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## **INFORMATION ABOUT THE MONTH OF MARCH**

March derived its name from ancient Rome. The first month of the ancient Roman calendar which was dedicated to "Martius" after Mars, the Roman god of war fell within this month. This is the period when winter is ending and the first flush of spring manifests in the northern hemisphere.

According to Greek mythology, March is named after Mars and is also identified with the Greek god of war - Eres, who exalts bloodshed and violence. Other names for Eres are "The Avenger," "The Slayer" and "The Curse." The spear is his emblem; the dog and vulture are his sacred animals. In Roman Mythology Romulus the mythological founder and first king of Rome was deified as Quirinus a Sabine god of war; identified with Mars. His name was derived from a Sabine word quiris meaning "spear."

The Vernal Equinox will occur on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019. The vernal equinox marks the gates of spring season in the Northern Hemisphere and the autumn season in the Southern Hemisphere.

The 1<sup>st</sup> of Adar 1 commenced at sundown February 5, 2019. Adar 1 is the fifth (6<sup>th</sup>) month of the Biblical civil calendar and the eleventh (12th) month of Biblical Sacred calendar. This is the Jewish year 5779. This is a leap year. 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. In a leap year Adar II is the 13<sup>th</sup> month which occurs only on leap years. The 1<sup>st</sup> of Adar II will commence at sundown on March 7, 2019. The Feast of Purim is on the 14th of Adar II which is March 21, 2019. The Feast of Purim commemorates Queen Esther and Mordecai's victory over Haman and those who wanted to annihilate the Jewish people in the Persian Empire. Their story is recorded in the Book of Esther.



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## WHAT IS THE NAME OF OUR GOD?

According to Wikipedia "Jehovah is the Latinization of the Hebrew הָּוֹהָי, 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 lehouah 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 is 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 <u>www.seforimonline.org/seforimdb/PDF/264.pdf</u> 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 <u>www.aleppocodex.org</u>.

The King James Version uses "JEHOVAH" to translate the divine name in most instances. Jesus's Hebrew name "Yehoshua" (means "Yehovah saves" and is derived from יהושע). This Hebrew name became "Jesus" in Aramaic and "Iŋσοῦς" (lesous) 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- 3 Page 4 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 (Psalm104:19, 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 (1Kngs 6:1,37)
  - Ethanium the seventh month (1 Kings 8:2)
  - Bul the eighth month (1Kngs 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 6-9. Please see last month's guide for steps 1-5)

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#### THEY WITNESSED THE PUBLIC DECLARATION OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

After exchanging weapons, remember the animals divided into two and the corridor of blood? Each partner would walk the length of the corridor chanting the conditions of the covenant making promises and swearing a curse upon themselves if they broke the covenants. Do you remember that God came like a burning torch in Genesis 15 and made promises to Abram?

Then each would place his hand on the other's shoulder and say "Even as we stand in the blood, with death on the left and right I promise you they may fall to the left and right, but I will never leave you in battle. I will be there even when blood flows under our feet you can count on me." That was an assurance that "Even if we are being defeated, even if there is death left and right and blood is flowing, I will be there with you." Why?

The LORD said to Abram that his descendants would go into slavery for 400 years. Even then the LORD would be with them and He would fight for them and deliver them and bring them back into the Promised Land with great triumph.



Then the two would take the scroll where they wrote the terms and conditions of covenant and each would begin to read to the other what they promised. "You promised that you will do this and that and will not break your promise. If you break the promise, this would happen. And the other would say, "Yes" and the family would say "Amen." The terms and conditions would be spoken out openly. This is called "Swearing to each other the Covenant."

Jesus Christ hung on the cross on the day of His crucifixion and publicly declared "Forgive them for they do not know what they are doing". As He died, He declared "It is finished." It was the covenantal declaration that all the wrath of the LORD had been finished by His sacrifice; the long separation between man and God was finished.

The broken covenant between man and God from the Garden of Eden had been sealed and restored. It is a profound statement whose implications we ought to be walking in today as covenant partners.

## THEY MADE THE DECLARATION STANDING IN THE BLOOD.

After that, they each took a razor and cut the vein in the wrist, then they would bind their wrists together so that the blood mingled. Blood signifies life. So the life of this one and the life of the other are being mixed to be one blood, and it flowed down and dropped into the soil. They would make a declaration and say, "Today we are no longer two but one life. Even as our blood has mingled together and the soil is a witness that we are one, should I ever break this covenant with you may the earth vomit me out. May I be a vagabond, cursed for breaking the covenant, and may the earth never grow crops for me, may my wives remain barren and my children die before they are of age. May I forever be cursed for breaking the covenant for this is a covenant of oneness." They would say such things that would bind them to their covenant, believing that their deities were witnesses to this exchange

The wrath of supervising spirits who watch over covenants was incurred when a covenant was violated. It is these spirits who saw to the execution of these conditions

The sanctions on covenant breaking or violation are so awesome that, they can actually lead to death. In other cases they could bring about curses, disasters, misfortunes. As you look at your territory and the terrible things that happen, could it be there are certain covenants that have been breached? What kind of covenants do your leaders get into? What oaths do they swear? Those will affect the nation especially if they are made to demon-gods.

However, the blood of Jesus has already covered all. When we call on His blood and invoke the covenant conditions that are vested in the blood of Jesus we can bring deliverance to our territories and nullify every other token that speaks in the land.

In a marriage covenant when the couple consummates the marriage as virgins then there is blood that intermingles. That is the cutting of the covenant. Every time there is that consummation there is a level of blood mingling between the two. They become one. Even when people have adulterous affairs or



fornication, then they become one, and it is a covenantal tie. That is a soul-tie. When a couple does not consummate their marriage they can annul it because it is considered that the covenant has not been "cut."

