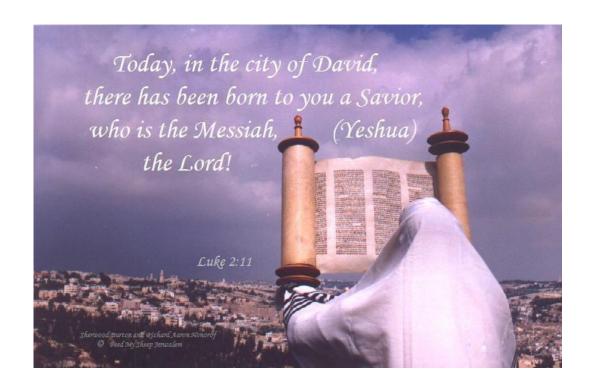
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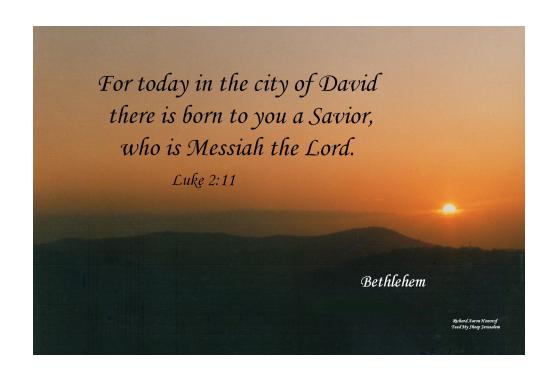
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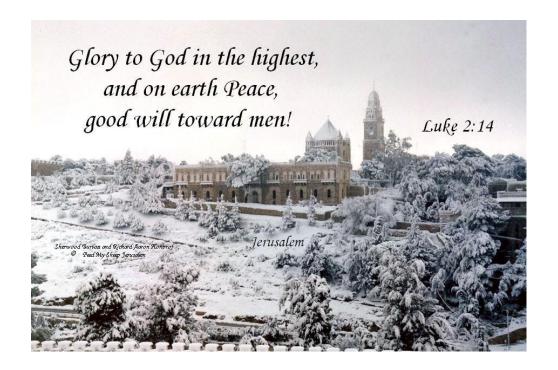


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Preface ...

These insights are my own personal conclusions about our Lord Yeshua being born on Succoth, based on many years of studying the Holy Scriptures, and being led by the Holy Spirit on what to write ...

Why has Yeshua called this book to be written?
Because our loving God wants His Body to clearly
understand the Truths on this subject of His Birthday
which He has placed in His Word, and also because
there is so much **wrong teaching** and **great deceptions**within His Body that are being taught today, especially
on this important subject of Yeshua's true Birthday.

Yeshua told us, "You shall know the Truth, and the Truth shall make you free." John 8:32 Knowing Truth also brings a greater anointing to you. The correct information about Yeshua's true Birthday will be used to help save and also encourage many of God's lost Jewish sons and daughters in the years ahead.

It is the Glory of God to conceal a matter, but it is the glory of kings to search out a matter.

Proverbs 25:2

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God does God Things [Miracles] on God Days!

Our first clues about Succoth are found in the night scene of the angel speaking keys to those shepherds staying out in the fields of Bethlehem with their sheep, at the time of Yeshua's birth. Luke 2:8-15 When did this happen?

Another way to see that Yeshua was born on Succoth is found by looking at the division or order of priest Zachariah, who is of Abijah, which is the 8th order of the 24 orders of the Aaronic priesthood. 1st Chronicles 24. If he served in the first obligatory time, then his son was born on Passover. Yeshua would then be born six months later on Succoth.

There are more keys given by Yeshua, Himself, teaching at the Feast of Succoth. Also Yeshua spoke about His own Conception, during Chanukkah, on Kislev 25. John 10:36. ... from the day the Foundation of the LORD's Temple was laid (24th of Kislev) + 9 months = Succot. Haggai 2:18, 19

Many mysteries are found in the birth story of Yochanan born to Elisheva and priest Zachariah. Zechariah was the (real Zadok high) priest, after 165 years of corruption of the Aaronic priesthood and Temple; his son Yochanan was the next mystery (Zadok high) priest and prophet coming in the spirit and power of Elijah (at Passover) to anounce his Lord and Messiah. More mystery secrets are found in the story of the virgin Miriam giving birth to Yeshua six months later;

What was the mystery relationship of these two families?

So it was, that while they were there, the days were completed for her to be delivered.

And she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. Now there were in the same country shepherds living out in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. And behold, an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the Glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were greatly afraid.

Then the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you Good News of **Great Joy** which will be to all people.

Today, there is Born to you in the city of David (Bet lechem, 'House of Bread') a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord!

[Succoth is the only Jewish biblical feast recorded as 'a time of Great Joy', the time for Great Rejoicing! Succoth is also called 'the Season of our Joy'.

It is the feast of Rejoicing!]

And this will be **the sign** to you.

You will find a Babe
wrapped in **swaddling cloths**(believed to be the priests linen undergarments),
lying in a **manger** (an animal stahl or '**succah**')."

And suddenly there was with the angel a Multitude of the Heavenly Host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth

Peace, good will toward men!"

Luke 2:7-14

This was a preface of Yeshua's Millennial Reign of Peace!

The Prince of Peace was born on Succoth!

All of the best evidence shows that Yeshua, the Son of God was born on Succoth! He died on the Cross after 3 ½ years ministry on Passover. Yeshua fulfilled these two greatest Feasts of God!

By Torah, all priests would begin ministry at age 30. Yeshua began His earthly ministry at age 30. (Luke 3:23) Yeshua began His ministry six months after His cousin Yochanan. "He will go before Him in the spirit and power of Elijah."

Luke 1:17 Elijah was expected to come at Passover.

For Yochanan's birth to be Passover, Yeshua's would be Succoth!

Some months later, (Zadok high) priest Yochanan saw Yeshua coming back to the Jordan, after His being baptized, and spoke, "Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" Yochanan's prophetic remark about Yeshua's death at Passover, was somehow also directly connected to the Yom Kippur Sacrifice. It was spoken 40 days after Yeshua had first been baptized, and then had returned to the Jordan, and met Andrew. [I believe...Yeshua left the Jordan river and went first to Nazareth, to the synagogue, and read Isaiah 61:1, 2, ... He was announcing 'the Year of Jubilee', perhaps Yom Kippur. (Leviticus 25:9, 10)] "Today, this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing." Luke 4:21 Yeshua then left Nazareth and went to the Galilee around **Succoth**, where He met Andrew and Simon, then Philip, and then Nathanael. On the third day He was invited with His disciples to a Wedding in Cana of Galilee. "Woman, My hour has not yet come!" I believe that Yeshua did **His first miracle** of water to wine during **Succoth!** Yeshua will return to earth on **Yom Kippur**; He will then hold the Marriage Supper of the Lamb in Jerusalem, on Succoth! (Matthew 3:11–4: (12, **13**) 25; 13:53, 54; Mark 1:4-27; 6:1-6; Luke 3:16-4:1-31; John 1:26-51; 2:1-11)

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The Christmas and Chanukkah seasons are a most special time of year for the whole world, especially for the believers in the Messiah Yeshua. It's special, for many still celebrate the Birth of our Lord Yeshua at this season. The Holy Spirit also makes this season very special for us with His divine Presence, giving us a deeper awareness of the reality of our Lord's birth.

But Yeshua wants us now to know more of this Truth of His Birth, especially as He is rapidly drawing His true Body of believers Homeward toward His Coming, and to our Jewish roots.

We know December 25th is not the Lord's Birthday. Many believers knows that. But now is the time for the Truth of the Lord's Conception and Birthday to be brought to Light. Yeshua Himself has said that nothing shall remain hidden, including His own special Birthday. He desires His real Birthday to be known and celebrated by His true believers.

In 1992, the Lord first directed me to write on this subject of Yeshua's Birthday, which began for me when God had me build this Scriptural Truth into my first book... called, 'THE COMING MESSIAH, The Son of David!' This was my first book, and was published in 1992, and quickly sold out.

The story of the Birth of our Lord Yeshua pehaps begins in Genesis 1:3, when God the Son looked down from Heaven, and He spoke His first Words into Creation, and He said: "Let there be light!" And there was light!

In the book of John chapter 1 verse 9, it says about Yeshua: 'That was **the True Light**, which gives light to every man that comes into the world.' God, 'the Light of the World', had now come to earth, born as a baby Boy.

This paper will explore when this happened ... the day, the Feast of God, and also the possible year! It will prove that ... Yeshua, the Son of God, was born on the first day of **Succoth**, **the 15th of Tishri**, and also possibly in the year 3 BC. The Jewish month of Tishri is in the fall, and corresponds to September - October calendar season. The root of 'succoth' = '**to dwell**.'

If Yeshua was born on Succoth, that first evening of our Lord Yeshua's birth in Bethlehem **there was a great light celebration happening in the heavens**. It is recorded in the Bible, [Luke 2:8-15], the story which we all know of the shepherds watching over their sheep at night in the fields of Bethlehem, protecting their sheep with their baby lambs, (which were born from <u>early spring to late fall</u>. This would not have been possible during the month of December [Kislev], a colder and often rainy Israeli winter month).

