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INFORMATION ABOUT THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

February was named after the Latin word “Februum” meaning purification. It was so named after the purification ritual “Februa” dedicated to deity Juno, held on February 15th in the old Roman calendar.

From 6th February to 7th March marks the (6th) sixth month following the Biblical civil calendar and the twelfth (12th) month of the Biblical sacred calendar. February is the second (2nd) month according to the Gregorian calendar. February is the shortest month of the year with 28 and a quarter days. In "ordinary years", it approximates to 28 ¼ days. After every 4 years, the quarter days add up to one full day creating a 29th day in each leap year. February is the only month of the Gregorian calendar year that can pass without a single full moon because it has only 28 days in common years. It is also the only month of the calendar that once every six years and twice every 11 years, will have only four full 7- day weeks.

This is a month of many deeply pagan events and it would do well to know their significance, in order to avoid participating in them, and helping other kingdom citizens to break free of the doctrines of men which have nullified the power of Jehovah in their lives.



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WHAT IS THE NAME OF OUR GOD?

According to Wikipedia "Jehovah is the Latinization of the Hebrew יהוה, one vocalization of the Tetragrammaton (יהוה) YHWH), the proper name of the God of Israel in the Hebrew Bible. The consensus among scholars is that the historical vocalization of the Tetragrammaton at the time of the redaction of the Torah (6th century BCE) is most likely Yahweh. The historical vocalization was lost because in Second Temple Judaism, during the 3rd to 2nd centuries BCE, the pronunciation of the Tetragrammaton came to be avoided, being substituted with Adonai ("my Jehovah"). The Hebrew vowel points of Adonai were added to the Tetragrammaton by the Masoretes, and the resulting form was transliterated around the 12th century as Yehowah. The derived forms Iehouah and Jehovah first appeared in the 16th century.

"Jehovah" was popularized in the English-speaking world by William Tyndale and other pioneer English Protestant translations such as the Geneva Bible and the King James Version. It is still used in some translations, such as the New World Translation and Young's Literal Translation, but it does not appear in most mainstream English translations, as the terms "Jehovah" or "Jehovah": used instead, generally indicating that the corresponding Hebrew is Yahweh or YHWH." (From Wikipedia) In the Bishop's Bible (1568), the word Jehovah occurs in Exodus 6:3 and Psalm 83:18.

The Authorized King James Version (1611) renders Jehovah in Exodus 6:3, Psalm 83:18, Isaiah 12:2, Isaiah 26:4, and three times in compound place names at Genesis 22:14, Exodus 17:15 and Judges 6:24. The Leningrad Codex is the oldest complete manuscript of the Hebrew Bible in Hebrew. It is dated 1008 CE. You can download it at www.seforimonline.org/seforimdb/PDF/264.pdf This Hebrew manuscript contains 50 occurrences of the full spelling of the name Yehovah. The Aleppo Codex is an ancient vocalized Hebrew manuscript. It is about 100 years older than the Leningrad Codex but it is not complete. This document contains the name Yehovah. When you look at Ezekiel 28:22 in the Aleppo Codex it says: "Thus says Adonai Yehovah.."

I encourage you this month to read and study this document for yourself. There a website that will help you. It is www.aleppocodex.org.

The King James Version uses "JEHOVAH" to translate the divine name in most instances. Jesus's Hebrew name "Yehoshua" (יהושע) (means "Yehovah saves" and is derived from יהוה). This Hebrew name became "Jesus" in Aramaic and "Ἰησοῦς" (Iesous) in Greek.

WHAT IS THE MEANING OF YEHOVAH (JEHOVAH)?

According to Easton's Bible Dictionary "Jehovah - the special and significant name (not merely an appellative title such as Jehovah [adonai]) by which God revealed himself to the ancient Hebrews (Exodus 6:2 Exodus 6:3). This name, the Tetragrammaton of the Greeks, was held by the later Jews to be so sacred that it was never pronounced except by the high priest on the great Day of Atonement, when he entered into the most holy place.

Whenever this name occurred in the sacred books they pronounced it, as they still do, "Adonai" (i.e., Jehovah), thus using another word in its stead. The Massorets gave to it the vowel-points appropriate to this word. This Jewish practice was founded on a false interpretation of Leviticus 24:16. The meaning of the word appears from Exodus 3:14 to be "the unchanging, eternal, self-existent God," the "I am that I am," a covenant-keeping God. (Compare Malachi 3:6 ; Hosea 12:5 ; Revelation 1:4 Revelation 1:8 .)

The Hebrew name "Jehovah" is generally translated in the Authorized Version (and the Revised Version has not departed from this rule) by the word JEHOVAH printed in small capitals, to distinguish it from the rendering of the Hebrew Adonai and the Greek Kurios , which are also rendered Jehovah, but printed in the usual type. The Hebrew word is translated "Jehovah" only in Exodus 6:3 ; Psalms 83:18 ; Isaiah 12:2 ; 26:4 ... " Let us look at some examples: 1 Kings 18:24 says: Then you call on the name of your Elohim, and I will call on the name Yehovah, and the Elohim who answers by fire, He is Elohim. Isaiah 60:19 says: No longer will you have the sun for light by day, nor for brightness will the moon give you light, but you will have Yehovah for an everlasting light, and your Elohim for your glory.

The ancient Israelites used the name as a blessing in daily life. Ruth 2:4 gives us an example. It says: Now behold, Boaz came from Bethlehem and said to the reapers "May Yehovah be with you." And they answered him, "May Yehovah bless you."

WHY ARE WE LOOKING AT THE BIBLICAL CALENDAR?

Our current Gregorian calendar is a solar calendar (it is based only on the length of a year as determined by the sun). The starting day of the year and the length of months are not based on any physical or Biblical principles but merely a happenstance of history.



The moon is given to mark Feasts—which are usually explained as a certain day of a certain month in the Bible: He appointed the moon for seasons [Hebrew moed means “festivals”]; the sun knows it’s going down (Psalm 104:19, NKJV).

Blow the trumpet at the time of the New Moon, at the full moon, on our solemn feast day (Psalm 81:3, NKJV).

Genesis 1:14-16 also states that the sun and moon are the two great lights to indicate “festivals, days and years”. The sun marks the days and years, but Festivals are in certain days of certain months—marked by the moon. The first day of a month (“new moon”) was observed with a special meal in the Old Testament (1Sam 20:5, 2 Kings 4:23, Amos 8:5). That practice continued in the New Testament Col 2:16.

The practice will continue during the new heavens and new earth (Isa 66:23, Ezekiel 46:1,6). New moons were not the same as the annual Feast days in Leviticus 23—there is no specific command and explanation of how to keep them. But many verses say they were observed.

Most references to dates in the Bible are like those of Genesis 7:11: “In the six hundredth year of Noah’s life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month...” The day and the month are numbered, but the year is given as a year of the persons’ life, the year of a king’s life, or the year from some big event.

Although months are generally referred to by number, there are two systems of naming them in the Bible. The first system uses Hebrew names, the second uses largely Babylonian names acquired when the Jews were in captivity in Babylon. The four Hebrew names are:

- Abib the first month (Ex 13:4, 23:15, 34:18, Deut. 16:1)
 - Zif the second month (1Kings 6:1,37)
 - Ethanim the seventh month (1 Kings 8:2)
 - Bul the eighth month (1Kings 6:38)

The original Hebrew names for the other months are apparently unknown. (From Biblical Calendar Basics, Third edition - April 2002).

As we seek to understand the times, we will look at events that took place in each month as determined by the Biblical Calendar.

WHY DO WE INCLUDE A SECTION ON PRAYING THROUGH THE HEAVENS IN OUR GUIDE?

Believers are a royal priesthood unto Jehovah (1 Pet 2:9), we have also been made kings and priests unto our Jehovah (Rev 1:6; 5:10). The priest’s lips should keep knowledge and the law should be sought at his mouth (Mal 2:7). Jehovah interprets our ignorance of various aspects of the kingdom as a rejection of knowledge with grievous consequences (Hos 4:6). Knowledge of the heavens and how to deal with them in every season is a very important aspect of the Kingdom of heaven.

In Primeval Astronomy, “The Gospel in the Stars,” Joseph Augustus Seiss explains the purpose of the stars and their constellations in their original context. In a lecture entitled, “The Starry Worlds,” first published in 1882, he attests: “Such wonderful creations of almighty power and wisdom were not without a purpose.” Seiss explains that stars and groups of stars, constellations, were created to fill the galaxy – in a particular order for a very specific purpose. God created the stars (Gen. 1:16) and positioned them in their exact places in the universe (Ps. 8:3). Stars were, “for signs and for seasons, and for days and for years, in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth.” (Gen. 1:14, 15).

Stars were so important that God named them. “He determines the number of the stars and calls them each by name.” (Ps. 147:4). The stars are a continual reminder that the Seed of the woman will ultimately triumph over the Serpent (Gen. 3:15). God’s revelation is constantly told in the stars (Ps. 19) — which is a message of salvation — available to every generation who professes faith. (Romans 9-11, Joel, Isa.) The entire ancient world received the gospel prior to Christ ever being born— through the stars.

TEACHING – THE SPHERE OF BELIEF SYSTEMS – THE COVENANT & COMMUNION

(This month we will cover the Covenant Making Process steps 1 – 5. Next month we will cover steps 6-9)

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INTRODUCTION

The greatest intercessors whose prayers are recorded and answered by the LORD were effective because they related to the LORD as a covenant keeping God. They would pray, O LORD great and awesome God, You who keep covenant for those who love You. You find this in the prayers of Nehemiah, Daniel and Ezra. All these people knew Him as God who keeps covenant and in their prayer they invoked His covenant keeping nature.

Nehemiah said O God. *You who by the prophets said that if we shall disobey You and break Your rules and laws, You will cast us to the ends of the world - You have done it; but You also promised that if we shall call upon Your name from wherever we are, and turn back to You, You will gather us from the ends of the earth and bring us back to the city of the LORD.*

What is he saying? “LORD we don’t have anything in us. Our strength is not saying ‘LORD we plead, we are suffering. Look at what they are doing to us...’ our strength is in the covenant that You have given us when You warned us and said, ‘You walk in disobedience like that, I will cast you away’; we tried You, we went in disobedience and You scattered us. But You also said when we call upon You turn back to You and repent, You will bring us back. Since you fulfilled the other one and scattered us away, You will fulfil this one and come to our rescue. It is all about You and Your Character and the covenant You have made with us.”

Daniel prayed the same way. He said “O LORD, the great and awesome God, who keeps his covenant of love with all who love him and obey his commands, we have sinned and done wrong. We have been wicked and have rebelled; we have turned away from your commands and laws. [...] “LORD, you are righteous, but this day we are covered with shame—the men of Judah and people of Jerusalem and all Israel, both near and far, in all the countries where you have scattered us because of our unfaithfulness to you

You may say that was Old Testament. In Acts 4 after being persecuted the disciples gathered together to pray and said “Sovereign LORD,” they said, “you made the heaven and the earth and the sea, and everything in them. You spoke by the Holy Spirit through the mouth of your servant, our father David: “‘Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain? The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather together against the LORD and against his Anointed One. Indeed Herod and Pontius Pilate [...] Now, LORD, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness. Stretch out your hand to heal and perform miraculous signs and wonders through the name of your holy servant Jesus.”

