heaven. ² He answered and said to them, "When it is evening you say, 'It will be fair weather, for the sky is red,' ³ and in the morning, 'It will be foul weather today, for the sky is red and threatening.' *Hypocrites!* You know how to discern the face of the sky, but you cannot discern the signs of the times. ⁴ A wicked and adulterous generation seeks after a sign, and no sign shall be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah." And He left them and departed.

The disciples of יהושע Messiah living today should *discern the signs of the times* and be *sober and vigilant* as Messiah will soon be established in His Millennial Kingdom.



Daniel 2:44-45 ⁴⁴ "And in the days of these kings the Elaah of heaven will set up a [Millennial] Kingdom which shall never be destroyed [it will continue into eternity in The World to Come]; and the [Millennial] Kingdom shall not be left to other people; it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms [at the end of the Age of the Messiah], and it shall stand throughout the Age [of Life]. ⁴⁵ Inasmuch as you saw that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it broke in pieces the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold – the great Elaah has made known to the king what will come to pass after this. The dream is certain, and its interpretation is sure."

1 Peter 5:8 *Be sober, be vigilant;* because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

Summary

In summary, יהושע Messiah was born after sunset as Yom Teruah began on Yom Ham-i-shi [fifth day of the week] on New Moon 7 on Yom Teruah in 3 B.C.E. at the end of the Age of Instruction on the Creation Calendar.

The Messiah is called the *Branch* (צמה) in **Isaiah 4:1-6**, **Jeremiah 23:5-6**, **Zechariah 3:7-8** and **6:12-13** and the *Branch* (צמה) is represented by *Tsemech*, the brightest star in the constellation *Bethulah* / Virgo. *Tsemech* set below the horizon or *came to earth* at around **6:12 P.M.** on **Wednesday**, **September 11**, **3 B.C.E.** on the proleptic **Julian Calendar** signifying that the Messiah *came to earth* around this time.

יהושע Messiah officially began His ministry when He began to be about 30 years old at the beginning of the Age of the Messiah on the Creation Calendar. According to Luke 4:16-30, it was on this day that He read from Isaiah 61:1-2. Daniel prophesied in Daniel 9:27 that the Messiah would confirm the covenant with many for one week, and that in the midst of the week He would bring an end to sacrifice and offering. The Messiah did this on the day He was crucified on the Passover in the midst of one seven day week.

The Messiah was *cut off* as prophesied in **Daniel 9:26** in the *midst of the week* as prophesied in **Daniel 9:27**. He was *cut off* on **Yom Rev-i-i** [fourth day of the week] on **Passover** on **Day 14** / **Month 1** on the **Creation Calendar**, or **Wednesday**, **March 24**, **34** C.E. on the proleptic **Julian Calendar**. then conquered death and rose from the grave before sunrise on **Sha-bat** [seventh day of the week] on the 1st **Sabbath** on **Day 17** / **Month 1** on the **Creation Calendar**, or **Sabbath**, **March 27**, **34** C.E. on the proleptic **Julian Calendar**.

יהושע Messiah confirmed the covenant made with Abraham that all the nations of the earth would be blessed from Abraham's seed when He conquered death at the execution stake. When He offered His life to take away the sin of the world, יהושע who was of the seed of Abraham made a way for those from all the nations of the earth who believe Him, to obtain immortality in the Age of Life. The self sacrifice of יהושע Messiah also brought an end to sacrifice and offering at the Second Temple in Jerusalem.



יהושע ascended into heaven after being seen 40 days according to Acts 1:3 on Yom Rev-i-i [fourth day of the week] on Day 27 / Month 2 on the Creation Calendar, or Wednesday, May 5, 34 C.E. on the proleptic Julian Calendar. According to the prophecy in Acts 3:21, the heavens will release יהושע Messiah at the times of the restoration of all things – a veiled reference to the onset of the Seventh Millennium.

Acts 3:19-21 ¹⁹ Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of יהוה, ²⁰ and that He may send יהושע Messiah, who was preached to you before, ²¹ whom heaven must receive until the times of restoration of all things [at the onset of the Seventh Millennium], which Elohim has spoken by the mouth of all His set apart prophets since the world began.

Those who are *faithful* and *watching* can expect the coming of the Son of Man when the **Seventh Millennium** begins. The sign of **Revelation 12:1-2** is a **great sign in heaven** because it indicates with precision the exact time that יהושע Messiah was born. It is also a *great sign* because it inspires followers of Messiah who are alive and remaining today to *keep watching* for the moment of His prophesied return. Jeremiah spoke well for - who changes not - when he said:

Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the thoughts that I am thinking towards you," declares יהוה, "Thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you what you long for and expect in the end."

