

New Moon Study - by Isaac Heckman

Note: As good Bereans who only submit to Yah's authority and word, we seek to only follow the whole word of Scripture in determining Yah's ways and timings, rather than follow the invented calendars and traditions of man.

The Moon was Created as one of the Heavenly witnesses:

Gen. 1:14-19 And God said, Let there be **lights** in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be **for signs, and for seasons (moedim/ holy appointed feast days), and for days**, and years: **15** And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so. **16** And **God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: he made** the stars also. **17** And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth, **18** And **to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness:** and God saw that *it was* good. **19** And the evening and the morning were the fourth day.

Psa 136:7 **To him that made great lights:** for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

Psa 136:8 **The sun to rule by day:** for his mercy *endureth* for ever:

Psa 136:9 **The moon and stars to rule by night:** for his mercy *endureth* for ever.

Enoch 41:6 **The course of the moon's path to the righteous is light, but to sinners it is darkness;** in the name YHVH of hosts, who created a separation between light and darkness, and separating the spirit of men, strengthened the spirit of the righteous in the name of His own righteousness!

The Moon is called a faithful witness:

Ps. 89:37 **It shall be established for ever as the moon, a faithful witness in heaven.**

The sun, moon and stars are given a law to conform to:

Ps.148:3,6 **Praise ye him, sun and moon:** praise him, all ye stars of light. **4** Praise him, ye heavens of heavens, and ye waters that *be* above the heavens. **5** Let them praise the name of the LORD: for he commanded, and they were created. **6** **He hath also established them for ever and ever: he hath made a law which shall not pass.**

Enoch 73:13 **The moon brings on all the years exactly,** that their stations may come neither too forwards nor too backwards a single day...

The order of the moon from darkness to light:

Enoch 77:12- Uriel showed me another regulation, when light is poured into the moon, how it is poured into it from the sun. All the time that the moon is in progress with its light, it is poured in the presence of the sun, until **light is in fourteen days COMPLETED** in heaven. And **when it is wholly EXTINGUISHED, its light is called the NEW MOON**, for on that day light is received into it. It becomes precisely completed on the day that the sun descends into the west, while the moon ascends at night from the east.

The terms "extinguished", consumed", and "new moon" in this verse are all ways of saying "CONJUNCTION MOON" is the New Moon and start of the month!

I Sam. 20:5 David was able to predict new moon feasts by knowing the conjunction darkness falls 15 days after the full moon.

Every timepiece of Yah's in the heavens begins in darkness and moves to the light (i.e. day, month, and year):

Gen. 1:5 And **the evening (first)** and the morning (second) were **the first day**.

Ex. 12:18 In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month **at evening, ye shall eat matzah**, until the twenty-first day of the month **at evening**.

Jub. 12:16 Avram sat up throughout the night **on the New Moon of the seventh Month** to observe the stars from the **evening to the morning**, in order to see what would be the character of the year...

The New Moon is the conjunction of complete darkness and the beginning of the MONTH (Not the sighted crescent):

Enoch 72:1 "After this law I beheld another law of an inferior luminary, the name of which is the moon, and the orb of which is as the orb of heaven...

Enoch 72:5 ... **At the time that it appears, and becomes to you the beginning of the month.**

Enoch 72:8 **On that night when it commences its period** (the conjunction), **previous to the day of the month, the moon sets with the sun.**

Enoch 77:14 And **when it (the moon) is wholly extinguished (totally dark)**, its light is consumed in heaven; and **ON THE FIRST DAY IT IS CALLED THE NEW MOON**, for on that day light is received into it (*the first ray from the sun around the earth not visible with the naked eye*).

Enoch 78:2-3 ...the **decrease of the moon** (*the moon's light*), which is effected in the sixth gate; for in that sixth gate is **its light consumed**. From **this is the beginning of the month**.

Because the lunar cycle is 29.5 days, the months alternate 30 days and then 29 days...

Enoch 77: 20 And at the time of its going forth during three months it appears **thirty days** each, and during three months it appears **twenty-nine days** each.

The New Moon is the First Day of the Month

Jub. 6:27 And **on the New Moon of the tenth month** the tops of the mountains were seen, and Noah was glad.

Gen. 8:5 And the waters decreased continually until the tenth month: **in the tenth month, on the first day of the month**, were the tops of the mountains seen.