For God was putting on His heavenly light show in the fields over Bethlehem, to announce to all the world the birth of 'the true Light of the World', His own Son Yeshua. The shepherds in the fields that night were watching their flocks, when the angel of the LORD came upon them, and the Glory of the LORD shown round about them. And the angel said to them, "Fear not, for, behold, I bring you good tidings of Great Joy, which shall be to all people. For Today in the city of David (Bethlehem, the House of Bread) is Born to you a Savior, who is Messiah the Lord. And this shall be a sign to you, you shall find the Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger." And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of heavenly host praising God, and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth Peace, good will toward men." [Luke 2:8-14]

And he said, "Hear now, O house of David, Is it a small thing for you to weary men, but will you weary my God also? Therefore the LORD Himself shall give you a Sign; Behold, the virgin (Hebrew word 'alma') shall Conceive, and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanu El (God with us)." [Isaiah 7:13, 14] God's Sign: Conception of God in the virgin!

But there is also another less known event, which can be seen and easily verified in the Mishnah, one of the great Jewish religious historical books. For this other major event happened every year during Succoth in Jerusalem.

The night after Yeshua's birth, in Jerusalem five miles north of Bethlehem, the Mishnah records that the priests at the Temple were beginning to hold their special annual **candlestick lighting ceremony** to illumine **the Temple of God**, for it was now the second night of their greatest yearly celebration of all, the Feast of Succoth. The sabbath of the first night and first day of Succoth had just ended (dusk to dusk), and now the evening lighting ceremony could begin, and would continue every evening for six more evenings in a row, until the sabbath of the last day of Succoth. Since the first day and the eighth day of Succoth were the Feast sabbath days (Leviticus 23:39); for this special lighting ceremony could not be held on

those days. *Reference A, page 36 For according to the Jewish Sabbath Torah law, even a fire could not be kindled on the Sabbath. (Exodus 35:3)

Three enormous golden candlesticks were set up in 'the court of the women', each having four golden bowls at their top, each containing over seven gallons of oil. The priests used their **worn-out priest swaddling under garments** for the candle wicks in these giant candlesticks, for the nightly ceremonies. *Reference B, page 36

The light from this special candle lighting ceremony was so great, that it could be seen all over Jerusalem. It was the greatest light show of the year, held on that most **joyous** '**Feast of the LORD**', the celebration festival of Succoth. For God had commanded the Jewish people to **Rejoice** before the LORD for seven days during this feast. [Leviticus 23:40]

Succoth is the only Jewish biblical feast recorded as 'the Feast of great joy', the time for great rejoicing! Succoth is called 'the season of our joy', 'the Feast of Rejoicing'.

What was important about the angel's message on that second night of Succoth, was that this Birth would be a great Joy <u>for all people</u>, for God had prophesied throughout His Word that the Messiah would bring God's Salvation to the people of God throughout all the nations of the earth.

But now, let us go back to our story, to the time before Yeshua was born, and let us look carefully at this sequence of events which occurred months prior to the Lord's birth, which give us more accurate information, as to the Truth of Succoth being Yeshua's true Birthday.

- 1) Zecharias is the Aaronic priest in the Temple at Jerusalem, ministering to God at the Altar of Incense, (by the way, serving at the Altar of Incense was the position God gave only to the Aaronic High Priest [Exodus 30:7]), and then the angel Gabriel announces to Zechariah that his wife, who could not have children, would be giving birth to a special baby son. Zechariah is of the Aaronic priest division called Abijah, and his wife Elisheva is also of the daughters of Aaron, a close relative of Miriam. [Luke 1:5,8-20,36]
- 2) King David listed all the 24 Aaronic priestly division orders in First Chronicles 24, and Abijah was the eighth order in line to serve two times during the year in the Temple at Jerusalem. [First Chronicles 24:10]
- 3) Priests began their service from the first month of their yearly religious calendar year, and from the first day of the first month called Nisan (Aviv), corresponding to our months of March through April.

[Example: on the 14th day of this 1st month of Nisan is Passover.] Each priest order would serve one week in the Temple twice a year, so the order of Abijah would normally serve in the Temple around 8 weeks after the year began. However, two more weeks must be added, for all the priests had to serve together by Torah law, for both Pesach (Passover) and Shavuot, since both Feasts occurred before the eight week of the new year.

It would therefore have been 10 weeks after the start of that new year, in June thru July, when Zecharias was told by the angel Gabriel that his wife Elisheva would have a baby son. Elisheva hid herself for five months [Luke 1:24], and then in the sixth month of her pregnancy the angel Gabriel was sent by God to Nazareth, to visit a virgin named Miriam, betrothed to Joseph, who was of the house and lineage of David of the tribe of Judah. [Luke 1:26, 27] That would have been sometime during December.

4) Miriam was then told by the angel Gabriel that her close relative Elisheva was six months pregnant (with Yochanan, whose birth was then expected around Passover). Yochanan, six months older than cousin Yeshua, would begin his ministry thirty years later, six months before Yeshua, at Passover time. Remember the angel Gabriel had told Zecharias that Yochanan would go before the LORD in the spirit and power of Elijah. Oral Jewish tradition was that Eliyahu would appear at Passover, to announce the coming of the Messiah. [Luke 1:17; Malachi 3:1 and Malachi 4:5,6]

Miriam is also told by the angel Gabriel that she will have God's Baby, who will be called **Yeshua** ('**Salvation**'). [Luke 1:30-38] June plus six months = December, when Miriam was told that she will have this special baby Boy, Yeshua... 'And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name Yeshua ('Salvation'), for **He will save** ('**Yehoshua**') **His people from their sins**.' [Matthew 1:21]

I believe that **Yeshua's** time of **Conception** was **prophesied** by God to be the 24th of Kisley, just before the winter feast of **Chanukkah**, an eight day celebration, also called '**the Feastival of Lights**', which always begins on the 25th of Kisley, and it normally occurs during the month of December.

In the book of the prophet Haggai, we read the following prophesy concerning this Kislev 24th date ... 'Consider now from this day and upward, from the four and twentieth day of the ninth month [Kislev], even from the day that the foundation of the LORD's Temple was laid, consider it. ... from this day (the 24th of Kislev) I will bless you.' Haggai 2:18, 19

God was telling us **the exact date of our Lord's Yeshua's <u>Conception</u>** in Miriam's womb! On December 22nd, 2012, the Lord **confirmed** this to me in His Word, showing me in the Gospel of John exactly where Yeshua had indicated about **His Conception**, and on what specific day. But now, let's go back to our story ...

Then Joseph, being aroused from sleep, did as the angel of the Lord commanded him and took to him his wife, and did not know her until she had brought forth her firstborn Son. And he called His name **Yeshua**. Matthew 1:24, 25 (see also Luke 1:31-33)

- 5) Adding the time from Conception in December, <u>from the 24th of Kislev</u>, the normal gestation time for a healthy baby child to be born of 40 weeks, we come to Succoth. This is additional proof of Yeshua's Birth being on this feast of Succoth.
- 6) There are **seven feasts of the LORD** listed in Leviticus 23:1-44. These are also found in Numbers 28:16 thru 29:40. All the major events of Lord Yeshua's life <u>were fulfillments of these feasts</u>. There are three fall feasts. Yom Teruah (Rosh HaShanah), Yom Kippur, and Succoth (Feast of Tabernacles), all occur during the seventh Hebrew month of Tishri. They occur the 1st, the 10th, and Succot begins the 15th and concludes on the 21st of Tishri, with the Tishri 22nd being a Sabbath, and also another special Jewish celebration day, Simchat Torah.
- 7) Of the seven feasts of the LORD, **three of them** were specifically commanded for all the men to keep, and in Jerusalem. (see Exodus 23:17, Exodus 34:23-24 and Deuteronomy 16:16)

These three feasts or **pilgrimage festivals** were **Pesach** (Passover), **Shavout** or **Weeks** (Pentecost), and **Succoth** or **Tabernacles**. Succoth is the only one of these three greatest feasts that occurs in the fall season, and also is the only one where the people were commanded 'to rejoice'. In fact, the command to rejoice is mentioned three times in the Scriptures in relation to this Feast of Succoth; it is called 'the Feast of Rejoicing.'

- a) And you shall **Rejoice before the LORD your God for seven days**. [Leviticus 23:40];
- b) And you shall Rejoice in your Feast... [Deuteronomy 16:14];

c) Seven days you shall keep a sacred Feast to the LORD your God in the place which the LORD chooses, because the LORD your God will bless you in all your produce and in all the work of your hands, therefore you shall surely **rejoice**. [Deuteronomy 16:15] This place later became Jerusalem.

The only other time we find the word rejoice being used regarding any of the other feasts is the feast of **Shavuot** or **Weeks** (Pentecost), where the term rejoice is used once ... And you shall rejoice before the LORD your God... [Deuteronomy 16:11]

Yeshua said on the cross, "It is finished!" He had come and fulfilled Jewish law. We know that He had been the fulfillment of Pesach (Passover) at His death, and Shavuot (Pentecost) after He ascended into Heaven to release the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, or the Ruach HaKodesh, to birth the Body of the Ecclesia (the called-out ones). It is interesting to note that Shavuot is also the same Feast that God used to birth the nation of Israel in the Sinai over 1500 years prior when He gave the Ten Commandments.