What were they doing? They were invoking the covenant promise the LORD Jesus Christ had given them on the Mount of Olives when He gave the Great Commission. He had said “Lo I will be with you to the end of the age (Matt 28:18-20).”

All these men of God based their prayer not in trying to convince God or looking pathetic enough, not saying “look at how we are suffering, see how difficult the situation is, look at how we are under threat.”

When we show God what we are going through, God has a way of responding. He also shows us where the challenge is. The LORD said to Jeremiah 7:16-. Don't pray to Me. Don't intercede for them. Look at their city. What they are doing in their city houses, streets, don't even pray because if you pray I will not listen.

If we pray "O LORD help my country," He says "why should I? I don't want to look. My hand is not short that I cannot save, My ears are not closed that I cannot hear but your sin has turned Me away. I don't want to hear. Look what they do in the street, look at the abominations in your city, look at how you behave in your homes. I don't want to hear." There is a protocol to some levels of intercession and it has to do with understanding the covenant.

Remember what Moses said? He was before God and God said "Get out of My sight. I want to destroy these children and I will make a nation out of you." Moses tried to plead but God would not listen. Moses finally invoked the covenant and said "Remember Your covenant with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. O God what will the nations say? That You have failed?" God said "I have heard your prayer". **The God you serve is a covenant keeping God.**

God does not respond to your emotions and physical discomforts or pathetic displays of grief. He responds to the covenant promises He has given you. The Bible rightly says Those who know their God will be strong and do exploits (Daniel 11:32). Jesus Christ said to the Jews who believed Him, You shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free. It is not just guess work but knowledge which is readily available in the Bible that will make you strong, and free.

If you are called by the name of the LORD and you have no understanding of the covenant you have entered into in Jesus Christ, you will be weak, fearful and you will be overcome. How do you operate without the most basic understanding and practice of the covenant relationship you have with the LORD?

FOUNDATION OF COVENANTS

The LORD has an expression of Himself in every culture; and the most common expression is the practice of covenant making and covenant keeping. In every ancient culture you will find the practice of covenant-making at various levels and for three reasons.

It was upon this practice that the LORD introduced Himself to man and built His relationship with us. Just because our modern understanding of covenants have watered them down, does not water down their significance in life. Covenants are as serious today as they were all those thousands of years ago when they were instituted among mankind.

There is an ancient covenant that was practiced by people of ancient Near East. The Chaldeans, Hittites and the Assyrians practiced this covenant even before Israel was a nation. When God came to make covenant with Abraham, amazingly the Maker of heaven and earth chose to humble Himself and come into a practice men had among themselves.

He did this just to give assurance to His friend Abraham that He would do everything He had promised him. Abraham could rest assured in everything the LORD told him even when there was no sign of it because from his own background and culture, Abraham knew that men NEVER broke covenant – how much more the God of heaven and earth?

WHAT IS A COVENANT?

- 1) A covenant was an understanding between two parties to come into a binding relationship that was to the point of being unbreakable. The covenant in the ancient East as practiced by the Assyrians was supposed to last 8 generations. Now think about 8 generations i.e. about 800 years. Who can break the covenant kept for 8 generations? It became their culture. So to men there was an understanding that a covenant is a permanent thing.
- 2) Covenant relationship is the strongest relationship between two people known in the history of mankind. It brings people closer than child and mother; in other words a covenant partner is closer to you than your mother or father. Marriage itself is a form of covenant relationship. It shows you how man leaves his parent and yokes up with the woman of his choice and that becomes a relationship far more important than that with his parent. A covenant relationship is closer than brother and sister. it is the closest and strongest human relationship.
- 3) A covenant relationship does not only bring two close, it binds them into one. So whatever one represents the other also represents, whatever one owns the other also owns, whatever confronts one, automatically confronts the other. It binds them in oneness. We can see all this in the marriage covenant.

WHY COVENANT?

What were the reasons people went into covenant?

- 1) When two people love each other so much that they are willing to share anything in life, willing to lay down their lives for each other, pay any price because of their love for each other.
- 2) When two people were enemies who have been fighting for a long time and want to stop fighting permanently, or two people in the danger of fighting know they would destroy themselves so they choose to make a covenant in order to avoid the situation.
- 3) When a stronger party made promises to a weaker party and the weaker party needed assurance that the stronger party would fulfil their promise.

They were looking for covenants, because men in the ancient pagan world never broke a covenant. Why? They believed that when two people came to covenant, their gods came to a covenant too. To date when people make any oath they must finish with the statement “So help me God” in order to invoke the deities that supervise that covenant.

Whoever of the two breaks a covenant reaps a curse. When people came into covenant they did not come into it lightly. They took time. Once in, there is no turning back even when you don’t like the other party anymore. You know “if I withdraw, the covenant slays”. They would keep covenants by will not just by emotion.

Covenants are eternal by nature. The making of a covenant is not an automatic thing. The shortest time it took to lay any covenant conditions was at least 3 years and the longest time it took to develop the conditions was 25 years. The LORD took 25 years to lay the conditions and seals of the covenant with Abram. Jesus Christ took 3 and a half years to lay the New Covenant seals.

SUPERVISING SPIRITS OVER COVENANTS

It is the involvement of spiritual supervisors that makes a covenant a very unique relationship. Any agreement or ceremony during which libations are offered invoke spirits to witness, supervise and be party to that agreement or whatever cause the ceremony stands for. In many traditional settings, libations poured during marriage ceremonies open the gates of the marriage to spirits to supervise it and be party to it. As such God is not the witness of such marriages but a demonic spirit.

Before whoever’s altar a marriage takes place, the marriage will end up having that deity as a witness and the supervising spirit over that marriage. If I take a woman to God’s altar to marry her, I am acknowledging God and asking for his supervision in the marital covenant I have entered with the woman. If someone else allows for an altar to be raised through libation pouring during his marital ceremony, he has allowed the spirit invoked to come in to supervise his marriage covenant.

Numerous human covenants in scripture have God witnessing and supervising them (indirectly through His angelic spirits) since the covenants were confirmed by oaths sworn before him (God) or sworn by his name.

Examples are the covenants between:

- i. Abraham and Abimelech – Gen 21:22^{ff}
- ii. Jacob and Laban – Gen 31:43^{ff}
- iii. Joshua and the Gibeonites – Josh 9; 2 Sam 21:1-14
- iv. David and Jonathan – 1 Sam 18:1-4, 20:8-23, 42; 23:15-18
- v. Marriage Covenants – Mal 2:13-16, Prov.2:16, 17
- vi. From Jeremiah 34:8-22(v 15), we may say that covenants made in the house or temple of God or a shrine may have that deity in whose presence the covenant is made being a witness and the supervising spirit over that covenant.

The examples enumerated above point to the fact that covenants have supervising spirits. A supervising spirit could be an angel of God (Ps 104:4) or an angel of the devil (Mt 25:41, Rev 12:7-9) that has been specially assigned to see to the fulfillment of covenant obligations and demands on the part of all parties to the agreement. As such supervising spirits are “Watchers” and they ensure that the covenant conditions are met and consequences of breaching them are also faced to the maximum.

Though God is the Chief Witness in covenant relations He has approved, He is not necessarily the One who Supervises directly. Angels who are all ministering spirits sent forth to minister to heirs of salvation could be assigned as supervising spirits over covenants relationships like marriages (Dan 4:17, Heb 1:13,14; Deut 32:8,9).

The devil copies and perverts these principles of God; he appoints his angels to supervise and watch our covenants and nations as we see in Dan 10:13, 20; Ps 2:2, Is 24:21, 22 etc.

COVENANT MAKING PROCESS

The procedure of covenant-making among the people of the Near East took roughly nine steps and was as follows:

THEY NEGOTIATED THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE COVENANT.

The first seal of a covenant is exchange of terms. These terms are curses and blessings – curses for breaking the covenant, blessings for keeping the covenant. Deut 27-29; Gen 31:43; Jer 11:1-17.

Even the basic level of the covenant of salvation had terms – Those who believe will not be condemned, those who do not believe will be condemned. (Jn 3:18).

In exchange of terms, the covenant parties call down upon themselves curses should they break the covenant. These were sanctions of covenants, penalties executed, actions employed, judgments unleashed or measures taken to:

- 1) Force a party to a covenant relationship to keep to the terms and responsibilities of the covenant.
- 2) Prevent a party to a covenant relationship from violating the covenant
- 3) Punish a party to a covenant relationship who has forsaken or abandoned the covenant.

THEY LOOKED FOR A VENUE TO CUT THE COVENANT.

Normally covenants were made in an elevated place where all parties were visible to each other. Here the families of the parties assembled so that they could witness the cutting of this covenant. In Abram’s case, he was alone and did not have any children. So he went ahead and cut the covenant and waited for the LORD.



Calvary was the location for the cutting of the new covenant. The families of the earth including people from all walks of life were present around there witnessing the sacrifice that was going to be made between God and the universe through Jesus Christ. Even the heavens witnessed the sacrifice and the earth too. When Jesus Christ died, the sun hid and there was a total eclipse, there was an earthquake. All of creation bore witness to the sacrifice on Calvary on that day.

THEY PREPARED COVENANT ANIMALS:

In the deepest level of covenant making the ancient Assyrians took a heifer, a goat and a ram, each three years old, along with a dove and a young pigeon. They would split each animal into two halves except the birds. They would put the animals on two sides and leave a corridor in the middle of the two piles.

Notice that when the LORD instructed Abram to go and bring the animals, He did not tell Abram what to do with the animals. Abram automatically understood what the LORD was asking of him because it was the covenant practice of his people the Hittites or Chaldeans. So he went ahead and prepared the sacrifices and then waited because the next step was for the inferior party i.e. the vassal, to walk in between the bleeding animals swearing their allegiance and promise to serve the suzerain – i.e. the superior partner in the covenant.

In Assyrian/Hittite covenant making, the inferior party is the one who walked between the bleeding animals saying, “May what has been done to these animals happen to me if I contravene this covenant.” In the covenant between God and Abraham, God in the form of a burning torch passed through the bleeding animals (Genesis 15:17); and took the place of the inferior party.

This reveals God’s great humility, not only in coming down to Abraham’s level of understanding that God could never break His promises, but also lowering Himself to be the inferior party in the agreement - by choice.

God did not only do that then. In the New Covenant, Jesus Christ, the LORD came down and lived among men. He spent 3½ years laying down the terms and conditions of the New Covenant. You read in Matthew 5-7 the account of how He raised the bar on the commandments that were given. He would tell them, This is what your law says about such and such; but I say... And He would lay down conditions and terms of the new covenant that would reconcile all of creation to the Father.

On the day of the Passover, Jesus Himself became the sacrificial Lamb of God; prepared according to the dictates of the LORD.

It is Jesus Himself who walked between the sacrifice and became the inferior party in the covenant between God and Man. He took the blood and brought it into the Throne room of God and set it before the LORD where it speaks on behalf of all creation for eternity.



The blood speaks of life, healing, deliverance, protection, resurrection, power to overcome the enemy, deliverance from captivity and bondages. That blood continues to speak and call forth all of creation into its rightful place as ordained by the LORD. It speaks for nations and governments. It gives us confidence to come boldly before the LORD at every opportunity to find grace for help any and every time.

