#### The Birth of Jesus/Yeshua/ישוע

A brief story from your friends at Bible Research

# The birth and death of Jesus/Yeshua/ישוע



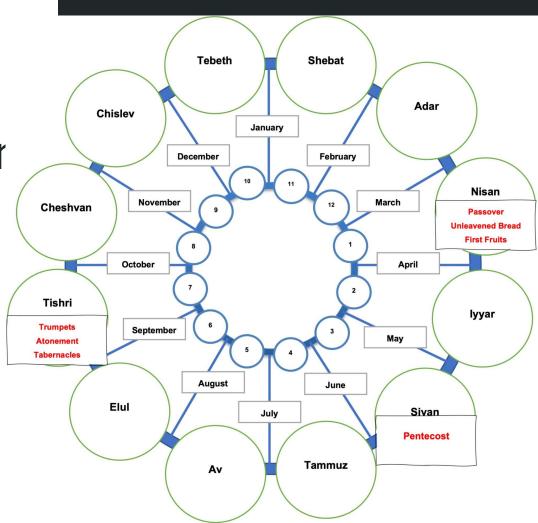
- Why do we need to know about the death of Christ?
- Why do we need to know the birth of Christ?
- How do we remember the Lord's death?
- When do we celebrate Christ's birthday?

## Let's try working backwards

- To find out when Christ was born, let's work backwards from his death.
- But first we need a little
  history before we can speak
  about his death.
- Do you know what age
   Jesus/Yeshua/ישוע was
   killed? Hold that thought we'll get to that in a minute.

Hebrew Calendar with important feast days

And the Gregorian calendar names of each month included.



# Why did Israel Keep a Passover?

#### The Passover

- A sacred holy time of remembrance
- The observance was kept each year
- Leviticus 23:5
- Exodus 12:1-14



Figure 2. Retrieved from. https://rabbiyeshua.com/articles-by-kehilat/item/10-passover-lamb

It was also an emotional connection for Israel to keep in remembrance of their exodus from Egypt. Sacrificing a young lamb after keeping it inside the home for four days.

#### An activity of remembrance to bring us to the ultimate Sacrifice

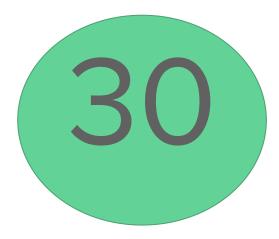
- The lamb of YHWH/Yahweh/Jehovah/יהוה was our sacrifice, once and for all
- 1 Corinthians 5:7
- John 19:14-42

#### Key Points for consideration

- A very serious account of the Son of God's crucifixion in John 19 and key verses to consider are 14, 31, and 42.
- Verse 14 indicates the passover feast day was being celebrated on the day of Jesus'/Yeshua's/ישוע death.
- Verse 31 indicates that there was to be a special sabbath or a "high day".
  - This would be the annual feast of unleavened bread.
- And the first day and the seventh day of the feast of unleavened bread were special days of no work Leviticus 23:6-8.
- Verse 42 indicates that there was to be a day of preparation.
  - This would be the day of preparation to celebrate the feast of unleavened bread.

#### Christ was the Passover

- We have proved
  - That the Lord Jesus/Yeshua/ישוע was our Passover.
  - Observance occurred in the first Jewish month also known as Abib/Nisan.
  - Now we can formulate an approximate time of his birth.
  - But there is another important piece of information to help solidify this idea, and that is a number.



#### Service at the Age of 30

- Under the Law, it was generally practiced that the service work in the tabernacle began at the age of 30.
- Numbers 4:3, 35, 39, 47
- How does this apply to Jesus/Yeshua/ישוע/
- Luke 3:23

It is evident that Jesus/Yeshua/ישוע began his ministry at the age of about 30 years. His Father, YHWH/Yahweh/Jehovah/יהווה had a magnificent plan to preach to the Gentiles. But that's a story for another day.

#### Christ Ministered for 3 ½ Years

There are many scholarly opinions about the length of time that Jesus/Yeshua/ישוע confirmed the covenant with his disciples.

- We have learned that Jesus/Yeshua/ישוע was the Passover lamb and perfect sacrifice.
- He was killed in the Springtime of the year on Nisan 14.

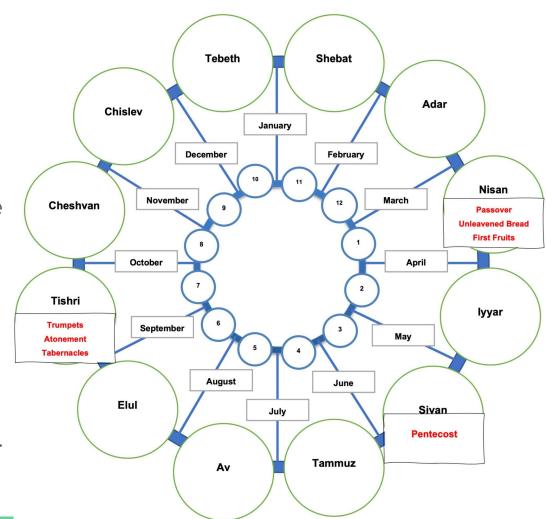
#### Working it Backwards

Let's revisit our calendar to see which month we land on when we work backwards from Nisan 14, the Passover date.

Did you find it?

Count backwards 33  $\frac{1}{2}$  years from Nisan 14.

That's right! It's the month of Tishri. Or the 7th Jewish month.





#### The end is just the beginning

"For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, but with the precious blood of Messiah, a lamb without blemish or defect. He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake." (1 Peter 1:18–20)

### How we remember the Lord's death

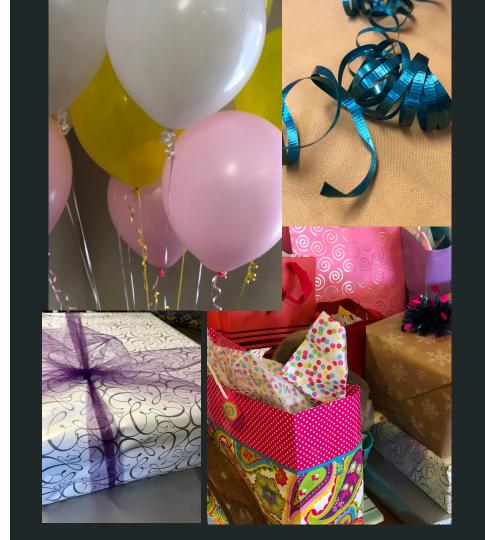
Through the partaking of bread and wine as a church assembly.





# So, what about his birthday?

There are not any scriptures which describe to remember Christ's birthday.



The Christ was killed for the remission of sin as the perfect passover and was born in the Autumn season. The Israel calendar month of Tishri.

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