With this greatest of all Feasts of the LORD, **Succoth**, just how had Yeshua fulfilled this Feast? On the Cross He said: "**It is finished!**" What had God done, and also has yet to do to fulfill the Feast of Succoth through Yeshua's life? Let's take a look ...

The Feast of Succoth is <u>Yeshua's Birthday</u> and Birth Feast, which this booklet shows, for the purpose of the Salvation of God's Jewish people, and for Gentile believers to learn this real Truth, so they can begin celebrating the actual biblical Birthday of Lord Yeshua, which is a day in the Scriptures which we will be celebrated in Jerusalem for a 1000 years, in the ages to come. (see Zechariah 14:16)

The Feast of Succoth or Tabernacles is the greatest celebration feast of the LORD! It is called '**The Feast**'. It is the great fall harvest festival. And it is also called '**the Feast of Ingathering**'. [Exodus 23:16]

Now I wish to address <u>another most important point</u> ... What did **the Son of God**, **Lord Yeshua**, accomplish for all mankind **at His Birthday** on the Feast of Succoth?

Yeshua is the fulfillment of this great Feast of **Succoth** by something extremely important which God accomplished for all humanity **at His birth**. What was it?

Yeshua restored <u>Spiritual Life</u> and <u>true Sonship</u> back into the earth for mankind at His Conception and His Birth, our identity, who we really are as true sons of God.

Yeshua brought back into the earth the Spiritual Life of God, restoring direct connection to Father God, from inside a Man, who called Himself 'the Son of Man'. God's Life had been cut off inside of mankind from the time of Adam and Eve. Also Authority over the earth, first given by God to Adam and Eve, was now taken back by this Son of Man at birth, for all mankind.

As in Adam, all fell, so in **Yeshua**, all would now be offered the free gift of true **sonship** with Father God. Yeshua came at **Birth** to make mankind '**every whit whole**', which would only be realized after <u>His shed **Blood** and **death** on the Cross</u> at Passover.

Remember that time right after Yeshua's Conception, when Miriam entered the room, greeting her close relative (her mother's sister, her aunt) Elisheva, that the babe leaped with joy inside the womb of Elisheva, and Elisheva was filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied. Luke 1:40-55

God was showing us here that <u>Life begins at Conception</u> for the Son of God, and also for all children of God's creation!

Genesis 1:26-28 Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; <u>let them have dominion</u> over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; <u>have dominion</u> over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

Psalm 8:4-8 What is man that You are mindful of him, and the son of man that You visit him? For You have made him a little lower **than Elohim**, and You have crowned him with glory and honor. You have made him to have <u>dominion</u> over the works of Your hands; You have put all things under his feet, all sheep and oxen, even the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea that pass through the paths of the seas.

Psalm 115:16 The heaven, even the heavens, are the LORD's; but the earth He has given to the children of men.

Sonship, which had been lost with Adam and Eve's fall in the Garden of Eden, would now be fully restored to mankind. Born-again believers would now be able to walk in New Life, fully accomplished with Yeshua's shed Blood at the Cross, and His physical death and His Resurrection.

In John 10:34, Yeshua stated to the religious Jews, "Is it not written in your Psalms, 'I said, "You are gods?" It concludes "... but you shall die as men." Psalm 82:6 That would soon change; for believers would no longer die as men, but now would be able to die and be immediately taken to Heaven (no more staying in a holding place in the earth) and live Eternally as true sons of God. Adam, son of God ... Luke 3:38 (...to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord. 2nd Corinthians 5:8)

Again I ask you, as Yeshua's disciples, this question... What did Lord Yeshua redeem for mankind at His own Birth on Succoth, since His whole Life was one of both redemption and the fulfillment of God's purposes and Promises for mankind?

He redeemed birth for mankind, and who we really are in Him, as our Creator! The LORD gave us the answer in His Word, 'every whit whole', which He spoke as He began to teach on Succoth, in John 7:23.

When I asked the Lord what 'every whit whole' means, He referred me to Yeshua's teachings in John 10:34-38.

John 10:38 "... though you do not believe Me, believe the works, that you may know and believe that the Father is in Me, and I in Him." John 8:24 "Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I am He, you will die in your sins."

Yeshua restored for us our true identity in God; we are, and have always been God's real sons and daughters, but we had all been Spiritually dead since Adam, until Yeshua was Born on Succoth!

Then Pilate ... called Yeshua, and said to Him, "Are You the King of the Jews?"

Yeshua answered,

"My Kingdom is not of this world.

If My Kingdom were of this world,

My servants would fight,

so that I should not be delivered to the Jews;

but now My Kingdom is not from here."

Pilate therefore said to Him,

"Are You a King then?" Yeshua answered,

"You rightly say that I am a King.

For this cause I was Born, and for this cause have I come into the world, that I should bear witness to the Truth.

Everyone who is of the Truth hears My voice."

John 18:33, 36, 37

Succoth is a seven day feast, where all Jews are commanded to rejoice before the LORD your God for seven days. The first day is a solemn rest day, a sabbath, and the eighth day is also a solemn rest day. (Leviticus 23:33-36, 39-41 and Numbers 29:12-35) To keep this seven day feast in the seventh month shall be **a statute forever** in your generations. [Leviticus 23:41]

- 8) Joseph and Miriam were in Nazareth, and she, a virgin, pregnant, and very near to having her baby. Scripture says that Caesar Augustus issued a decree that all the world should be registered, and all went to be registered, everyone to his own city. Joseph and Miriam went up from Nazareth in the Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because Joseph was of the house and lineage of David. Miriam, his espoused, was great with Child. [Luke 2:1-5]
- 9) Let me ask you this question, and <u>I especially ask men who will read this</u> ... If you were Joseph, and your betrothed wife Miriam was ready to have her baby, and you were about 100 miles away from Bethlehem, in Nazareth of the Galilee, maybe a week's hard journey through mountains, would you take this journey with Miriam, traveling with her, walking and using a mule, when Miriam is about ready to have her first Child, especially <u>if this Roman decree gave you ample time to register</u> your names for this census?

Let's say, if the decree gave the people a few months to take care of it, would you endanger your betrothed wife and future child by taking this hard journey, especially for just a Roman census? Remember, all the people of Israel had to journey all over Israel to register at the place of their ancestral lineage.

It is very likely that the census provided ample time for its fulfillment. (In the book, 'Signs In The Heavens', it states that the time period for this census was between the summer of 3 BC to the fall of 2 BC.) See the point! Most of us would never have taken our pregnant wife, so close to childbirth, on this difficult journey. So what could have caused this couple to leave Nazareth? It must have been something to do with **obeying Torah law!**

In any case we find Joseph and Miriam on the long road to Bethlehem that time of year, when she was not only pregnant, but ready to deliver her first Baby. What could it have been?

- 10) Remember this is Jewish Israel, and it is in the fall season. **The Feasts of the LORD must be kept!** The Torah clearly states that <u>all the men</u> must come up to Jerusalem for the great fall Feast of Succoth. (Exodus 23:17; Exodus 34:23-24; Deuteronomy 16:16) They must have come up from Nazareth in order to attend the Feast of Succoth in Jerusalem. Bethlehem was five miles directly south of Jerusalem, only an easy two hours walk.
- 11) By what means God used to get this couple to Bethlehem, whether they knew the prophesy from Micah 5:2-4, that the Savior would be born in Bethlehem of Judea, we don't know. "But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of you One shall come forth to Me to be Ruler in Israel, whose goings forth are from of old, from eternity. Therefore He shall give them up, until the time that she who is in labor has given Birth; then the remnant of His brethren shall return to the children of Israel. And He shall stand and feed His flock in the Strength of the LORD, in the Majesty of the name of the LORD His God. And They shall abide, for now He shall be Great to the ends of the earth; and this One shall be Peace." [Micah 5:2-5]

Perhaps the thought occurred to them that as long as they were so close to Bethlehem, to walk the extra five miles south of Jerusalem and also take care of the Roman census. We may not know the exact answer. What we do know is that God was in charge, and that they obeyed, for we find them arriving in Bethlehem. "So it was, that while they were there, the days were completed for her to be delivered. And she brought forth her firstborn Son and wrapped Him <u>in swaddling clothes</u> and laid Him in <u>a manger</u>, because there was no room for them in the inn." Luke 2:6, 7

12) If a Roman census is over a period of months, why was Bethlehem [House of Bread] so crowded with people when they arrived, that there was no place to stay at the inn? What was going on in Bethlehem, the main town by the trade routes just south of Jerusalem, during that time of year that made the town so crowded with people that the inn was full?

Could it be due to the Roman census, or was it something else, like the crowds of people hurrying to get to the great fall Feasts in Jerusalem, only five miles directly north? 13) Miriam was about to give Birth to her first Son. The Spiritual Temple of God, the Son of God, Yeshua, was about to be Birthed on the earth.

Let me ask you another pertinent question. On what feast was **the first physical Temple of God**, the one that King Solomon built in Jerusalem, <u>finished</u>, <u>completed</u>, <u>and dedicated to God</u>, with **the Ark** of the Covenant?

Answer: **Succoth!** '... on **the feast of Tabernacles** ... Thus Solomon finished the House of the LORD...' [Second Chronicles 5:1, 3, 12-14; 7:8, 11 and First Kings 8:65, 66]

The Lord had also showed me another most important point while studying rabbinical accounts from the Mishnah concerning Moses and the Tabernacle that was built in the Sinai, and the early history of the biblical feasts; a discovery which can easily be verified in Bible Scriptures.

The children of Israel left Egypt after Passover, crossed the Red Sea, traveling until they came to Mount Sinai, where God came down to the top of that Mountain with thunder and lightning, and the sound of the Shofar, (on Shavuot), fifty days after leaving Egypt. Then Moses went up to the top of Mount Sinai for 40 days. We know that He did this two different times.

But between those two forty day periods on top of Mount Sinai, Moses also fasted on the ground another forty days, ate no food and drank no water. And when he finally came down from this second 40 days on top of Mount Sinai, it was 120 days in all; and on the 10th of Tishri, a day which later became known as the Day of Atonement, or Yom Kippur. He had now received the second tablets of the Ten Commandments, along with God's forgiveness for the people of Israel, having interceded before God because of the sin which the people had committed by worshiping the golden calf. [see Exodus 24:18; Exodus 32:30; 34:27; Deuteronomy 9:18;]

Moses then directed the people to bring in articles to the LORD for the building of the Tabernacle. Five days later Israel began the building of the Tabernacle, under the direction of Moses. And guess what biblical day that became? Yes, the building of the first Tabernacle in the Sinai wilderness was begun on the 15th of Tishri, a day that later became named by God as **Succoth**, or **the feast of Tabernacles**. [Exodus 36:8]

And when the Tabernacle in the Sinai was finished, the Glory-cloud came down, and the Glory filled the Tabernacle, and Moses was not able to enter the Tabernacle, because the cloud rested above the Tabernacle, and the Glory of the LORD filled the Tabernacle. [Exodus 40:33-35]

This same wonderful outpouring of **the Glory** of the LORD also happened when King Solomon dedicated **the first Temple in Jerusalem** on **Succoth,** the Feast of Tabernacles. [2nd Chronicles 5:1,13, 14]

A similar experience happened to **Yeshua**, when He reached the legal priest age of thirty. When He was baptized at the Jordan River by His cousin Yochanan, it says that **the Spirit of God came Mightily upon Him**. [Matthew 3:16, 17] For He began His ministry around the time of Succoth.

By the way, could that spot where Yeshua was baptized have been the same spot on the Jordan River where Elijah was taken up into heaven and where Elisha was given a double portion anointing?

14) Continuing with our account of the birth of Yeshua: 'And she brought forth her firstborn Son, wrapped him <u>in swaddling clothes</u>, and laid him in <u>a manger</u>...' [Luke 2:7]

Let's now look at the Jewish laws of Torah, in relation to the Feast of Succoth, which tell us what type of structure the people were instructed to live in during this Feast, a Feast which God has commanded the Jewish people to keep forever ... 'You shall dwell in succahs seven days; all that are native Israelites shall dwell in succahs; that your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in succahs, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt. I am the LORD your God.' [Leviticus 23:42,43]

Since it was **the Lord God of Israel** who was being Born on earth, Yeshua's own birth was to be very simple and humble, but still very special. And His Birth **would also have to fulfill all Torah law**. It was to occur on the **greatest Jewish celebration day** and season of the year of all the seven Feasts of the LORD. **It was the Feast of Succoth!** Yeshua's Birthday was the 15th of Tishri, and on a Sabbath day, on the first day of the Feast of Succoth, perhaps in the year 3 BC.

Yeshua would then begin His earthly ministry around Succoth, thirty years later, perhaps in 26 AD or 27 AD; and would minister for 3 and 1/2 years, until He was crucified on Passover, the 14th of Nisan, most likely in the year 30 AD.

In Yeshua's life was Yeshua's Birthday ever celebrated? Probably not. Why? Most likely to protect His mother and the whole family's reputation.

In Luke 2:1, 2, it says: 'And it came to pass in those days that a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. The census was first made when Quirinius was governor of Syria.'

Josephus recorded that <u>a lunar eclipse</u> happened just prior to King Herod's death, and that he may have died on April 1st, 4 BC. We also find other evidence showing King Herod may have died on January 14, 1 BC. Astronomy shows that two lunar eclipses happened during this time period, one on March 13, 4 BC, and the other on January 10th, 1 BC.

The wise men [perhaps Jewish sages from the east] came to King Herod (Matthew 2:1-12) sometime before Herod's death. For when the wise men did not return to him, Herod ordered all baby boys of Bethlehem murdered, from two years of age and under. Because of certain findings on the time allowed to fulfill this Roman census, being from 3 BC to 2 BC, and because of certain astronomy findings [see the book 'Signs in The Heavens'], this author believes that Yeshua was perhaps born in 3 BC. However, there is no positive proof which I have ever seen absolutely proving the year when Yeshua was born. [Did wise men know prophesy of Numbers 24:17, 18?]

On the fifteenth year of Tiberius Caesar ... [his reign started August 19, 14 AD, and by Hebrew counting August is still the first year, with the next month on Rosh HaShanah starting the second year, (because the counting for the years of a king's reign began from Nisan and not Tishri), so this could be 27 AD], we read that the Word of God came to Yochanan in the wilderness, and he began his ministry at age 30, around Passover time. Six months later his cousin Yeshua would begin His own ministry after being baptized and then fasting for 40 days. [Luke 3:1]

If these dates are accurate or even close to being accurate, it has been over two thousand years since the Birth of Yeshua on Succoth, in 3 BC.

Lord Yeshua was born the first day of the Feast of Succoth in a 'succah' or in English 'a booth', an outdoor open-air structure, covered with reminders of God's Salvation and Redemption of His Jewish people from their slavery and affliction in Egypt. Also reminders of the time in the wilderness when the Jewish people had nothing but God Himself, who protected, and led, and sustained the children of Israel for forty years with food and water, and with 'His Chupah'. The Cloud for a covering by day and Fire by night were symbolic of 'the Chupah', or Marriage canopy, God's special covering which He had placed over His people Israel.

The wilderness experience in the 'succah' is also God's teaching, perhaps to see something of the 1000 year Millennial Reign which we will soon be entering with our Messiah Yeshua. And the supernatural setting and provisions which God provided then, He will also be doing again for His believing Body during **the Great Tribulation years** which are just ahead.

Yeshua would have spent the first seven days of His life in a 'succah' in Bethlehem to fulfill Jewish Torah law! The Lord Yeshua was born in a Jewish 'succah'; He was not born in a manger! In fact another name for this feast is 'Feast of Booths'. Is the word manger found in Judaism? We see this word used three times in Luke's English translation account of Yeshua's birth story from the Greek. [Luke 2:7, 12, 16] Perhaps the Hebrew word 'avus', meaning a feeding crib or animal feeding stall, may be another possibility for what Luke might have been describing. Isaiah 1:3

Luke, a physician who was writing to a Greek audience, may not have used the English word <u>manger</u>; however he may have used the Greek term 'phatne', an animal stall, used to describe this particular structure. Luke also would not have used the Hebrew word 'succah' or 'booth' for his Greek readers. In our English version of the Greek New Testament, we find the word manger used for the Greek word 'phatne'. In Luke 13:15, we find the same Greek word 'phatne' used in a quote by Yeshua, when He talked about taking your ox or your ass out of the stall.

In Genesis 33:17, we find Jacob referring to his cattle stall as a 'succah' or 'booth'. Thus the Bible does have the correct biblical Jewish term for such a structure. A 'succah' was always used as the dwelling which the Jewish people lived in, especially during the 7 day Feast of Succoth.

If Lord Yeshua was born on Succoth, then He would have been born in a very humbly Jewish '**succah**', to fulfill the Jewish Torah laws for Succoth. This is our Jewish heritage concerning the birth of Yeshua, our Savior!

15) On Yeshua's eighth day, this little baby Boy was **circumcised**. Only then could He be given His name Yeshua (**'Salvation'**) by his father Yosef. [Luke 2:21 and Luke 1:59-64; Matthew 1:21]

This eighth day, which was the second sabbath day of Succoth was also another special Jewish celebration day and a day of solemn rest, on the 22nd of Tishri. [Leviticus 23: 34-43; Luke 2:21]

The eighth day of Succoth is called **Shemini Atzeret**, which means 'the eighth day of gathering', and the end of that eighth day is called **Simchat Torah**, which means '**Rejoicing in the Torah**'.

That special day commemorates 'the joy of the Torah.' For on that day the yearly cycle of reading the five books of Moses (or the Torah) in the synagogues is ended and is started all over again from Genesis 1:1.

What are the legal aspects of <u>God's Covenant of circumcision</u> with His Jewish children? Remember, we are dealing with a Jewish Birth, and also a Jewish festival and festival season.

'And I will give to you, and to your seed after you, **the land** of your sojournings, **all the land of Canaan**, <u>for an everlasting possession</u>; and **I will be your God**. **This is My Covenant**, which you shall keep, between Me and you, and your seed after you. Every male among you shall be circumcised ... a token of a Covenant between Me and you. And he that is eight days old ... My Covenant shall be in your flesh for an Everlasting Covenant.' [Genesis 17:8, 10-12, 13] [The earth is the LORD's!]

When Baby Yeshua was circumcised at eight days old, what was His inheritance that He received from His Father GOD ... and also from His earthly great grandfather ... King David?

'And the land shall not be sold forever: for the land (Israel) is Mine! And you are strangers and sojourners with Me.' [Leviticus 25:23]

Does this mean that <u>all the land of Israel</u> belongs to the Lord Yeshua?

Yes!

And David bought the threshing-floor for six hundred shekels of gold by weight, which became the Temple grounds, from Ornan the Jebusite. [1st Chronicles 21:22-26; 22:1] But we also read in another scripture that David bought the threshing floor of Arau'nah the Jebusite for fifty shekels of silver, and built an altar to the LORD. [2nd Samuel 24:18-25] Was this a second altar? [The Orthodox Jews believe that this was a second location and also where the red heifers were offered.]

Therefore **the Temple grounds** legally belonged to king David, and also to the Promised Son of king David, King Yeshua!

Ezekiel 45 shows the division of the land for the Millennial Kingdom. And the LORD shall inherit Judah, His portion in the holy land, and shall again choose Jerusalem. [Zechariah 2:12]

'You shall not make **My Father's House** a House of merchandise.' (John 2:16) Here we see that Yeshua actually had the legal right to evict and to cast out those money changers who were defiling His Father's House, God's Holy Temple in Jerusalem! (seen also in Luke 19:46)

16) The angel of the Lord announced to the shepherds: 'And this shall be a sign to you; You shall find the Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a 'succah' (animal stall).' What does the sign of swaddling clothes mean? It has been written in the Mishnah that the swaddling clothes were the priests wornout undergarments, used for candle wicks to ignite the great bowls of oil at the Temple candle lighting ceremony held during the nights of the Succoth Celebration festival. But those particular swaddling clothes that Miriam wrapped Baby Yeshua in were probably given her by her close relatives ('karov') Elisheva and her husband priest Zecharias, the mystery Zadok high priest. Was Yeshua wrapped in the high priest's garments?

The Lord's Birth has been a well kept secret for almost two thousand years. But very soon Yeshua will return to earth, and these biblical Truths are now being brought to light by the Holy Spirit for all to see for the sake of the Salvation of God's Jewish people. Jewish people will learn that Yeshua fulfilled the three great Jewish feasts: Succoth was only partially fulfilled at His Birth, (but will be totally fulfilled during the Marriage Supper of the Lamb in Jerusalem, launching Yeshua's Millennial Reign on earth;) Pesach or Passover at His Death; First Fruits of barley at His Resurrection and Ascension into Heaven, which led to the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and birthing of the Church (Ecclesia) on Shavuot (First Fruits of wheat.)

17) Yeshua's Birthday was not only kept <u>a secret</u>, but in the book of John **during the Feast of Succoth**, this word **secret** was used twice in reference to Yeshua and to this Feast... His brothers therefore said to Him, "Depart from here and go into Judea, that Your disciples also may see the works that You are doing. For no one does anything in secret while he himself seeks to be known openly. If You do these things, show Yourself to the world." For even His brothers did not believe in Him. "I am not yet going up to this Feast, for <u>My time has not yet fully come</u> (& Succoth was not yet fully fulfilled)". But when His brothers had gone up, then He also went up to the Feast (of Succoth), not openly, but as it were in secret. "My doctrine is not Mine, but **His who sent Me** (at Birth)." "But I know Him, for I am from Him, and **He sent Me!**" [John 7:3-5, 8, 10, 16, 18, 28] Here Yeshua is clearly telling about **being sent into the world on His Birthday**, on the Feast of **Succoth**.

18) The Church's celebration of Christmas and Easter, using December 25th for the Lord's birthday, and Easter for the Lord's Resurrection day are not found in the Hebrew Bible. They are pagan names and dates. They should not be mixed with God's Truths by those who are Yeshua's real disciples.

December 25th is a Roman holiday for the birthday of the sun; not the Son of God. The name Easter is either the name of the Chaldean goddess Astarte, queen of heaven, or Eostre, the Teutonic goddess of light, or Eastra, the goddess of spring of the Saxons, to whom sacrifices were offered. These are all connected to demonic worship, idolatry, and abomination.

With Lord Yeshua's return now so near, we must walk in God's truths, and not those of the Roman emperor Constantine, who hated both the Jews and their Jewish heritage. Christianity became the religion of the Roman empire in 312 AD. The first mention of December 25th for celebrating the Lord's Birthday was in 336 AD; but the Christians in Jerusalem resisted this pagan date of December 25th, until the sixth century.

[Clarence Wagner, Bridges for Peace, Jerusalem, November-Dec, 1995]

Succoth is the real Birthday of Lord Yeshua; the Lord's true Birthday is the 15th of Tishri, in the fall, and not during the winter on December 25th.

The Lord's Resurrection Day is called 'First Fruits' or 'Ha Bikkurim'; it was never called Easter! It is a Jewish biblical Feast day found in the Scriptures. [Leviticus 23:10, 11] The first day of Unleavened Bread is a Sabbath, and 'First Fruits of barley' occurs the next day, usually two days after Passover, on the 16th (or 17th) of Nisan, during the feast season of Passover and Unleavened Bread. This celebration day of 'First Fruits', or 'Yom Ha Bikkurim' (the root word means first born son) is Yeshua's Resurrection Day! He is the First Fruits from the dead for all those who have already gone before us, and for those of us who will follow.

About 3000 years ago, Yeshua appeared from Heaven to Joshua by Jericho, and announced Himself as 'the Captain of the Hosts of the LORD', on that same day of first fruits, on the 16th day of Nisan. And there in Israel, Yeshua gave Joshua (Yehoshua) the battle plans for the first Israeli military victory at Jericho. [Joshua 5:13]

The true biblical names and dates for **Lord Yeshua's Birthday** and **Resurrection Day** have always been in the Scriptures. These are major Jewish biblical holidays, commanded by God to be observed forever. These truths need to be re-established, not only for the sake of the Body of believers in Yeshua, His Ecclesia or 'called-out ones' of Jews and Gentiles, but also more importantly for those unsaved Jews who have not yet found their Salvation in their promised Jewish Messiah!

The Jewish community knows that December 25th and Easter have nothing to do with the Bible, nothing to do with any Jewish truths in God's Word, in either the Old or New Covenant. The Jewish community watches the Christian Church which still keeps these pagan beliefs and holidays. The Church does not provoke the Jewish community to jealousy with these errors; for it only hinders them from accepting Yeshua as their Messiah! It also gives our enemy added ammunition to help keep the Jewish people away from seeking the real Truths found in the Scriptures and being saved.

Yeshua says in His Word, "You shall know the Truth, and the Truth shall set you free." In fact, guess what feast Yeshua spoke that on? Yes, He gave this Word during **the Feast of Succoth**. [John 8:31, 32]

Get to know Yeshua's biblical feasts, feasts which you will be forever celebrating with our King and High Priest Yeshua in His Kingdom on earth!

19) **Succoth** or the Feast of Tabernacles will be **that Great Feast** that God commanded to be Celebrated in the Millennial Kingdom on earth, during Messiah Yeshua's thousand year Reign as **KING of Kings and LORD of Lords**. As Scripturally recorded, "And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall go up from year to year **to worship the King** [Yeshua], **the LORD of hosts**, and **to keep** the Feast of Tabernacles (**Succoth**). And it shall be, that whichever of the families of the earth do not come up to Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, on them shall be no rain (no Holy Spirit blessing)." [Zechariah 14:16-21]

Succoth is called 'the Feast of the Nations', for it will be the Feast when all the nations must come up to worship the LORD in Jerusalem. Remember what the Angel of the LORD said about the Messiah's Birth, that it would be, "Good News of great Joy which shall be for all people." (Luke 2:10)

On every Feast of Succoth, during the seven days of the Feast, 70 bulls were sacrificed [seen from Deuteronomy 32:8]. Being that then there were 70 nations in the world, God may have also been using Israel's sacrifice at this Feast as an intercession for the sins of the nations of the world.

Messiah Yeshua was called by His Father to bring both Israel and the nations back to God... 'Indeed He says, It is too small a thing that You should be My Servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved ones of Israel; I will also give You as a Light to the nations, that You should be My Salvation to the ends of the earth.' [Isaiah 49:6]

Let's see what truths Yeshua Himself <u>taught on Succoth</u>, found from the seventh through ninth chapters of the book of John, which might give us more keys that this Feast was truly Yeshua's real Birthday Feast ...

20) In John 7:22, in the midst of the Feast of Succoth, Yeshua begins teaching, after first stating that He is from God. [7:14-21] He begins by saying, "Moses therefore gave you circumcision, and you on the Sabbath day circumcise a man. (He begins by first teaching about circumcision, which happens to a baby boy eight days after birth.) If a man on the Sabbath day receives circumcision, that the law of Moses should not be broken; are you angry at Me, because I have made a man 'every whit whole' on the Sabbath day." Yeshua mentions God's Covenant of circumcision, with its two-fold promises, and on this Feast of Succoth, He also adds the words 'every whit whole' and on the Sabbath, to God's Covenant of circumcision.

I ask you this question, What did Yeshua mean by 'every whit whole,' and on the Sabbath day? This is the first thing that Yeshua teaches on His Birthday Feast of Succoth.

On that future Day, the Seventh Day, the Day of Rest, God's Great Sabbath Day, the thousand year Reign of Yeshua on earth, we are to be 'every whit whole', to be who we really are, the Eternal sons and daughters of the Most High God, because of Yeshua's sacrifice!

21) Then in John 7:37-39, Yeshua announces... In the last day, that seventh day of the Feast (called Hoshanah Rabbah, the Great Hoshanah) ... Yeshua stood and cried saying, "If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink. He that believes on Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his belly (heart) shall flow rivers of living water." He spoke these words because of the special Succoth festival events going on all that week in the Temple ...

That seventh day of Succoth, and for six days prior, as recorded in the Mishnah, the whole body of Temple priests had performed another special ceremony. It was the water pouring ceremony on the Temple altar, to commemorate Succoth. The head priest had gone daily to the pool of Siloam to gather water in a container, and his assistant had also gotten a container of wine. Other priests had gotten willow branches, and the people sang, 'Behold, God is my yeshua (salvation) ... Therefore with joy shall you draw water out of the wells of yeshuah (salvation)'. [Isaiah 12:1-3]. And the priests sang from Psalm 118:25 the words 'Save Now' ('Hoshanah') seven times, on that last day. The priests placed their willow branches around the altar to form a 'Succah'. The head priest and his assistant climbed up, and from high above the altar they poured the water and wine down on the altar.

Then into this special water-pouring ceremony came Messiah Yeshua to announce that He was the fulfillment of what they sought on Succoth, that He alone was that **Living Water** that could quench their thirst forever.

Yeshua taught them about the outpouring of the Ruach HaKodesh, referring to the great outpouring rains just before the Millennial Age. Yeshua may have been teaching from Zechariah 13:1; 14:16,17; or Jeremiah 17;13,14; or Ezekiel 36:24-27.

22) And then the people began to discuss openly about the birth of the Messiah, and the Holy Scriptures concerning where He would be born... 'Of a truth this is the Prophet.' Others said, 'This is the Messiah.' But some said, 'Shall Messiah come out of Galilee? Has not the Scripture said, that Messiah comes of the seed of David, and out of the town of Bethlehem, where David was?' [John 7:40-42].

And then the priests and Pharisees also began to argue about the Messiah. 'Search, and look, for out of Galilee no prophet arises.' [John 7:45-52]. They had obviously overlooked the Messianic prophecy of Isaiah 9:1, 2.

All this happened on that last day or seventh day of the Feast of Succoth. 23) And then the next morning, the eighth day, and the conclusion of the Feast, the day of solemn rest, the day known as Shemini Atzeret and also Simchat Torah ['rejoicing in the Torah'], the scribes and pharisees brought to Yeshua a woman caught in adultery. They attempted to trap Him by Torah law, with a case of adultery. But why adultery? Because they were really attacking His character, with something they had heard about His childhood.

Perhaps Yeshua was instantly reminded of His own birth and childhood, thirty three years prior, when His mother Miriam was pregnant with Him, and had traveled those many miles with her betrothed Yosef, from Nazareth to Bethlehem, being 'great with child'. Was Miriam really able to hide her pregnancy from the eyes of all those in Nazareth, who daily saw her stomach getting bigger and bigger, and many wondered what had happened to her, since she was betrothed to Yosef, but never formally married. Had they had a formal wedding ceremony and the community marriage supper, along with the customary seven days of celebration for Yosef and Miriam, with the traditional Jewish bridal week consummating their marriage?

There could not have been, for this would have meant <u>sexual relationship</u> by Jewish wedding customs, with the wedding guests present, and also being informed of the sexual act consummating their marriage, as a traditional part of the Jewish marriage celebration before the wedding supper was over.

For the Scripture said that Yosef knew her not until after Yeshua's birth. [Matthew 1:25] Even then, by Torah law, they had to wait <u>another 8 days</u> for baby Yeshua's circumcision and then 33 more days, before they could enjoy sexual intimacy together as husband and wife. [Leviticus 12; 3, 4]

They could not consummate their marriage until after this divine Child of God was Born, so no one would be able to say that this Son came from Yosef's loins. Perhaps this is why Yeshua may never have had any formal Birthday; His Birthday was probably **kept a secret** for His family's sake.

Were rumors about fornication something that Yeshua had lived with from His childhood? And did His mother suffer much from an unkind Nazarene community, because of her obedience to God, and God's great plan for the Salvation and Redemption of mankind through her Son Yeshua?

And Yosef, if Yeshua was born in Bethlehem on the Feast of Succoth, by Torah, where was Yosef supposed to be? He was really supposed to be in Jerusalem for this great fall festival of Succoth! But he would not disobey God, nor would he leave his wife Miriam and newborn Son in Bethlehem. [see Micah 5:2]

Later on that eighth day of Succoth, Yeshua accused certain of the Jews of seeking to kill him, and they, knowing that He had freed a woman caught in adultery that same morning, respond to His accusation in a most unusual manner... Yeshua says, "If you were Abraham's children, you would do the works of Abraham. But now you seek to kill Me, a Man that has told you the truth, which I heard of God. This did not Abraham. You do the deeds of your father."

Then said they to Him, "We were not born of fornication; we have one Father, even God." [John 8:40, 41]

Why did they answer Him that way? What were they really inferring with their nasty remark ... His birth? This was their second attack at Him that day with very similar kinds of charges.

And then that eighth day of Succoth, Yeshua announces, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I AM." And for declaring this Truth Yeshua would die six months later, as **the Passover Lamb**. [John 8:58]

Again later that same Sabbath day, Yeshua sent a blind man to the pool of Siloam to put water on his eyes, and the blind man receives his sight. For seven days prior, the high priest had gone down to this same pool of Siloam, to draw water for the water pouring ceremony, and now Yeshua performed this miracle of sight to a blind man, using water from this pool of Siloam. [John 9:1-14]

It is most interesting to note that it had been prophesied many times by the religious Jewish historians that there would be two Messiah's. One would be Messiah ben Yosef, and the other Messiah ben David. Yeshua's (guardian) father was Yosef. So Yeshua was also Messiah ben (son) Yosef; Yeshua was also from the Aaronic Zadok high priest family thru His mother, as prophesied in Jeremiah 33:18; Zechariah 3:1, 8; Zechariah 6:11-13.

I ask again, what did the Son of God Yeshua redeem for mankind at His Birth? The Lord's Birthday was divinely arranged by God, according to so many Scriptures: Micah 5:1-3; Isaiah 7:14; Isaiah 9:5, 6; Jeremiah 31:31-34; Ezekiel 36:24-27; Leviticus 23:34-41.

God had promised to Moses that He would meet with him at the 'Tent of Meeting' or Tabernacle. God then promised that God Himself would come down and dwell among His people Israel forever. This promise of God dwelling with His people is seen throughout the Old Testament Scriptures.

In John 1:14, we read, 'And the Word was made flesh and dwelt (or tabernacled) among us ...' God Yeshua tabernacled with man for only 3 and 1/2 years of ministry during His first coming. But when He returns He will tabernacle with us on earth, Reigning for one thousand years.

In Isaiah's prophecy about the virgin giving birth to a divine Son, the Messiah, it says that His name would be called Immanuel (also spelled Emmanuel or Imanu'El) which means 'God with us'. [Isaiah 7:13, 14]

24) In John 1:9, we read the following... "The true Light, which gives light to every man that comes into the world." This word of God shows us that there is a relationship between light and birth. At what point in Yeshua's 3 and 1/2 years of ministry did He speak: 'I am the Light of the World'?

He spoke this **on Succoth**, His own Birthday feast, <u>on the eighth day</u>, <u>the day a Baby was given His name **Yeshua**, on the day of new beginnings</u>. He announced this twice on that Sabbath day, on that last day of the Feast of Succoth. He did this first after forgiving the woman who had been caught in adultery, and then He did this the second time when He had sent the blind man to the pool of Siloam where the blind man received his sight ...

Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the Light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life." [John 8:12] "As long as I am in the world, I am the Light of the world." [John 9:5]

He made these statements on that Sabbath day, that day of rest, that eighth day, the day for making mankind 'every whit whole'. (see Isaiah 42:6; Isaiah 49:6; Isaiah 9:2; and Revelation 22:5)

He made this announcement on a Sabbath, when the priests could no longer perform their candle lighting shows to the masses, for they were not allowed to kindle a fire on that Sabbath. [Exodus 35:3] Remember, Yeshua had also said that **He was LORD of the Sabbath!**

On that eighth day of Succoth, Lord Yeshua announced the Truth to those Jews who believed in Him, as He also now announces to you and to me the Truth of the Feast of Succoth, **that Succoth is His real Birthday** which will be Celebrated by us <u>for a thousand years</u>; it will be His Special Birthday Party (perhaps He never had one) on His Marriage Celebration which will be held in Jerusalsem, on 'the Marriage Supper of the Lamb.'

Now His Birthday is no longer a Secret!

"If you continue in My Word, then you are My disciples indeed; and you shall know the Truth, and the Truth shall make you free." [John 8:31, 32]

Yeshua answered them: "Is it not written in your law, 'I said, "you are gods" '? "If he called them gods, to whom the word of God came, and the Scripture cannot be broken; say you of Him, whom the Father has sanctified, and sent into the world, 'You blaspheme;' because I said, 'I am the Son of God?'" John 10:34-36 ... (& John 16:28; 17:18)

During the Feast of Dedication, Chanukkah, John 10:36, is the first of three times in the Gospels we find Yeshua talking about being sent into the world. Yeshua, the Son of God, was sent into the world at the time of His Conception in virgin Miriam, the 24th of Kislev, 9 months before Succoth. [Yeshua spoke this on Chanukkah, and twice before He died on Passover.]

