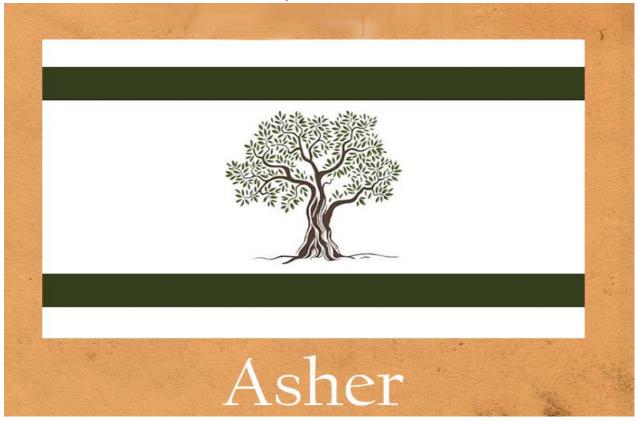
The 8th Tribe, Asher

Joy

Genesis 30:12,13

The Prosperous One



Psalm 132:9 Let your priests be clothed with righteousness; and let your saints shout for joy

Asher comes from the Hebrew 'asher' meaning 'happy.'

Root word is 'ashar' meaning pleasure, happiness, joy, delicious, fatness, right, to go forward, be honest, prosper, bless, guide, relieve, and blessed.

Asher, The Eighth Son Of Jacob. Leah said, "Happy am I, for the daughters will call me blessed."

Asher is the happy tribe. They live in the joy of the Lord, which springs up from within them. They are blessed and they well enjoy those blessings. Happiness comes from knowing the truths of God and living in expectation of them. The more bitter the trials the more royal the dainties of God's grace, mercy and overcoming.

Asher is born of the humble handmaid of Leah, and yet he brings intense joy just because he is Asher. Asher means "happy." Even saying the name, Happy, Happy,

Happy is a positive confession. It produced a joyful spirit. This is what Asher is anointed to do.

Symbol For Asher Is The Big, Fruitful Olive Trees



The symbol of the tribe of Asher is the big, fruitful olive tree.

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Asher has to have a good supply of oil from the olive tree to enable him to 'dip his foot in this golden oil.' Zechariah 4, speaks of the two olive trees, who are His anointed ones. From the olive trees there are two golden pipes that drain the oil from the trees into the bowl next to the tree. The tribe of Asher is called to be the source from which the God's Spirit can be poured out to bring light and blessing to many.

He carries a constant supply of oil that keeps the lamps lit and shining in himself and the Tabernacle of God. God is calling you to become that source of anointing oil.

This oil is a type of the Spirit. It is called "golden oil." Gold speaks of Deity in the Bible, so we know that this is Divine oil. The tribe of Asher is called to be the source from which the Holy Spirit can be poured out to bring light and blessing to many. In this way, Asher, like Naphtali and Zebulun, is called to be a shining light in the temple of God.

John 7:38 Jesus said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

This spoke He of those who would received the Holy Ghost. When you have the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit, then you, yourself, become that source of holy oil.

Asher's Gemstone: Agate/Green/Black/Brown (CAMEO)



Light Olive Green and Yellow/Citrine Quartz or Peridot

The agate is one of the more humble gemstones in that it is more common and not costly or difficult to find.

"The most agates occur in eruptive rocks or ancient lavas, where they fill the cavities which were produced by the

liberation of gas during the solidification of the molten rock. These agates have a banded structure, successive layers being approximately parallel to the sides of the cavity." (Encyclopedia Britannica)

When a cross section of the agate is cut, one can see many different bands of colors, in circular design. This type of agate is used for cutting cameos, one layer forming the medallion, the other the design in relief.

Some have a green color, some black or brown. If the agate is artificially stained, it can have varied colors. If the agate is soaked in a sugar or honey solution for several weeks and then treated with sulfuric acid, it will change it to dark brown or black. The acid carbonizes the sugar, thus coloring the more porous layers brown or black, but

leaving the more impermeable layers white to obtain an alternation of light and dark bands. Agates are stained red by ferric oxide, green by chromium and nickel solutions, and yellow by hydrochloric acid.

Created through intense heat with water working on it to polish the stone. God allows the Asherites to go through much tribulation so that the agate can be produced out of their lives. Giving them a testimony of fire that brings the joy into their life. Agates are soft stones, easy for God to carve his image and likeness into a 'cameo likeness.' Asherites can adapt themselves easily to all kinds of situations. Asherites are created by the workings of the Holy Spirit erupting from his innermost being in the intense flame of Pentecost.

