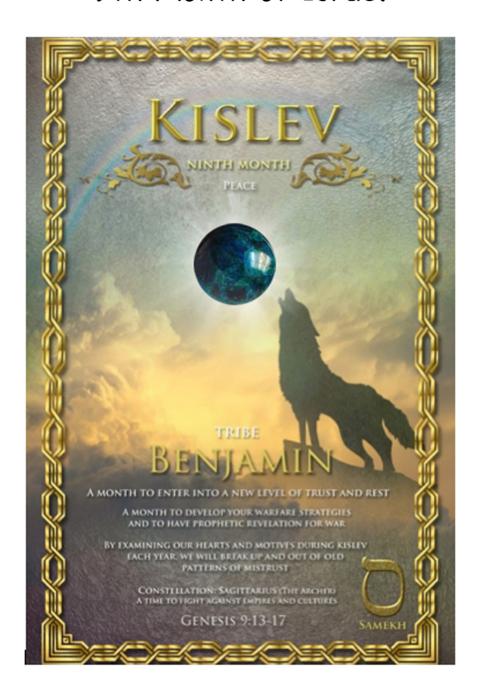
9th Month of Israel



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9th Month of God's Calendar Kislev (Nov/Dec)

Kislev Is The Fall Month Associated With Benjamin

Kislev Is The Month To Be Aware Of Dreams.

God Created Time

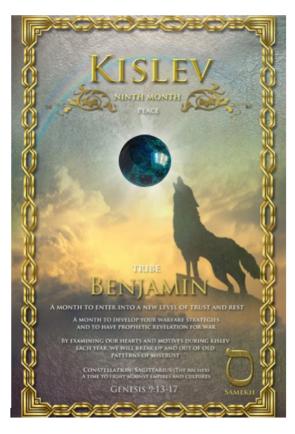
One of the keys to walking in God's blessings, is to walk with an understanding of God's calendar. Because God created time.

Time is God's way of keeping everything from happening at once.

God designed a calendar to help us stay in step with Him as we move through time. God's calendar was established at creation. When God created the heavens on purpose of the sun, moon, and stars, was to serve as signs to mark season and days and years and appointed times.

God revealed His calendar in his word. His calendar is not like ours. God has a different way of looking at time. Days begin in the even and not the morning. They include a cycle of yearly appointed times when God desires to meet with us. It has a different understanding of months. Each month is really a prophetic season.

The goal is therefore to live 'in sync' with God's timing. And when we do that, we prosper.



Kislev Is In The 3rd Season, Fall

FALL SEASON

The three months of the fall season – **Tishrei** *Sept/Oct*, **Cheshvan** *Oct/Nov*, **Kislev** *Nov/Dec* – correspond to the three tribes of the camp of Ephraim – **Ephraim**, **Manasseh**, **and Benjamin**– who were situated to the west of the Tabernacle in the wilderness.

- In the Seventh Month, Tishrei The month of the Fall Feasts"—Returning to God and experiencing His Glory. The month to 'touch"," to remember the woman who pressed through to touch Him. To awaken and remove that which would keep you from returning.
- In the Eighth Month, Cheshvan God wants to know that His rainbow reveals the sign of His covenant with the world. A time of eternal revelation and new beginnings.

• In the Ninth Month, Kislev God then wants to develop your warfare strategies; to have prophetic revelation for war. A month to enter into to a new level of trust and rest and to declare your life experiences to be filled with tranquility and peace

Appointed Times: Feast of Trumpets, Atonement, and Tabernacles. Feasts representing the 2nd Coming Of Messiah Jesus.

Kislev Is The 9th Month Of The Hebrew Year

In the natural, the 9th month, Kislev, is a month of darkness. Days are shorter and the nights are longer. So the Jews consider Kislev to be a month of dreams and night visions.

In the Torah portions read during Kislev, you will find many of the passages are the dream passages. Jacobs dreams, Pharaohs dreams, Pharaoh servant dreams.

Since Kislev is a month of dreams, it is also a month for God to bring new revelation for your future.

A month to enter into a new level of trust and rest, but also, to develop your warfare strategies.

The Hebrews considered Kislev to be the month of the womb. It was probably in Kislev that the Holy spirit came upon Mary's womb and Jesus was conceived this month. A month for the river of God to flow from your innermost being.

Kislev is also a month of Light shining in the darkness. Hanukah is the feast of lights.