When we intercede for our territories and our families we can invoke the voice of the blood of Jesus which is speaking on our behalf before the throne-room of grace. We do not do this because of our own goodness but because the LORD sees the blood and finds the sacrifice is worthy. Because of the sacrifice we can access all good things of the kingdom. However do we take time to get to know this? It is all in the scriptures. Lack of knowledge has made us powerless, not because the LORD has not paid it all but because we choose our way rather than His way.

What excuse do we have as the Body of Christ to fail when we have this token speaking on our behalf in the throne room of grace?

THEY EXCHANGED THE MANTLE 1 SAM 18:1-4:

The Mantle signified:

- 1) Covering
- 2) Protection
- 3) Reputation
- 4) Authority **Col 3:3, 4**
- 5) Anointing
- 6) Honor

Exchange of rings in marriage is actually exchange of authority. The signet ring was a sign of authority (Hag 2:23) Also (2 Chron 16:1-9; Gen 14:17-20; 21:27).

1 Kings 19:16-21; When God spoke to Elijah to anoint Elisha prophet in his place, Elisha was working in the garden. He went and threw a mantle over Elisha. Imagine how Elisha felt; he took the mantle and ran after Elijah and said, “My father let me go back to my family and say bye.

Elijah said “What have I told you?” Elisha knew what it meant because it was in their middle-eastern culture. The prophetic mantle meant that “The office of prophet is passed over to you.” Elisha destroyed everything and followed Elijah. Elijah would say to him “Stay here and I may go.” Elisha says “No, as surely as the LORD lives I go with you,” meaning, “I know you would not have struck me with your mantle if the authority of the prophet has not passed over to me.”

When he got the mantle and returned to the river Elisha said “where is the God of Elijah?” He was invoking covenant authority. He struck the water and immediately the water parted. The prophets said, “the spirit of Elijah is on Elisha”.



A man's coat and mantle represented his authority. In the covenant making, the father would take off his coat and give it over to his covenant partner and say to him, "Everything upon which I have authority, I give it to you. The same authority I have is the same authority you have. Whatever I can say, you can say. Whatever I can do you can do. My authority I give to you. "

Now go back and read the story of Joseph and his mantle, the coat of many colors again. You will begin to understand the emotions that gift created among his elder brothers, and what it said of him. It was a passing on of authority and power from Jacob to Joseph.

Jesus is saying "You have authority to do what I have authority to do, you have authority to take what I have authority to take, you have authority to enter where I have authority to enter, You have authority to set free what I have authority to set free. Whatever you bind on earth is bound in heaven, whatever you loose on earth is loosed in heaven. I have given you power, authority to step over snakes and scorpions, over every power of the devil and nothing shall do you any harm." It not about you or your ability It is not about your authority, it is His authority!

On the cross. They stripped Jesus naked and they shared His clothes. What happened to His mantle? They fought for it - they cast lots. They never divided a man's mantle. Who took the mantle? A Roman soldier – a gentile. This prophetically signified that the mantle of authority was rested upon the gentiles.

Knowing this fact Paul the apostle admonished us in Romans 11:24-27:

After all, if you were cut out of an olive tree that is wild by nature, and contrary to nature were grafted into a cultivated olive tree, how much more readily will these, the natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree! I do not want you to be ignorant of this mystery, brothers, so that you may not be conceited; Israel has experienced a hardening in part until the full number of the Gentiles has come in. And so all Israel will be saved, as it is written: "The deliverer will come from Zion; he will turn the godlessness away from Jacob. And this is my covenant with them when I take away their sins.

To this day we are still in "The Times Of The Gentiles." It does not mean we have replaced Israel for they have an everlasting covenant with God through Abraham. The day will come when the Bible says this mantle will be taken back to Israel and all the Israel will be saved. Then what does that mantle mean to us? We who were not a people are made a people. Not only did God make a covenant with Abraham or Israel as a nation, He said in Jeremiah 31:31:

Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah: Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the LORD: But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people. And they shall teach no more every man his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, Know the LORD: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.



We, the gentiles were included in it but did not replace Israel when we came into it!

The reason you do not see a manifestation of the authority of God is because you have refused to let go of the authority you have on your family, finances, affairs, children, your job, programs etc. You say “I want to seek God I but am so busy there is no time.” Does He have a say in this ‘time’? Why? Because it is your time, your program, your family, your job, your finances and He has no say in them. He wants a part in it.

You say, “I want God to have a part but there is no space. It is not healthy to fast long or even take more than this amount of time to seek the LORD. Is it too much of a demand to do what He is asking of me now? Nowadays we even have quick fix devotions, people complain of the time it takes to pray in detail or read the Bible in large chunks and they say, God understands me. There is just too much else to do. It is a choice you make on where you will put your greatest treasure, which is time.

There are levels you will never go beyond and there are exploits you will miss. You will have to try and tame demons that have bound you because it takes time to go through various levels of deliverance. You will have to live under oppressive systems and regimes because it takes time to deal with evil foundations and establish the LORD’s patterns in the territory. It takes time to fast, pray, fellowship with others. No one writes your diary for you. You have to decide whether the covenant can work for you.

Why do you struggle? “This is My World and God can surely understand. I have to wake up early, rush the baby to the babysitter, then rush to my job. Keep working for 8 to 10 hours and can’t even have a decent lunch, eat some fast food, pick up the children from school, go for my further studies program at the college in the evening, go back home and prepare a meal, help the children to do their homework and then have some quality time with my spouse.

At the end of the day I am so tired I am ready to sleep and do the same tomorrow. I want to pray and read the Word but God understands. I genuinely have no time” The Bible says, “There is nothing you have that you did not receive.” He has given us all these wonderful things that create our little world and they have become a hindrance that Satan has used to steal from us and eventually they can kill or destroy us.

Did God create us to reign over our world or for our world to reign over us? We have refused to surrender our authority.

THEY EXCHANGED THE BELTS OF WEAPONS.

1 Sam 18:1-4; Eph 6:10-20; 2 Cor 10:3-6; Jer 51:20-25; 50:25; Rom 6:14-16; Is 49:1-3

In the ancient covenant the next step would be this: the men of ancient times walked around with their weapons - it was a dangerous world. They had a belt that went across the chest. It had a quiver of arrows and a sheath for the sword and a bow.



One would take the belt of weapons and give it to the covenant partner. What do they mean?. It means that “Your wars are mine, your enemies will be my enemies. From today whoever touches you touches me. I will fight your battle, I will fight your enemy. Call upon me I will be there”

Twice you read of Abram being in a compromised position. In Egypt when he feared for his life and he end result was that Sarah was taken by Pharaoh in his harem, the LORD Himself visited Pharaoh and basically told him, “You have touched my friend. You are a dead man.” Pharaoh had to give Sarah back with gifts to appease Abram.

Abram did not learn his lesson. He was still quite fearful when he settled in Gerar and Abimelech eyed his wife. He quickly said she was his sister, and Abimelech took her as a wife. Even before the LORD came to Abimelech He had already launched His weapon against the unsuspecting leader.

There was barrenness in the land and they wondered what had happened. The LORD appeared to Abimelech and basically told him also that he was a dead man for taking Abram’s wife. Abimelech had to return Sarah and appease Abram with gifts. Then Abram was the only one who could pray to open up the wombs of the barren in the land. That is the kind of backing those who are in covenant with the LORD can expect.

Even when Abram had not acted righteously or with faith the LORD still fought for him. Ezra invoked for the protection of the covenant keeping God when they set off from Babylon with materials for building the temple. In the long trip which took months in those bandit infested desert routes, they never suffered any attack or loss because they understood that their covenant keeping God could be depended upon to watch over them and release any weapons to fight on their behalf.

Throughout the Bible you read of how the LORD fought for Israel miraculously discomfiting their enemies even when they were still sinful. To this day, nations that surround Israel wonder how they can bring down that nation but they do not understand that the nation’s weapons are not carnal. They have a covenant keeping God watching over them in every generation.

Read I Samuel 13:19-22; When they made the covenant, Jonathan took his weapons and gave them to David. However in that era in Israel, only the king and crown prince had iron weapons but the rest of the people in Israel had crude weapons from stone and wood like mattocks, axes, stone knives. According to the historian Josephus, Israel had not even entered the iron age like their neighboring cities. David, hardly had any weapons. He protected his sheep with his bare hands and at most, with a rod or pointed stick. When it came to fighting Goliath, David only had a sling! Therefore can you imagine the magnitude of their exchange? Iron weapons for a sling in a stone-age civilization!

Jesus has given us weapons. The weapons of our warfare are not carnal they are not of the world. They are mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds casting down imaginations and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God. (2Cor 10:4-6)

We don't see the effect of these weapons in our lives because we have not surrendered our weapons to Him. Our weapons are bitterness, un-forgiveness, we keep grudges against those who offend us, we try to undercut each other or pull rank or hinder each other. We deny one another good things to make them feel a level of emotional or physical pain or discomfort. At worst we steal or kill or destroy each other in one way or the other. What weak, childish and useless weapons we have. They are all self-destructive at the end of it all.

It is time to step into the weapons we are given because they can pull down every high thing which exalts itself against the knowledge of God. That means that we need to begin with our own minds. Our mindset has to change and adopt a Biblical world view. We have to come out of the place of fear and have faith in the covenant keeping God to take on our battles in every arena. We need to take our thoughts captive and cause them to obey Jesus Christ and what the Word of God says.

(WE WILL COMPLETE THIS TEACHING NEXT MONTH)

EXCERPT FROM THE BOOK 7 FUNDAMENTAL QUESTIONS BY DR. ABU BAKO

CHAPTER 4

WHERE DO I GO FROM HERE?

The question "Where do I go from here?" relates to the question "Where do I move to now that I know who I am, where I am and why I am here?"

Paul says in 2 Timothy 4:6-8: I have fought a good fight, I have run the race, I have finished my course. Now is laid up for me a crown of Glory, which God has prepared not only for me but also for all those who love His appearing.

God wants us to get to the finishing line. However, getting there demands hard work and diligence.

TO THE WILDERNESS

Where do we go from here? We march straight to the wilderness - the place of fortification, the place of completeness, the place of preparation.

Jesus stepped into the position that God had brought him into earth for. He went to be baptized by John before He was ushered into ministry, He was taken BY THE HOLY SPIRIT into the wilderness (Matt 4). There he was tested and tried until the things of human nature died away before He launched into ministry (Luke 4:18).

Jesus set the pattern for us. It is not the devil who takes you into that harsh wilderness phase. It is the Holy Spirit.



The wilderness is a place of death – dying to yourself, dying to personal ambitions and aspirations that are outside the will of God. It is the place of taking hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of you.

The remarkable thing about experiencing death is that it is able to remove all traces of rivalry in families, infighting and backbiting in institutions and churches, and brings out the best in you.

The wilderness empties you of all your human mindset and ways. It allows you to be empty of yourself and ready to be properly filled with God and His direction.

In 2 Timothy 4:6-8, Paul said at the end of his life: For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time has come for my departure. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.”

Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

Paul went for the best – the crown of glory. Notice that he had to “fight the good fight” in order to secure his place in heaven. Fighting the good fight implies doing everything possible to qualify for the crown.

Why? The flesh wants to go after things that are contrary to God’s will. The Spirit on the other hand longs for the things of God.

The fight has to do with subduing the flesh and responding to the Spirit of God’s prompting.

He said in Philippians 3:10-11: “I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, “and so somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead.”