WINTER SEASON

The three months of the winter season – **Tevet** Dec/Jan, **Shevat** Jan/Feb, **Adar** Feb/Mar– correspond to the three tribes of the camp of Dan – **Dan, Asher and Naphtali** – who were situated to the north of the Tabernacle in the wilderness.

- In the Tenth Month, Tevet (Dan) This is ending of Chanukah: in the midst of destruction, there is mercy. This is a month to judge, grow up and mature. His position is "to rule, to judge, or to execute judgment."
- In The Eleventh Month, Shevat (Asher), God wants righteousness to become your foundation. A time to develop the plan of sustaining the generations.
- In the Twelfth Month, Adar (Naphtali), God then wants this to be a time of celebration so that any curse is overturned and things become sweet.
 Naphtali which means "sweetness is to me."

Prophesies From Jacob and Moses

Prophesy From Jacob

Genesis 49:20 "Out of Asher his bread shall be fat, and he shall yield royal dainties."

'fat' (means) greasy, plenteous, rich

Speaks of the anointing - God is saying through Jacob, that out of the tribe of Asher there will come very rich, strong meat. If God has ordained you into the tribe of Asher, you will not be a person who is content with "Sunday School preaching." You will want to get the deep meat of the Word of God and it's anointed. When an Asherite opens the Word, he sees truths that no one has ever seen before. God has given you a very special revelation in the depth of your soul.

'royal dainties' means a delicacy, delight, pleasure, something cheerful

Asherites shall be able to give forth words that will not only be strong, healthy meat, but also choice pieces, which are real delicacies. Asherites, don't be timid about what the Lord has given to you. Share it with others who are waiting to hear what God is saying. The truths you have that you teach us will live on in our hearts in difficult times.

Prophesy From Moses

Deuteronomy 33:24,25 "And of Asher he said, Let Asher be blessed with children; let him be acceptable to his brethren, and let him dip his foot in oil. Thy shoes shall be iron and brass; and as thy days, so shall thy strength be."

'let him be acceptable unto his brethren'

There are some things about the personalities of some of the tribes that make it difficult to get along with them. But this is not so with the Asherites. They don't "get on our nerves." You can flow along with Asher.

Asherites let Righteousness becomes their foundation. You meditate on the word of God to receive the fatness, the nourishment for your future. Shouting a blessing is characteristic of you.

'and let him dip his foot in oil'

The word "dip" comes from the Hebrew word 'tabal' (taw-al) meaning 'to plunge,' as well as just to 'dip into.'

God calls Asher, through the prayer of Moses to stop and plunge his foot in oil. In other words, he has to get his feet "baptized" in the oil. The oil is a type of the anointing. God is calling Asher to be very careful that his walk is anointed with the oil of the Holy Spirit.

The most important part of Asher is his walk. He must keep walking in the anointing so that he can continue to give out the goodly words, those royal "dainties." You can know how important it is that his walk is anointed, because who will listen to his words if he doesn't walk in the anointing? It is not only in the words that are spoken, that we are edified and blessed and exhorted, but by the walk of those whom God uses to show us His way. We all see more than we hear.

When the feet are bathed in oil, they are cleansed. There are a lot of saints walking around with dirty feet. It is time for a Holy Spirit "foot-washing" in the lives of many of God's children. There is sin in the camp. Their walk is not holy. They have copied each other rather than Jesus Christ. They think that because someone else can get away with it, they can too. So sin is rampant in God's house. Our lives must be holy or God will judge us. God is calling Asher and all of us to a new, holy, anointed walk.

"Thy shoes shall be iron and brass"

When an Asherite puts on those shoes, after having plunged his foot in the oil of the Spirit, he has a message to deliver that will shake the world. Those shoes of iron and brass are the shoes of God's judgment. He suddenly changes from someone who is giving out "royal dainties," into someone who has a hard message, even one of judgment that will make people squirm in their seats and start to hate the Asherite whom God is using because his message is going to "stand on their toes."

In his iron and brass shoes, the Asherite has strength to go into hard places, even very dangerous places, behind curtains of iron. It takes shoes of iron to walk behind curtains of iron. But the shoes of iron are not sufficient, remember, the feet must be plunged in the oil!

Asher is fearless. He just anoints his feet, puts on his brass boots and starts marching. The devil had better watch out, for somebody is coming that has military footwear to equal him. Surely the feet of Asher are shod with the message of the Gospel! (Ephesians 6: 15)

"as thy days, so shall thy strength be."

Asher is promised strength for the day, not more than he needs, but just exactly what he needs. If he tries to stretch it out, he may find he runs out of strength.

Exploits of Asher and Heroes Of Faith

ASHER ANSWERS THE CALL TO BATTLE

Judges 7:2, "And the men of Israel gathered themselves together out of Naphtali, and out of Asher, and out of all Manasseh, and pursued after the Midianites."

