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# Zadokite Sabbath Calendar



THE  
BIBLICAL CALENDAR  
THEN AND NOW



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Holy Scripture to the Dead Sea Scrolls

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## What is the "Zadokite Sabbath Calendar?"

The Sabbath calendar is one that is based on complete 7-day weeks in the process of counting days, months and years as established by Enoch in the pre-flood era. This original calendar forged the pattern that Yahweh gave to Moses in the wilderness along with the annual Feasts, Sabbath Years and Jubilee Years. It was then further preserved by the Zadokite line of Levitical priests through the Second Temple period and beyond in Qumran. Thus the "Zadokite Sabbath Calendar" is an ancient calendar with the Feasts as commanded in Torah, and safeguarded by the Zadokite priests. The sacred cycles of weekly Sabbaths and annual Sabbaths (High Holy Days) occurring in their proper seasons are its highlight.

- It generally incorporates 30-day months and 52-week years.
- An extra day is added at the end of each quarter which marks the transition to each season. This provides an even 13 weeks or 91 days per quarter or season. The resulting year is 364 days.
- The year always begins on the first weekday-4 (Wednesday) either on or after the Vernal (Spring) Equinox.
  - Weekday-4 commemorates the inauguration of observable time on the fourth day of Creation. (Genesis 1:14-19)
  - The year must begin on or after the equinox. If the 52nd week has ended, and the next weekday-4 occurs before the equinox, an intercalary adjustment is needed by adding one more week (yes, a 53rd week). Then the following weekday-4 is the "Beginning of Months" for the new year since it will come after the equinox.
  - When the 52nd week has ended, and the next weekday-4 occurs on the same day as the equinox according to sundown in Jerusalem, an extra week is **not** added.
- History indicates that lunar-based calendars were first used in Egypt and Mesopotamia (Babylon).

This is only a very minimal outline touching on the fundamental structure of the Sabbath calendar. Much more background and clarification can be easily understood in our book "*The Biblical Calendar Then and Now.*"

## Monthly Biblical Events

Biblical events are listed for each month with their corresponding verse references. Only a brief notation of each event is shown, so we encourage you to look them up in your Bible to see what was actually happening.

## Notations

1. This is actually a 3-in-1 calendar. It is primarily a Sabbath Calendar with corresponding American Gregorian and Jewish Hillel dates also being displayed. Sabbath Calendar weekdays do not have names; each Sabbath Calendar day displays the Gregorian date next to it. The Jewish Hillel date is noted above the Gregorian date with a "H mm-dd" format.
2. Sabbath Calendar months are also unnamed, and they are designated with Roman numerals. The Gregorian months are identified by their names with 3-letter abbreviations. The Jewish Hillel months are not identified by their names, but regular numerals are used instead for easy comparison to the Sabbath Calendar month.
3. The designated calendar year is the Current Era year (C.E.) followed by the Jewish Hillel year. Sabbath years are not numbered.
4. Celestial Events include New Moon, Full Moon, Vernal Equinox, Autumnal Equinox, Summer Solstice, Winter Solstice. **The Zadokite Sabbath Calendar and the Jewish Hillel calendar both use the time of sundown in Jerusalem** for determining the respective dates. Hence, the dates of Celestial Events on this calendar will vary somewhat from the dates shown on an American Gregorian calendar. For example:
  - March 20, 2019 is the date for the Vernal Equinox on the American calendar this year, but it occurs after sundown in Jerusalem. This means the equinox is considered to be on March 21, 2019 for the determination of the Sabbath Calendar year. Thus, the addition of an extra week took place this year to properly designate the Beginning of Months after the equinox. This may seem confusing, but just consider that Biblical days start at sundown, and Jerusalem is where Yahweh chose to put His Name. (I Kings 9:3, II Chronicles 6:4-6)
5. "Chodesh" (חֹדֶשׁ) is a Hebrew word that usually means "month." A thorough study of this word reveals that it more accurately means to progress from the end of a cycle into a new beginning, or renewing, or refreshing of the next cycle. On the Zadokite Sabbath Calendar, this term is used to denote the transitions for new months and new seasons. We know these days have some sort of Biblical significance, but we do not specifically know how they are to be observed other than perhaps blowing a shofar at sundown.
6. Only federally recognized holidays and major Christian religious days are noted on the American Gregorian dates. All Sabbaths, Feast Days, Omer Wave Sheaf & 50-day count, and other religious days are highlighted for both the Sabbath and Hillel calendars.
7. All Sabbaths are highlighted with a light-blue background. These are extremely important days when we cease from our labor and enjoy a very special time with our Heavenly Father, family and friends for rest and relaxation, renewing of the mind and refreshing of the spirit. These are the days that truly bless us and help us live a way of life that is set-apart from the fallen world.

**Zadokite Sabbath calendar**

**Year End 52nd +53rd Week**

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Weekday 1	Weekday 2	Weekday 3	Weekday 4	Weekday 5	Weekday 6	Sabbath
H 13-03 <b>22</b> Mar 10	H 13-04 <b>23</b> Mar 11	H 13-05 <b>24</b> Mar 12	H 13-06 <b>25</b> Mar 13	H 13-07 <b>26</b> Mar 14	H 13-08 <b>27</b> Mar 15	<sup>52</sup> <b>28</b> Mar 16
	Chodesh Eve	Chodesh - SPRING				
H 13-10 <b>29</b> Mar 17	H 13-11 <b>30</b> Mar 18	H 13-12 <b>31</b> Mar 19	<sup>H 13-13</sup> <b>+1</b> Mar 20	<sup>H 13-14</sup> <b>+2</b> Mar 21 Equinox & Full Moon	H 13-15 <b>+3</b> Mar 22	<sup>53</sup> <b>+4</b> Mar 23
			Beginning of Months Chodesh - Month I			
H 13-17 <b>+5</b> Mar 24	H 13-18 <b>+6</b> Mar 25	H 13-19 <b>+7</b> Mar 26	H 13-20 <b>1</b> Mar 27	H 13-21 <b>2</b> Mar 28	H 13-22 <b>3</b> Mar 29	<sup>1</sup> <b>4</b> Mar 30

## BIBLICAL EVENTS OF MONTH I

(Note: \* on calendar date designates notation of specified events below)

- I - 1:** *Exodus 40:2* - erect the Tabernacle, put Ark in it; anoint & make holy the Tabernacle  
*Exodus 40:17* - the Tabernacle was reared up  
*2 Chronicles 29:17* - Temple sanctification process begins (8 days to sanctify; 16 days to end)  
*Ezra 7:9* - Ezra began to go up from Babylon  
*Ezra 10:17* - they made an end with all the men who had taken strange wives by this day  
*Ezekiel 29:17* – divine decree of land of Egypt to Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon  
*Ezekiel 45:18* - a bullock was to be slain to cleanse the sanctuary
- I - 7:** *Ezekiel 30:20* - the arm of Pharaoh was broken; the arm of the king of Babylon strengthened  
*Ezekiel 45:20* - the blood of the bullock to be applied to the Temple for the sins of the people
- I - 8:** *2 Chronicles 29:17*- sanctification of the Temple was completed
- I - 10:** *Exodus 12:3* - each household to take in Passover sacrificial lamb until the 14th of the month  
*Joshua 4:19* - Ark & people came up out of Jordan & camped at Gilgal at east border of Jericho  
*Ezekiel 40:1* - Ezekiel is given a vision of the Temple
- I - 12:** *Ezra 8:31* - people departed from River Ahava to Jerusalem; God to deliver from their enemies
- I - 13:** *Esther 3:12* - the king's scribes sent forth letters to kill the Jews
- I - 14:** *Exodus 12:6* - the lamb being kept since the 10th day was to be slain; blood put on door post  
*Exodus 12:18* - unleavened bread shall be eaten from this day to the evening of the 21st day of this month  
*Leviticus 23:5* – Passover begins at even this day  
*Numbers 9:3* - ye shall keep appointed season (Passover) at even; according to ceremonies  
*Numbers 28:16* - it is Passover  
*Joshua 5:10* - children of Israel camped at Gilgal in the plains of Jericho & kept Passover  
*2 Chronicles 35:1* - Josiah kept the Passover in Jerusalem & they killed the Passover  
*Ezra 6:19* - the children of captivity kept the Passover  
*Ezekiel 45:21* - ye shall have the Passover (seven day feast); unleavened bread to be eaten
- I - 15:** *Leviticus 23:6* - Feast of Unleavened Bread; eat unleavened bread 7 days  
*Numbers 28:17* - it is the feast; seven days shall unleavened bread be eaten  
*Numbers 33:3* - children of Israel left Rameses; morrow after Passover in sight of Egyptians
- I - 16:** *2 Chronicles 29:17* - they made an end of the Temple sanctification process
- I - 17:** *Genesis 8:4* - the ark rested on the mountains of Ararat
- I - 21:** *Exodus 12:18* - the Feast of Passover concludes on this day
- I - 24:** *Daniel 10:4* - Daniel saw vision by Hiddekel River; Gabriel comes to him after 21 day delay

**There are six references to Month I which do not specify a particular date:**

*Numbers 20:1* – the whole congregation of the children of Israel went into the desert of Zin and abode in Kadesh  
*1 Chronicles 12:15* – they went over Jordan in the first month when it had overflowed all its banks  
*2 Chronicles 29:3* – Hezekiah opened the Temple doors and repaired them  
*Nehemiah 2:1* – Nehemiah gives the king wine and the king gives him consent and materials to rebuild the Temple  
*Esther 3:7* – they cast Pur and the King gave Haman permission to do whatever he wanted to do with the Jews  
*Joel 2:23* – the former rains and the latter rains will come in the first month

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# Month I

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Weekday 1	Weekday 2	Weekday 3	Weekday 4	Weekday 5	Weekday 6	Sabbath
			Beginning of Months Chodesh - Month I			
			H 13-20 <b>* 1</b> Mar 27	H 13-21 <b>2</b> Mar 28	H 13-22 <b>3</b> Mar 29	<sup>1</sup> H 13-23 <b>4</b> Mar 30
H 13-24 <b>5</b> Mar 31	H 13-25 <b>6</b> Apr 1	H 13-26 <b>* 7</b> Apr 2	H 13-27 <b>* 8</b> Apr 3	H 13-28 <b>9</b> Apr 4	H 13-29 <b>* 10</b> Apr 5 New Moon	<sup>2</sup> H 01-01 <b>11</b> Apr 6
		Passover Night (Erev Pesach)	Feast of Unleavened Bread - Day 1	Feast of Unleavened Bread - Day 2	Feast of Unleavened Bread - Day 3	Feast of Unleavened Bread - Day 4
H 01-02 <b>* 12</b> Apr 7	H 01-03 <b>* 13</b> Apr 8	H 01-04 <b>* 14</b> Apr 9	H 01-05 <b>* 15</b> Apr 10	H 01-06 <b>* 16</b> Apr 11	H 01-07 <b>* 17</b> Apr 12	<sup>3</sup> H 01-08 <b>18</b> Apr 13
Feast of Unleavened Bread - Day 5	Feast of Unleavened Bread - Day 6	Feast of Unleavened Bread - Day 7				
H 01-09 <b>19</b> Apr 14	H 01-10 <b>20</b> Apr 15	H 01-11 <b>* 21</b> Apr 16	H 01-12 <b>22</b> Apr 17	H 01-13 <b>23</b> Apr 18	H 01-14 <b>* 24</b> Apr 19 Full Moon	<sup>4</sup> H 01-15 <b>25</b> Apr 20
Omer of Barley Wave Sheaf Offering				Chodesh Eve		Week 1 of 7
H 01-16 <b>26</b> Apr 21	H 01-17 <b>27</b> Apr 22	H 01-18 <b>28</b> Apr 23	H 01-19 <b>29</b> Apr 24	H 01-20 <b>30</b> Apr 25		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

## BIBLICAL EVENTS OF MONTH II

(Note: \* on calendar date designates notation of specified events below)

- II-1:** *Numbers 1:1* - Moses told to form armies of the children of Israel  
*Numbers 1:18* - the children were sorted by pedigrees and numbered
- II-2:** *2 Chronicles 3:2* - Solomon began to build the Temple
- II-14:** *Numbers 9:11* - those who are unclean at first Passover may observe it now as a second  
*2 Chronicles 30:15* - the congregation kept Passover of the second month
- II-15:** *Exodus 16:1* - they left Elim and entered the Wilderness of Sin
- II-20:** *Numbers 10:11* - the cloud lifted from off the Tabernacle and they left Sinai for Paran

**There are five references to Month II which do not specify a particular date:**

- 1 Kings 6:1* – Solomon began to build the Temple
- 1 Kings 6:37* – (reference to v. 1 for Zif) the foundation of the Temple was laid
- 2 Chronicles 30:2* – king Hezekiah had taken counsel with princes to keep Passover in the second month
- 2 Chronicles 30:13* – a great congregation gathered to keep Unleavened Bread in the second month
- Ezra 3:8* – Zerubbabel, son of Shealtiel set forward the work of the Temple