It is interesting to know that Paul made this statement after 28 years of productive Christian ministry. I mentioned in the first chapter that the fundamental question to ask God is “Who are You, Lord?”

To know the ways of God, you must know Him. If you do not know Him, you cannot know His ways. Do not be interested in the acts of God if you are not interested in His ways.

Do not dream of the “power of His resurrection” if you do not “know Him.” You can never get that kind of power until you know Him Who is the Carrier and the Container of all the power.

Many people are looking for power yet they do not know Him. Until you share in the fellowship of His suffering, you are not ready for His power. Going into the wilderness will take you through the fellowship of His suffering.

Whereas Christians of the first century church counted themselves blessed to suffer for the gospel, the word “to suffer” does not exist in the vocabulary of the modern Christian. This is to the extent, people now regard godly suffering as a curse and punishment for sin. Paul observed:



I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting the one who called you by the grace of Christ and are turning to a different gospel – which is really no gospel at all.

Evidently, some people are throwing you into confusion and are trying to pervert the gospel of Christ. But even if we, or an angel from heaven, should preach a gospel other than the one we preached to you, let him be eternally condemned!

As we have already said, so now I say again: if anybody is preaching to you a gospel other than what you accepted, let him be eternally condemned!" (Galatians 1:6-8)

Doing God's will sometimes demands that you go through the baptism of suffering – that is the wilderness.

Jesus said, "He that endures to the end shall be saved."

The good thing about going through suffering is that at the end of the day, you would come out purified, prepared and equipped for the work that He has called you to do.

Moses had a wilderness experience for 40 long years. Joseph went through 13 years of preparation. David had to submit to the training and the equipping of the Holy Spirit for 13 years as a fugitive.

Going through the wilderness has a special way of refining you according to the counsel of God for your life. It brings out of you every iota of dross, and refreshes you until you become purified like gold.

When the desire for self-projection dies in the wilderness, it should produce in you a desire to serve: Serving others is the way to the top.

"...Anyone wanting to be a leader among you must be your servant. And if you want to be right at the top, you must serve like a slave.(Mark 9:35)

TO THE SCHOOL OF LIFE

Where do you go from here? You go to the school of life. To the place of training, so that every equipping is honed to perfection, before it can be utilized maximally.

The wilderness presents the first place of training. The hard experiences reveal to you your weaknesses, your humanity and teach you lessons which, well learned, can be used to teach others. Jesus told Peter

"And the Lord said, "Simon, Simon! Indeed, Satan has asked for you, that he may sift [you] as wheat. "But I have prayed for you, that your faith should not fail; and when you have returned to [Me], strengthen your brethren."" (Lu 22:31-32)



Peter went through difficult experiences; he even fell away from following the Lord. Nevertheless, he was reinstated. He became one who could lead the others through the school of life.

There, you are shaped and sharpened into a vessel that is fit for the Master's use.

(This book is available on Amazon)

WHAT SHOULD WE BE DOING AS KINGDOM CITIZENS IN THE NATIONS?

Jesus instructed us in Matthew 28:19-20 (Hebrew Gospel of Matthew) to: "Go and teach them to carry out all things which I have commanded you forever."

This is what Paul did in Ephesus and in three years there was national transformation. Paul proclaimed the whole will of God Acts 20:27. As we pray for transformation in our nations what are we supposed to teach them? He said, "to carry out all things that He had commanded". We must teach them what the Bible says about family, government, politics...about all the spheres of society. We are called to be a transforming influence in society. The Bible provides us with a frame of reference for life.

The Jubilee Centre has over the past 30 years researched extensively around promoting good and right relationships at personal, organizational and public policy levels, as a practical expression of the biblical vision of society. Visit them on the web at www.jubilee-centre.org for resources to help you to teach them. If we don't teach them how will they know what to do?

"Jesus is LORD" is one of the most radical realities of Christianity. It means that He is the Supreme Ruler over ALL.

Jesus was commissioned by God the Father to come to earth, destroy the works of the Devil, and restore that which was lost. Jesus OBEYED everything the Father told Him to do. When Jesus left the earth, He gave His followers the same commission He had received from the Father - Go reconcile the human family to the Father, destroy the works of the Devil, and restore that which was lost. Proclaiming Jesus as LORD means we are to OBEY what He commands us to do. You are not saved to go to heaven: You are saved to bring heaven to the earth. Matthew 6:10 -- "Thy kingdom come, they will be done, on earth as it is in heaven." (From <http://www.the-covenant-kingdom.com>)

This month as you pray through this guide ask Jehovah to show you what He would have you do to bring heaven to the earth.

PRAYING THROUGH THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

- The first 3 months i.e. January, February and March signify a season of reflection. February is the 2nd month of the Gregorian calendar. Thank Jehovah for another opportunity to dedicate this key gate of time and season to Him. Declare Psalm 24 over these gates.
- Many people make resolutions during this season. Make prophetic declarations which dedicate this exit/entrance gate to Him. Refer to the various prophetic words that have been released especially over the New Year, and reinforce their significance at the watches of this key gate.
- It is a season of proclaiming the Word of Jehovah. Pray that Kingdom citizens will understand and submit to the processes He is taking them through especially in relation to their utterances, so they will not speak unadvisedly with their lips against His purposes. Job 32:8; James 4:7a; Ps 106:33
- It is a year of the Word of Jehovah. Pray that during this season as you increase your word intake and listen to, read, study, sing the scriptures then Isaiah 51:16 will be your reality – The word of Jehovah will be on your lips to create His purposes at every moment of life and existence. Pray this for kingdom citizens everywhere. Isa 50:4-5, 51:16, Psa 141:3.

This is the 2nd month of the Gregorian year. **Two (2) is the number of witness, differences division and distinctness.** From Gen 1:6-8, on the 2nd day the firmament was created and positioned in the middle of the waters to **divide, separate** the waters from the waters. In this month focus on the number 2 as depicting separation, division, difference and distinction.

- Pray that this month you will take a deeper walk of separation - and lead a consecrated life of separation unto Jehovah. (2 Cor 6:14-18)
- The world has come into the body of Jesus Christ and there is gross mixture, even outright ungodliness being permitted. Pray that the body of Jesus Christ will receive a revelation of the scripture that we are in the world but not of the world. Pray that you will be counted among the priesthood whom Jehovah is raising in these days, to take this truth into a reality and to disciple individuals, communities and territories within your gate of society to live out this truth becoming salt and light. (Num. 8:6, 2Tim 2:19, Matt 5:12-14, Joh 17:14-17)

RIGHTEOUS MAN HAS AN ENDOWMENT FOR IMPROVEMENT WHEREVER HE GOES. Every kingdom citizen has become the righteousness of Jehovah because of believing and receiving the finished work of Jesus Christ as our Substitute and Savior thru His passion, death on the greatest altar ever raised – Calvary and His resurrection to eternal life.

Romans 5:17-19 says: *For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive Jehovah's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ, the Messiah. Consequently, just as one trespass resulted in condemnation for all people, so also one righteous act resulted in justification and life for all people. For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.*



- Many Kingdom citizens struggle to embrace the truth that, if we readily agree that we were born into the Adamic original sin and its consequences; not by what we did but because of the fall; then equally, acceptance of Jesus Christ's righteous act of redemption gives us a right to access everything that He died for; our salvation and we are imputed righteous. Pray that in this season of Grace you will gain a revelation of His imputed righteousness as a right for you to access all He has in store for you. Pray this for kingdom citizens everywhere.
- What does imputed righteousness encompass? How do we walk in our identity in Jesus Christ as "the righteousness of Jehovah?" It is by embracing salvation by grace through faith. In the Strong's Greek Concordance for the word "saved," the #4982 (108 occurrences rather than #4992 soteria with 5 occurrences) Sozo is the root word for another word Soter(ia) which has to do with save or Savior or salvation. "Sozo/Soteria" means "TO SAVE, DELIVER, PROTECT, HEAL, PRESERVE, DO WELL, BORN AGAIN, PROSPER AND BE MADE WHOLE." Many of us embrace only the "born again" part of salvation and struggle to accept and embrace the other aspects of salvation. Pray that in this season of the word, as you have a greater intake of the Word, everywhere you encounter the word "save" or "salvation" then you will read it and believe and receive it in all its various contexts as spelled out by the word "sozo".
- Pray that the body of Jesus Christ will recognize that Jesus Christ died for all creation and that we will take the revelation of His "sozo" to as many as are ignorant of the fact that He has already paid for every single one of them to be righteousness of Jehovah if they will only believe and receive Him and all He encompasses as Jesus Christ – which means "He shall save" (The One Who will save, deliver, aids, give victory, give prosperity, give health, give help, give eternal life, give welfare, prosper).
- The understanding and embracing of imputed righteousness is the beginning of understanding the Grace of Jehovah and accepting His unmerited favor. Only where grace abounds shall truth also be rightly discerned. Pray that in this season of grace you will experience every aspect of unmerited favor and other virtues of the term "grace"; and that you will receive by grace and through your belief in the "sozo" of Jesus Christ every resource, whether spiritual, physical or emotional and move further into your destiny path.

Read Heb 4.16 Many kingdom citizens struggle with condemnation due to various areas of besetting sins and weights that hinder our walk with Jesus Christ. We did not merit anything to receive Jesus Christ's full blessing. Similarly there is nothing we can do EXCEPT failure to believe in His finished work, that can remove us from the path of righteousness. That is why the blood of Jesus Christ is there permanently before the throne of Jehovah for us to come for repentance and cleansing, and to return back on track to fulfill our destiny. However, for many our own mindset, culture and religiosity have made us feel condemned and paralyzed to move forward in our imputed righteousness.



- A condemned building is one which has been rendered unfit for use. Condemnation whether by self or imposed says that we are unfit for use by Jehovah. Remind yourself on a regular basis, whether you have good success, or are struggling in an area of failure that you are the righteousness of Jehovah. You did nothing to deserve it in the first place, there is nothing you can possibly do to lose it. If you accepted freely that you were born in sin, not because of any particular sinful action but because of one man Adam, then you can as well accept freely that because of one man Jesus Christ, you were imputed righteous and have a right and access to all that His death and resurrection acquired for you – abundant life, peace, joy, wealth, health, success in every aspect of existence; by your faith i.e. belief and receiving in His finished work.
- In order to know Jehovah as Jehovah, there is a need to demolish the idols that you have raised in your heart as the image of Jehovah. Is Jehovah your Shepherd so you shall not want? Or are there areas of your life which you still find wanting? Is your God Ruler of all the earth? Or are there portions of the earth you feel He is not present? Is your God a Healer? Or are there portions of divine healthy life that He has so far been unable to touch? Is your God a Provider? Or are there areas of provision which He has failed to meet? Is your God optional and not a necessity in every area of life? Then that is not Jehovah. That is something other than Adonai Elohim. Jehovah will respond to you according to that god whose image you have in your heart. Ask the Holy Spirit to bring down every imagination of Jehovah that you have hitherto had, and reveal to you Who Jehovah truly is. Idolatry begins not with bowing to things but with a wrong concept and image of Jehovah in your mind. Ezekiel 14:4, Romans 1:20-21 Romans 12:1-2

Only those who are transformed by the renewing of their minds concerning the aspects of our **imputed righteousness** and the full expression of “sozo” in their lives and circumstances, will thrive. The scriptures say those who know their Jehovah will be strong and do exploits. It does not matter which deity one worships – those who know theirs and rightly identify with them will be strong. Today we see Muslims and Buddhists, Hindus and pagan worshippers who are diligent and know their god doing exploits whether positively or negatively. What will kingdom citizens do? As long as we do not understand who we are and what our rights as kingdom citizens are, then we shall be weak and be exploited as it is in the various territories today.