When the LORD began to renew covenant with the children of Israel in Egypt He instructed them to kill a lamb and put the blood on their door posts. When He saw the blood He would pass over them. He was invoking the covenant He had with their fathers that He would indeed deliver them from their enemies.

Jesus Christ gave His blood for the redemption of all creation. When we accept Him as our LORD and Savior, we exchange our death for His life and we become one with Him. That is why we are considered His bride.

## THEY HAD THE EXCHANGE OF NAMES AND TOKENS OF THE COVENANT.

After God's Covenant with Abram, Abram's name was changed to Abraham, likewise Sarai to Sarah. Gen 17; Gen. 32:22-30. After making the declarations, they would turn to their families, and if one man has been called Joseph and the other Isaiah, they would exchange names.

- a) The most personal possession anyone can own no matter how poor, unknown or despised he is, is their name. Can you write what your name represents to you?
- b) Who is the original Father of all nations? Read Luke 3:38b
- c) God changed Abram's name to Abraham. What does Abraham mean?
- d) Did God exchange His name with Abraham?
- e) Sarai's name was changed too to Sarah. What does the name Sarah mean?

Abram also had to do his part but how could he give his name to God? In calling him Abraham, God took part of His own name Y**ah**weh and put it in Abram and Sarai's names and thus they became Abr**ah**am and Sar**ah**. He would also from that time be referred to as **the God of Abraham**.

When Isaac and Jacob renewed the covenant, He was referred to as the God of Isaac and also the God of Jacob; and thus on these three patriarchs, the covenant of God's love was established. Even Jesus Christ acknowledged this patriarchal covenant of love in speaking about the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Whatever God represented, these men and later on the nation of Israel represented both to the heavens and to the nations of the earth.

What about Jesus Christ and us? When Jesus said *in My name you will ask,* it is not the identity alone but everything that it means in heaven to the angels, to the Father, all heaven, what He is to the demons and Satan. He basically means "In My name you will ask anything, in My name you will step into My identity so that what I am you are, if I am a Son to the Father, you are a son to the Father, if I am LORD over angels, you are Lord over angels, if I have overcome the devil, you have overcome the devil, if I overcame the world, you overcame. In My name ask, and it shall be done". That is just a small portion of what the name of Jesus represents and He is offering it to you. When you step into His name you step into His identity. You become



identical to Jesus Christ to whoever you are facing because covenant makes you ONE with Him. That is powerful.

When people hear your name, that is your workmates, business partner, wife, children, neighbors, what does it represent to each of them?

Read Ephesians 2<sup>6</sup>. Is Cancer or AIDS, a name? Is poverty a name? Is failure a name? Is discouragement a name? Is depression a name? Is Satan a name? Is witchcraft a name? Is death a name? The Bible says *we are seated in high places in Him above every name that can be named. Above all principalities and powers and authorities*. Not even the arch-angels have a place before God higher than we have received in Jesus Christ. However, have we given up our names to Him in order to receive His?

We said that the greatest fight is the fight of faith. You may say you believe the Word of God but you still have fear. Fear to let go, fear to surrender and say "I give it all to Jesus Christ, I want only Him". That fear that asks "What will happen if I give it up?" That fear destroys our faith.

Read Hebrews 11<sup>6</sup>; what does it mean?

Without faith, we cannot do anything. By faith all things are possible. The Bible says what is impossible with man is possible with God because with God all things are possible. When fear knocks at the door, faith opens it and finds NO ONE!

After an individual has put on Christ, he is called a Christian (Acts 11:26; Is 62:1,2).

In traditional African settings, when a chief accedes to the throne, he is given a stool name to seal the covenant between him and the spiritual forces behind the throne.

After the exchange of names, there was an exchange of tokens which signified that the two groups were in covenant. There were many tokens of a covenant.

• They planted a covenant tree; Trees are employed in this respect because trees outlive men. The implications are that, covenants can be beyond one's lifetime so that your offspring will operate in the covenant after ones death.

In Gen 21:33, Abraham planted a tamarisk tree (groove – shrine) to represent and seal the covenant he "cut" with Abimelech. A tree can be a groove (shrine) that represents an individual or covenant, i.e. a tree can be planted for somebody as part of a token to seal a covenant.

In some communities, trees are planted over buried foreskins or umbilical cords (gates of a person's life) and solemn pronouncements are made on it in the presence of and /or with the approval of people with relational authority.



Just as the cutting down of the tree, trimming of its branches, stripping off of its leaves and scattering of its fruits in Dan 4:13-15 affected Nebuchadnezzar's reign (physically), so can trees planted for individuals as part of covenants affect or influence their lives.

- Some take the umbilical cord of a child when it has fallen and tie it around the child's waist or wrist as a covenant sign.
- Others buried the foreskin and planted a tree over it to signify that person's life. In some cultures in Africa to date, they still have groves and forests that are supposed to be tied to spiritual beings. These are covenant trees planted or dedicated in ancient times.
- The rings in marriage or markings on the body or other jewelry can be used as tokens.

## THEY SHARED A COVENANT MEAL - THE COMMUNION

Gen 26:26-33; 31:43-55; Ps 106:28; 1 Cor 11:23-29; Mt 26:23-29; Ex 24:9-11; 2 Sam 36-21.

After exchanging their names the two families would bring food. In any culture there is no relationship without people eating together. In 1 Cor 10:14-22, Paul compared breaking (communion) to the table of devils. Festivals and Satanic celebrations end with meals. Meals have covenant implications in the realm of the spirit and they affect generations yet unborn. We don't eat with just anybody (1 Cho 5:9-11; Heb 13:10). Daniel purposed in his heart not to defile himself with the Kings meat, and wine (Dan 1:8). Food eaten in African cultural festivals is usually a covenant meal.

