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Shalom to All:

At this time I would like to introduce what I consider to be a very important subject—something which most have generally avoided or know little about. The question is: can we have a better understanding of the times we are soon to face, as we approach the beginning of the 7th millennium from Creation?

First of all, there seems to be confusion on the part of some regarding the times and seasons of Yahweh. The Messiah plainly says:

“But of that day and hour knoweth no *man*, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.”
(Matthew 24:36)

None of us knows the “day and hour,” but such a statement as this does not mean we cannot know the “season” of his return. That “season,” friends, has arrived! We are so close to the appearing of the Savior in the clouds of heaven that it would seem that it is time for us to put away childish things and allow our hearts to be melted by the Word of Yahweh, and by His spirit.

Soon after the beginning of this last Passover, we had two major events to take place in the Far East. In Burma, over 130,000 people were killed by an immense cyclone—and the death toll is still climbing. Within a couple of weeks of that, an earthquake in China has claimed an estimated 70,000 lives. The year is not even over and 200,000 people are dead. It was also a record year here in the US for the number of tornadoes seen—and the tornado season is not even close to being

over. Gas prices have gone to record levels, affecting not only the cost of our own personal travel, but affecting also the price of just about every commodity which requires delivery to a local store. The truckers say that if the price of diesel fuel continues to rise, they will have to quit in order to prevent them from losing money. If the trucking industry falls through a general work shutdown, and food cannot be delivered to the stores, then our lives may change very quickly. (PS: Good thing some of us are making preparations for living in a “community” type environment, on land that can grow crops, away from the cities!! The time will come when it will not only be a “good thing” but an actual “necessity!”)

Now I want to know something: why now? Why this year and not last year? Well, did you know that this is a Sabbatical year? Did you also know that Yahweh instituted both Sabbatical and Jubilee years at the same time he instituted the weekly cycle—at the time of creation? And if this is true and the Jubilees and Sabbaticals go all the way back to Creation, and somehow we were made aware of EXACTLY WHEN these Jubilee and Sabbatical years are—do you think we might possibly be able to trace them all the way back to the year of Creation? I believe it is not only possible, but it is very probable! Now, you are about to ask me, do I have evidence to support this? Yes I do! Let me take you on a journey through the four major steps needed to determine the “probable” year of Creation, with the understanding that this is a rough outline and you will need to go to the website given at the start and at the end for extensive documentation. Read it and you decide for yourself. Any

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comments or questions are welcome—my email address is on the website:

Key 1:

The first key to find the actual creation date is to find the true Messiah in Daniel 9. Daniel 9 contains a prophecy concerning 490 years leading to the time of the Messiah's coming, which was about 2000 years ago. More precisely, this prophecy was fulfilled from 457 BCE to 35 CE, with the Messiah crucified in the "midst of the week" (that is, the final week of the 70 week prophecy) in the Spring of 31 CE. We know that the prophecy begins in 457 because the decree of Artaxerxes was issued in that year, and was soon afterwards carried out by Ezra as he returned to Jerusalem a few months later.

The 70 Week prophecy covers 490 years, or 10 Jubilee cycles, from 457 BCE to 35 CE. The Messiah began his ministry in the last week of that prophecy, and was crucified in the midst of the final week.

Key 2:

Once you find this first key (the Messiah), then you can find the second key (the Jubilees). The Messiah came in connection with a cycle of 490 years, which is actually based upon the Jubilee cycles. 490 years equals exactly 10 Jubilee cycles of 49 years each, with the 50th year being year one of the next cycle. If this 490-year cycle begins in the year 457 BCE, this makes 457 BCE a confirmed year of Jubilee. 132/33 CE is also a confirmed year of Jubilee, as it is connected with the Bar Kochba revolt. We know that the Bar Kochba revolt started in a Jubilee year because of a rental contract stipulating that the rent would last five fiscal years (starting in year two of the revolt). That would make the seventh year of the revolt a sabbatical year.[1] In addition, it says the first year was: "On the

first of Iyyar, Year 1 of the redemption of Israel by Simeon Bar Kosiba, prince of Israel"[2] Iyyar is the month which corresponds to April/May. The phrase "Year 1 of the redemption" certainly means the first year of the revolt, but it is also a significant clue clearly indicating another special year—a Jubilee Year. Based upon the phenomenon of Chronomessianism, the dating of events from "Year 1 of the redemption" clearly places that year in a year of Jubilee. Chronomessianism is simply the study of chronology as it was expected to align with Jubilee years. Simply put, in this belief system the Messiah was expected to come in the year of Jubilee. This was a fairly common belief and practice among some Jews even 2000 years ago.[3] More information about this key can be found at the link on my website.

[1] "The Calendar of Sabbatical Cycles During the Second temple and the Early Rabbinic Period," by Ben Zion Wacholder, 1973, Hebrew Union College Annual 44, p. 177.

[2] Israel Exploration Journal, Kanael B., "Notes on the Dates Used During the Bar Kokhba Revolt," 1971, p. 41.

[3] "Chronomessianism, The Timing of Messianic Movements and the Calendar of Sabbatical Cycles," Hebrew Union College Annual 46 (1975), pp. 202-204.

Key 3:

The third key is to realize that the Sabbatical cycles extend even as far back as the time of creation. There is extensive evidence that the Sabbatical and Jubilee cycles began at creation, just as the weekly cycles did. We know this not only because of the extensive parallels between the Sabbatical and weekly cycles, but also because of several amazing alignments between key events and the Jubilee cycles. Based upon my research, the flood ended during a year of Jubilee, Shem and Isaac

were born in a year of Jubilee, and the Hebrews were set free from Egyptian bondage during a Jubilee year. Actually, I have found that there are 10 confirmed alignments between the Biblical chronologies and the Jubilee cycles. Documentation, again, can be found in links on my website.

Key 4:

The fourth key is to find the year of the Exodus. Theoretically, if we knew the year of the Exodus, we might be able to trace the Jubilee cycles all the way back to the year of Creation--simply because the chronology prior to that date is generally stable, and we now know that the Exodus took place in a year of Jubilee. But the problem is that after the Exodus, and certainly after the building of Solomon's temple, the chronology of the Hebrew judges and kings becomes severely fragmented and uncertain. To overcome this problem, however, is not so difficult after all. While at this point there is no historical basis upon which to assign an exact year date to the Exodus, we *can* determine that date through another method--provided that we can determine the approximate time of the Exodus, and certainly the century in which it occurred.

We can narrow down the time of the Exodus. As a result, the fourth key can be literally found at the bottom of the Red Sea. Because of the research of amateur archeologist Ron Wyatt, we have conclusive evidence that there really was a Red Sea crossing by the Israelites, and that the Egyptian army was drowned in the Red Sea at the gulf of Aqaba near Nuweiba (not the sea of reeds, as many suppose). At the bottom of the Red Sea, Ron found chariots, chariot wheels, and skeletal remains. The key evidence for us to consider is the 8-spoke chariot wheels that he found. Eight-spoke chariot wheels were only made and used during the 18th Egyptian dynasty

(<http://www.wyattmuseum.com/red-sea-crossing-05.htm>). The 18th dynasty pharaohs reigned from about 1550 to 1400 BCE, but archeological evidence narrows the time down even further, as it finds only one likely candidate for the Pharaoh of the Exodus. That Pharaoh would have had to have been Amenhotep II, and this would have been in the latter half of that dynasty.

Most biblical scholars today estimate the date of the Exodus to be 1447 BCE, but the closest Jubilee year to that would be 1437/1436 BCE, which would still fit with the archeological evidence. 1437 would be the year of the plagues, and 1436 BCE (in the spring) would then be the actual year of the Exodus. Since we know that the Exodus took place during a year of Jubilee, and since we are able to determine when the Jubilee year for the latter half of the 18th dynasty was, we can, therefore, calculate the Genesis chronology back to the year of Creation.

These, then, are the four keys to finding the year of creation: #1, Use the prophecy of Daniel chapter 9 to determine the timing of the Messiah's first coming. #2, Realize that Daniel 9 is based on the Jubilee cycles. #3, Realize (based upon amazing alignments of key Biblical events) that the Sabbaticals and Jubilee cycles extend all the way back to Creation. And #4, Find the year of the Exodus based upon modern archeology (especially because of the 8 spoke chariot wheels found at the bottom of the Red Sea). Find the general timeframe of the Exodus, and since it had to have happened in a year of Jubilee--we then can determine the year of the Exodus. Use the chronological information in the book of Genesis, from Creation to the Exodus, and you can find the year of Creation. And it is that simple!

According to the chronology of Genesis, the Exodus actually took place in the year of Jubilee. There are 1666 years (34 Jubilee cycles) between the Creation and

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the Flood. While the number given in Scripture is actually 1656 years, we can rightfully allow for an additional one year for each of the 10 generations prior to the flood. We know this because the birth of Shem to the year the flood ended equals two Jubilee cycles (Genesis 11:10). We also know this because the text of Genesis 7:6 when compared with 7:11 shows that prior to the flood they were actually counting their years from the start of the calendar year immediately after their birth. There are 392 years between the flood and the birth of Isaac (8 Jubilee cycles). And there are 490 years between the birth of Isaac and the Exodus (10 Jubilee cycles). Isaac to Jacob = 60 years, and the 430 years of sojourning extend from Jacobs birth to the Exodus. That places the Exodus in a year of Jubilee. Since we know of two confirmed Jubilees (457/456 BCE, based upon the prophecy of Daniel 9 and 132/133 BCE, based upon the Bar Kochba revolt starting in that year) it is simply a matter of tracing Jubilees back from the general time of the Exodus. Since we are certain that the Exodus had to have taken place in the 18th Egyptian dynasty, and in fact during the reign of Amenhotep II, that gives us a precise year for the Exodus—1437/36 BCE. There are 52 Jubilee cycles (34+8+10) of 49 years each prior to the year of the Exodus. $52 \times 49 = 2548$ years from the Creation to the Exodus. $2548 + 1437 = 3985$ BCE, which could be the year of Creation.

Based upon my extensive research on the Jubilee cycles, I can state with almost complete certainty that 3985 BCE is the year of Creation, and 2015 CE will be the beginning of the 6000th year of history (based upon this very-well documented timeline). Assuming that the last millennium begins one year later, the year 2016 CE (on Tishri 1, in the fall) will likely be the beginning of the last 1000 years. This is about a seven-year countdown. About one year later, in the eighth year

from now, the seventh millennium should begin.

Now I realize I run the risk of being accused of being a “date setter.” Let me state for the record here that I do not know when the world will end, or when the Messiah will come. I believe, however, that I have made a very strong case regarding the actual year of Creation. If I am correct about that, and if we are correct about belief that the start of a new Messianic kingdom will begin sometime at or before the 6001st year, then this might just prove to be true. And don’t forget, I do not claim to know the exact day or hour of Messiah’s return. I do, however, believe that I know the season of His return—and that season, my friends, is upon us *now*.

But you decide. Extensive documentation regarding this can be found on my website, and in the links to several other documents to be found there (including the *Jubilee Calendar* in MS Excel™ format). www.itsaboutthattime.net/ Check it out and decide for yourselves.

Best Regards,

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