The Tribe of Benjamin's Month Is Kislev

Benjamin was the youngest child of Jacob and one of the smallest tribes of Israel. His father Jacob had two wives but his favorite was Rachael. Her first son was Joseph and her second was Benjamin. But she died in childbirth with Benjamin. Jacob name Benjamin 'son of my right hand.' Jacob was not a good father, by doting on the sons of Rachael, and not Leah's.

So the other ten brothers hated Joseph, enough to beat him and sell him to passing traders who took him to Egypt. Jacob believing Joseph was dead, all his attention shifted to his last son, Benjamin.

Benjamin Was Sheltered And Protected By His Father

Benjamin went on to having 10 sons of his own which became the tribe of Benjamin. But even the tribe of Benjamin was sheltered and protected.

When Benjamin marched through the wilderness, Benjamin marched in the third group of tribes, Ephraim, Manasseh, and Benjamin. In the most protected position.

When they camped around the Tabernacle, they came camped on the west side from the gate into the tabernacle with Ephraim and Manasseh, who were Josephs sons.

When Israel made to the Promised land, Benjamin was given a secure place in the center of the land south of Ephraim and Manasseh, and north of Judah.

So because Benjamin was always protected, he didn't gain strength. Jerusalem was originally in Benjamin's territory but Benjamin didn't have strength to drive out the Jebusites. Being constantly protected Benjamin never developed a close relationship with God.

During the time of the judges, the tribe developed a reputation for perversion and violence, culminating in the rape and murder of a Levite's concubine by the men of Gibeah in Judges

19. When the other tribes confronted Benjamin with the atrocity, rather than deal with the sin, the people of Benjamin gathered together to defend and protect the wicked men of Gibeah. The result was a war that almost destroyed the entire tribe of Benjamin.

How Did Benjamin Learn To Overcome? Covenant

The turning point came with Jonathans covenant with David. David was from the tribe of Judah, and Jonathan was from the tribe of Benjamin. Jonathans father was Israel's first king, a Benjamite. Saul ruled by fear and he wanted to be protected. When it was time for him to be anointed king, he was afraid. He ran and hid among the baggage. 1Sam 13 Saul's fear caused him to disobey God and he forfeited the kingship. Saul's fear of losing his throne motivated him to try and kill David, God's chosen replacement.

But when David showed up and killed Goliath, leading Israel to victory, Jonathan saw David's courage and something snapped inside of him. He said I am tired of being fearful, I am tired of being protected. When I see David, that's what I want to be like. So Jonathan cut covenant with David, rejecting fear. Willing to lay down his life to defend David.

Then David and Jonathan extended the covenant to the House of Jonathan – the tribe of Benjamin, and the House of David – the tribe of Judah. Through that covenant the tribe of Benjamin was able to shift and fulfill his destiny.

When the northern tribes rebelled and formed the northern kingdom of Israel, the tribe of Benjamin stood with Judah.

Benjamin took part in the great revivals under Asa and Josiah and contributed to the repair of the temple under Josiah.

In the days of Ezra and Nehemiah, Benjamin assisted in the rebuilding of the temple and wall of Jerusalem.

As they walked out their full commitment covenant, God blessed them and brought them to full restoration of their destiny.

This is the Month to Complete Your Destiny

Key to overcoming your past and fulfilling your destiny is Covenant. You need o know who you are connect to.

If you are in covenant with the right people, you can walk out your covenant in faithfulness, your whole life can change.

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Eventually Benjamin did overcome. A number of great people came out of Benjamin. Esther and Mordecai saved the Israel people. The Apostle Paul was from the tribe of Benjamin. Through Paul, Israel was a light to the Gentile nations.



The Tribe Of Benjamin's Symbol Is The Wolf

Wolves are powerful animals that are savage and fearless in battle, to take down any enemy or foe that comes against the house of God. Jacob was speaking for God in calling Benjamin as a wolf. It was never God's plan for Benjamin to be coddled and over-protected. God had placed within Benjamin

the strength to fight. God's destiny for Benjamin is given in Gen 49:27...

Benjamin is a ravenous wolf, in the morning he shall devour the prey and at night he shall divide the spoil.

Benjamin's Gemstone - Jasper



Jasper (means spotted or speckled).

The gemstone of Benjamin is the Jasper. Jasper was the last gem named in the breastplate. The Jasper stone is seen in the New Jerusalem Rev 21:19. This stone some think is the <u>Eilat stone</u> of the King Solomon mines. Jasper is a rich blue and sometimes green color.

