

WOC INTERNATIONAL

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Rosh Chodesh Kislev (5782)

Review - Why are yesterday's New Moon patterns essential to today's worship?

These patterns reveal vital details regarding Yeshua's person as it pertains to our salvation

These details also empower us to live our life as believers to the fullest with hope (Rom 15:4)

Col 2:16-17 "So don't let anyone pass judgment on you in connection with eating and drinking, or in regard to a Jewish festival or Rosh-Hodesh or Shabbat. 17 These are a shadow of things that are coming, but the body is of the Messiah." CJB

What revelations have we received on this 2nd half of our journey towards destiny?

Tishri's revelation (Month 7) - The Spirit is anointing 2nd Generation bellwethers to serve in the BP

Bul's revelation (Month 8) - The Spirit is approbating 2nd Gen bellwethers to be Pioneer elyons

Elyon - An original witness Yahweh uses to establish His _____ that others follow

Pioneer - One who is among the first to explore or settle in a _____ area

Kislev's revelation (Month 9) - PE's fight to restore Kingdom PPP

Some basic facts regarding Yahweh's 9th month of Kislev

It is the 3rd month of Fall, 9th month of the ecclesiastical year and 3rd month of the civil year

Correlates to tribe of Benjamin, who encamped on the W side with Ephraim & Manasseh

Hebrew Kislev means "trust, rest and security" - Thus, Kislev is the month Yahweh reminds us

Even though days are growing shorter and nights longer - He is our light in the darkness and

He illuminates our path to give us confidence as we walk towards our _____

Month of Kislev is also called the "Month of Dreams"

It's an _____ time to slow down, rest, dream, and trust that He will provide

Ps 127:2 "In vain do you get up early and put off going to bed, working hard to earn a living; for he provides for his beloved, even when they sleep." CJB

Some basic facts regarding Benjamin the individual

Benjamin was Jacob's youngest son (2nd with Rachel)

Name means "son of the right hand," but unfortunately, Jacob spoiled him like he did Joseph

Gen 35:17-18 "While she was undergoing this hard labor, the midwife said to her, "Don't worry, this is also a son for you." 18 But she died in childbirth. As she was dying she named her son Ben-Oni [son of my grief], but his father called him Binyamin [son of the right hand, son of the south]."

Although 1 of Jacob's favorites, he was the last of the sons to receive His father's blessing

And that prophecy revealed a disturbing reality concerning the _____ side of his dual nature

Gen 49:26 "Binyamin is a ravenous wolf, in the morning devouring the prey, in the evening still dividing the spoil." CJB

Note the before & after experience - Morning/evening; devouring/dividing; prey/spoil

Some basic facts regarding Benjamin the tribe

It was the smallest of the tribes, but was tactically located for warfare on the main N to S Hwy

It was famous for training its archers and slingers to be _____ (or left-handed)

Judg 20:15-16 “On that day there were 26,000 men from Binyamin armed with swords, besides the inhabitants of Giv’ah, who numbered 700 specially chosen men. 16 All of these 700 specially picked men were left-handed, and everyone could sling a stone at a hair and not miss.” CJB

In ancient times, how did being a lefty give them a physical and psychological advantage?

At least 4 great people were from Benjamin’s tribe (Ehud, King Saul, Apostle Saul, & Esther)

Note Esther’s connection to Kish (Saul’s father and Mordecai’s _____)

Est 2:5-7 “There was in Shushan the capital a man who was a Jew, whose name was Mordekhai the son of Ya’ir, the son of Shim’i, the son of Kish, a Binyamini. 6 He had been exiled from Yerushalayim with the captives exiled with Y’khanyah king of Y’hudah, whom N’vukhadnetzar king of Bavel had carried off. 7 He had raised Hadassah, that is, Ester, his uncle’s daughter; because she had neither father nor mother.” CJB

What lesson does the Father want us to learn today about the tribe of Benjamin?

Their warlike nature led to a depravity & misguided _____ nearly causing their extinction

Certain men pulled a Sodom & covered a sin so atrocious, it led to 7 unprecedented acts

Judg 20:4-5 “The Levi, the husband of the murdered woman, answered, “I came to Giv’ah, which belongs to Binyamin, I and my concubine, to stay the night; 5 and the men in Giv’ah attacked me and surrounded the house I was staying in at night. They wanted to kill me, but instead they raped my concubine to death.” CJB

Unprecedented Act 1 - Levite husband shipped his dismembered wife’s parts all over Israel

Judg 20:6 “I took my concubine’s body, cut it into pieces and sent them throughout all the territories belonging to Isra’el; because they committed a shockingly obscene and degrading crime in Isra’el.” CJB

Unprecedented Act 2 - The tribes unified to attack Benjamin as 1 (except E Manasseh)

Judg 20:10-11 “We’ll take ten men out of each hundred throughout all the tribes of Isra’el, and a hundred out of a thousand, and a thousand out of ten thousand to collect food for the others. When these come to Giv’ah in Binyamin, they will avenge the crime that was committed.” 11 Thus all the men of Isra’el, joined together in complete agreement, assembled to attack the city”

Unprecedented Act 3 - Benjamin chose to fight rather than hand over the guilty parties

Judg 20:12-14 “The tribes of Isra’el sent men throughout all the tribe of Binyamin with this message: “What is this crime committed by some of your people? 13 Turn over these good-for-nothings who are in Giv’ah at once, so that we can execute them and rid Isra’el of such evil.” But the people of Binyamin refused to obey the order of their kinsmen the people of Isra’el. 14 Instead the people of Binyamin gathered themselves together from their cities and went to Giv’ah to fight the people of Isra’el.” CJB

Unprecedented Act 4 - The tribes attacked Benjamin until only _____ soldiers remained

Judg 20:46-48 “Thus the total number from Binyamin who fell that day was 25,000 experienced, sword-bearing soldiers. 47 But 600 turned and fled toward the desert to the Rock of Rimmon, and lived there four months. 48 The men of Isra’el turned back on the people of Binyamin and killed them with the sword, the entire city, the cattle and everything they found. Moreover, they set on fire all the cities they encountered.” CJB.