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**Month II**

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Weekday 1	Weekday 2	Weekday 3	Weekday 4	Weekday 5	Weekday 6	Sabbath
					Chodesh - Month II	Week 1 of 7
1	2	3	4	5	6 H 01-21 * <b>1</b> Apr 26	7 H 01-22 * <b>2</b> Apr 27
						Week 2 of 7
8 H 01-23 <b>3</b> Apr 28	9 H 01-24 <b>4</b> Apr 29	10 H 01-25 <b>5</b> Apr 30	11 H 01-26 <b>6</b> May 1	12 H 01-27 <b>7</b> May 2	13 H 01-28 <b>8</b> May 3	14 H 01-29 <b>9</b> May 4 New Moon
						Week 3 of 7
15 H 01-30 <b>10</b> May 5	16 H 02-01 <b>11</b> May 6	17 H 02-02 <b>12</b> May 7	18 H 02-03 <b>13</b> May 8	19 H 02-04 * <b>14</b> May 9	20 H 02-05 * <b>15</b> May 10	21 H 02-06 <b>16</b> May 11
						Week 4 of 7
22 H 02-07 <b>17</b> May 12	23 H 02-08 <b>18</b> May 13	24 H 02-09 <b>19</b> May 14	25 H 02-10 * <b>20</b> May 15	26 H 02-11 <b>21</b> May 16	27 H 02-12 <b>22</b> May 17	28 H 02-13 <b>23</b> May 18 Full Moon
						Chodesh Eve Week 5 of 7
29 H 02-14 <b>24</b> May 19	30 H 02-15 <b>25</b> May 20	31 H 02-16 <b>26</b> May 21	32 H 02-17 <b>27</b> May 22	33 H 02-18 <b>28</b> May 23	34 H 02-19 <b>29</b> May 24	35 H 02-20 <b>30</b> May 25

### **BIBLICAL EVENTS OF MONTH III**

**(Note: \* on calendar date designates notation of specified events below)**

- III-1:** *Ezekiel 31:1* - Ezekiel told to warn Pharaoh of his fate to lie with the uncircumcised  
**III-23:** *Esther 8:9* - the king granted the Jews the right to defend themselves against attack

**There are two references to Month III which do not specify a particular date:**

- 2 Chronicles 15:10* – Asa gathered Judah & Benjamin, and strangers with them out of Ephraim, Manasseh & Simeon at Jerusalem  
*2 Chronicles 31:7* – they heaped up sacrifices from the third month to the seventh, and Israel was blessed

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Month III

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Weekday 1	Weekday 2	Weekday 3	Weekday 4	Weekday 5	Weekday 6	Sabbath
Chodesh - Month III						Week 6 of 7
H 02-21 <b>* 1</b> May 26 36	H 02-22 <b>2</b> May 27 37	H 02-23 <b>3</b> May 28 38	H 02-24 <b>4</b> May 29 39	H 02-25 <b>5</b> May 30 40	H 02-26 <b>6</b> May 31 41	10 H 02-27 <b>7</b> Jun 1 42
						Week 7 of 7
H 02-28 <b>8</b> Jun 2 43	H 02-29 <b>9</b> Jun 3 44 New Moon	H 03-01 <b>10</b> Jun 4 45	H 03-02 <b>11</b> Jun 5 46	H 03-03 <b>12</b> Jun 6 47	H 03-04 <b>13</b> Jun 7 48	11 H 03-05 <b>14</b> Jun 8 49
Feast of Weeks (Shavuot / Pentecost)						
H 03-06 <b>15</b> Jun 9 50	H 03-07 <b>16</b> Jun 10	H 03-08 <b>17</b> Jun 11	H 03-09 <b>18</b> Jun 12	H 03-10 <b>19</b> Jun 13	H 03-11 <b>20</b> Jun 14	12 H 03-12 <b>21</b> Jun 15 H 03-19
H 03-13 <b>22</b> Jun 16	H 03-14 <b>* 23</b> Jun 17 Full Moon	H 03-15 <b>24</b> Jun 18	H 03-16 <b>25</b> Jun 19	H 03-17 <b>26</b> Jun 20	H 03-18 <b>27</b> Jun 21 Summer Solstice	13 H 03-19 <b>28</b> Jun 22
Chodesh Eve		Chodesh - SUMMER				
H 03-20 <b>29</b> Jun 23	H 03-21 <b>30</b> Jun 24	H 03-22 <b>31</b> Jun 25				

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