The wedding cake eaten by the bridegroom and bride is a covenant meal. By eating it, witnesses present are actually stamping their seal of approval on the marriage covenant. The Devil also has his copy of this. During the cutting of many satanic covenants, a component part is the sharing of bread.

Some people use this so that when you share a meal with them, you partake of whatever they are giving to you consciously or unconsciously. They may be exchanging your destiny with their own, or stealing from you at the level of the soul. That is why Paul admonishes you to pray over food before you eat it. He understood because he lived among pagans in his missionary journeys. He knew the spiritual significance of doing such a simple action.

Even in the ancient Eastern covenants, they would bring food and all the family would come close to partake of it. One father would rise up and take bread and break it and say "This is my body. I promise you, your children will not lack when I am still here. I will give my body to be crushed, to labor to take care of your children. They will not suffer while I am here. They will not go into slavery while I am here. My body will be given to hard labor, to pay any debt for your children." The father would then turn, give the bread to his covenant partner and his family and they would eat it. The other covenant partner would do the same for him.

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Then they would take the wine and each partner would say "This drink is my blood. I will pour out my blood and die for you and for your children. I will never let anything that I can prevent happen to them. I will lay down my life for you and your own. Let the gods witness this." After that he would pour some of the wine to the ground as a libation to the ancestors/gods and then give the other family to drink. The other partner would reciprocate.

This was the type of covenant that Abraham, Jacob (Israel) and Jesus Christ entered into. Now take some time to think about the New Covenant in which we have a portion. Can you imagine what the disciples were thinking and feeling in the upper room when Jesus Christ stood up and broke bread and gave them the wine to drink? Can you imagine the emotion in that place? These were people who understood from their culture, the deep significance of that action. Today, many people do not have a thorough understanding of what the communion means.

Peter probably looked at John and his eyes were like, "He is telling us, all that He is we are and shall become. All the power and miracles we witnessed shall be our portion, all the authority, we are partakers." They did not need many words to convince them of what He was saying to them. It was a powerful and profound moment in their lives.

Today we break the covenant meal and do not understand that each time we do it, we are not only remembering Jesus Christ's sacrifice; we are renewing and strengthening this covenant.

What does it mean? If His body was broken for our physical and emotional healing and deliverance, we should be walking in divine health and we should be couriers of this divine health to others. If His blood was shed for our deliverance from bondages and eternal death then we should see these things manifest in our lives and in our ministries. However, is that what we see today?

He has already given us all thing we need for life and godliness; an assurance that He will be with us every inch of the way. He has given us all those powerful seals of the covenant and we do not utilize them because we are ignorant, we have chosen to focus on the circumstances around us, we refuse to give Him time and our schedules literally block Him out. We have filled our lives with all sorts of noise.

We cannot do without the news, the TV, the DVD, our phones and I-pads and Internet. We must be "current" in news. We do not even trust Him to give us the information we need without all the unnecessary extras.

We are filling ourselves with information that does not build us up. Then we wonder why we are powerless. It is not because He has not given us the power, authority and everything to overcome and transform our territories and disciple them. He has, but we have chosen to pick other things and we cannot recognize His voice in the midst of all the other noise. We cannot hear Him speak, we do not understand the signals of the Holy Spirit, we don't understand the signs of the times and we respond to situations just like unbelievers do.



The conditions of the covenant became the tradition or memorial so that whenever men met again and needed to renew the covenant, they would practice the ritual that sealed the covenant instead of going through all the mentioned steps. In our new covenant with Christ we practice partaking of the Holy Communion, which has become our tradition in renewing our covenant vows.

## **RENEWING COVENANTS**

Covenants can be renewed in periods of slackening during which commitment or faithfulness to covenant terms or obligations by either or both parties to the covenant have diminished. The renewal of the covenant at Sinai (Deut 29:12-15) is the main focus of the book of Deuteronomy. Deuteronomy summarizes the history of God's dealings with Israel since leaving Sinai (Deut 1:6- 4:43), recites the main stipulations of the covenant (Deut 4:43 – 26:19), reminds the Israelite of the curses and blessings of the covenant (Deut 27:1-30:20) and closes with arrangements for its continuation (Deut 31:1 - 33:29).

Shortly before Joshua died, he called the people together for this purpose (Josh 24; see vrs 24, 25). Similarly, Jehoiada led a covenant renewal ceremony at the crowning of Joash (2 Kg 11:1-21 (v17) as did Josiah (2 kg 23:1-3), Hezekiah (2 Chron 29:10), and Ezra (Neh 8:1 - 10:39).

The call to covenant remembrance and renewal is relevant today. The New Testament is God's covenant with us and we renew it as we partake of the Lord's Supper (1 Cor 11:17-34). As we practice this, we become able ministers of the new covenant (2 Cor 3:5, 6).

The pouring of libation is to renew ungodly covenants. The yearly festivals in many cultures are one of the ways these satanic covenants are renewed. Similarly the pouring of libation, lighting certain fires, during meetings of elders of various families and clans and at state or national functions are all instances of renewal of demonic covenants. Rituals and rites that accompany the installation of new chiefs and rulers as well as the burial and interment rites also constitute renewal of covenants with ancestral spirits.

Renewal of covenants with wicked spirits serves the purpose of:

- 1) Reinforcing the control and hold of demonic forces over the lives of the people on whose behalf the covenants were enacted.
- 2) Strengthen the hold of wicked spirits to ownership of the land.
- 3) Making it extremely difficult for the gospel to penetrate into areas where such covenants have been enacted. Even when the gospel does come, there are areas of deliverance that the people become resistant to, or get weary and refuse to deal with.
- 4) Increasing the life span of the covenants.

You have access to the Holy Communion. Why don't you begin to take it with this new understanding on a regular basis?



Why don't you couple this with a fast on the day of your birth? You are a covenant partner with the LORD. The weekday of your birth is a powerful day to take communion as you pray for yourself, your relationships, your career, your ministry gift and talents, your health, everything about your life.

Everything we have learnt, which was in the ancient Assyrian covenant is in our covenant today. Pagans of the ancient world never broke their covenants. God instituted this practice among men so that when the time came for Him to come into covenant with man, He would enter into a practice that was comprehensible to man's mind! When He told man He loved him, man would understand the depth of this love.

Today, why don't you pick a leaf from the great transformers of old and renew your covenant with the Covenant Keeping God?

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

## CHAPTER 5

## HOW DO I GET THERE?

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Anyone who wants to get somewhere must first of all have a point of reference. Jesus had a plan of how He would accomplish the vision God had for Him.

He worked according to plan and purpose. He did not do everything, every time. He did specific things at certain times.

Even when people expected Him to do miracles at certain times, He would back off from them and train only the small group of disciples.

## START FROM A PLACE OF STABILITY: SOLID GROUND

Remember the purpose for us being here? To know Christ, and to make Him known . . . Christ Jesus is our Foundation. He is the Rock upon which we stand and develop anything in life.

Jesus is our Stable Ground. He is our Reference Point. He is the Author (the beginning) and the Finisher (the end) of our faith.

Getting to your destination demands that you take stock of your life. You need to answer the following questions:

What do you have in hand in terms of skills, equipping, human resources and talents to help take you where you want to go?

What will it take to get there? How much more needs to be acquired in terms of skills, knowledge, revelation, education, gifts and spiritual abilities? What can you do to acquire every resource for the journey ahead?



Finding answers to these questions will help you to assess your strengths and weaknesses and put in focus what things to look for.

Where you need certain types of exposure to enhance the rate of your success, go in for that exposure with alacrity and zeal.

If you need to read certain books, go ahead and read them without any more delay. If you need computer literacy to make it to the next level, take that step towards your goal.

Whatever experience, skill and qualification you need to have, make sure that you channel every single energy, resource and ability into obtaining it.

Many people are unable to get there mainly because after considering the difficulties, problems, and limitations associated with this stage, they give up. How do I get there considering all the "Goliaths" in the land?

The answer will surprise you. Go back to God and ask Him to take the obstacle out of your way, if that be His will.

He may require you to gain strength to overcome that obstacle or to change that obstacle into a stepping stone to go into the next level in Him.

Obstacles do not kill. They are planted exactly where you are sure to pass. They help you go back to the Lord for inspiration and the necessary idea for the next line of action.

If you cannot break through the obstacle, run through it. If you cannot run through, leap over. If you are not to leap over it, use it as a stepping stone.

Whatever happens, don't run away from obstacles because they don't kill.

David said: For by thee I have run through a troop; and by my God have I leaped over a wall. (Psalm 18:29)

Whenever David saw anything, he would go to God and ask questions. God's answer showed him how to handle the challenges.

How Do You Get There? By developing a vision, mission, core values and objectives, which range from short, medium to long term so that you have a time frame within which to accomplish your vision.

By the end of it, you should have your daily to-do list for the non-negotiable things that will help you take little steps toward the big vision for your life or that project.

I have given a vision building exercise that would be helpful for you as an individual to coin your own vision for life.

It is basic for any corporate group to consider and develop. You may do it as the Spirit of God leads you. There may be areas I have overlooked, however, it is a good place to begin from.



## **PLANNING**

If you want to chart the course of your life, then you must plan.

I discussed at length the importance of getting to know God's plan for your life, knowing His blueprint. Once you start getting direction, you must plan.

Proverbs 21.5 says The plans of the diligent lead to profit, as surely as haste leads to poverty. If you rush ahead to act on things without a proper plan, God guarantees your poverty.

If you do not take time out to detail what you want to see happen in your life, in your organization, in your ministry, in a particular given time frame, you will go to poverty.

It is not just physical poverty, but mental poverty, and spiritual poverty as well. Poverty is the product of a lack of planning.

Whatever you want to achieve in life, as long as you have your life time, you can plan your way into achieving it.

Do you wonder why most African nations, ministries, families and individuals do not prosper?

Those who prosper do not reach their maximum potential simply because of an attitude where planning is relegated to the backseat.

Please recognize that the wisest man who ever lived pointed out the importance of planning. You must make plans.

God is the initiator of plans. He says; "For I know the plans I have for you" declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. (Jer 29:11-12)

If God already has a good plan for your life, please access it. It does not matter what good things you are already doing.

If you are not within God's plan, then you will have questions to answer. He will want to know why you went the opposite direction to the course He has set for you.

Remember, men and Satan think alike. Your personal plans however good, and Satan's are similar. If you want good success, think like God thinks.

He always wants the best for you. If what you have in mind is not the best for you, then good becomes evil, even devilish.

Why should you plan? Your plan is personal but it is not private. You do not live in a vacuum.



Even your own personal plan will in one way or another affect other people positively or negatively. Your plan always has corporate implications.

Your plan will always affect your generation positively or negatively. Remember that God did not create anyone for nothing.

He has a purpose why He shot you forth into this generation, into the circumstances you find yourself in. He expects you to impact your generation. Your plans will allow you to maximize that impact or to miss it.

How do you practically begin to make a plan for your life? Management, has to do with planning, organizing, leading and controlling (POLC).

As a leader the first step toward showing that you are managing is to have a vision.

As you do the following exercise, whether to develop your own personal vision or one for your office, or family or organization, that is part of planning.

As a Christian, everything begins with prayer.

- Pray for a vision from God
- Plan in prayer
- Organize through prayer
- Lead as you get inspiration from God in prayer
- Establish control in prayer. If you do not do it that way, you have ungodly
- control
- Then you praise God for what He has done.