- The way of man is to DO things. Now Jehovah is calling you to BE. There are certain battles that have been ongoing and unyielding, Jehovah has said in this season that it is in being still, embracing your true identity as the righteousness of Jehovah, that you will see His “sozo” i.e. His redemption from eternal death, deliverance from various bondages and besetting sin, protection, healing, preservation, well-being, financial prosperity etc.
- Read Jer 17.9, Mark 7.21, 1 John 3.19-24; The human heart is desperately wicked. Therefore when we become kingdom citizens it becomes difficult to embrace “sozo” in its fullness with a condemning heart. Therefore in the scriptures in 1 John 3, the writer encourages us to continually convince our hearts of this imputed righteousness. Ask Jehovah to give you a personal revelation concerning this scripture in 1 John 3.19-24. Pray this for kingdom citizens everywhere.



Jesus Christ said that the heart is wicked and In Hebrews 4 we are encouraged to labor to enter into the rest of Jehovah. The labor is in convincing our hearts which continually condemn us, that we are the righteousness of Jehovah. We must labor to transform our minds to begin to think differently about all aspects of “sozo” including our right to divine health, financial prosperity, divine protection in an increasingly violent world, divine preservation from calamities, a right to long, abundant and joyful life etc. For the longest time, we have imputed Jehovah with wickedness when we experience calamities e.g. terminal illness, death, failure, and put it on Him

- As you pray for revelation, in this season, every morning, and at every given time, make a proclamation “I am loved by the True and Living LORD, Jesus Christ loves me; and I am the righteousness of Jehovah. I stand above reproach every time I enter the throne room of Grace to find help, and He delights in me for He sees the blood and the sacrifice, not my faults and my failures. His mercies for me are new this day. I will be a recipient of Jehovah’s love, mercy and unmerited favor in my home, my workplace, my relationships, my business, my fellowship and in every aspect of my life. I believe and receive everything I need which Jesus Christ paid for on Calvary for this day, and this season.” Remember you don’t have to feel it, but make it a habit to proclaim these truths often.

Kingdom citizens are encouraged to enter into God’s rest. Why? Jesus Christ paid it all. When our eyes are on Him, when we spend time in His presence, in the Word, renewing our minds, He will release divine economic strategies that will cause the wealth that has been so far amassed by the wicked to flow to the righteous.

- It is not because of anything you have done. You must change your mind concerning your spiritual exercises. They are good for YOU and do nothing to add or reduce Jehovah’s favor. They make you more sensitive to the spiritual, hear more clearly and then obey more easily. It is not merited righteousness, but unmerited favor because of our belief that Jesus Christ already anticipated this season 2000 years ago, and He already paid for it to pass over us. Praise Jehovah for this truth, and pray that you will receive your divine revelation of His grace as you labor to rest in the finished work of Jesus Christ. This year a number of fasts have been announced. This will be the purpose for your fasting, increased word intake, deeper prayer and intercession – to prepare to enter fully into His rest while the world rushes along.
- Read Psalm 24 and 50. “Recedere” is the Latin root word for recession. It literally means “return to Original Owner”. Psalm 24 informs us Who the Original Owner truly is. The reason why every kingdom citizen who embraces the full meaning of “sozo” will prosper, and thrive in this season, is simply because we are heirs to Jehovah’s possessions – the earth is Jehovah’s and the fullness thereof. In a recession when the world is going broke, it is time for Kingdom citizens to prepare their baskets and experience their greatest wealth transfer. Are you willing to obey, believe and receive “sozo”? Pray for renewed thinking concerning your imputed righteousness – pray this for kingdom citizens everywhere.

RIGHTEOUS GOVERNANCE

Today as many government legislations continue to push against Biblical patterns, and as the occult seems to gain strength in matters of government and law, there are many fears of persecution and great oppression of the Body of Jesus Christ, and those who will live Godly lives. Jehovah has given anyone who will seek Him the ability to stand against the onslaught of the enemy and to do exploits like Daniel did in Babylon, and like Joseph did in Egypt.

- Pray that the Holy Spirit will guide the Body of Jesus Christ back to the strength of the covenant we have with Jehovah. He will be with us as we take our roles and disciple our nations back to His purposes.
- Read Zechariah 5:1-5, Psalm 149:6-9, Isaiah 28:5-6; In this season Jehovah said He is vacuum cleaning every sector of society. He also said that He is raising governments that will develop zero-tolerance for corruption in a number of nations. Pray for your nation that there shall be a vacuum cleaning in the area of government and governance.
- Command the flying scroll that will go after the thieves in government to be released. Pray that every national thief, every continental thief, every local thief, every family thief and every destiny thief will be captured by the flying scroll of Jehovah.
- It is the honor and glory of every saint to execute the written judgments against kings and rulers. Command every seat of government authority, every piece of timber, every brick, every piece of furniture in every government buildings to cry out against any person who continues to operate in corruption, who has entered by bloodshed, or who has been established by iniquity in this coming season.
- Read Isaiah 60:18; Command the borders of your territory to reject every whisper of violence or destruction in this season. Let every perpetrator of violence at any level be exposed and severely judged.
- Command the walls of every government building to allow only that which will bring redemption and salvation to the nation. Command every gateway of government to allow only that which is praiseworthy in this season of divine governance.
- Rev 22:2. Pray that you and the Body of Jesus Christ globally will receive the fruit of the tree of life for the 2nd, 6th and 12th month for your spiritual nourishment.
- Pray that the leaves for the healing of you, your family, territory and the Body of Jesus Christ assigned for the 2nd, 6th and 12th months will be released for your bodies, souls and spirits.

IS THIS THE MONTH OF YOUR BIRTH?

Even if this is not your month of birth, pray into the day of your birth on a weekly basis (that is the weekday in which you were born). Take time at regular basis to be praying for yourself and prophesying over your own life. Speak into the foundations of your life and prophesy good things.

- Prophecy that you will live and not die prematurely in any area of your life. Your family will live, the work of your hand will live and grow from strength to strength Deut 33:6, Psa 27:13, 118:17.
- Prophecy and proclaim the blessing of Levi upon your life as a priest unto GOD 2 Pet 2:9, Deut 33:8-11.
- Prophecy the blessing of the wisdom of Issachar in every area of life. Wisdom to establish the work of your hands, your family, as you grow a year older 1Chron 12:32, Deut 33:18b-19, Pro 24:3-4.
- Prophecy and proclaim the blessing of Benjamin upon your life Deut 33:12.
- Prophecy the blessing of Joseph. Speak to the earth and declare that the earth will bring forth its best for you in this New Year. Prophecy to the heavens to declare the glory of GOD over your life every day of this New Year. Deut 33:13-17, Lev 26:4-5, Hos 2:21-22, Psa 19:1-2, Isa 55:12.
- Prophecy that you will grow in your spirit man into a mature son so that you can receive your inheritance. Wherever you go in this new year, creation will experience release from frustration because you are growing not just in years but also in maturity of spirit to take responsibility of your Father's estate i.e. the territory GOD has allowed you to inhabit. Rom 8:19-20, Gal 4:1-2
- Thank Him for your specific day of birth. Declare that day blessed.
- Thank Him that He ordained that you will be made manifest on earth on a specific day in that month at a specific hour and minute.
- Thank Him that He has a purpose for your life and it will be fulfilled.
- Ask Jehovah to forgive you where you have for one reason or another, ignored or rejected to recognize your day of birth.
- Thank Jehovah for the day of your conception. (Psa 139:13)
- Thank Jehovah that when He thought of you, he already thought of your entire life. Thank Him that He did not leave anything to chance. (Isa 49:1)
- Thank Him that he knew exactly what your redemptive purpose was going to be. (Psa 139:16)
- Pray that He will reveal the original you more and more as you enter another year of your life. (Psa 139:13-15)
- Pray that He will restore the heavenly label, and the heavenly name He gave you before you were conceived. (Jer 1:5).



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- Praise Jehovah that your birthday marks the entry into another season of Jubilee. Thank Jehovah that immediately you were born, you cried out prophetically blowing your own jubilee cornet, and prophetically rejoiced in yourself. Ask Him to give you joy no matter your circumstance, to rejoice on this day.

THE SEASON OF ADAR 1

THE SEASON OF ADAR 1 - Begins at sundown on February 5, 2019 and will end at sundown on March 7, 2019.

The Talmud tells us that “when the month of Adar arrives, we increase in joy” to welcome a season of miracles. The Hebrew name “Adar” is related to the word “*adir*”, which denotes strength and power. Purim is celebrated in the second Adar. Tradition states that Moses passed away on 7 Adar.

Adar 1 is the sixth (6th) month of the Biblical civil calendar and the twelfth (12th) month of Biblical Sacred calendar. This is the Jewish year 5779.

This is a leap year in the Hebrew Calendar. A leap year occurs 7 times in the 19-year Metonic cycle. The years 3,6,8,11,17 and 19 of the cycle are leap years. 5779 is year number 3 of the cycle and is therefore a leap year. The next leap year will be 5782, the year number 6 of the cycle. In a leap year Adar II is the 13th month which occurs only on leap years

FESTIVALS DURING THIS MONTH

There are a number of festivals that occur during the month of February. A number have to do with the commencement of observances that lead up to the Easter period. One thing to note is that, every feast or festival that was “superimposed” with a Christian significance always tends toward a lot of destruction to the family and community at large in one way or another.

Over the years the enemy has taken these celebrations which are a counterfeit of the Feasts of Jehovah and turned them into something wicked. Many of these festivals have become very deeply entrenched among kingdom citizens of various denominations, so that it is almost very offensive to say anything contrary to just ‘going with the flow’ and embracing whatever cute meaning is wrapped around these days.

- First and foremost put it in your heart that every day, and every single moment of it is Jehovah’s day and it is our duty to rejoice, be glad in it and fulfill His redemptive purpose for us within those segments of time. Therefore praise Jehovah for each day of the festivals for He made the day for His pleasure. Rev 4.11

Valentine’s Day and The Carnival

There is a lot of history tied into the above festivals. Though celebrations like the Carnival are not very popular in modern day Africa, their roots are found on the continent. Valentine’s day has gained more and more prominence in a number of denominations within the Ecclesia. Each of these festivals and observances are rooted in pagan practices. Having done away with the power of the Holy Spirit to transform, the early Roman church found it very difficult to transform their followers from these observances. Therefore they simply superimposed the Feasts of Jehovah over some of the more popular observances.

At first it seemed very harmless, but as the years have gone by, many of these festivals that were supposedly tied in with Jehovah are exposed for what they really stand for as nations especially in the west turn further away from Jehovah. Christmas is no longer considered a “holy” celebration. It is now a hollow time of lasciviousness and licentiousness. It is now referred to as “Festive Season” with no particular meaning. Similarly the celebrations around the Easter are being coined into something else as men turn further away from Jehovah. This is the common trend with every doctrine of men – to nullify the power of Jehovah and give worship to the enemy.