Yeshua was quoting a section of Psalm 82:6, [where the word for gods being used in the Hebrew is Elohim], but He did not quote the rest of that verse which says, "but you will die like men....", because He had come to bring us His Resurrection Life, which would be fulfilled in us. Through His dying for our sins, we would no longer have to die like other men, but now we would be able to die and live Eternal Lives with our God and Creator.

It is only through Yeshua's death, and sending us the Resurrection Life of His Spirit, that His Holy Spirit lives in us, and that we are **born again**; this Resurrection Life will be fully realized in us, when we too will soon be Resurrected and united with Yeshua forever, and made 'every whit whole.'

The Lord had to be born as a Baby, in order to first show us our true condition and our real identity, that of being Spiritually dead; **the lost sons and daughters of God**. Then <u>He showed us the Way</u> to be redeemed back to our true identity, only in and through accepting His Sacrifice for us, that of giving His Life as a substitution for our life, so we could become Alive, and restored as true sons and daughters of God, now united forever with our Father, the Living God. By dying for our sins, **He freed us from all guilt!** He then put His Resurrection Life inside of us, so that we would be able to come Home! He took our sins upon Himself, which removed from us our eternal separation from God, along with all future Judgment for our sins.

But we must also remember Yeshua's instructions to us, and apply them to our life, such as, "...unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it produces much grain.

He who loves his life will lose it, and he who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. If anyone serves Me, let him follow Me; and where I am, there My servant will be also. If anyone serves Me, him My Father will honor." [John 12:24-26]

We must learn to depend totally on God, and know and obey His Word, for, as Yeshua said, "the Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He sees the Father do", so we must also continually seek God first. [John 5:9]

And Yeshua said, "The children of this world marry and are given in marriage. But they which shall be accounted worthy to obtain that world, and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry, nor are given in marriage, neither can they die anymore, for they are equal to the angels, and are the **children of God**, being **the children of the Resurrection**." [Luke 20:34-36]

There was also during this time of Yeshua's Birth a fulfillment of Jacob's prophecy given to his son Judah ... "The scepter shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, <u>until Shiloh (Messiah) comes</u>; and to Him shall be the gathering of the people." [Genesis 49:10]

The scepter, which is a symbol of government authority, was taken away from Israel by Rome just prior to Yeshua's Birth. The scepter had departed from Judah when the Messiah had come, for the Jews had to bring Yeshua's case to trial before the Roman Governor Pilate.

Israel's self government rule had ended when Judea paid her first tax to Rome, just before Yeshua was born. The Sanhedrin could now no longer be given the authority to try cases that could have the death punishment.

Israel's self governing authority had now been turned over to the Roman government. The power of deciding capital crimes was taken away from the Sanhedrin and from the Jewish people for a little more than 40 years before the destruction of the Temple, in 70 AD.

In Daniel 9:24-27, we are told that the Messiah would have to come and die before the Temple was destroyed, and since the Temple was destroyed in 70 AD, it proves that the Messiah had come prior to 70 AD and had also fulfilled this prophesy.

The Talmud, the sacred Jewish writings, also recorded that other unusual things happened in Jerusalem around 30 AD, the suggested time when Lord Yeshua was crucified, and these unusual events continued for the next forty years, until the Temple was destroyed in 70 AD...

a) Two goats were always sacrificed on the Yom Kippur service. A portion of crimson ribbon that had been tied to the horns of the one goat called 'for azazel', (the goat which would be used as the scape-goat), was tied to the door of the Temple before this goat was led off into the wilderness, and then be tossed off a cliff, to die for the sins of the people of Israel.

This crimson ribbon which for years prior always turned miraculously from crimson to white at this Feast, **no longer turned white**, showing that God was no longer honoring their Yom Kippur scape-goat sacrifice for forgiveness of sins, as He had done in the past; nor did it turn white anymore at any of the Yom Kippur services for the next 40 years, even to the time when the Jerusalem Temple was destroyed by Rome in 70 AD.

- b) Also, in choosing by lot, which of the two goats would be the scape-goat 'azazel', and which goat would be the lot 'for the LORD', the lot 'for the LORD' did not come up in the right hand of the high priest as it almost always had prior, but came up in his left hand. This continued the next 40 years, a sign of impending doom, until the Temple was destroyed in 70 AD.
- c) After Yeshua's death, the heavy Temple doors would open by themselves, another sign of destruction.

As Adam was the son of God, who fell (Luke 3:38), so Yeshua is the Son of God, sent by God Himself to bring many sons and daughters into Righteousness and Everlasting Life (Matthew 1:35), and to bring God's children back to their real Eternal Father in Heaven.

So we shall **Celebrate Lord Yeshua's** special **Birthday** held in **Jerusalem** every year during **the Feast of Succoth!** And in the Millenial Kingdom, every year for 1000 years, Succoth will be Celebrated by all nations. Zechariah 14:16

Could Yeshua's return be on the 2000th Year since His Birthday?

In any case, we are rapidly approaching the third Day since God birthed His New Covenant Body (Jeremiah 31:31), bringing both Jews and Gentiles together into One Body, **the One New Man** in the Body of Messiah Yeshua.

One day with the LORD is like a thousand years. [Psalm 90:4]

And the LORD said to Moses, "Go to the people, and sanctify them today and tomorrow, and let them wash their garments, and let them be ready for the third day; for on **the third day**

the LORD will come down ...!" [Exodus 19:10, 11]

Succoth is <u>the Great Fall Harvest</u>, '<u>the Feast of Ingathering</u>', when we will all be gathered to King Yeshua. [Exodus 23:16]

Revelation 14:14-16 Then I looked, and behold, a white cloud, and on the cloud sat **One like the Son of Man**, having on His head <u>a golden crown</u>, and in His hand <u>a sharp sickle</u>. And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to Him who sat on the cloud, "Thrust in Your sickle and reap, for the time has come for You to reap, for **the harvest of the earth** is ripe." He who sat on the cloud thrust in His sickle on the earth, and **the earth was reaped**.

Luke 3:17 "His winnowing fan is in His hand, and He will thoroughly clean out His threshing floor, and gather the wheat into His barn; but the chaff He will burn up with unquenchable fire."

2nd Thessalonians 2:1 Now, brethren, concerning the Coming of our Lord Yeshua the Messiah, and our gathering together to Him ...

We are rapidly heading toward the Seventh Day, God's Day of Rest, God's Great Shabbat, the Day that Yeshua will come down from Heaven, and will gather all things to Himself, and begin the Great Millennial Age with His Bride and all His Redeemed sons daughters of God.

Yeshua desires this Truth of **His Birthday** and **Birth Feast** to not only be known, but now also to be **Celebrated**, and especially by His believing Body.

So let's start Celebrating Yeshua's Birthday on Succoth!

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth Peace, good will toward men!" John 16:28

"This One shall be Peace!" Micah 5:5

The **Prince of Peace** was born on **Succoth!**

YESHUA'S TRUE BIRTHDAY AND BIRTH FEAST! SUCCOTH: THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES The Season of our Joy, the Season for Rejoicing!

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Isaiah 12:2-6 Behold, God is my Salvation, I will trust and not be afraid; 'For YAH, the LORD, is my strength and song; He also has become my salvation.' "Therefore with joy you will draw water from the wells of Salvation (Yeshuah). And in that Day you will say, "Praise the LORD, call upon His name; declare His deeds among the peoples, make mention that His name is exalted. Sing to the LORD, for He has done excellent things; This is known in all the earth. Cry out and shout, O inhabitant of Zion, for great is the Holy One of Israel in your midst!"

John 7:37-39 On the last day, that great day of the Feast, Yeshua stood and cried out, saying, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of Living Water." But this He spoke concerning the Spirit, whom those believing in Him would receive; for the Holy Spirit was not yet given, because Yeshua was not yet glorified.

[This was spoken on the Feast of Succoth; its fulfillment will be on Succoth!] Zechariah 14:16-18 And it shall come to pass that everyone who is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the Feast of Succoth. And it shall be that whichever of the families of the earth do not come up to Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, on them there will be no rain. If the family of Egypt will not come up and enter in, they shall have no rain; they shall receive the plague with which the LORD strikes the nations who do not come up to keep the Feast of Succoth. This shall be the punishment of ... all the nations that do not come up to keep the Feast of Succoth.

Yeshuas Ministry May Have Lasted Three and ½ Years

Yeshua began His ministry on Succoth in the Galilee.

Mark 1:14, 15 ... Jesus came to Galilee, preaching the Good News of the Kingdom of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the **Kingdom of God** is at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News."

John <u>recorded three Passovers</u> in his writings of Yeshua: Yeshua cleansing the Jerusalem Temple: John 2:13 [Luke 19:46] Feeding 5000 men on Passover: John 6:4 (Matthew 14:14-21) Yeshua going to Jerusalem to the Cross: John 12 thru John 19

I believe that the fourth Passover also happened in the Galilee when Yeshua <u>feed the 4000 men</u> with 7 loaves and a few fishes. And that this happened the year following after Yeshua feed the <u>5000 men on **Passover**</u>. Matthew 15:32-38; Mark 8:5, 6

Both these two Miracles <u>could only have been done on Passover!</u> Yeshua poured Himself out <u>feeding the 5000 men and then the 4000 men</u>. These signs were **prophetic** of Yeshua's final **Passover** on the following year in Jerusalem, when Yeshua would totally <u>pour Himself out on the Cross</u>, giving His Body and His Blood for the sins of all mankind. He said, "... unless you **eat of the flesh** of the Son of man and **drink His Blood**, you have no life in you." John 6:53 "I am the Bread of Life." Read John chapter 6.

"Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees." Mark 8:15 His disciples thought He was talking about loaves of bread, showing their focus had been on the Miracle feeding which they had just witnesses for the second year in a row, as Yeshua had manifested the Glory of His Father, by again multiplying barley bread (since **God's Bread** can only be **Pure Unleavened**, which was <u>only done on **Passover**</u>, coming from Yeshua, 'the **Bread of Life!**'), and a few fishes to feed 4000 hungry men and women... and still have bread left over. [Yeshua spoke of these two feedings: Mt 16:9, 10; Mark 8:5-21]

Yeshua's Conception around Chanukkah Season!

by Richard Aaron Honorof

Most believers in Yeshua know that Yeshua was not born on Christmas day, the 25th of December. Many of us believe that Yeshua's real birthday happened during the Feast of Succoth.

John 1:14 And the Word was made flesh, and tabernacled among us, and we beheld His Glory, the Glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of Grace and Truth.

However, what is rarely focused on concerning our Lord's coming to the earth is that nine months prior to His Birthday was **His Conception**. Was His Conception prophesied in the Scriptures? And was this the time around the Chanukkah season when these very special events happened that are recorded in Luke, chapter 1?

Luke 1:24-37 And after those days his wife Elisheva conceived, and hid herself five months ... And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Miriam. And the angel came in to her, and said, "Rejoice, you that are highly favored, **the Lord is with you**; blessed are you among women." And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of greeting this should be. And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Miriam, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you shall Conceive in your womb, and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name Yeshua, He shall be Great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest. And the LORD God shall give to Him the throne of His father David. And He shall Reign over the house of Jacob forever; and of His Kingdom there shall be no end." Then Miriam said to the angel, "How can this be, since I do not know a man?" And the angel answered and said to her,

"The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the Power of the Highest will overshadow you. Therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called 'the Son of God'. Now indeed, your close relative [karov, in Hebrew] Elisheva (of Aaron), has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her who was called barren.

For with God nothing will be impossible!"

Luke 1:13-15 But the angel (Gabriel) said to him, "Fear not, Zechariah, for your prayer is heard; and your wife Elisheva will bear you a son, and you shall call his name 'Yochanan'. And you will have joy and gladness, and many shall rejoice at his birth. For he will be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink. He will also be filled with the Holy Spirit, **even from his mother's womb**."

Luke 1:39-44 Now Miriam arose in those days, and went into the hill country with haste, into a city of Judah, and entered into the house of Zechariah, and saluted Elisheva. And it happened, that when Elisheva heard the greeting of Miriam, that **the babe leaped in her womb**; and Elisheva was **filled with the Holy Spirit**. Then she spoke out with a loud voice, and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the Fruit of your womb. And why is this granted to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For, indeed, as soon as the voice of your greeting sounded in my ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy."

The baby Yochanan was filled with the Holy Spirit, and he leaped for joy in the womb of his mother Elisheva, because the **Son of God**, Yeshua, <u>had come into the earth at Conception</u> during this special season, and was Alive and well, living with God the Holy Spirit, within the womb of His mother Miriam. God's Divine Life of Divine Love had now entered the earth for mankind.

The human Life of the Son of God <u>began at His Conception</u>. Life begins at conception! This is true for every human being!

Was Yeshua's <u>Conception</u> prophesied in the Old Testament? **Yes!**

Where is this found in the Scriptures and what does it say?

"Therefore the LORD Himself will give you a Sign: Behold, **the virgin** shall **Conceive** and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanu El (God with us)." Isaiah 7:14

But did God also reveal to us in His Word what time of year it would be when this Great Event would happen; and also did God reveal to us about a specific Day?

Yes!

This prophetic Scripture is found in Haggai 2:18, 19,

"Consider now from this day and upward, from the four and twentieth day of the ninth month, (the 9th Hebrew month is the month of Kislev) even from the day that the foundation of the LORD's Temple was laid,

[This is the Day of our Lord Yeshua's Conception!]

consider it ... from this day I will bless you."

Haggai 2:18,19

The 24th of the ninth month is the 24th of the month Kislev; Chunakkah always <u>begins the 25th of Kislev</u> and lasts eight days. In the year, 2011, the 24th of Kislev fell on the 20th of December. In the year 2005, **the 24th of Kislev** <u>fell **on Christmas day**</u>, on December 25th. In 2016, Kislev 24 will fall on December 24th.

Also can we find any evidence of this Truth of Yeshua's Conception being taught by Yeshua in any of the Gospel's?

Yes!

Where? Let's read about it in the book of John 10:22-38

Now it was **the Feast of Dedication** (Chanukkah, the 25th of Kislev) in Jerusalem, and it was winter. And Jesus walked in the temple, in Solomon's porch. Then the Jews surrounded Him and said to Him, "How long do You keep us in doubt? If You are the Messiah, tell us plainly."

Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in My Father's name, they bear witness of Me. But you do not believe, because you are not of My sheep, as I said to you. My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. And I give them Eternal Life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. My Father, who has given them to Me, is Greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand. I and My Father are One!"

Then the Jews took up stones again to stone Him. Jesus answered them,

"Many good works I have shown you from My Father. For which of those works do you stone Me?" The Jews answered Him, saying, "For a good work we do not stone You, but for blasphemy, and because **You, being a Man, make Yourself God**." Jesus answered them, "Is it not written in your Torah, 'I said, "**You are gods**" '? (Psalm 82:6) "If He called them gods, to whom the Word of God came (and the Scripture cannot be broken), do you say **of Him whom the Father sanctified and sent into the world**, (verse 36) 'You are blaspheming,' because I said, 'I **am the Son of God**'?

If I do not do the works of My Father, do not believe Me; but if I do, though you do not believe Me, believe the Works, that you may know and believe that the Father is in Me, and I in Him." John 10:22-38

Do you see it? Yeshua was telling them <u>during the time of Chanukkah</u>, probably **on the 25th of Kislev**, <u>that His Father had **sent** Him **into the world</u>. He spoke this <u>the day after Kislev 24</u>, <u>His Conception</u>. <u>He was sent into the world at His Conception</u> by His Father nine months before Birth at Succoth.</u>**

Conception in the virgin Miriam was when the foundation of the LORD's Temple was laid ... on **the 24th of Kislev**. And here, during Chanukkah, was the one time and place in the Gospel's where Yeshua spoke about His Father sending Him into the world. He was telling His secret on Chanukkah.

The date of Chanukkah <u>could not have been</u> Yeshua's Conception, for Chanukkah was when the Maccabees threw the Zadok high priest and Zadok priests out from the Jerusalem Temple, and took over, corrupting the Temple priesthood for the next 165 years, in violation of the Word of God found in Ezekiel 43 and 44 ...until the time of priest Zechariah, Yochanan's father, when he went into the Temple to minister at the Altar of Incense, and God sent His angel Gabriel to speak to him, in the opening scene of Luke 1:11

This is the wonderful Mystery of Chanukkah season!
This is when Love came into the earth!
This is when God came into the earth!
This is when Yeshua came into the earth!

Yeshua's Conception around Chanukkah Season!

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Dear Richard

I just finished reading the pdf you sent me; awesome and astonishing! Those would be words to describe how I felt.

I usually do not read things people send me, especially not as soon as I receive them. But I was captivated by the Spirit of the Lord to read this one, having left aside the other things I was doing. That is testimony that the Lord wanted me to learn something through your writings. Having read it, I am convinced that it is of the Lord; not so much because I was convinced by the evidence you provide, but because of the testimony of the Spirit of God. Therefore I also accept the evidence you provide which is edifying as well ...

Congratulations for a work well done!

I was teaching my people till now that Yeshua was likely born on Rosh HaShana, primarily because of Isaiah's words "to declare the acceptable year of the Lord". The rest of the evidence that points to Succoth may also, likewise point to Rosh HaShana, but having read your article I am ready to shift and embrace your point of view.

The key word in your writings which bore witness to my spirit, about the time of Yeshua's birth, was what you wrote about the "ingathering". When I read that sentence it was almost as if I saw God's signature on your writings!

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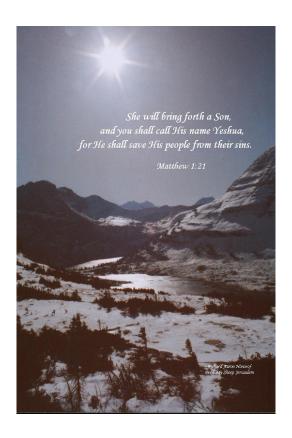
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Yeshua's **Conception** was in winter, the 24th of Kislev. Haggai 2:18, 19 **A Star** shall come out of Jacob, a Scepter out of Israel... Numbers 24:17 "For we have seen **His Star** in the East, and have come to worship Him." Matthew2:2 Yeshua's **Birthday** was nine months later, on Succoth, the 15th of Tishri!