(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 MARCH

- Praise Jehovah at the beginning of this new month. The final month of the Sacred calendar is upon us and you want to close this gate of time and prepare to enter a new one with High praises. Proclaim Psalm 19,24, 148-150 and Isaiah 35, 60-61 into this new month.
- Read 2 Sam 11.1 it is the season of war. When a strong man is at a gate no one can come in except whom he allows. But when a Stronger Man comes the weaker one must bow. Our LORD, the Man of War is The Strongest Man, the Creator of this new gate of time. Proclaim Habakkuk 3 as you close the gates of the final month of this sacred year and enter the gates of Spring season, declaring that our LORD's strong warring heavenly hosts with drawn swords will man the gates of this particular season and scatter every other demon fomenting war and strife of any sort.
- Praise Jehovah Sabaoth and Jehovah Nissi. He is the Man of War. Every other demon deity
  proclaiming this title is defeated, bound, incapacitated and de-toothed. They were spoilt more than
  2000 years ago when Jesus triumphed over them on Calvary. Therefore declare every demonic
  warfare against kingdom citizens to be a lie.



- You hold the key to activate Jehovah's purposes for every day of this final month. A scripture to lay hold of during this season of war is: I have put My words in your mouth, that you should plant the heavens and lay the foundations of the earth (Isa 51:16) It's the time of war. We don't necessarily fight in the Spirit realm by attacking the devil. We can fight by simply standing (Eph 6.11). That was the instruction given by Paul the apostle in that after we have done everything we must stand. That is our warfare. We stand on the truth of Jehovah's word against every circumstance that seems real and contrary to His purpose.
- You must remember that Jesus won the victory over every demonic intent and plan. He won the victory over sickness, death, destruction, bondages, despair and depression, mental challenges, poverty and lack, rejection and abandonment, premature death. It is His will that you walk in total freedom from every single one of these vices. Therefore shape the coming days by prophesying into each day. Using relevant scriptures, pray what Jehovah has said about these days and plant the heavens over your life and circumstance. What does His word say concerning your health? Your provision? Your deliverance? Your salvation? Your children? Your marriage? Your promotion? Your territory? Your protection? Take time to even write down some of those scriptures as proclamations that you will make throughout this coming month.
- You have to lay the foundations of the earth for each day and speak into the day that it shall not do the bidding of any other voice except the voice of Jehovah. Declare the submission of your will to that of Jehovah on each day. Tell the earth what it ought to look like for you in every aspect; whether it is the weather, the traffic, what you will read, your meetings and relationships, how your mind will operate, your daily targets; shape the day and speak to every part of creation to cooperate with you; Psalm 121.5-6, Deut 33.13-17, Psa 67, Psa 148.
- Read out Psalm 19,24,25, 75, 148-150 and Isaiah 35, 60-61 into this new season This is the time for Kingdom citizens, like the army of Jehoshaphat who did not know what to do, to gather corporately and take the most efficient weapon i.e. praise and worship. This is a new season; a significant time of the year and so much spiritual activity going on in the nations. Command every day of this season to praise Jehovah.
- Read Job 38.4-5, Psalm 19.4 Speak to the equator and every other major lay line including the Prime Meridian 0, Tropic of Cancer and Tropic of Capricorn and the International Date Line, to praise Jehovah and receive only the bidding of His servants. The longitudes mark the gates of time, and latitudes mark the gates of seasons. Pray that the lay-lines will reject every speaking, incantation and command which comes from any other source, using them for selfish purpose. Command the gates of this month and the gates of the spring season to be lifted up for the King of Glory and His purposes to come in.
- Declare that Jehovah Sabaoth, Jehovah Nissi is the LORD of Hosts and commands every army in the entire universe and not any other deity of the choosing of men.



- Proclaim Psalm 18 🛛 Read Exo 15:3, 1 Sam 17:47, 2 Chron 32:8 and declare the Lord of Hosts as the Man of War who owns the war. He is the Conqueror of every battle within the war and has made you and every kingdom citizen more than an over-comer in every battle that you face this month.
- Read Jer 50:25 Ask Jehovah to give you the right weapons from His armory to use in each and every battle facing you, your family, the Ecclesia and your territory.
- Read Psa 144.1; Ask Jehovah to teach your hands to war and your fingers to do battle on behalf of your family, the Ecclesia and your territory.
- Read 2 Sam 5:19-25; 1 Chron 14:10-17 Ask Jehovah to equip you and kingdom citizens in general, with skills, technology and weapons for effective warfare as he did for David. For some, proclamation of His word may be the weapon for this season. For others it may be praise and worship. For some it may be thanksgiving and an attitude of gratitude through any circumstance, for some it may be extended periods of praying in tongues, others may be required to take a spiritual discipline like fasting, a Bible marathon, etc and for others it may be dealing with specific demonic forces He may point out. Ask Him and He will show you what weapon or multiple weapons He will have you use in this season.
- Read Isa 41:15-16 and pray that Jehovah will make you a new sharp threshing instrument having teeth to thresh all mountains (confrontations, challenges etc) and beat them small. Again the choice of weapon will be as He reveals to you.
- Proclaim Jer 51:20-24 and ask Jehovah to make you His battle axe and weapon of war to deal with the plan and agenda of the kingdom of darkness and all battles of the enemy against kingdom citizens.
- Isa 54.14-17 Jehovah says that He is the One who created the craftsmen who fabricate every type of weapon for every purpose. He assures His children that no weapon has yet been created that can prosper against you. Declare this into this new month that no weapon the enemy has used in the past and in the future will prosper against you. If he has some success in the past, this new sacred year will put a stop to the effect of his weapons against you.
- Read Zech. 10:3 Pray that Jehovah will activate the nature of the horse in you for battle this month so that you will successfully exhibit all the characteristics of the horse in the battles the enemy hurls at you in this month.
- Job 39:19-25, Matt 6:13 Pray that Jehovah will activate your input gates to sense battle i.e. your nose will smell the battle afar off, your ears will hear the battle and your eyes will see the enemy's strategies so you will not be led into the enemy's traps and temptations.
- Pro 28:1, Ps 46 Pray that like the horse you will charge into the battle, fearlessly because the battle is the LORD's anyway.



