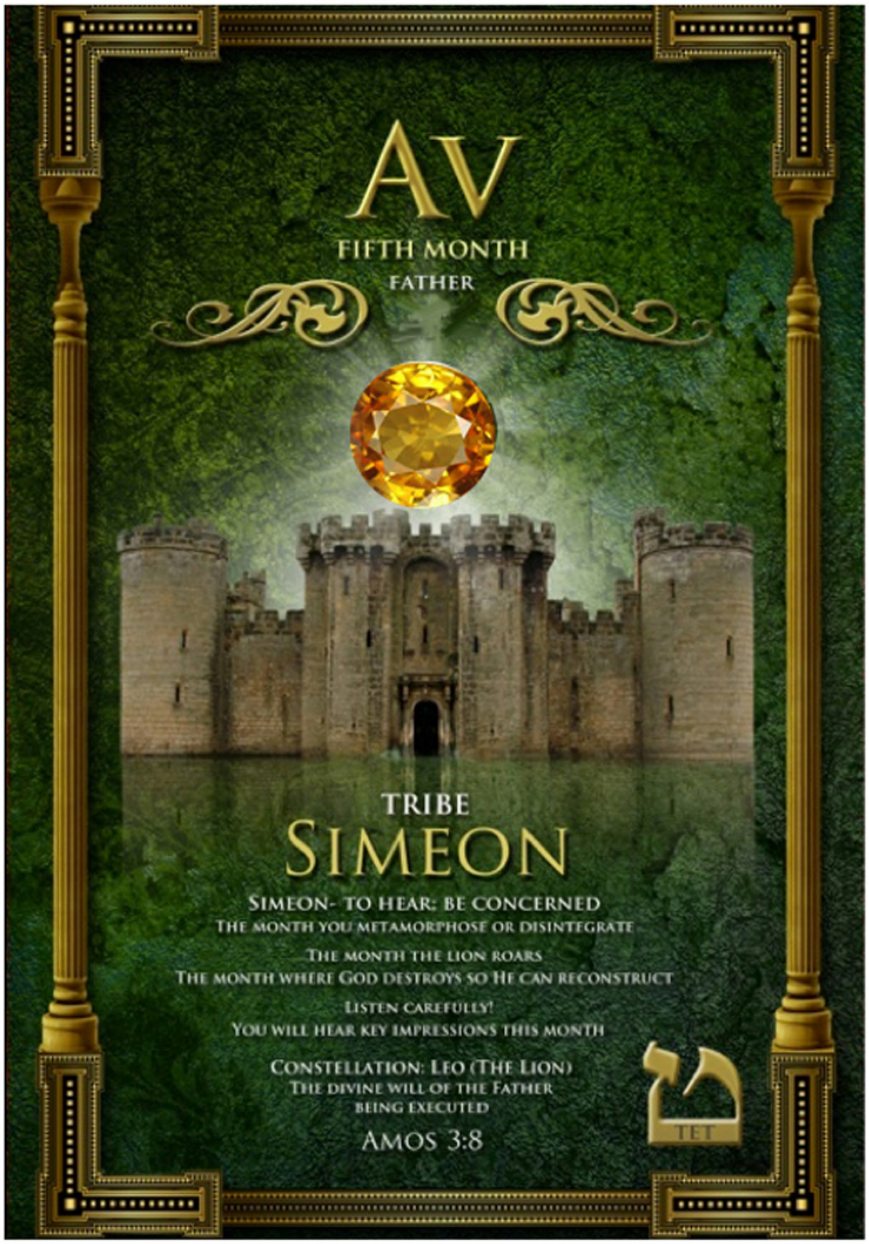
5th Month of Israel



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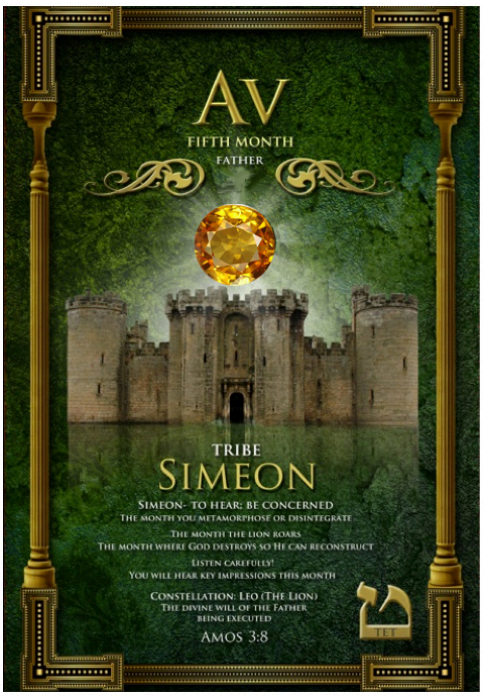
5th Month of God's Calendar
Av (July/Aug)

Av Is The Summer Month Associated With Simeon

Av Is The Month To Reveal The Keys To Reversing The Curse



Simeon means to hear; to be concerned; to hear hearingly. It is not enough to hear. You must have the capacity to obey as well. Otherwise your hearing ability isn't worth anything.

The Jews call AV the time of dire straights. Biblically, this is one of the most crucial months of the year. It is a month to squeeze through a narrow place and enter into your future.

The Jews have considered the month of Av to be associated with a curse. Historically, the Jews have experienced many calamities over the years on the same day…the 9th of Av.

- On Av 9th in 587 BC – The armies of Babylon destroyed Solomon's temple.
- On Av 9th in 70 AD – Roman armies destroyed the second temple.
- On Av 9th in 135 AD, the day of the final defeat of the Jews by Rome. Jerusalem is totally destroyed.
- On Av 9th in 1095 – The first crusader's kill thousands.
- On Av 9th in 1290 – All Jews were expelled from England
- On Av 9th in 1492 – Jews were expelled from Spain
- On Av 9th in 1942 – Jews were deported from Warsaw Ghetto, to death camps.
- On Av 9th in 2005 – Expulsion from Gaza began

Looking at all that…this is not just a coincidence but a curse.

First and foremost, it was never God's plan for His people to live under a curse of disasters and sorrow. It was supposed to be a month of blessing and celebrations.