Valentine's day: Like Christmas, Easter, Halloween, New Year's and other holidays of this world, St. Valentine's Day is another attempt to "whitewash" perverted customs and observances of pagan gods and idols by "Christianizing" them.

As innocent and harmless as St. Valentine's Day may appear, its traditions and customs originate from two of the most sexually perverted pagan festivals of ancient history: Lupercalia (feast of sexual license) and the feast day of Juno Februata.

The Romans celebrated Lupercalia to honor the hunter god Lupercus god of fertility and husbandry, protector of herds and crops, and a mighty hunter. To the Greeks, from whom the Romans had copied most of their mythology, Lupercus was known as Pan, the god of light. The Phoenicians worshipped the same deity as Baal, the sun god. Baal was one of many names or titles for Nimrod, a mighty hunter, especially of wolves. He was also the founder and first lord of Babel (Gen. 10:10-12). Defying Jehovah, Nimrod was the originator of the Babylonian Mystery Religion, whose mythologies have been copied by the Egyptians, the Greeks, the Romans and a multitude of other ancient peoples. Under different names or titles—Pan, Lupercus, Saturn, Osiris—Nimrod is the strong man and hunter-warrior god of the ancients.

From Feb. 13th to 15th, the Romans celebrated the feast of Lupercalia. The men sacrificed a goat and a dog, clothed in loincloths made from the sacrificed goats and dogs smeared in their blood, the Luperci (male priests assisted by female vestal virgins) would run about Rome, striking women with februa, thongs made from skins of the sacrificed animals. The Luperci believed that the floggings purified women and guaranteed their fertility and ease of childbirth. This bloody pagan rite is where the red color of the day comes from.

The brutal fete included a matchmaking lottery, in which young men drew the names of women from a jar. To the Romans, February was also sacred to Juno Februata, the goddess of febris ("fever") of love, and of women and marriage. On February 14, billets (small pieces of paper, each of which had the name of a teen-aged girl written on it) were put into a container. Teen-aged boys would then choose one billet at random. The boy and the girl whose name was drawn would become a "couple," joining in erotic games at feasts and parties celebrated throughout Rome. After the festival, they would remain sexual partners for the rest of the year. This custom was observed in the Roman Empire for centuries.

After Constantine had made the Roman church's brand of Christianity the official religion of the Roman Empire (A.D. 325), church leaders wanted to do away with the pagan festivals of the people. Lupercalia was high on their list. But the Roman citizens thought otherwise.

It was not until A.D. 496 that the church at Rome was able to do anything about Lupercalia. Powerless to get rid of it, Pope Gelasius instead changed it from February 15 to the 14th and called it St. Valentine's Day. It was named after one of that church's saints, who, in A.D. 270, was executed by the emperor for his beliefs.

In A.D. 494, Pope Gelasius renamed the festival of Juno Februata as the "Feast of the Purification of the Virgin Mary." The date of its observance was later changed from February 14 to February 2, then changed

back to the 14. It is also known as Candlemas, the Presentation of Jehovah, the Purification of the Blessed Virgin and the Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple.

Today, the holiday is big business. And so the celebration of Valentine's Day goes on, in varied ways. Many will break the bank buying jewelry and flowers for their beloveds. Others will celebrate in a SAD (that's Single Awareness Day) way, dining alone and binging on self-gifted chocolates.

- During the season surrounding the Easter celebration there is increase sexual immorality as pagan deities are given homage in veiled rituals and observances. This season of endings and new beginnings between December and March tends to have some of the vilest observances which usher in new season and plunge whole territories into grosser darkness with each observance. Pray for revelation within the Ecclesia which has ignored the real feasts of Jehovah but rather given great prominence to these other ungodly feasts
- Ask the Holy Spirit to help you gain a greater revelation of these seasons of men and how they take away from the real Feasts of Jehovah. It is only by obedience and revelation that the grip these particular holidays have can be released from kingdom citizens.
- These festivals of men have become cause for untold damage to relationships and a greater sense of loneliness for others. It is a season where in nations like Namibia, they record the highest number of suicides. When people feel abandoned or rejected because they have not been remembered with "gifts", there is a sense of guilt when relatives, friends or colleagues cannot afford to spend lavishly or give "time off" to employees during these festivals. Marriages have experienced breakdown because at Christmas or Easter certain expectations were not met in terms of time spent with loved ones, gifts and holidays given to significant others, illicit affairs exposed, sickness even death from over indulgence and reckless abandon in morals and general behavior. Yet funny enough, you never hear of such damage to relationships because of the 7 real Feasts of Jehovah. Ask Jehovah to deliver you and kingdom citizens at large from the traps of the enemy wrapped up in these various celebrations.
- Some good has come out of these days when people have taken them seriously for what they are supposed to stand for. Thank Jehovah that He redeems everything for His own purposes especially when His people are still very ignorant about these celebrations.
- When you gain a revelation of these festivals and their true significance – for the enemy to find any worship he can gain, do not condemn those who are ignorant; rather pray for them and that their eyes will be opened to rather begin to respect the Feasts of Jehovah instead.

Carnival – Voodoo/voudon is a pagan religious practice popular in ancient West Africa. It incorporates a lot of magic, witchcraft, sacrifices and self-indulgent activities. There was specific worship music and dance composed especially for that carnival. Basically the priests of the various demon-deities worshipped in voudon would be celebrated as people danced on the streets to rhythmic intoxicating music with carefree abandon. That music and dance was referred to as "semba" (meaning "to invoke" the spirits) which was borrowed by the Portuguese and renamed "samba" very popular in South America and the Caribbean today.

On 14th February the most popular voudon carnival commences in Haiti and spreads around through the Caribbean and then South America. Inspired by Voudon carnivals of ancient West Africa, the Carnivals in ,

the Caribbean islands, South America are rapidly being embraced in other parts of the world. During the season which amalgamates with Valentine's Day, there is an acceleration of immoral events – gay pride marches involving lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender culture, and the carnival celebrated in the Caribbean Islands and South America are all celebrated around the 14th – 16th February.

They are a platform for promoting very deep levels of sexual immorality, drug abuse and the wildest self-indulgent activities. The Carnival gives the last opportunity for revelry and self-indulgence in food, drink, music and sex, after which the “Christians” put up an act of penance during Lent! They thereby express high levels of hypocrisy to the faith.

- What religious observances have you been involved with? What are their origins? Do you realize that you dedicate your day/days to the deities you serve? Are you aware that these observances are renewals of covenants whose conditions you may not be fully aware of? When you take up dances like “Samba” do you realize you are invoking certain deities? Do you realize that these intoxicating dances that are so popular have a deeply pagan origin inspired by demon-deities for purpose of worship to themselves?
- Have you even “Christianized” some of these dances/music styles? Is it impossible for Jehovah to inspire dance and music styles that will glorify Him? Do we have to always copy the ways of the world? Do you realize that you are drawn to that kind of music/dance because of its intoxicating style deliberately implanted by these demon deities?
- Do you realize that when you do not make those covenantal renewal observations especially blood sacrifices as required, there is a backlash on you? Do you notice increased levels of bloodletting, even death through accidents ? Ask Jehovah to give you understanding of His righteous standards in all these aspects.
- Do you wonder why there may be some calamities that befall people because of rituals and practices you may be ignorantly practicing? From the Christmas season to the time of Epiphany on the 12th night after Christmas, through to the Carnivals and Mardi Gras (Fat Tuesday) events and the Lent season up to the Easter season, there is escalating pagan practices that bring many to bondages they may not even be aware of.

PRAYING FOR NATIONS

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

The new president, Felix Tshisekedi, has been sworn into office. He wants to build a reconciled Congo. Voting in Beni and Betumbo in the eastern North Kivu province was delayed until March due to the Ebola outbreak that has killed more than 330 people.

SUDAN

Thousands of people have taken to the streets in anti-government protests. Since the protests began in January, more than 40 people have been killed.

ZIMBABWE

The increase in the price of fuel by over 100% led to violent protests in the streets. There has been brutal security clampdown by the police and army. Human rights organizations in Zimbabwe claim that a total of 12 protesters were killed by security forces and many more had been beaten.

KENYA

Men armed with guns and explosives burst into a hotel complex in Nairobi, killing 21 people on Tuesday, January 15, 2019. At least 30 people were injured in the attack. The Somali Islamist militant group, Al-Shabaab has claimed responsibility.

BURKINA FASO

The Prime Minister of Burkina Faso has resigned from office with his entire cabinet. His government had faced pressure over a rise in the number of kidnappings and Jihadist attacks.

NIGERIA

The main female candidate in Nigeria's upcoming presidential election, Oby Ezekwesili has withdrawn her candidacy in order to help build a coalition for a viable alternative in the 2019 general elections. General elections will be held in Nigeria on Saturday, February 16, to elect the President and the National Assembly. Just two weeks after the general elections, balloting will take place on March 2 to select governors and state assemblies in 29 of Nigeria's 36 states. We are praying for free, fair, transparent and peaceful elections.

VENEZUELA

President Maduro started a second term on January 10 following a widely boycotted election in 2018. On Wednesday, January 23, 2019, Juan Guaido, the leader of the opposition declared himself interim president. President Maduro has severed relations with the United States and ordered American diplomats out of the country. He is accusing the US of orchestrating a coup d'etat.

Please use these prayer points as you pray for the nations listed above:

- Pray for the victims- that Jehovah would comfort them, pray that family members will be reunited.
- Pray for healing and mercy - God is our comfort and strength Psalm 46:1, Psalm 57:1-2
- Pray for wisdom and safety for those responding to the people in need. Pray for the safety of the rescue workers.
- Pray for the Body of Christ in the nation. Pray that the Body of Christ will be a witness to God's compassion and care for all who suffer. God is inviting us to be His watchmen in prayer and find Him as our refuge in hard times.

UNREST IN NATIONS

While a part of the world is celebrating a happy new year, it is not so happy in other nations; joy and peace are a rare commodity for some. While we celebrate positive prophetic words for the year, there is a sound of the trumpet call sending out a warning that all is not well in some parts of the world. We are in a global village. Whatever happens in one little corner, affects far-flung nations:

- Proclaim Isaiah 62 and kindly take time to pray for Nigeria, Yemen, Sudan, Syria, Venezuela that indeed Jehovah Shalom will brood heavily as these territories as His watchers raise intercession, and resist the works of the enemy until each becomes a praise on the earth.
- Genesis 4.10-12 Repent for the bloodshed that has defiled these nations and brought a vagabond curse upon the people making the land and people unfruitful, refugees, easy prey for destruction and death wherever they go (thus the drownings of those trying to escape war in Syria, hostility from host nations for refugees, accidents)
- Galatians 3.13-14 Jesus PAID IT ALL for every single territory and every single individual more than 2000 years ago before they were nations and before they even sinned or did anything good or bad. Appropriate the finished work of the Cross of Calvary over each territory and its people wherever they may be. Their deliverance was already sorted out. Proclaim this truth over the lies of the enemy
- These people groups have the opportunity to enter into the blessing of redemption. Salvation is their blood-bought right. The enemy has deceived the Ecclesia into a position of weakness and hopelessness. Pray that the church will arise triumphant in this season and recognize her powerful and authoritative role to steer the nation into the path of redemptive purpose at the place of prayer.
- Prophetically pray Isaiah 4.2-6 and Psalm 23 for the women, children and youth who are most vulnerable victims in these nations; pray for families that have been torn apart as loved ones disappear, run away, die in the confusion.
- Proclaim Isaiah 2.2-4 and Psalm 46 over each territory and each warring faction and call upon Jehovah Sabaoth to arise and send angelic assistance to cause wars to cease.
- Prophetically pray Isaiah 60.17-20 over each government leader, and each fighting faction; that every man of violence must be stopped by the angel of Jehovah as His people arise to stand in the gap and pray over the territory.
- Declare Amos 5.23-24 over the nations that have called for a cease-fire that these ceasefires and peace treaties will be upheld and nations may move forward.
- Pray for the Ecclesia to arise as a voice for righteousness and justice for this new leadership in the land.