Unprecedented Act 5 - Tribes refused to let them marry their daughters because of their sin

Judg 21:1-3 “The men of Isra’el had sworn in Mitzpah that none of them would let his daughter marry a man from Binyamin. 2 The people came to Beit-El and stayed there before God till evening crying out and weeping. 3 They said: “Adonai, why has this come about in Isra’el? Why should there be today in Isra’el one tribe missing” CJB

Unprecedented Act 6 - Tribes punished E Manasseh for not helping them attack Benjamin

Judg 21:10-12 “So the gathering sent 12,000 warriors there and ordered them, “Go, and put the people who live in Yavesh-Gil’ad to death with the sword, including women and children. 11 Completely destroy every man and every woman who has had sex with a man.” 12 Among the inhabitants of Yavesh-Gil’ad they found 400 young virgins who had not known a man by lying with him, and they brought them to the camp at Shiloh, which is in the land of Kena’an.”

Unprecedented Act 7 - Unified tribes kidnapped and forced 400 virgins to be their wives

Judg 21:20-23 “They ordered the men of Binyamin, “Go, hide in the vineyards, 21 and keep watch. If the girls of Shiloh come out to do their dances, then come out of the vineyards, and each of you catch for himself a wife from the Shiloh girls, and go on to the land of Binyamin. 22 When their fathers or brothers come to complain to us, we will say to them, ‘Give them as a personal favor to us, because we didn’t take wives for each of them in battle. You didn’t give them to them; that would have made you guilty of breaking your oath.” 23 So the men of Binyamin did this — they took wives for themselves from the girls who were dancing, as many as they needed. They carried them off, went back to the land of their inheritance, rebuilt the cities and lived in them.” CJB

Who were these dancing girls of Shiloh? - The 400 virgins they took from E Manasseh

How do I turn this information about Kislev and Benjamin into action?

Unlike Benjamin, I will not remain silent when others solicit me to cover their sin

No matter who they are, I refuse to cover their sin and cut off my blessings or my _____

Like Benjamin, I will fear no man as I perform my job as His pioneer eiyon

I won’t fear the personal _____ of Pharisees, Sadducees, & Essenes - I live the Truth

I won’t fear the ungodly _____ of atheists and agnostics - I uphold the Truth

I won’t fear the blatant _____ of those opposed to God - I stand on the Truth

What should I take home from tonight’s lesson about Benjamin and Kislev?

I must _____ their unique spiritual lessons and warnings to my personal life

Yahweh doesn’t view me as others do; He looks at my heart as He did Benjamin

The warrior in him others missed because of his youth & tribal size, is in me

But the devourer that unmercifully divided his brethren, is also in me

1st - I _____ 2 notable Sauls from Benjamin manifested this unmerciful nature

Neither felt sorry for his murderous actions until he was confronted by his God

King Saul, in the "evening" of his life, devoured those connected with the fleshly David

But by the end of his life, he hated life's spoils & experienced eternal damnation

Apostle Saul, in the morning of his life, devoured those connected with spiritual David

But by the end of his life, he enjoyed the spoils of life & experienced eternal life

2nd - I _____ Yahweh always held the nation Israel accountable for the citizens sins

Josh 7:10-12 "Adonai said to Y'hoshua, "Stand up! Why are you lying there face down? 11 Isra'el has sinned. Yes, they have violated my covenant, which I commanded them. They have taken some of what was to have been set aside for destruction. They have stolen it, lied about it and put it with their own things. 12 This is why the people of Isra'el cannot stand before their enemies. They turn their backs on their enemies, because they have come under a curse. I won't be with you any more unless you destroy the things meant for destruction that you have with you." CJB

Sodom and Gomorrah also manifested this reality - Sinful people lead to sinful nations

Thus, every nation is accountable unto Yahweh for the actions of its citizens

In America, blatant _____ lets us pick & choose what sins we ignore or condemn

True trust is reflected in internal holiness and external justice towards others

American believers' rail against abortion, illegal immigration, and sexual perversion

But remain silent on racial discrimination, unequal justice, & economic oppression

Deut 25:14-16 "You are not to have in your house two sets of measures, one big, the other small. 15 You are to have a correct and fair weight, and you are to have a correct and fair measure, so that you will prolong your days in the land Adonai your God is giving you. 16 For all who do such things, all who deal dishonestly, are detestable to Adonai your God."

3rd - I _____ Kislew's spiritual symbols to comfort me while performing my service

Even though times are getting darker, the Spirit is _____ elyons across the globe

And placing them in positions where His light can justly shine unto all men and nations

Matt 5:14-16 "You are light for the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Likewise, when people light a lamp, they don't cover it with a bowl but put it on a lampstand, so that it shines for everyone in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before people, so that they may see the good things you do and praise your Father in heaven." CJB

What time is it? Time to stop hiding underneath the table or with the equipment like Saul

And let the Spirit place us on top of the table so that His light can shine through us! - Amen