Understanding The Ninth Of Av Curse

At the time of the exodus, God brought Israel out of Egypt by His powerful arm. He brought them freedom from Pharaoh, then on to the Red Sea and down to Mt Sinai. He taught them about His provision and revealed His glory.

So as He brought them up to the promised land in the month of Av. The 12 spies entered the land and search it out and brought back fruit of the land for them to see and taste. Yes, it was all that God promised.

They only disagreed on one thing. Whether they could trust God to give them the land. Ten said: *We can't take the land. The enemies are too strong for us*. Two said: *God will give us the land. God has brought us this far. Let's move forward in faith and take the land*.

On the 9th of Av Israel chose to listen to the voice of 'unbelief.' God opened the door to their future but they refused to go through.

That was the sin at Kadish Barnea. Every year Av would be a month to celebration God's goodness to Israel. But they refused. They tasted the fruit but refused to enter. Book of

Hebrews says they refused to mix the promise with faith. Their confession – that the enemy is too strong and we will all die. They put themselves under a curse. Every year on the 9th of Av, they found that their enemy is too strong for them and they die.

Tammuz Is In The 2nd Season, Summer

SUMMER SEASON

The three months of the summer season – **Tammuz** Jun/Jly, **Av** Jly/Aug, **Elul** Aug/Sept – correspond to the three tribes of the camp of Reuben – **Reuben, Simeon and Gad** – who were situated to the south of the Tabernacle in the wilderness.

- **In the Fourth Month, Tammuz**, God wants to establish the brilliance of your righteousness. Watch the events taking place in the earthly realm. The way to move through this month is through worship.
- **In The Fifth Month, Av**, God wants to you to metamorphose or disintegrate where God can destroys so He can reconstruct you.
- **In the Sixth Month, Elul**, This is the month of preparation for the "high holy days" of Tishrei, Tabernacles. God then wants to know that the King is in the field.

The Tribe of Simeon's Month Is Av

When Reuben messed up his opportunity of have the birthright double portion, Simeon was next in line to receive the birthright. But Simeon messed up big time too. Genesis 34 That the king of Shechem fell in love with Jacobs daughter Dinah and forced himself on her. But the king came to Jacob and asked for Dinah hand in marriage and Jacob agreed with one condition. All the men of Shechem were to be circumcised and they did. But 3 days later Simeon and Levi broke into the city and slaughtered every man there. Then they looted the houses, took the women and the children. When Jacob found out what Simeon and Levi had done, he was horrified.

> ***Genesis 34:30:*** *And Jacob said to Simeon and Levi, You have made trouble for me and given me a bad name among the people of this country, among the Canaanites and the Perizzites: and because we are small in number they will come together against me and make war on me; and it will be the end of me and all my people.*

So Jacob packed up his family and moved from Shechem to Bethel. But there is no evidence that Simeon ever repented and Jacob never forgave him.

At the end of his life, when the time came for Jacob to bless hs son, Jacob brought up the incident at Shechem and he cursed Simeon and Levi. *(Genesis 49)*

The mark of a curse is 'decrease.' At the time of the exodus, Simeon was the third largest tribe in Israel, 59,300 *(Numbers 1:23),* but when they came out of the wilderness, they only had 22,200, making them the smallest tribe *(Numbers 26:14).*

That was the tribe of Simeon. But know that any curse can be reversed. Levi received the same curse that Simeon did. But the tribe of Levi had a totally different outcome. They did not live under a curse. Levi was scattered among the tribes but no in shame …they were honored. They became the spiritual leaders of the nation. Why did Levi live under God's blessing? Levi reversed the curse and was blessed.

Read *Deut. 33:8-11*. Levi repented. Thoroughly. Levi sought God with his whole heart. *Exodus 32*…Moses said "Whoever is on the Lords' side come to me." And all the sons of Levi gathered themselves together to him.

This is why Moses could not bless Simeon. You can't bless someone who puts himself under a curse. But Levi turn to God and God blessed Levi.

Read ***Mal 2:4-6*** *My covenant with Levi was one of life and peace…He revered me and stood in awe of My name…*

The Curse Can Be Reversed

No matter how badly you have sinned, if you will turn to God with your whole heart, there is always grace. The curse can be reversed.

2Chron 15:9 *"Many of the tribe of Simeon defected to Judah to worship the true God during the revival of Asa."*

This is the month of Av, Simeon's month. This month, Gods wants you to know that you can reverse your curse. You can either live in the past or you can turn to God so you can have every curse broken.

The Month Of Av Became A Month Of Mourning And Destruction

They spent 40 years in the wilderness – and they never repented. So every year that cycle repeats. Every year that window of destruction opens.

When you don't repent of the sins of the past, a door of destruction remains open. The enemy gains an opportunity to bring in his destruction.

Why do we know that they never repented? Because when the Messiah came, they repeated the sin of unbelief again. Again, they refused to mix the promise with faith. Book of Hebrew: They repeated the son of Kadish Barnea all over again. They again tasted the good fruit of God's promises, but again went into unbelief and refused to enter. (Heb. 11:13)

The way you know you have truly repented, you will not repeat the sin again.

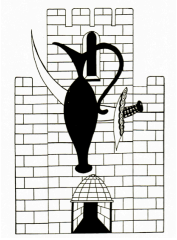
One day they will repent and the curse of the 9th of Av will be broken. Israel will turn back to God and receive their Messiah. Theory: it will happen on the 9th of Av. God has a plan to redeem the 9th of Av.