NATIONAL DAYS

The following nations celebrate national days in this month

National Days

- 1) Sami (Sweden, Finland, Norway, Russia) 6 February (first Sami congress was held 1917 in Trondheim, Norway)
 - 2) Sri Lanka 4 February (Independence from the United Kingdom in 1948)
 - 3) Niue 6 February
 - 4) New Zealand 6 February (Waitangi Day signing of the Treaty of Waitangi 1840)
 - 5) Grenada 7 February (Declaration of independence from United Kingdom in 1974)
 - 6) Japan 11 February (National Foundation Day Jimmu the first emperor, is crowned in 660 BC)
 - 7) Serbia 15 February (The beginning of the Serbian revolution against Ottoman rule in 1804)
 - 8) Lithuania 16 February Lithuanian State Reestablishment Day (declaration of independence from Russia and Germany in 1918)
 - 9) Nepal 18 February (Martyr's Day), 28 December (Nepal a federal republic 2008, earlier the king's birthday)
 - 10) Gambia 18 February (Independence from the United Kingdom in 1965)
 - 11) Guyana 23 February (Republic Day, also known as Mashramani, republic in 1970)
 - 12) Brunei 23 February
 - 13) Dominican Republic 27 February (independence from Haiti in 1844),
 - 14) Estonia 24 February (Declaration of independence from Bolshevik Russia in 1918)
 - 15) Kuwait 25 February (26 February is Liberation Day, from Iraq 1991)
- Using Acts 17:26-28, pray into the womb of time for the above nations. Thank God that He is the One Who determined the boundaries of each nation at an exact time and season during a particular year for the purpose of redeeming each of these nations and causing men to seek Him and find Him.
 - For each nation celebrating an independence day, pray that the LORD will follow this with the independence of His people from the kingdom of darkness into His glorious kingdom of light. Many will have a personal encounter with Him which will lead to their decision for salvation over eternal death. Pray that the people in each of these nations will choose life and that there shall be fellowships which will be on hand to receive and disciple them into strong disciples of the LORD. Matt 28:18-20.
 - Thank the LORD that He is Governor over the above nations and He rules justly (Psa 22:28)
 - Pray that a level of kingdom governance will begin to reflect in each of the above nations as they mark various milestones during this month.

- Prophetically proclaim Isaiah 61 to the Ecclesia in each of the above nations.
- Pray that the LORD will strengthen the weak hands and knees of the Ecclesia in each nation. One common feature in each of the above nations is that the Ecclesia is not very strong. There is a strong occult presence in each of these nations. Pray that the LORD will raise a prophetic Ecclesia to deal with all forms of occult in this season.
- Pray for nations that have turned heavily to Secular humanism because of the relative successes they have enjoyed in areas of economic development. Many of these nations have become centers of immorality and defiance of the LORD. Pray that the LORD will in this season do something that will cause the people in these nations to turn their hearts back to Him.

NATIONAL ELECTIONS

We encourage you to keep praying for a nation's election for at least 2-3 years before the fact. That way, you pray without the frenzy of campaigns and the attendant pressures. Also Jehovah can begin to reveal the person whom He wants to raise in position of leadership.

Be like Mary who anointed Jesus for his death and burial way before the actual event. While everyone else was scrambling around to do their good deed after He had died, and missed the opportunity because He was risen, she could rest content that she had done her bit on time. Be like the five clever virgins who paid the price of preparation before-hand, so that when the bride-groom did appear, they entered into their rest while the foolish virgins scrambled around trying to do a hasty last minute job.

Let us not be fire-fighters and crisis intercessors. Such an important matter as a nation or region, or constituency leadership should not be taken as lightly as it has been done in the past. Let this sacred new year commence a new beginning and new attitude toward matters of elections.

NATIONAL ELECTIONS – (FEBRUARY, MARCH, APRIL)

FEBRUARY

- 3 February: El Salvador, President^[1]
- 16 February: Nigeria, President and Parliament^[2]
- 24 February:
 - Cuba, Constitutional referendum
 - Moldova, Parliament^[3]
 - Senegal, President

MARCH

- 3 March: Estonia, Parliament
- 10 March:
 - Guinea-Bissau, Parliament
 - North Korea, Parliament
- 16 March: Slovakia, President
- 24 March: Thailand, Parliament^[4]
- 31 March: Ukraine, President
- Guinea, Parliament
- Guyana, Parliament
- Madagascar, Parliament
- Maldives, Parliament

APRIL

- 7 April: Andorra, Parliament
 - 9 April: Israel, Parliament
 - 10 April: Belize, Referendum
 - 14 April: Finland, Parliament
 - 17 April: Indonesia, President and Parliament
 - 18 April: Algeria, President
 - 21 April: Macedonia, President
 - Guinea-Bissau, President
 - Mali, Parliament
- Thank GOD for the above nations that have different types of election activities over the next three months.
 - Pray that GOD's Shalom shall brood over each territory as they participate in elections.
 - Pray that the elections will be free and fair and that the individuals whom GOD has marked for leadership will emerge as winners as the Ecclesia partners with GOD in making the proper selection
 - Pray that the Ecclesia will no longer be used as a pawn in campaign activities in these nations. Rather the Ecclesia will have a strong voice in representing the kingdom of GOD in the national matters.
 - Pray against the party spirit that breeds division in the Ecclesia whenever election seasons come.

PRAYING THRU THE HEAVENS

- For any army to win a war, they will ensure their air-force is in place. Whether it is simple Calvary in ancient times, or soldiers positioned on the city walls, or on high hills or elevated places, these have the best view of the battle. For you to overcome the enemy in this spring season, ensure that the heavens are in agreement with you. Speak to the heavens over the month and ask them to declare the glory of Jehovah. Command the sun, moon, stars and every heavenly being to do Jehovah's bidding, and to do that which they were created for - to give Him pleasure (Ps 19:1-2, Rev 4:11)

GOD created the heavens and gave them their role in creation – to determine the times and seasons on earth (Gen 1:14-18). It is a must for every kingdom citizen to study and understand the heavens and know our role as stewards of His estate toward them – not the ungodly astrology, horoscope and other occult practices.

Once we acquire GOD's ordained knowledge for the heavens, we will be able to set up their dominion here on earth (Job 38:31-33). Remember that in Mathew 28:18-20 Jesus commissioned the fledgling Ecclesia with all the authority given to Him to go out into all nations and disciple them. This authority included that which is in heaven and on earth. It is our duty to answer in the affirmative, the question that Job was asked concerning the visible firmament in Job 38:31-33. (For further teaching on "Understanding the Heavens" make a request of the teaching by email).

LUNAR MOVEMENTS

Crescents and Quarter Moons

When the moon is shaped like a C or its mirror image (Sickle), it is considered a crescent moon. The quarter moon is shaped like a D or its mirror image and considered to be a bow. The occult will use the bow shaped moon to shoot arrows of wickedness to the unsuspecting in order to draw unfair advantage in various areas of life. The occult use the crescent moon as sickles (e.g. Hecate's sickle), for harvesting the gains of the ignorant and for demonic strength and fortification with intense enchantments.

- Proclaim Psalm 148 and Command all creation especially the crescent and Quarter moons to praise GOD as instructed in Psalm 19.
- Proclaim Psalm 64 and fasten that judgment into the heavens.
- Proclaim Isa 26:1-9 and command the heavens to receive this instruction and reject every other voice of destruction; pray for strength and fortification "Trust in the LORD forever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH is everlasting strength". Isa 26:4
- GOD abhors enchantment so He warned His people not to be involved in enchantment. (Lev 19:26b) Pray that the occult, involved in intense enchantment will equally and certainly face the fierce wrath of GOD. Is 13:9

The Full moon will occur on 19 February 2019 @ 15:53 UTC

- Praise GOD for the full moon this month.
- Declare that as the moon has waxed into fullness this month, so shall you receive a double portion of the prophetic release which will wax to fullness during this season.
- Command the full moon to declare the glory of GOD alone and reject every other instruction from any other source that is not ordained by GOD. Psa 19.
- Proclaim Zech 9:15-17; In this month, command the full moon to praise GOD. As the enemy comes in like a flood, as he comes as a terror by night or shoots arrows that fly by noonday, the Word of the LORD will be your shield and buckler. Psalm 91
- Ask Jesus who is the Conquering King, to ride forth victoriously on behalf of righteousness, humility and truth during the full moon season. Every enemy instruction for the full moon to strike the righteous by night will be returned to sender as the moon rejects every other instruction except that which is from the LORD Psa 45.3-6



- During full moon seasons the gravitational pull of the moon on the earth causes an ebb and flow of waters resulting in tidal action and instability of the waters on earth even in bodies of all creatures. Pray that the waters of your body will stabilize and be still during the full moon season when the waters ebb and flow, and body fluids are also affected adversely. Ask the LORD to be the stability of your times; pray this for your economy and for the political landscape in your territory.

The Last Quarter moon will occur on 26 February 2019 while the First Quarter moon will occur on 12 February 2019.

- Command the Quarter moons to praise GOD in this season.
- Pray that GOD will teach your hands to war and your fingers to do battle so you can break the steel bows of the witches, wizards, sorcerers, necromancers, diviners, monthly prognosticators, astrologers, traffickers of familiar spirits and the queen of heaven (Ps 18:34; Ps 144:1)

The New Moon occurs on 4 February 2019 @ 21:04 UTC

- Command the new moon to praise GOD who created it to mark the times and seasons. Psalm 104:19, 136:8-9, 148:3,
- Command the new moon to receive instruction only from GOD and from Kingdom citizens to fulfill only the purpose which GOD created it for in this season. Pray that the moon shall reject the incantations, prognostications and manipulation from any other ungodly source.
- Pray that as the new moon waxes as a witness in the sky, so shall their desire to know the true LORD GOD grow with it.
- Pray that GOD should cut off those that handle the sickle in the time of harvest against the ignorant and cause them to flee. (Jer 50:16)
- At the new and crescent moon proclaim and enforce Num 23:23 over your life, family, and the ignorant in the Ecclesia and territory.

SOLAR MOVEMENTS

Solar Events

From January 19th to February 18th as the sun makes it circuit through the heavens it will pass through a cluster of **108 stars** in the constellation called **AQUARIUS** located in a region of the sky sometimes called *the Sea*. In sky lore astronomers tend to associate these star patterns with water. It is in Aquarius we find Cetus the Whale, Pisces the Fish, Eridanus the River and Piscis Austrinus the Southern Fish. Named: "Their blessing ensured" or "The living waters of blessing poured forth for the redeemed," Frostbitten of Him coming down; Jehovah's rivers/streams; Pours out Spirit Isa 33, Joel 2.

