

# WOC INTERNATIONAL

## 2020 New Moon 12 - Feb 12, 2021

### Rosh Chodesh Adar (5781)

**Review - New Moon marks the beginning of a new month on the Father's lunar calendar**  
**It's THE day the Father appoints men to approach Him & give an account for the previous month**  
**Each New Moon highlights a specific tribe and theme assigned to that month**

**Communion (like the New Moon) is the ordained time believers approach the Father to**  
**Review their lives from last month, repent of sin, forgive others & seek His forgiveness**

**What devices have we covered thus far that Satan uses to hinder us from our duties or destiny?**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Month (Iyar) - He uses the emotional giants of \_\_\_\_\_**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Month (Sivan) - Satan uses the thoughts of the 3 foxes: \_\_\_\_\_**

**4<sup>th</sup> Month (Tammuz) - He uses passive idolatry's covetousness, greed, & meditating on sin**

**5<sup>th</sup> Month (Av) - Satan uses the seemingly "convincing" events of \_\_\_\_\_**

**6<sup>th</sup> Month (Elul) - He uses delusions, deception, & misdirection to create \_\_\_\_\_**

**8<sup>th</sup> Month (Bul) - Satan uses pseudo realities to spawn \_\_\_\_\_**

**What have we covered thus far the Spirit uses to direct us in our duties on the road to destiny?**

**9<sup>th</sup> Month (Kislev) - True servants provide \_\_\_\_\_**

**10<sup>th</sup> Month (Tevet) - Selfless service generates \_\_\_\_\_**

**11<sup>th</sup> Month (Shevat) - Benevolent works soften \_\_\_\_\_**

**12<sup>th</sup> Month (Adar) - Soft hearts naturally \_\_\_\_\_**

#### Introduction

**Adar is the 3<sup>rd</sup> month of Winter, 6<sup>th</sup> month of the civil year & 12<sup>th</sup> month of ecclesiastical year**

**It is a time of celebration - During it, curses can be overturned and sour things become sweet**

**It is a time of becoming ripe, growing and progressing in maturity to be ready for Nisan**

**Important facts to focus on concerning the 12<sup>th</sup> month of Adar this year**

**Adar is THE time to renew our commitment to planting His seeds via His benevolent works, thus**

**We MUST have a mature spiritual mindset regarding 3 interpersonal matters**

\_\_\_\_\_ - **Application of serious attention to doing things properly to avoid damage/risk**

\_\_\_\_\_ - **A matter of interest or importance to someone else, not self**

\_\_\_\_\_ - **Thoughtfulness and sensitivity regarding the concerns of others**

#### Notes

**We MUST have mature spiritual feelings regarding 2 sensitive authority matters**

----- - **The process of working together to REACH the same end**

**Why is cooperating with the Spirit more praise worthy than control by the Spirit?**

**Conscious submission engenders a greater soul happiness in the doer & receiver**

----- - **The process of influencing or directing behavior or events**

**Why is the Spirit controlling you not as thrilling as cooperating with Him is?**

**Unconscious submission limits the types of works that He can do through you**

## Notes

### Important facts concerning Naftali (the son of Jacob)

**He was the 6<sup>th</sup> son of Jacob and younger of the 2 sons born of Bilhah (Rachel's maidservant)**

**Rachel chose the name Naftali, which means "my wrestling" because**

**She felt vindicated in her struggle with her older sister Leah to provide Jacob with heirs**

*Gen 30:7-8 "Bilhah Rachel's slave-girl conceived again and bore Ya'akov a second son. 8 Rachel said, "I have wrestled mightily with my sister and won," and called him Naftali [my wrestling]." CJB*