God Always Preserves A Remnant

In Luke 2 when Mary and Joseph bring baby Jesus to the temple to dedicate him "There was a man there whose name was Simeon" (very likely of the tribe of Simeon.) "and this man was just and devout"…"it had been revealed to him the spirit that he would not die before he had seen the messiah."

So even though the tribe of Simeon had lost their identity, God knows who they are and they will repent and seek the Messiah and find him.

The Tribe of Simeon's Symbol Is A Pitcher & Dagger Or City Gates



The one that's used the most is that of the pitcher and the dagger, and the other one is that of the city gates.

The pitcher speaks of the insignificant weapon that Gideon used and the dagger speaks of the sword of the Lord. It reveals the warlike characteristics of this tribe. The Simeonites were fighters from the beginning.

Simeon's Gemstone - Topaz

Topaz is usually yellow and often brownish in color, and almost like amber at times. There are several kinds of topaz. Job mentions the topaz of Ethiopia and he says that it is likened unto wisdom. (Job 28:19,12) As God-created, so our wisdom is given to us by a gift of God. Education and learning are not wisdom.

James 1:5: *If any of you needs wisdom to know what you should do, you should ask God, and he will give it to you. God is generous to everyone and doesn't find fault with them.*

The Hebrew Letter Associated With Av - *Tet*

Alphabet letter 'TET' which resembles a womb; a month when earth contracts and the secret of pregnancy moves into the earth realm.

9th letter in the alphabet with the numeric value of 9. 'TET' is a paradoxical letter in that it reveals both good and evil. The form of the letter is inverted, suggesting hidden goodness, like that of a woman who is pregnant with child. "God saw the light, and it was **good**."

Jer 33:11 Give thanks to Yahweh of Hosts for He is good.

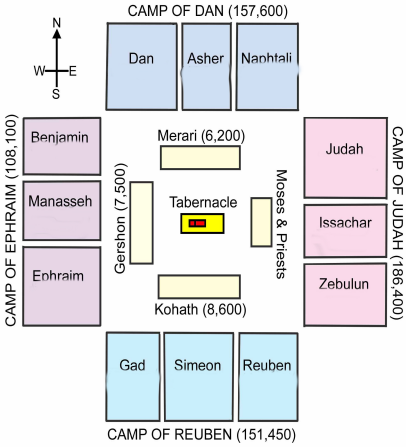
Av Is A Month of Firstfruit's Harvest

The Israelites would bring a firstfruits offering of EVERY crop! There were firstfruits offerings all through the year. Our Heavenly Father is the tiller of the field and the agriculture it produces shows His great love to prosper us both physically and spiritually.

From the time of the Old Testament, God instituted the firstfruit's offering. Firstfruits appear in both the Old and New Testaments and are talked about in relation to both spiritual and physical offerings. Offering firstfruits when we receive an increase is a demonstration of our faith in God as the true source of our provision. James said that unless faith produces action it really isn't faith at all (James 2:17) The firstfruits offering is one way to activate our faith in God as our provider.

The summer fruit's and vegetable's harvest in the month of Av. This is the month when heat will reach it's peak in Israel.

The Feast of Firstfruits is on Av 1.



Arrangement of the Camp of Israel
Numbers 2:1-3:39

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When They Camped Around The Tabernacle

Simeon was placed on the south side between Gad and Reuben.

The location of the different tribes in the wilderness was year important. They had to live very close to each other for 40 years and it was necessary that they be placed in such a way that they would compliment each other and flow together in harmony. The situation of the different tribes was very important. The Lord knew which tribes would get along together.

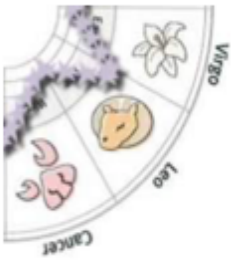
Simeon was a tribe known for having learned the golden quality of obedience through the suffering's which they brought on themselves by their rebellion. It is those who have gone through the school of suffering that make the best teachers at the end.

When The Tribes Marched Through The Wilderness

Simeon, the Lord's Battle-ax Brigade Warrior's were the second group to go out in the marching line along with Reuben and Gad. They were positioned to watch the back of the three tribes ahead of them in battle, while they also protected the Holy Furniture that was to follow them. Though they have a flesh war side, when won over to the Lord they are three tribes of passion. They can become faithful, steady and dependable who are fierce in battle.

In Judges 1:3, 17 Judah asked Simeon to fight with him because he knew the power behind that consecrated sword. Together they overcame the enemy. As long as Simeon is linked with Judah (Praise) under the anointing, there are prospects of great victory in his life. Together they will inherit the promises of God and take the nations for God. Simeon never received their own inheritance, they were incorporated into Judah.

5. Av
30 Days
Tribe of Simeon
(July/August)



Note: The constellations were created by God as seen in Genesis. They were never designed for the Devils use. The Mazzaroth has nothing to do with today's fortune telling with Horoscopes or your birthday. They are pictures to in God's creation to see what He is saying to His tribes of Israel.

Constellation: Leo (THE LION) – The 5th Month In The Calendar

The perfect will of the Father being executed.

It is possible that the first six constellations may be prophetically speaking of the 1st Coming of Messiah Jesus and the last 6 constellations are speaking of the 2nd Coming of Messiah Jesus.

Can you bring forth Mazzaroth in his season?

Job 38:31: *Can you bind the sweet influences of Pleiades, or loose the bands of Orion?*
32: *Can you bring forth* ***Mazzaroth*** *in his season? or can you guide Arcturus with his sons?*

Strongs 4216 mazzarah maz-zaw-raw' apparently from 5144 in the sense of distinction; some noted constellation (only in the plural), perhaps collectively, the zodiac:--Mazzoroth.

The word's precise meaning is uncertain but its context is that of astronomical constellations, and it is often interpreted as a term for the zodiac or the constellations thereof.

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'Mazzaroth' is the Hebrew word for 'constellation.'

Genesis 1:14 *And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years:*

God created the seasons into 12 months. He painted twelve signs in the night sky, standing out like jeweled hieroglyphics. Josephus said that the Ancient Persian and Arabian traditions credit the invention of astronomy to Adam, Seth and Enoch.

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My Sources and Challenge:

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In the early 2000's, I began attending moves of God all over the nation and into Canada to hear from God and what He was saying. From Brownsville revival in Florida to Toronto Airport Christian Fellowship, on into the middle of the US and then onto Fresh Fire in Canada and down to California. All the time hearing pieces of revelation on God's Holy Days and Feasts. The Lord has been leading me continually, learning this precious truth of His people Israel and our prophetic link to them.

I believe that we have experienced the Feast of Passover and the Feast of Pentecost, but, oh but, not the Feast of Tabernacles. This feast as the first two are for all of Israel and I a gentile, have been grafted into the blood of Jesus, the nation of Israel.

I encourage you to seek the ancient paths and see what God wrote for us to walk in. The revelation of the tribes anchors our faith and releases us to His Calling in Christ Jesus.

***Jeremiah 18:15**: Because my people hath forgotten me, they have burned incense to vanity, and they have caused them to stumble in their ways **from the ancient paths**,*

*to **walk in paths**, in a way not cast up;*

***Jeremiah 6:16-17:** Thus said the LORD, Stand you in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and you shall find rest for your souls. But they said, **We will not walk therein.** Also I set watchmen over you, saying, **Listen to the sound of the trumpet. But they said, We will not listen**.*

Said of George Mueller, 1839
"This wide awake servant of God, watched the signs of the times, and while others slept, followed the Lords signal of advance."

Some of my resources:

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