The constellation is pictured in the heavens by a man (Jesus Christ) pouring forth water from an urn which seems to have an inexhaustible supply and flows forth downward into the mouth of a fish (the redeemed)



which receives it and drinks it all up. The word of Jehovah is symbolized by water in its purifying, cleansing, refreshing and reviving effect on the receiver (Eph 5:26)

- Praise Jehovah that in this month He is the original Purifier and not the demon-deity Juno to whom the month was dedicated. Therefore dedicate this month of purification to Jehovah.
- This is a year of the Word of Jehovah. The water of the word purifies. Take time to read larger chunks of the word and as you read out the scriptures, prophetically pray that there will be a cleansing effect in areas of your body soul and spirit where cleansing is required for this season. Whether you need to have cleaner language, cleaner spiritual ears to hear Jehovah more clearly, a cleaner conscience cleansed from feelings of condemnation and guilt, a cleaner blood system, nerve system, mental capacity from various diseases, proclaim those areas that you sense require a cleansing effect in this season.
- As the heavens declare, ask that the Holy Spirit will guide you in these coming days, to be in a posture of repentance, restitution and rededication of your own life to Jehovah. Pray this for kingdom citizens everywhere. Psalm 51
- Present your family and your community for purging of every defiling activity. Where there are oaths taken, ungodly blood covenants made, heightened ancestral worship activity, ask Jehovah to drain the counterfeit purification activities. Isaiah 47
 - In this season a counterfeit from the kingdom of darkness, in the form of water spirit activities like the demonic festivals of February, become manifest as they endeavor to secure the final gates of the sacred year and open up the new season to defilement. Ask Jehovah to pass through every moment of this month, and every activity in your life, in your relationships, in the Body of Jesus Christ and in the territory draining them of every water spirit defilement Ezek 32.1-15
- Pray that the blood of Jesus Christ which washes whiter than snow will cleanse and purify your community of every evil blood-letting that does not purify but defiles the land.
- As the heavens declare, pray for a fresh anointing for the coming season upon the Ecclesia worldwide.

The other smaller group of stars called decans that form part of Aquarius describe the blessings bestowed upon the redeemed by Jesus Christ, the One who blesses.

Piscis Australis (The southern fish) represents the blessings bestowed. Piscis Australis is inseparable from Aquarius and represents the mouth of the fish. Water brings refreshment. Named: mouth of the fish; blessing is bestowed on the redeemed.

- As Jesus Christ pours out the water of His word over you as you read the word out daily over the body of Jesus Christ and territory, ask that His purifying water pass through all the waters of your body, the waters of your family and territory and drain them of every water spirit manifestation in every gate of society
- Ask Jehovah to do a deep and thorough sweeping of the Body of Jesus Christ as you faithfully read out the scriptures daily so that the voice of the Body of Christ will become relevant with regard to governance of the nation as this is a season of divine governance.



“In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus Christ stood and cried, saying, If any man THIRST, let him come unto me and drink. He that believeth on me, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water”. Jesus Christ, by this call was referring to the Holy Spirit which they who believe in Him should receive after He has been glorified. (John 7:37-39)

- Pray that this will become the clarion call of the Body of Jesus Christ to the nations as He wipes away the damaging effects of the unbiblical prosperity gospel at the expense of a righteous, holy and pure life before Jehovah.
- Pray that through your giving and sharing of His word, Jehovah will give you opportunities to become a conduit through whom His living water will flow and touch lives of those who are otherwise dead in various aspects of sin and do not understand that the grace of Jesus Christ has been shed abroad to all who will believe and receive it.

Pegasus (The winged horse) represents the blessings quickly coming. Named; chief horse; speedy bestowment of living waters

- Thank Jehovah that His timing is not similar to our timing. Are there areas in which you feel He has delayed and you have been waiting too long? His blessings are coming quickly. Ask Jehovah to help you walk in His timing with regard to His purposes being fulfilled in your life. Pray this for the Kingdom citizens everywhere. Isaiah 40:29-31.
- Pray that in this season when there is heightening demonic activity in the various pagan festivals, that Jehovah will activate in kingdom citizens the nature of the goodly war-horse. Proclaim Job 39.19-25 over this nature in your life as follows and **personalize by filling in the blanks below**:
- May we take on the nature of the strong war-horse may we be clothed with thunder on our neck. May we be fearless as He is and may our voice strike terror in the kingdom of darkness over _____. Everywhere our feet will tread upon in _____ we will rejoice in our strength for the joy of Jehovah is our strength and we will run into the clash of arms. We will mock at fear and we will not turn back from the sword. The weapons of our warfare are mighty through Jehovah to the pulling down of strongholds in _____ and we will have good success. Jehovah strengthen our legs that we will devour the distance with fierceness and holy rage; and we will not stop because the trumpet has sounded. At the blast of the trumpet we will laugh. We will smell battle from afar, the thunder of captains and shouting, and we will go into the battle with the kingdom of darkness knowing that greater is He that is in us than He that is in _____.

Cygnus (The swan) represents the one who blesses surely returning. It has to do with the Great Blessor and His speedy return. The swan is not so much a bird of the air but a bird peculiarly belonging to both the earth and waters. Named: Ethics from afar, fountain of life Psa 36.8-9

The entire star constellation signifies “The living waters of blessing poured forth for the redeemed who drink in the blessing. Bringing speedily the good news of the returning Redeemer.



- This is a season of revival and healing. Thank Jesus Christ He is the Son of Righteousness who will in this season rise with healing in His wings. If there is any area of ailment, command the heavens to release healing to you and your loved ones. Remember that “sozo” has to do with healing too. The heavens shall not smite you, but rather, they will release every healing and succor for your body, soul and spirit. Pray this for the every kingdom citizen. (Psalm 121:6-8, Mal 4:2)
- Thank Jehovah that He has promised to return for His own and the heavens do declare this in this season. Pray that the Ecclesia will go back to the message of the Day of Jehovah and that many kingdom citizens will have the call for the return of Jehovah as we fulfill His purposes. Rev 22:17

From February 18th to March 20, 2019 as the sun makes it circuit through the heavens it will pass through the constellation PISCES symbolized by the fishes. One smaller than the other, joined together by a band around their tails. The smaller fish crosses the constellation Andromeda while the larger fish sits on the back of Pegasus.

The Hebrew word for fish and multitudes are the same word - daga(im). The constellation is named - The fishes of Him that comes; the fishes; multitudes. This indicates the multitudes that should enjoy the blessing of the Redeemer's work.

- Thank the LORD that the heavens declare a great opportunity for the Ecclesia to reach out and make Jesus known throughout the earth. Pray that kingdom citizens including yourself will tap into that opening.
- The LORD has spoken that this is a season of great grace. His unmerited favour is open to all who will believe and receive the finished work of Jesus. Pray that kingdom citizens will be conduits of this grace as we display His favour over our lives and draw others to drink from the well of grace which is available to all. The other smaller group of stars called decans that form part of Pisces describe the detailed teaching of the sign Pisces.

The BAND (the redeemed bound, but binding their enemy) represents Jesus the coming one in relation to the redeemed; Jer 31.11, Hos 11.5

- In this season the heavens declare that there is power to break every bondage, every chain that has hitherto withheld you from accessing all that Jesus redeemed on your behalf on Calvary. Tap into this truth and join the heavens as you wage war against every power that has been a hindrance (refer to the prayers in the beginning of this guide.)

ANDROMEDA - The chained woman stretched out. The star cluster is literally named -The broken down; the weak; struck down; the afflicted; set up as queen, daughter broken the bound and it represents the redeemed in their bondage and affliction. Jer 14.17, Isa 52.2



- Even though many kingdom citizens enjoy eternal redemption, the position as Bride of Jehovah on earth, they are still operating under various levels of bondage and besetting sin (Heb 12.1-2). Proclaim Psa 107, and Isa 45:2-3 over your life and over kingdom citizens you know who are experiencing areas of bondage or oppression. Proclaim Jesus's redeeming power to break every bondage no matter how deep long and strong and His ability to liberate us today because He paid for every redemption 2000 years ago.
- The heavens declare that it is a season for the Queenly bride to come forth. It is also a season of Purim. Revisit the prayers concerning the Purim above, and ask the LORD for a greater revelation of who you are as a kingdom citizen with regard to your royal role and character. Pray this for kingdom citizens.

CEPHEUS The crowned king; the branch; one cometh to rule; I will be GOD to all the families of Israel; It represents the Redeemer coming to rule.

- The heavens declare that Jesus, your King is coming to rule. Is it not time to actively invite Him the Benevolent King to come into the affairs of your territory and inspire a heavenly rule through you His queenly bride? Celebrate the LORD in this season as we prepare to enter the first set of the spring feasts of JEHOVAH, that the heavens do declare His glory and His majesty.
- Pray that as many as are seeking Him in this season wherever they may be, He will reveal Himself as Redeemer and King.
- Proclaim Psa 45, 145, and Rev 19 and seal these in the heavens over your territory.
- Prophecy Psalm 121, and Deut 33.13-17 over your life and family and over the gate of society you are assigned to, and the territory you live in.

PRAYER REQUESTS FROM GAPNET PARTNERS

We receive prayer requests from out GAPNET Partners every day. We will put the general categories from those requests here and ask you to remember to pray for them during the month. Thank you.

- Please pray for healing for those in the GAPNET family that are sick.
- Pray for those who are struggling with addictions.
- Pray for strong Christian families.
- Pray for our ministry partners for financial provision.
- Pray for Christian spouses for our children.
- Pray that the leaders of the nations would have a Damascus experience.
- Pray for our children who are disappointed with the Body of Christ and sees it as hypocritical.
- Pray that they will build a personal relationship with Jesus.
- Pray for the financial resources that we need to advance the work of the Kingdom in the nations.



PROPHECIES FOR 2019

The prophecies for 2019 will be posted on the GAPNET website once they become available. Also refer to the website for the complete 2017 prophecies and those from previous years that continue to be fulfilled.

PROCLAIM

THE LORD IS WITH ME; HE IS MY HELPER. I LOOK IN TRIUMPH ON MY ENEMIES. IT IS BETTER TO TAKE REFUGE IN THE LORD THAN TO TRUST IN HUMANS. IT IS BETTER TO TAKE REFUGE IN THE LORD THAN TO TRUST IN PRINCES. ALL THE NATIONS SURROUNDED ME, BUT IN THE NAME OF THE LORD I CUT THEM DOWN. THEY SURROUNDED ME ON EVERY SIDE, BUT IN THE NAME OF THE LORD I CUT THEM DOWN. THEY SWARMED AROUND ME LIKE BEES, BUT THEY WERE CONSUMED AS QUICKLY AS BURNING THORNS; IN THE NAME OF THE LORD I CUT THEM DOWN. I WAS PUSHED BACK AND ABOUT TO FALL, BUT THE LORD HELPED ME. THE LORD IS MY STRENGTH AND MY DEFENSE; HE HAS BECOME MY SALVATION. SHOUTS OF JOY AND VICTORY RESOUND IN THE TENTS OF THE RIGHTEOUS: "THE LORD'S RIGHT HAND HAS DONE MIGHTY THINGS! THE LORD'S RIGHT HAND IS LIFTED HIGH; THE LORD'S RIGHT HAND HAS DONE MIGHTY THINGS!" I WILL NOT DIE BUT LIVE, AND WILL PROCLAIM WHAT THE LORD HAS DONE. PSALM 118.7-17

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