We know the story of Gideon's 300 men. After the Lord used Gideon and his men to rout the Midianites, the battle royal began. Asher, Naphtali and Manasseh got stirred up and joined in the chase of the enemy. They fought right through till the end of the battle.

If you light a fire under an Asherite, you are going to have someone that is going to be a good, loyal soldier right through till the end. They will stick by you. They will be loyal and faithful.

SOLOMON'S SOLDIERS

I Chronicles 7:30-40 lists the names of the families of Asher. Verse 40 says, "All these were the children of Asher, heads of their father's house, choice and mighty men of valor, chief of the princes. And the number throughout the genealogy of them that were apt to the war and to battle was twenty and six thousand men."

The officer under Solomon was Baanah, the son of Hushai. (1Kings 4:16) His name means "son of suffering."

It is through their suffering that Asher is raised up in the anointing to take their place as soldiers in the army of the King of Kings. It is through hard trials that the Asherites become experts in war, ready for battle, mighty men of valor and chiefs among the princes of Israel. Hallelujah! Do not be overcome in the warfare. God is going to bring you through, dear Asherite.

ASHER DURING TIMES OF REVIVAL

II Chronicles 30: 10,11 tells us about the revival that took place in Jerusalem under King. Hezekiah in B.C. 726. When the call went out to the different tribes to come to Jerusalem and seek the Lord, the message also came to Asher. Praise God, they heard and came! It is written concerning Asher, " ... divers of Asher and Manasseh and of Zebulun humbled themselves, and came to Jerusalem." (verse 11)

It was the last outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the ten northern tribes. After that, they were carried into captivity. After that, it would be too late.

But here we see Asher coming down, humbling himself and going to Jerusalem. For hundreds of years Samaria had been the capital of Asher, and the people, in their pride, had refused to go up to the Holy City. But when the call of the Spirit came to Asher, he humbled himself and came. When he got there he found that the anointing of God was still upon Jerusalem. God visited His people for 14 wonderful days of revival. Truly, God was preparing Asher before he went into captivity. It would be the last time that he would "dip his foot in oil."

WOMAN OF ASHER - ANNA

Luke 2:36-38, "And there was one Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher: she was of a great age, ... And she coming in that instant gave thanks likewise unto the Lord, and spake of him to all them that looked for redemption in Jerusalem."

Anna was 84 years old. She had been a widow after being married only seven years. She had dedicated her entire life to God, living in the temple and spending her time in prayers and service to the Lord. Anna's life was completely devoted to God.

She also served God by witnessing to people. I can see her moving about among the women of Jerusalem, encouraging them and telling them what God was doing and what He was showing her would shortly come to pass. Surely she knew, for she was a prophetess.

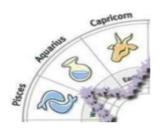
I believe that this precious daughter of Asher came in right on schedule because her feet were "dipped in oil." She had the anointing that leads Asher into the perfect will of God. You will never miss your appointment with God if your feet are "dipped in oil." You will be led by the Spirit of God and see great and glorious things.

When she saw Jesus, she put on her shoes of iron and brass and started marching around Jerusalem telling everyone who was looking for redemption that the Redeemer had come! Oh, what a glorious mission! She had prayed through! She had seen Him! Now she could go forth and tell it. But she did not tell all. No, she only told those who were looking for redemption.

Anointed feet that are dipped in oil, wearing shoes of iron and brass, shall triumph. And who knows, maybe the daughters of Israel will bring the end-time message too, in a way that has never, ever yet been told.



11 Shevat
Tribe of Asher
30 Days
(January/February)



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.

Mazzaroth: Constellations

11th Constellation: Aquarius (THE WATER CARRIER)

Your roots awaken to the water of life.

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.

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.

11th Month On God's Calendar 'Sh'vat' (Jan/Feb)

This is a month to develop the plan of sustaining the generations.

Look for those who are bringing pitchers of water to you.

This month shout, "My blessings are on the way!"

This month what you are tasting and meditating on produces the life or nourishment for your future.

This is a time to connect with the trees in your field. Shevat is called the month of the new year of trees

This month speaks of a month to enter into a new level of trust and rest in God. A month to declare your life experiences to be filled with tranquility and peace. "Shout My blessing are on the way!" This is the key for this month. There is a shout about you.

This month your righteousness must become your foundation. Jehovah Tzidkenu (The Lord our Righteousness) is one expression of this month.

Alphabet: TSADIK



Symbolizes the 'righteous one'

18th letter in the alphabet with the numeric value of 90.

Meaning of its name came from the shape of a 'fishing hook' or perhaps a bird trap, speaking of 'to hunt, catch, capture.' The Letter is formed from a bent Nun and a Vav. The Nun represents a humble and faithful servant (the crowned Vav) that is bent in submission. Other words would be obedience and righteousness.

Mate of Aleph (groom) is the Tsada (Bride)

God and His redeemed creation would be joined together in love, since Aleph represents the creator, and Tsade represents the reflection of His image - The Bride of Messiah.

Asher's Positioning

Asher's Positioning When The Cloud Moved

The fourth and last group to move out are the Rear Guard Warriors. God set these three tribes to lead the nation in physical as well as spiritual warriors, which are Dan, Asher, and Naphtali.

It was their job to protect the army, the nation and the camp from any attacks that would be coming up from behind. These were the most creative of the tribes. They had wonderful abilities and anointing though not much battle skill. But they carried that ability to show the glory of God.

Numbers 10:25: ¶And the standard of the camp of the children of Dan set forward, which was the rereward of all the camps throughout their hosts: and over his host was Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.

:26: And over the host of the tribe of the children of Asher was Pagiel the son of Ocran.

:27: And over the host of the tribe of the children of Naphtali was Ahira the son of Enan.

These three tribes formed the rear guard not because of their military skill but because they brought the glory of God."

Standard Of The Eagle – Dan, Asher and Naphtali Gathered Under

12 Tribes of Israel were grouped together in 4 sets of 3 tribes each. Each of the four had a flag, a standard that they rallied around. They traveled and camped under their standard, flag for their group.



Flag standard, the Eagle – Traveled and camped under this standard; and camped on the North of the Tabernacle – Dan, Asher and Naphtali.

Jesus, The Eagle, ever leads us to come away, come higher into his presence and into his love. He said, I only do what my Fathers tells me to do. He understood the heart of the Father and desired to overshadow the nation with protection and love. Isa 40:31. Those who wait for the Lord's help will find renewed strength.

Eagle, The Bride – Ability to fly into the heavenly realm with swiftness and to see from far above the earthly view.

Numbers 2:25: The standard of the camp of Dan shall be on the north side by their armies: and the captain of the children of Dan shall be Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.

<u>In The Wilderness Around The Tabernacle</u>: Asher was situated on the north side of the tabernacle beside Dan and Naphtali.

<u>In The Promised Land</u>: Their lot fell to them on the northern sea coast's of Israel, but they did not possess all of it. They were bordered on the north by Lebanon, the east by Naphtali, the southeast by Zebulun.

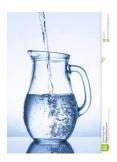
In the Millennium: Asher will be immediately below Dan. (Ezekiel 48:3)

<u>The Gate Of Asher In The New Jerusalem</u>: Asher's Gate will be on the west, together with the Gates of Gad and Naphtali.

It is interesting how the tribe of Naphtali who also is the son of Zilpah is so closely connected with Asher all the time from the wilderness, to Canaan, in the Millennium and at the gate. God puts together those who belong to each other and who get along together in a beautiful way.

Asher's Prophetic Summary

Asher has a special ability to cause the land to flourish. Prophetic words that were given to Asher mention oil, iron, bronze, and rich food. His territory was noted as being fertile with grain, olive trees, and grapevines. This tribe was made up of farmers, gardeners, miners and oil men, and gourmet cooks.



Asherites are the people God needs in the end times difficulties to be a source of anointing oil.

They carry the oil and are a tree that is well watered. John 7:38 "out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water." They are waterbearers where the river touches the roots and the roots awaken to the water of life. Filled to overflowing so that you have too much of a relationship that the water overflow the pots, overflow the wells, and is overflows onto the dry ground

saints crying for his presence.

Asherites have the anointing that leads them into the perfect will of God. You will never miss your appointment with God if your feet are "dipped in oil." You will be led by the Spirit of God and see great and glorious things.

When the call of the Spirit comes to Asher, you will humble yourself and run toe to the presence of the Lord finding that the anointing of God will be still fresh and abundant.

When an Asherite opens the Word, they will see truths that no one has ever seen before. God has given you a very special revelation in the depth of your soul.

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Asher is both prosperity and pleasure. Asher is the dimension of blessing beyond the norm to be given more than what is necessary for survival. Asher is the personality of not just getting what you need, but also enjoying it.

My Sources and Challenge:

These are my notes that I have created over the years from several sources. They are not intended for publication. They are simply my notes that I am willing to share regarding the Tribes of Israel and the Months of God's Calendar as I have seen fit to put together.

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 <u>ask</u> for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and you shall find <u>rest for your souls</u>. 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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