- Read Psalm 27.1-3, Prov 21.31 Pray that in this season you will laugh at scorn and be a terrible terror to the enemies of Jehovah's purposes in your life and family, Ecclesia and the territory at large.
- Read Psa 19.1-6, Rev 4.11- 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 vantage point to win 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 command 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 Jehovah pleasure.
- The number three (3) represents Unity as in the Trinity; and represents the mystery of a three-fold cord which cannot be easily broken. Pray that the unity that Jesus prayed about in John 17.17 will begin to be a reality in the Ecclesia at every level of society from the fellowship of two to the global level.
- The number seven (7) represents perfection, fullness and completeness. Pray that during this month, as you come to the close of the old year, the Holy Spirit will reveal to you the areas where you have not finished what you should have finished. Pray for a spirit of acceleration to bring to completion the purposes of Jehovah assigned for this past sacred year.
- The number thirteen (13) signifies; anger, breakdown of perfect government as rebellion arises. It is
  a number of fallen man resisting the authorities of Jehovah and spiraling down to moral and physical
  death. When we reject to give account, we refuse to obey. Pray that during this month you will not
  be rebellious to the purposes of Jehovah but that the Holy Spirit will help you be sensitive to His
  promptings.
- James 4.7, Rev 12.9,12 Reject and resist every raging spirit of Leviathan and its action over your life and that of kingdom citizens in your territory.
- Rev 22.2 speaks of the tree of life which bears 12 season of fruit and whose leaves are for the healing of nations. Pray that you will receive the fruit reserved for the 3rd, 7th and 13th months from the tree of life for yourself, family and Ecclesia.
- Pray that the portion of healing required for your family and territory will be released this month.

## **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.



- Prophesy 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:L13, 118:17.
- Prophesy and proclaim the blessing of Levi upon your life as a priest unto GOD 2 Pet 2:9, Deut 33:8 11.
- Prophesy 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.
- Prophesy and proclaim the blessing of Benjamin upon your life Deut 33:12.
- Prophesy the blessing of Joseph. Speak to the earth and declare that the earth will bring forth its best for you in this New Year. Prophesy 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.
- Prophesy 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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- Prophesy the blessing of Dan concerning your role as a leader. Prophesy over your inheritance that Jehovah will indeed ensure you leave an inheritance for your descendants. Deut 33:20-21, Psa 16:5-6.
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   Gal 4:1-2
- 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.

## **FESTIVALS DURING THIS MONTH**

**THE SEASON OF ADAR II** - Begins at sundown on March 6, 2019 at sundown and will end at sundown on April 5, 2019.

#### FEAST OF PURIN

This is the most cheerful and colorful of all Jewish holidays. It is recounted in great detail in the Book of Esther. It is the commemoration of the victory of Queen Esther, Mordecai and the rest of the Jews, over the Haman plot to exterminate the Jews in Babylon. Celebrated yearly on the 14th day of the Hebrew month Adar (the 12<sup>th</sup> month in regular years but the thirteenth month Adar II in leap years) following a day of fasting on the 13th day of Adar , to commemorate Queen Esther's fast before she turned to the king for help. It is



written that in Shushan, the Jews' celebration took place a day later, because traditionally, holidays were celebrated a day later in walled cities. Therefore in Jerusalem Purim is celebrated on the 15th day of Adar even today.

Read through the story of Esther over this season and ask the Holy Spirit to give you even greater revelation of how you and kingdom citizens ought to relate to these Biblical characters Esther and Mordecai.

Esther is a type of the bride of Christ just the way that Melchizedek was a type of Jesus our High Priest. Ask the LORD that in this particular Purim Festival you and kingdom citizens will begin to recognize your role as redemptive individuals in every sphere of society you operate in.

She was adopted; without earthly father and mother: Pray that kingdom citizens will recognize our first connection being Ambassadors of our Father's kingdom on earth; and that the earthly things, relationships, connections are meant to enhance our redemptive purpose.

Pray that where our earthly connections have in any way derailed us from destiny e.g. strained or broken relationships, death of loved ones etc., may the Holy Spirit help us to recall our original redemptive role to rule and reign with the LORD on earth as in heaven.

Pray for any area of having an orphan spirit where you struggle with rejection, abandonment issues. Pray that the Holy Spirit will reveal to you the reality of a heavenly Father who can satisfy every area of relationship that ails you.

Esther was from the seed of Abraham and of royal lineage – from the Benjaminite clan. Many kingdom citizens don't have a revelation of what it is to be royalty with a Father who is King of all the universe. Pray that you and kingdom citizens at large will come into levels of understanding and renewal of your mind as to who you truly are – seed of heavenly royalty; and it is your blood-bought RIGHT to receive all that the Kingdom of heaven has to offer to you for the fulfillment of redemptive purpose in the Great Commission.

She was planted in the world system —for such a time as this— a destined redemptive purpose. This is a season where many are seeking to understand their redemptive role on earth. From corporate institutions to Ecclesia even prison, people are using all kinds of strategies to unlock their purpose. Only Jesus through the Holy Spirit can reveal to you what your redemptive purpose really is as He is your Creator. Spend a good amount of time on a daily basis thanking Him that He planted you where you are for such a time as this.

The Esther Fast is about getting aligned to redemptive destiny and purpose. It was only after she spent time in Fasting and prayer that she finally understood why she was raised for such a time as this. If you do not know your purpose, this is a good season to take an Esther Fast and seek Him for purpose.

She had the opportunity to bring transformation as a type of salt of the earth in a rotten government system with Haman signifying the corruption and self-aggrandizement that is evident in many government officials today. Where are you located within the 8 gates of society? The 8 gates of society are the doorways through which any society will be influenced for the LORD or for evil; including 1. Family 2. Belief Systems 3. Government Governance and leadership 4. Economy 5. Education 6. Science & Technology 7. Media 8. Art



Sports and Culture. There isn't a person who does not have a level of influence in one or more of these gates at clan, community, regional national or continental level.

Ask the LORD to help you in this season of grace, to be a type of salt of the earth in your own sphere of influence; and that in your watch, the Haman's shall be decimated.

Just like the Bride of Christ, for a moment there Esther forgot her redemptive role and thought the grace given to her was for her self-preservation. Most people in the Ecclesia are using the power of the LORD and His unmerited favor for self-preservation, and self-enrichment. They do not realize that they are raised up for such a time as this; in terms of understanding, revelation, wealth, technology, creativity and everything that makes the Great Commission so much easier to fulfill in our day than it was in the earlier times.

Bring yourself and the Ecclesia before the LORD. This is the season to ensure that all the roles that were neglected by the earlier fathers in discipling nations, are re-taken by kingdom citizens. Formerly —no-go areas of leadership and business, social work and charity roles that are hijacked by —development organizations are to be taken back by the Ecclesia.

Esther's true purpose began to be realized when she realized that it was not by merit that she got in to the king's good graces It was by grace. She was nobody and nothing and did not even qualify at all to enter the king's palace; yet she an orphan, a Jew, a slave got into position. Today, kingdom citizens are who we are because we believed and received Jesus's sacrifice on Calvary. That automatically thrust us out of the kingdom of darkness into His marvelous light. It was not even our own faith, but His own faith that enables us to access all that His sacrifice paid for – everything that Adam lost in the fall – life, health, peace, wealth, authority, power, relationship with the Father, access to every resource necessary to establish His kingdom on earth as in heaven. Ask the Holy Spirit to bring this revelation in a greater way to you and kingdom citizens everywhere.

Pray that you will not only be a recipient and holding vessel of the LORD's unmerited favor and grace. You will become a conduit of His unmerited favor to others; an extension of His grace to others.

Esther's initial solutions were temporal. Give the crying Mordecai (depicting the needy perishing world) clothes and food to assuage them temporarily rather than deal with the system that had created the trouble and bring permanent change. Today many huge development corporations do charity work in a bid to help needy areas of the world. Many were started by well-meaning Christian brethren. They have worked for years in war torn nations and trouble spots in the world. This help has largely been very temporal and hurts more than help the people. The Ecclesia ought to re-take the role of charity, compassion and helps ministry and lead in dealing with the systems that create such situations. Every principle to do this is found within the scriptures. It has been done before in the reformation era and throughout the earlier part of the 20th Century. Pray that, like Esther we shall discover our true purpose and bring a permanent acceptable solution to communities that have suffered for too long under so many challenges.

Many well-meaning Charity organizations and individuals have become discouraged after pouring out so much resource in missions, aid and they see very little in terms of change. Nations like South Sudan, Somalia,



Haiti, Indonesia, are a —missions nightmare. There seems to be very little or no change no impact on the ground. Proverbially, —Esther's clothes are being returned to her and another cry is coming out of the world saying there is need for permanent change. If you do not bring change God will have another solution but you will perish. Isn't this sad? Pray that there will be a new way of carrying out the helps ministry as directed by the Holy Spirit and encouraging impact will be felt by all parties. After all, charity work is meant to draw people to the LORD; may this be the story for missions in this season.

This is a true call to the Ecclesia today IT IS A SERIOUS CALL. If we do not rise up and bring permanent change in the system the LORD will raise another and bring change. The LORD has used donkeys and Jesus said stones can cry out where men keep silent. Pray that kingdom citizens especially in the mission field, will not be among those who have tasted of His faithfulness and grace, and then you drew back and refused to be sent out to become the change you want to see.

It is a season of qualification and disqualification. Will you qualify as one of the matured sons who can go out or will you become like the disqualified by your refusal to step up from your comfort zone?

Esther was in her comfort zone. There was a season where she was to blend into the system in order to learn the ways of the system, and to be a covert, —guerilla soldier; touching the unclean thing with holy hands. It is similarly for individual and corporate kingdom citizens. There was a time to blend in and be covert about your beliefs and the grace of Jehovah upon your life. It was for others to see and recognize Jesus in your lifestyle actions and attitudes. Your lifestyle and actions should have been enough testimony for others to know you were different in a positive way. Maybe you missed your season. Maybe others look at you as a kingdom citizen in the work place and think —if that is how Kingdom citizens behave I am not interested.

## **PRAYING FOR NATIONS**

#### Sudan

Sudan's President Omar al-Bashir declared a national state of emergency. He dismissed the federal government and sacked all state governors. This follows weeks of anti-government protests in the streets. More than 1,000 people are reported to have been detained since the protests began.

#### Nigeria

On Saturday, February 23, 2019 Nigeria held presidential elections. Most of the country was calm but there were attacks by the Boko Haram group in the north. There were reports of voter intimidation and attempts to steal ballot boxes in the southern states of Rivers, Lagos and Anambra. It was reported that 16 people were killed.

#### Venezuela

Clashes broke out between protesters and Venezuelan national guardsmen at the border with Brazil. The confrontation occurred over aid shipments. President Maduro is blocking the aid shipments that were



organized be the opposition. The delivery of humanitarian aid from Colombia was also blocked. Venezuela is experiencing a devastating economic crisis and food shortages.

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 and 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

Posnia and Horzogovina		
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1 March	Dan Nezavisnosti; Proclamation of independence from Yugoslavia in 1992
Wales	1 March	St. David's Day, Patron Saint
Morocco	2 March	Independence from France in 1956
Bulgaria	3 March	Liberation Day, autonomy within Ottoman Empire 1878
Ghana	6 March	Independence from the United Kingdom in 1957
Mauritius	12 March	Independence from the United Kingdom in 1968
Hungary	15 March	Revolution of 1848, for Constitutional Demands
Ireland	17 March	St. Patrick's Day, Patron Saint
Northern Ireland	17 March	St. Patrick's Day
Aruba (Netherlands)	18 March	Flag Day: autonomy within the Netherlands in 1948
Tunisia	20 March	Declaration of independence from France in 1956
Namibia	21 March	Independence from South African mandate in 1990
Rome, Italy	21 March	Celebrating its inception by mythological Romulus
Pakistan	23 March	Republic Day Islamic republic in 1956
Greece	25 March	Declaration of independence from Ottoman Empire in 1821
Bangladesh	26 March	Declaration of independence from Pakistan in 1971
Malta	31 March	Freedom Day, withdrawal of British troops from Malta 1979
United States Virgin Islands (US)	31 March	Transfer Day, transfer of the islands from Denmark to the United States 1917



- 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 - (MARCH, APRIL, MAY)

#### March

- 3 March: Estonia, Parliament
- 5 March: Micronesia, Congress
- 10 March:
  - o Guinea-Bissau, Parliament
  - o North Korea, Parliament
- 16 March: <u>Slovakia</u>, <u>President (1st round)</u>
- 24 March:
  - Burkina Faso, Constitutional referendum
  - o <u>Comoros</u>, <u>President</u>
  - Thailand, Parliament<sup>[4]</sup>
- 30 March: <u>Slovakia</u>, <u>President (2nd round)</u>
- 31 March: Ukraine, President
- <u>Guinea</u>, <u>Parliament</u>
- <u>Guyana</u>, <u>Parliament</u>

#### April

- 3 April: Solomon Islands, Parliament
- 6 April: <u>Maldives</u>, <u>Parliament</u>
- 7 April: <u>Andorra</u>, <u>Parliament</u>
- 9 April: Israel, Parliament
- 10 April: <u>Belize</u>, <u>Referendum</u>
- 14 April: Finland, Parliament
- 17 April: Indonesia, President and Parliament
- 18 April: <u>Algeria</u>, <u>President</u>
- 21 April: North Macedonia, President
- 28 April: <u>Spain</u>, <u>Parliament</u>
- <u>Mali</u>, <u>Parliament</u>
- <u>Somaliland</u>, <u>Parliament</u>



## May

- 5 May: <u>Panama</u>, <u>President and Parliament</u>
- 8 May: <u>South Africa</u>, <u>Parliament</u>
- 12 May: Lithuania, President
- 13 May: <u>Philippines</u>, <u>Senate</u> and <u>House of Representatives</u>
- 21 May: Malawi, President and Parliament
- 24 May: Ireland, Constitutional referendums
- 26 May: <u>Belgium</u>, <u>Federal Parliament</u>
- 27 May: <u>Madagascar</u>, <u>Parliament</u>
- 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

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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 21 March 2019 @ 01:42 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

Ouring 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 28 March 2019 while the First Quarter moon will occur on 14 March 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 6 March 2019 @ 16:04 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**

#### Vernal Equinox 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 21:58 UTC

An Equinox is that moment in time (not a whole day) when the center of the sun can be observed to be directly above the earth's equator. At that point in time, the earth is at zero tilt to the sun.

This occurs twice a year, in which there are approximately 12 hours of night and 12 hours of daylight. In Vernal or spring Equinox the sun appears to cross the equator moving northward. This marks the beginning of spring signifying new life and new beginning. This is a major gate to the seasons of the year because it opens up the Biblical Sacred year.



- Proclaim Isaiah 43:18-21.
- This particular vernal equinox is very important to the occult and all agents of darkness because sacrifices and offerings, offered at night or day to their "god" carry the same weight and attract the same reward because of the equal 12 hour duration of time for both night and day.
- This provides an opportunity for them to give special thanksgiving offerings to their "god" for his "mercies" toward them in the past year, and to make sacrifices to him soliciting his continued "mercies" of protection and provision for the New Year.
- It is also a time when they make projections and prognostications into the heavens for the purpose of controlling people, events and circumstances on earth. This has direct effect on the world stock exchange and trading etc. They prophesy into the laylines of the earth. This time there will be high activity at the Equator and along the Prime meridian due to the New Moon.
- Release the covering blood of Jesus to locate and blot out every unrighteous utterances uttered into the heavens and to any part of creation Col 2:14
- Speak to the equator and every other major lay line including the Prime Meridian 0, Tropic of Cancer and Tropic of Capricorn and the International Date Line, to praise Jehovah and receive only the bidding of His servants. Pray that the laylines will reject every speaking, incantation and command which comes from any other source, using them for selfish purposes.
- Instruct the gate of the spring season to lift up its head and receive the king of glory who is coming in to reign over the seasons. Ps 24:7-10

## **Solar Events**

From February 16<sup>th</sup> to March 11<sup>th</sup> as the sun made 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. You may pray through the prayer directions in the Month of February 2018 guide.

From March 12<sup>th to</sup> April 18, 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 Jehovah 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.



• Jehovah has spoken that this is a season of great grace. His unmerited favor 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 favor 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 Jesus 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. Re-visit the prayers concerning the Purim above, and ask Jehovah 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 Jehovah 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.
- Prophesy 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.

On the GAPNET website there is an audio excerpt from the message entitled **Unlimited 2019 (Taking Off the Limits) Global Address** by Dr. Abu Bako. This was recorded on 31st December, 2018.

This excerpt is about Nigeria and Her Elections.

## 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! THE LORD'S RIGHT HAND IS LIFTED HIGH; THE LORD HAS DONE. PSALM 118.7-17

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