

## JUBILEE YEAR

The Jubilee year is every fiftieth year. **The year of Jubilee represents “redemption”**. The year of jubilee starts in the fall during the month of Tishri. It began as per the civil and agricultural calendar year.

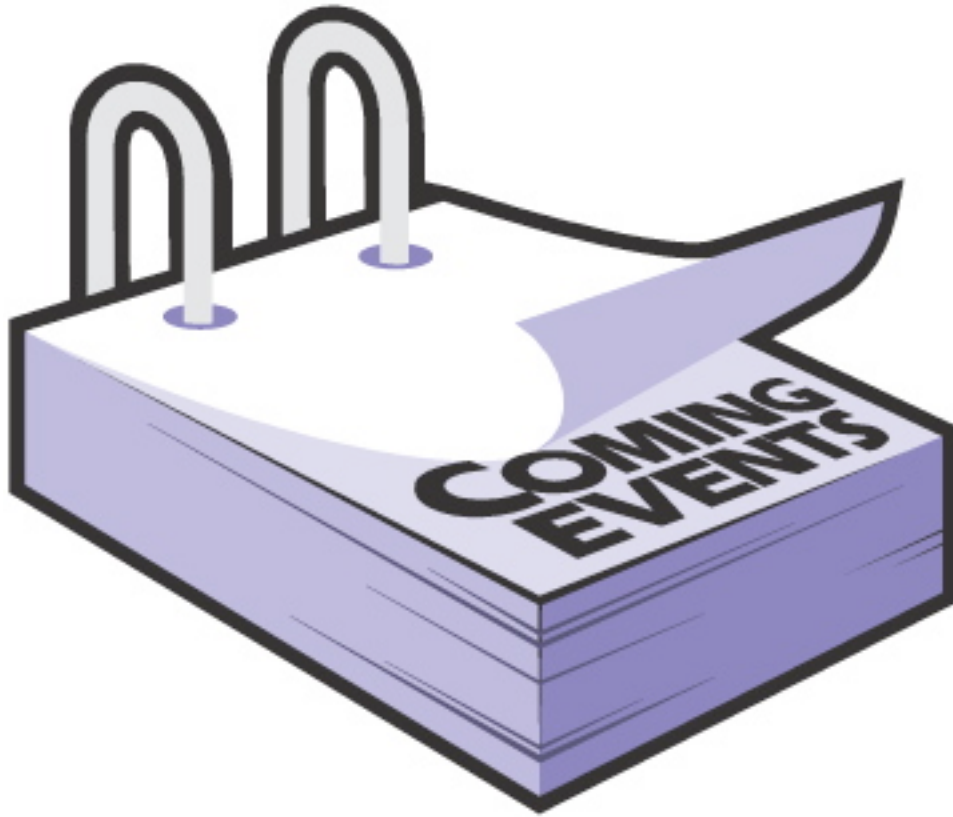
**Lev. 25:8-16** *‘You are also to count off seven sabbaths of years for yourself, seven times seven years, so that you have the time of the seven sabbaths of years, namely, forty-nine years. 9 ‘You shall then sound a ram’s horn abroad on the tenth day of the seventh month; on the day of atonement you shall sound a horn all through your land. 10 ‘You shall thus consecrate the fiftieth year and proclaim a release through the land to all its inhabitants. It shall be a jubilee for you, and each of you shall return to his own property, and each of you shall return to his family. 11 ‘You shall have the fiftieth year as a jubilee; you shall not sow, nor reap its aftergrowth, nor gather in from its untrimmed vines. 12 ‘For it is a jubilee; it shall be holy to you. You shall eat its crops out of the field. 13 On this year of jubilee each of you shall return to his own property. 14 ‘If you make a sale, moreover, to your friend or buy from your friend’s hand, you shall not wrong one another. 15 ‘Corresponding to the number of years after the jubilee, you shall buy from your friend; he is to sell to you according to the number of years of crops. 16 ‘In proportion to the extent of the years you shall increase its price, and in proportion to the fewness of the years you shall diminish its price, for it is a number of crops he is selling to you.’*

On that year all debts and deals were cancelled. In this way every person everywhere could become debt free at some point of time in their lives. All worldly contracts, agreements, vows, rentals etc. were adjusted as per their point in time connected with the approaching year of Jubilee. For example: let’s say a contract was negotiated a couple years after the year of Jubilee, it could be made for from up to forty eight years in length. That same type of contract being made five years prior to the next Jubilee year would expire on the next Jubilee year.