New Moon = First Day = New month:

Jub. 7:2 And Noah made wine therefrom and put it into a vessel, and kept it until the fifth year, until **the first day**, on **the New Moon of the first month** (God's new year). And he celebrated with joy on the day of this feast...

It was prophesied that Israel would forget how to observe the New Moons and Years!

Jub. 1:15 They will forget all my Torah and all my commandments and all my judgments, and will go astray as to New Moons, and Jubilees, and Shabbatot, and feasts, and jubilees, and ordinances.

Jub. 6:34 And all the children of Israel (*Ephraim dispersed among the nations*) will forget and will not find the path of the years, and will forget the New Moons, and seasons, and Shabbatot, and they will go wrong as to all the order of the years. (Man has forgotten the order of the years from Creation and thus do not know when to expect Messiah!).

Rev. 12:1 But the Bride is standing on the Moon as her foundation in knowing God's timings!

And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and **the moon under her feet**, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars:

God appointed the Moon for the observation of the holy "moedim" appointed feast days!

Ps. 104:19 "**He appointed the moon for moedim**: the sun knoweth his going down.

I Kings 8:2 Moon and month are directly connected... "all the men of Israel assembled themselves unto king Solomon at the (fall) feast **in the moon** (yerah) **Ethanim, which is the seventh month** (chodesh).

Fall equinox cycles are also important:

Ex. 34:22 Tequphah – and of the cycle “And thou shalt observe the feast of weeks, of the firstfruits of wheat harvest, and the feast of ingathering at the year's cycle (tequphah - a *revolution*, that is, (of the sun) *course*, (of time).

If we observe a random calendar based on a chart apart from the moon and the equinox, then it is possible to observe Sukkot too early before the fruit is ready to harvest after the fall equinox!

Furthermore, Sukkot is only observed correctly if counted 15 days from the first day of the month, from the fully concealed new moon of the Day of Trumpeting leading up to the full moon of Tabernacles.

Ps. 81:3-4 **Blow** (תקעו – tawkah), **in the new month** (בחדש – chodesh), **the shofar** (שופר) in concealed (בכסד – *keseh* in the **fully concealed day**), leading to the day (ליום). For this *was* a statute for Israel, *and* a law of the God of Jacob.

The same Hebrew word “*keseh*” for concealed is used in Pro 7:19-20 as an allusion to Messiah’s coming on the New Moon: “For the goodman *is* not at home, he is gone a long journey: He hath taken a bag of money with him, *and* will come home on the concealed day” (הכסא – **Messiah will return on the fully concealed day of Yom Teruah... the day of trumpeting when the moon is fully concealed in conjunction**)!

The coming day of the Lord, called Day of Trumpeting, is the only holy day that falls on a new moon... a day of darkness because the moon is not visible, and as such no one knows the day or the hour! (I Thess. 4:16; Joel 2:1)

Joel 2:1 **Blow ye the trumpet** in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for **the day of the LORD cometh**, for *it is* nigh at hand; **a day of darkness...**

1Th 4:16-17 For **the Lord himself shall descend from heaven** with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and **with the trump of God**: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

The light of the moon is very symbolic, symbolizing God’s plan to lead the world from darkness to light!

Enoch 59:5 He (an angel) showed me **the power of the moon’s light**, that its power **is a just one...**

1 Peter 2:9 But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should **shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.**

The light of the moon increases from the first day of the month 14 days until the full moon.

Enoch 72:10 During the remainder of its period its light increases to fourteen portions.

Enoch 77:6 **In fourteen the whole of its light is completed...** vs 13 All the time that the moon is in progress with its light, it is poured in the presence of the sun, until light is in fourteen days completed in heaven.

We will be observing New Moons for all eternity... so it must be very important!

Isa. 66:22-23 For **as the new heavens and the new earth**, which I will make, **shall remain before me**, saith the LORD, so shall your seed and your name remain. And **it shall come to pass, that from one new moon to another**, and from one sabbath to another, shall **all flesh come to worship** before me, saith the LORD.

Heaven & Earth Calendar is a true witness... using all God’s witnesses

Heaven – Sun, Moon, & Stars

Earth – Spring Aviv Barley

Deut. 4:2 says, “Do not add or subtract from...” “We should not subtract anything from scripture, especially God’s witness for establishing our months as this is how all can observe with their own eyes Yah’s timings and Holy Days: