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We are going to look at the life and death of Yahshua when He was born, His ministry, and when He died, to see if we can verify those facts, and if we can, in His death He will tell us something of the proper calendar.

This is the overview:

Part 1: Key verses

Part 2: Time Yahshua started His ministry

Part 3: Year of His possible death

Part 4: Calendar month of His death

We are going to try to draw some conclusion from this.

Paul is talking to Corinth and he says something very, very profound that we are going to go back to several times.

1 Corinthians 15:3 Paul says, “For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that the Messiah died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures.”

Paul was received and accepted finally by the other apostles of Jerusalem, because he saw Yahshua, that was the criteria at that time to be an apostle. I believe he received personal instruction. So what he is saying is: this is what I have received from Yahshua! That Yahshua died according to the Scripture. Yahshua did not die randomly on any random day, because He

lived His life, teaching, walking, and manifesting Torah, especially Holy Days. Every thing He did was in relation to Holy Days. He was perfect, without sin. The Holy Days are set in Moed by a calendar. They are not set at random, are they? We need to know what that correct calendar is because there is a possibility that most of the Assemblies of Yahweh are observing the wrong Holy Days. The least problem with this is there are seven annual Holy Days (Sabbaths) that must be kept on the correct days. If they are not, we are sinning by breaking the Sabbath.

There are several major studies that you need to study.

First: He started His ministry in 27 AD** most of the Assemblies of Yahweh accept this date.

Second: He ministered three and one half years.

Third: He was about thirty when He began His public work. (Luke 3:23)

Fourth: He was cut off in the middle of the week, Wednesday.

Fifth: He died on Passover according to scripture on Abib 14. He was the Lamb of Yahweh, John the Immerser said this several times. We know we have a prophecy for the lamb in Torah. He is the Lamb that was prophesied to come.

Sixth: He rose from the dead after three days and three nights. He died on Wednesday, He arose late on Sabbath afternoon, and appeared to the women, but would not let them touch Him. He

had to be untouched to rise and appear before His Father's Throne as the Wave Sheaf (first of the First Fruits) early Wave Sheaf Day, first day of the week.

The key verses we are going to use today is 1 Corinthians 15:3-4, Daniel 9:5, 2 Chronicles 36:23, Luke 2:1-5 and Leviticus 23, Deuteronomy 16 and Genesis 1:13-15. These are the areas where we can find calendar information.

Now Yahshua was the Lamb of Yahweh and He died according to the Scriptures, according to the Holy Days. He had to die on a set-apart day, not a Sabbath, because Passover is not a Sabbath. He died on Abib 14, He had to know what Abib 1 was. That had to be set up for the correct timing, you can't get to Abib 14 unless you have Abib 1. That is the big question, how can we find Abib 1? If you can find that, you have the rest of the Holy Days set up. We made inference in the beginning that Yahshua's death may tell us, because He died on a set-apart time. It will tell us the calendar that He used.

The big question is: What year did He die?? Can we know?

When a subject as controversial as the calendar is presented, the material and proof must be sound, accurate, verifiable and plausible. It must be presented in a way that is simple and understandable by someone who has credibility, knowledge, and expertise to be able to present such a subject. It should be an Elder in the Assembly of good reputation and not a novice. But, because this subject is so confused, lied about, and complicated by man, new presentations are rarely listened

to or given credence. So what do we do?

How can someone prove the true calendar given to Moses and Israel in Genesis, chapter one and Exodus, chapter 12, with spiritual and scriptural verification in order that anyone would give it serious consideration and change their opinions? There is only one way! Keep it simple and scriptural and look to one example that is understandable and immutable, Yahshua's death timing. We say He is our Shepherd and example, so if we look to Him, He will tell us the truth of the matter. He is the way and the truth, and more: the Law giver, our High Priest, our King. His example is rarely evaluated or looked at. Why? I have never heard in a calendar presentation the facts of Yahshua's death presented as the determining evidence of the answers!! Let us look at the facts given by His own death as a witness.

There are at least five proofs of the timing of Yahshua's death in relation to the calendar.

PART 1: Prophecy of Daniel 9:25.

A. Prophecy: Given to Daniel by Gabriel.

Daniel 9:25 Know therefore and understand, *that* from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince *shall be* seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: (69 WEEKS) the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.

B. The commandment to rebuild: 2 Chronicles 36:22-23.

2 Chronicles 36:22-23 “Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of Yahweh spoken by the mouth of going to come. We don’t know now. Jeremiah might be accomplished, Yahweh stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and put it also in writing, saying,

“Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia, All the kingdoms of the earth hath Yahweh Elohim of heaven given me; and he hath charged me to build him an house in Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Who is there among you of all his people? Yahweh his Elohim be with him, and let him go up.” (457 BCE)

Ezra 1:1-2 “Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of Yahweh by the mouth of Jeremiah might be fulfilled, Yahweh stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and *put it* also in writing, saying,

“Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia, Yahweh Elohim of heaven hath given me all the kingdoms of the earth; and he hath charged me to build him an house at Jerusalem, which *is* in Judah.”

If this is a prophecy, what does it mean? This prophecy that was given, to Daniel, told when the Messiah would come. This was spoken 500 or 800 years, before Yahshua. What is the point of this? Some people in the Old Testament knew approximately when Messiah was going to appear. Just like Paul said in his writings of Corinthians and Thessalonians, “I tell you the truth, this is not going to come upon you as a thief in the night,

as those who sleep in the darkness.” Accordingly, we are going to know when the man of sin will appear, we are going to know when the last three and half years are. And we are going to know when the Messiah’s return will be. However, when all the events fall into place we will know. The point still is, with Jeremiah and Ezra’s prophecy, some knew when Yahshua would appear in Bethlehem. Consider:

C. Timing:

Prophecy given in.....457 BCE,
Plus
Add 69 weeks=(69 x 7)=..... 483 years
Add one year for no zero between BC to AD
.....= 27 AD Yahshua appears

D. Yahshua ministered for 3 1/2 years: equals...31 AD

E. Many people knew when Yahshua was going to manifest!!

Remember, Yahshua died according to the scripture...

The prophecy given in Daniel was known by many people in the Old Testament. The birth of Messiah could be found by the information in 1 Chronicles 23:4 and 27:1. Now we will go back to Zachariah who is the father of John the Immerser, the one in the wilderness. We will talk about Zachariah’s course of Abiah later..

PART II. Zachariah’s priestly course of: 1 Chronicles 23:4, 27:1

A. 24,000 Priests divided into 24 divisions. (David organized) The courses had names. The course name told their term of service. They went into the temple and performed some duty and responsibility during their course. The timing was spread out all through the calendar year.

B. The first course started at the beginning of the new year, in the month of Abib. (Beginning of the year.)

C. Story of his course is found in Luke 1:7-25

Gabriel appeared Zachariah and told him he would have a son. The angel named the son, Yochanan. (verse 13) The boy was born six months prior to Yahshua. John was born in the spring of the year 4 BCE. Yahshua was born six months later, fall 4 BCE.

D. Timing: Zachariah's course was the 8th course, 9th week of the year

Date of course was about 1-8 June, 5 BCE

Human gestation takes 280 days (9 Months + 10 days).

Zachariah went home to Elizabeth (verse 22-23

She conceived in June, gave birth in April, 4 BCE.

Yahshua was born six months later in October.

John 1:15 "John bare witness of him, and cried, saying, This was he of whom I spoke, He that cometh after me is preferred before me: for he was before me."

Luke 2:1-5: "And it came to pass in those days, that there

went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

“And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.

“And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.

“And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto city of David, which is called Bethlehem; because he was of house and lineage of David:

“To be taxed with Miriam his espoused wife, being great with child.”

Joseph and Miriam went to be taxed.

Taxation occurred by Cesar Augustus order of 4 BCE.

See Encyclopedia Biblica, Cols 3994-3996 pp.

What are we saying? The taxation occurred in 4 BCE. Joseph and Miriam went back to Bethlehem, where Yahshua was born. This occurred within the taxation year in the fall of 4 BCE. Joseph and Miriam had to go back to Bethlehem, the place of Joseph's birth, to pay the taxes. This was in the fall and Miriam was great with child. We know she gave birth after they arrived.

PART III. Herod's order of death of the children.

Matthew 2:16 “Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was exceeding wroth, and sent forth,

and slew all the children that were in Bethlehem, and in all the coasts thereof, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently enquired of the wise men.

“Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet, saying,

“In Rama was there a voice heard, lamentation, and weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not.”

A. Herod’s order to kill children was in 3 BCE.

B. Herod died in 3 BCE also.

C. Correlates to Yahshua’s birth year before of 4 BCE.

D.*Flavius Josephus says Yahshua was born 4 BCE p 462.

PART IV. Years of possible death of Yahshua VS Wednesday impalement.

New Moon Years for Abib One						
Year	Day	Time	Hours to Sunset	Visible New Crescent	14 th of	Month
28	MR 15	3:01	15	MR 17	MR 30	Tue
	AP 13	16:44	2	AP 15	AP 28	Wed
29	AP 2	20:06	22	AP 4, 5	AP 17, 18	Sun, Mon
30	MR 22	20:22	22	MR 24, 25	AP 6, 7	Thu, Fri
	AP 21	12:11	6.5	AP 23	MY 6	Sat
31	MR 12	0:52	17	MR 13, 14	MR 26, 27	Mon, Tue
	AP 10	14:08	4	AP 12	AP 25	Wed
32	MR 29	22:31	20	MR 31, AP 1	AP 13, 14	Sun, Mon
33	MR 19	13:04	5	MR 21	AP 3	Fri
	AP 17	21:35	21	AP 19, 20	My 2, 3	Sat, Sun
34	MR 9	5:48	12	MR 11	MR 24	Wed
	AP 7	14:03	4.5	AP 9	AP 22	Thu

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A. Timing: Yahshua died on a Wednesday.

Now we will look at the new moon years for Abib 1, on the previous chart.

You can see that the years of 28 and 34 are the only envelope of time that Yahshua could have died based on previous in-

formation and prophecies.

In the far right hand column, we must look for a Wednesday impalement date. He died in the middle of the week. The years 28, 31 and 34 are the only years with a Wednesday on the 14th of Abib. (Passover Day) He died on Passover!

Year 28 and 34 can be eliminated because they are too early and too late respectively. Year 28 also shows that the moon was too young to be seen as it was only two hours from the conjunction. (Normal time to observe is 12-18 hours past.)

The previous chart shows, with the evidence presented, year 31 AD is the only possible year that He could have died. He dies on Wednesday, April 25th, 3 PM in the afternoon. He came out of the tomb late Sabbath afternoon, and rose as the Wave Sheaf the next morning.

We conclude from the year Yahshua died, these additional facts of the biblical calendar.

The new visible crescent was after the equinox. (March 21)

The new visible crescent was the farthest away from the equinox, and was not the closest moon to the equinox as most Assemblies choose.

The start of His ministry and the year He died was not a coincidence of time. He controls time and events, He is the law give. He had to die at the proper time or He would violate His

own Torah

PART V. The calendar month page of April 31 AD.

The conjunction was the 10th of April.

The new moon was the 12th of April

The Passover was on the 14th of Abib, (April 25).

The Passover was on a Wednesday.

*The new moon used was after and the furthest!

HEBREW-JULIAN				APRIL...31 AD			
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
8	9	Astro- nomical New Moon	11	Abib 1 Chodesh Moon	13	14	
				1	2	3	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
22	23	24	Yahshua's Death Passover Day	1st Day of Unleavened Bread	27	28	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
29	30	7th Day of Unleavened Bread					
18	19	20	21	Verified sighting of visible new Moon, Not dark of Moon. This chodesh was the one after the equinox. Not the closest but the farthest from the equinox.			

PART VI. The start of Yahshua's ministry in 27 AD, was a Sabbatical year.

27 was a Sabbatical year (Send for study).

Yahshua stood up and stated the beginning of His ministry by speaking in the Synagogue.

Luke 4:18-19 “The Spirit of Yahweh *is* upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the good news to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised,...To preach the acceptable year of Yahweh.” He speaks of...

Liberty of slaves which is a main point of Sabbatical year.

Let the land rest...

Acceptable year of Yahweh is a land Sabbath.

Yahshua dies 3 1/2 years later on 25 April, 31 A.D.

When we stand before Yahshua and He asks us why we kept the timing this way, we can say: “Because You did!”

CONCLUSION:

What have we said so far. Considering the prophecy of Daniel, Zachariah's son's birth of John the Immerser, six months before Yahshua, the timing of the taxation, Herod's order to kill the male children, the timing of Herod's death, and the obvious year of his death, provides ample proof of the timing of Yahshua's ministry and date of His death.

The facts strongly indicate that Yahshua was born in the fall of 4 B.C. near Trumpets. (He will be returning on Trum-

pets). He started His ministry in the fall of 27 A.D. He died on 25 April, 31 A.D., on a Wednesday at 3 p.m. in the afternoon, according to the scripture.

The new visible crescent used that year was seen on 12 April, making Passover on the 25th of April. It was the new moon after Tequphah (Equinox) and the one farthest away from the turn of the year. (Equinox) This is the only year that is an acceptable chronology year that has a Wednesday Passover.

This clearly indicates that we must use a new crescent AFTER the turn of the year, as Israel always did.

If we use the new moon before the turn of the year, the spring month of Abib starts in the winter. In addition, when the correct moon is used after, there is always a wave sheaf offering that Yahweh provides in the fields in Palestine.

There is much more proof for this conclusion, but not enough time here to present such. *ALSO, SEE STUDY ON THE SABBATICAL YEARS YAIY, IS THE EQUINOX SCRIPTURAL by Assembly of Yah, IS BARLEY USED TO DETERMINE THE FIRST MONTH?, by the Assembly of Yah.

Also see the study by Herb Solinsky on April 3, 2009.

Also see the study on Yahshua's birth by Elder John Trescott.

NOTES:

1. Israel always used the new moon after the equinox.
 2. We can find this in pre-and post-exile Israel.
 3. The Babylonian calendar is exactly the same as Israel's.
 4. This timing was still in effect in Yahshua's time.
 5. The Karaites never changed the calendar format.
 6. There are letters archived by the 7th Day Adventists proving this was the calendar in 31 A.D. Letters written from Jews in Libya who were coming to the Feast of U/B in Jerusalem.
 7. Barley ripens from the middle of March to the middle of May. A wave sheaf will always be available in this timing.
 8. You can harvest it, but can not eat it till it is waved.
 9. Equinox or Tequphah is #8422 and #8622.
- Psalms 19:6 is "circuit" #8622; Exodus 34:22 is "years end" #8422.

I Samuel 1:20 is "lapse" #8622; 2 Chronicles 24:23 is "end of year" #8622.

Tequphah is mentioned 11 times in the Hebrew Bible.

Some say these facts doe not exist!

KEY VERSES

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“Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia, Yahweh Elohim of heaven hath given me all the kingdoms of the earth; and he hath charged me to build him an house at Jerusalem, which *is* in Judah.”

Genesis 1:14-17 “And Elohim said, Let there be in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years:

“And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so.

“And Elohim made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: *he made* the stars also.

“And Elohim set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth”

Lev 23:9-14 “And Yahweh spake unto Moses, saying,

“Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come into the land which I give unto you, and shall reap the harvest thereof, then ye shall bring a sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest unto the priest:

“And he shall wave the sheaf before Yahweh, to be accepted for you: on the morrow after the sabbath the priest shall wave it.

“And ye shall offer that day when ye wave the sheaf an he lamb without blemish of the first year for a burnt offering unto Yahweh.

“And the meal offering thereof *shall be* two tenth deals of fine flour mingled with oil, an offering made by fire unto Yahweh *for* a sweet savour: and the drink offering thereof *shall be*

of wine, the fourth *part* of an hin.

“And ye shall eat neither bread, nor parched corn, nor green ears, until the selfsame day that ye have brought an offering unto your Elohim: *it shall be* a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.”

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