A simple example of how important this Jubilee year was is evident in regard to the slaves in biblical times. When a man became a slave it was for a specific period of six years. After six years the slave was set free, and usually the master provided him with whatever he required to start a new life as a free will individual. During that period of time all problems and responsibilities of the slave were put upon the master. The master looked after everything the slave required. If by chance a Jubilee year occurred during the six year term of service, the slave was given the right to freedom without waiting the full six years as per usual.

Counting the omer (the period of time between Passover and Shavuot), is like counting the sabbatical years leading to the Jubilee ( $7 \times 7 + 1 = 50$ ). Yah told us to count the number of sabbatical years until we had completed seven of them, and the following year was to be a Jubilee year (yovel), thus  $7 \times 7 + 1 = 50$ . Therefore, the fiftieth year of Jubilee and the Feast of weeks are reminders of the first year in the Messianic kingdom in which the Master has returned and we are just beginning to live our lives with Him. Counting of the omer is a time of rectification, repentance, fixing things, purging away improper things in our lives.

The Jewish people associate seven blessings with the jubilee year. The seven



blessings of the year of the jubilee are. 1. Liberty 2. Returning of or to possessions 3. Returning of or to families 4. Prosperity 5. No oppression 6. Fear of the Lord 7. Dwell in safety (Lev. 25:10-19).

It is believed by many that on Yah's calendar major events in the heavens (constellations and stars) take place on the Years of Jubilee.

### **PROPHETIC CONNECTION**

I believe the end times have a direct connection with the Jubilee years talked about in scripture (Lev. 25:25-30). It seems the shemittah (sabbath year of the land of Israel) spoken of in Lev. 25:4-10, and Exod. 23:11 has been lost track of. No one seems to know what year the seventh year land rest has been for many years. Some do believe however that the last Jubilee year was 1967. With this in mind we must look at some interesting things hinted at in scripture in regard to jubilee years.

**Gen. 6:3** *Then the LORD said, "My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, because he also is flesh; nevertheless **his days shall be one hundred and twenty years.**"* It has been 120 Jubilee years (6000 years) since Noah's time. Let's look at this verse as referring to jubilee years: Mans days shall be 120 "jubilee years", could this be 6000 years? From Adam to Abraham was 2000 years, 40 jubilees. From Abraham to Calvary was 2000 years, 40 jubilees. From Calvary to the end should then be 2000 years, or 40 jubilees. Yah's time periods (markers) are called jubilee years. Jubilee years are only announced in the fall of the year on the 10th day of Tishri. Jubilee years are also sabbatical (land rest) years. **In this sabbatical year one can reap what is naturally available (fruits, berries, etc.) but you cannot sow.**

Many believe that when Yah spoke to Noah about the 120 years in Genesis 7-9, He was hinting at 120 Jubilee years for all of mankind from creation on to exist before the earth is destroyed again. One hundred and twenty Jubilee years is 6000 years, which corresponds to the 6000 years of creation.

If man was intended to exist 6000 years on planet earth and 1967 is the actual last year of Jubilee, it means that the world will end at the latest, in the year 2017. It is also noted that the year 1967 was supposedly the seventieth Jubilee of Israel. Is this all coincidence, only time will tell. No one wants to put dates on end times, but sometimes one must consider how these numbers work out. It is most certainly food for thought. Yeshua will probably return on a year of Jubilee. The year of Jubilee represents "redemption", and nothing could be more redeeming than this.

If 1967 was a jubilee year then go back 50 years and we have 1917 when the English General Allenby conquered the Ottoman Empire of the Muslims (Islam) with the Balfour Declaration. If we go back another 50 we see the final emancipation of the Jews in Austria and Hungary. If we keep going in jubilees we see in 333 BC Alexander The Great conquered the Medes and Persians. If we go forward from 1967 we look at 2017 as the next jubilee year. Could 2016-2017 be the last jubilee year? Perhaps after that Yah rests.

From Adam to the Exodus was 50 jubilee years. From Adam to 2017 is 70 jubilee years, is this coincidence?

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