The Hebrew Letter Associated With Kislev - Samekh

Alphabet: SAMEKH



Trust, support, coming full circle. 15th letter in the alphabet with the numeric value of 60. The pictograph of Samekh looks something like a shield. Meaning of Samekh to lean upon, to uphold, or to support. In Numbers 6:25-27, the Priestly blessing is seen the number 60.

Also note that this blessing is used to form 15 words. The Priests would lay hands upon the head of a sacrificial lamb in the blood ritual of consecrating the priesthood.

Kislev 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.

This was a season of an increase of the rains. Beginning of frost in the lower areas and mountain snows in the higher elevations where the sheep would graze. A season to let your flocks of sheep to winter. This the time of the year when Jesus was conceived. The custom of the shepherds did not stay out with their flocks up until or past November because of the cold weather.

The Feast of Firstfruits is on Kislev 1.

When The Tribes Marched Through The Wilderness

Benjamin the Next Generation Warriors, were the third group to move out. Their responsibility was to defend the Holy Things in wartime. They were between the curtains, poles, floorboards being carried ahead of them and the Holy Furniture that was carried behind them; the laver, table of showbread, lampstand. God set these three tribes to lead the nation in physical as well as spiritual warriors, which are Ephraim, Manasseh, and Benjamin.

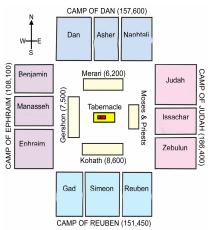
Benjamin was trained to Hit The Mark (bow and arrow marksmanship.) They were gifted warriors. Kislev is an important month to be armed with your spiritual weapons and take your stand against the enemy.

It's an important month to stay focused on God's call for your life. God does not want you to 'miss the mark' this month.

When They Camped Around The Tabernacle

Benjamin was camped on the west side with Ephraim and Manasseh.

The warriors of the tribe of Benjamin had one unique thing about them. Many of them were left-handed. Judges 20:16 says, "Among all this people there were seven hundred chosen men left handed: every one could sling stones at an hair breath and not miss." This is absolutely sensational. The ability to shoot stones from a sling so accurately from the left hand was an unexpected thing for their enemy, for the enemy always expects the danger to come from the right hand and not the left. This made their enemy vulnerable.



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

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Benjamin Joined In Battle

During the time of the Judges, Benjamin fought alongside of Deborah and Barak. Another of the judges, Ehud was a Benjamite. The men of Benjamin were gifted with the art of the bow. They could sling a stone with either hand and not miss. (many were left handed.)

But the tribe as a whole was too protected to come into their destiny.

We have each wondered ourselves "Why God didn't shelter you from difficult time?" God had a purpose for you is to go through difficulties. He wants you to gain strength. He want's you to learn to overcome and be victorious.

Benjamin was the only one of Jacobs children born in the Promise Land. This is an important month to keep your eyes on Israel. It's important to stand in prayer for Israel.

The most important thing about Benjamin, is that Benjamin experienced a change of identity.

- Name change from Benoni 'son of my sorrow' to 'son of my right hand.' A new name meant a new identity.
- Historically, they were governed by fear, needing protection but that was no their true call God wanted them to have. So through covenant with David, they entered their new identity.
- Also this is seen in Saul of Tarsus, who God met with, and turned him around, to Paul the
 Apostle. His namesake, King Saul had gone out to kill David, and he also went out to kill God's
 people. But Saul wasn't the identity God wanted for him. God gave him the name of Paul, a
 gentile name to equip him to be an apostle to the gentiles.

This Month Your Identity is Waiting

Sometimes the circumstances of life have branded you with an identity that isn't what God chose for you. The way you view yourself, is not the way God views you. This is a month you can come into your new identity.

If you are like Benjamin held captive to fear, this is a month to be set free. Ask God to show you the habit patterns and ways of thinking that hold you in an old cycle.

Then make sure that nothing is clouding your conscience. Cleanse your conscience and receive revelation.

This is a time of confession and decree. Guard the words of your mouth. What you say now will determine your future.

Ask God to bring you into your true identity this month.





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

9th Constellation: Sagittarius (THE ARCHE) - The 9th Month In The Calendar

A time to fight against empires and cultures, a taking down of strongholds. The most gifted with the art of the bow; the only child born in the Promised Land, so watch Israel this month.

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:

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 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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