**Advanced ? - Why would Rachel say this, since she had not yet borne a child herself?**

### Important facts concerning Naftali (the tribe of Israel)

**They resided on the N side with Dan & Asher and were last to move when it came time to march**

**They were 1 of 6 tribes chosen to stand on Mount Ebal & pronounce 12 curses (Deut 27:15-26)**

**E.g. "Cursed is the man who moves his neighbor's boundary stone" (Deut 27:17)**

**Jacob's prophecy concerning him, was a prophetic indicator of this tribe's basic character**

*Gen 49:21 "Naftali is a doe set free that bears beautiful fawns." CJB/NIV*

**"A doe set free" prophetically portrayed Naftali as a free-spirited individual like a gazelle**

**The gazelle (their tribal symbol) was an animal quick in the natural (faster than deer)**

**Scripture says this tribe resided in the hill country, where animals like gazelles roamed**

*Judg 5:18 "The people of Z'vulun risked their lives, Naftali too, on the open heights." CJB*

**"Bears beautiful fawns" (aka gives goodly words) prophecies their eloquence in speech**

**Tradition says the people of Naftali were eloquent and poetic, in addition to being swift**

**Thus, their natural talents and abilities made them excellent messengers**

**Tradition says it was Naftali who made it back 1<sup>st</sup> to let Jacob know Joseph was alive**

### Important facts to focus on concerning Naftali and the 12<sup>th</sup> month of Adar this year

**Name conveys the tribe's struggles & wrestling with incomplete obedience, cowardice & bravery**

**In regards to incomplete obedience - Naftali successfully conquered his \_\_\_\_\_ territory**

### **But subjected the Canaanites to forced labor, rather than evict them as instructed**

Judg 1:33 “Naftali did not drive out the inhabitants of Beit-Shemesh or Beit-Anat but lived among the Kena’ani living in the land; however, the inhabitants of Beit-Shemesh and Beit-Anat became forced labor for them.” CJB

**In regards to cowardice - Barak (a Naftalite) was told he could \_\_\_\_\_ Sisera**

### **But he refused to go unless Deborah went with him (which was unusual at that time)**

Judg 4:8-9 “Barak answered her: “If you go with me, I’ll go; but if you won’t go with me, I won’t go.” 9 She replied, “Yes, I will gladly go with you; but the way you are doing it will bring you no glory; because Adonai will hand Sisra over to a woman.” Then D’vorah set out and went with Barak to Kedesh” CJB

**In regards to bravery - When it came time for David to \_\_\_\_\_ the throne**

### **Tribe of Naftali remained loyal to David, in contrast to those who stayed loyal to Saul**

1 Chron 12:24, 35 “24(23) Following are the numbers of those who came armed for war to David in Hebron, in order to transfer to him the kingdom of Sha’ul, according to what Adonai had said... 35(34) Of Naftali, there were 1,000 officers, and with them 37,000 troops having shields and spears.” CJB

### **They also remained loyal to Solomon, who hired Hiram of Naftali to do bronze work**

1 Kings 7:13-14 “King Shlomo sent for Hiram and brought him from Tzor. 14 He was the son of a widow from the tribe of Naftali, but his father was from Tzor, a bronze-worker filled with wisdom, understanding and skill for all kinds of bronze craftsmanship. He came to King Shlomo and did all his bronzework” CJB

## **Notes**

**What is the greatest lesson we can take from Naftali today? Yahweh exalts the \_\_\_\_\_**

**Naftali (as part of Galilee) was despised and seen as a place of dishonor and home of pagans**

### **Which is why Nathaniel made the comment he did about Galilee**

John 1:45-46 “Philip found Natan’el and told him, “We’ve found the one that Moshe wrote about in the Torah, also the Prophets – it’s Yeshua Ben-Yosef from Natzeret!” 46 Natan’el answered him, “Natzeret? Can anything good come from there?” “Come and see,” Philip said to him.” CJB

### **But Moses and Isaiah prophesied that Yahweh would greatly honor the land of Naftali**

Isa 8:23-9:1 “ 23(9:1) But there will be no more gloom for those who are now in anguish. In the past the land of Z’vulun and the land of Naftali were regarded lightly; but in the future he will honor the way to the lake, beyond the Yarden, Galil-of-the-Goyim. 9 1(2) The people living in darkness have seen a great light; upon those living in the land that lies in the shadow of death, light has dawned.” CJB

**The honor - Nazareth was Yeshua’s birth place and His ministry began in Galilee**

## **The people of Naftali were despised for being a part of Galilee, for similar reasons as Yeshua**

*Isa 53:3 "People despised and avoided him, a man of pains, well acquainted with illness. Like someone from whom people turn their faces, he was despised; we did not value him." CJB*

### **But the Father exalted them the same way he did some other former "pagans"**

*1 Cor 1:25-28 "Just look at yourselves, brothers – look at those whom God has called! Not many of you are wise by the world's standards, not many wield power or boast noble birth. 27 But God chose what the world considers nonsense in order to shame the wise; God chose what the world considers weak in order to shame the strong; 28 and God chose what the world looks down on as common or regards as nothing in order to bring to nothing what the world considers important" CJB*

### **The honor - All of Yeshua's disciples were from Galilee, except Judas of Keriot**

## **Notes**

## **Conclusion**

### **What do soft hearts have to do with cooperating naturally to plant seeds (benevolent works)?**

**As was the case with Israel, Yeshua's Body will have a similar variety of dispositions**

**That will be contrary to each other, yet contribute to the Body's beauty & strength**

**E.g. Judah was like a lion, Issachar an ass, Dan a serpent, Naftali like a gazelle**

**Significance of these variety of temperaments in regards to cooperating naturally**

**Contrary dispositions most assuredly engender personality conflicts among members**

**That can only be resolved via an \_\_\_\_\_ dissemination of benevolent love**

*1 Peter 4:8-10 "More than anything, keep loving each other actively; because love covers many sins. 9 Welcome one another into your homes without grumbling. 10 As each one has received some spiritual gift, he should use it to serve others, like good managers of God's many-sided grace" CJB*

**While conflicts do not always get resolved, all things can be forgiven & released!**

**A soft heart is the only thing that can unite differing parties to work together naturally**

**Because a soft heart keeps cooperation from ever becoming a \_\_\_\_\_**

### **Why is the cooperation birthed by a soft heart an essential tool for Birth Pains servants?**

**In every season in mankind's history, the Father has had Special Projects needing completion**

## **Notes**

## **Projects that can only be properly completed by soft hearted servants cooperating together**

*Ex 36:2,8 “Moshe summoned B’tzal’el, Oholi’av and every craftsman to whom Adonai had given wisdom, everyone whose heart stirred him, to come and take part in the work... 8 With all the skilled men who were carrying out the work, B’tzal’el made the tabernacle, using ten sheets of finely woven linen and of blue, purple and scarlet yarn. He made them with k’ruvim worked in that had been crafted by a skilled artisan” CJB*

**Advanced ?? - What is the relevance of “stirred him to come & take part in the work?”**

**Maintainers will not be asked to serve, they will offer themselves to serve**

**Pay careful attention to His others and avoid doing things that damage His people (care)**

**Make the effort to know His other’s interests and do what edifies them (concern)**

**Be thoughtful and spiritually sensitive toward His concerns in others (consideration)**

**Work together with those He’s called them to serve with to fulfill His will (cooperation)**

**Trust and allow the Spirit to influence and direct your behavior at His events (control)**

**For those of you not ready to serve this upcoming Birth Pains session - You must decide today**

**What you need to do and stop doing right now in particular, to get ready to serve**

**For those of you ready to serve this upcoming Birth Pains session in Nisan**

**You need to set your will to respond to the Father’s request the way Isaiah did ...**

*Isa 6:8 “Then I heard the voice of Adonai saying, “Whom should I send? Who will go for us?” I answered, “I’m here, send me!” CJB*

## **Notes**