



JESUS WAS BORN TO DIE

So That You Could Live

The True Birth of Jesus Christ

To understand the death of Jesus Christ we must first bring into remembrance his birth because without the birth there can be no death and no resurrection, therefore, no salvation. This would then place us back under the Law of Moses (The Ten Commandments). The laws for which no man can keep. None but one, Jesus Christ.

As Christians we have been taught to believe that December 25th is the birth date of Jesus. What we have not been told is that this does not please God. We know this to be true because it's stated in the book of Isaiah.

Romans 3:19-25..Now we know that what things so ever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God. Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin. But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophet. Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference: For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;

Isaiah 1:11-15...To what purpose is the multitude of your sacrifices unto me? saith the LORD: I am full of the burnt offerings of rams, and the fat of fed beasts; and I delight not in the blood of bullocks, or of lambs, or of he goats. When ye come to appear before me, who hath required this at your hand, to tread my courts? Bring no more vain oblations; incense is an abomination unto me; the new moons and sabbaths, the calling of assemblies, I cannot away with; it is iniquity, even the solemn meeting. Your new moons and your self appointed feasts my soul hateth: they are a trouble unto me; I am weary to bear them. And when ye spread forth your hands, I will hide mine eyes from you: yea, when ye make many prayers, I will not hear: your hands are full of blood.

Stonehenge: A Closer Look written by Bunny Gault states that the first time December 25th was ever used for Jesus' birthday was in 354 AD. Christmas was then officially adopted as Jesus birthday December 25th in 440 AD. Christians before this never celebrated Jesus' birthday.

The Roman Church officially accepted Friday December 25th in 440 AD. This comes from the calendar of Furius Dionysius Filocalus Lor Philocalus 354 AD. Under Emperor Justinian in 550 AD it was officially documented.

If Jesus being born on December the 25th is true, then Jesus is not the Messiah and a portion of what the bible says about Jesus birth is untrue. Taking a look at the scriptures will show this age-old myth as false.

As we start to examine the facts, we must first go back to the place and time of Jesus' conception in his mother's womb.

This is the beginning of destroying the myth of December 25th as Jesus' birthday.

We are going to start with a scripture from Isaiah in the Old Testament or Old Covenant and then go into the New Testament or New Covenant with the birth of John the Baptist, who was born to Elizabeth the daughter of Aaron, Moses' brother, and a priest named Zacharias. This will allow us to verify Jesus' actual birth date through the birth of John The Baptist.

John the Baptist would come before Jesus to prepare the way for Jesus. This is shown to be true in the Old Testament Isaiah 40:1-5, and the New Testament John 1:19-23. John would come in the Spirit of Elijah and set that which was crooked (wrong) straight (right).

John the Baptist farther, Zacharias was serving at the temple in the **Course of the Priest**. During this time the Priest job was all day. God chose 24 priests, each serving 7 days. After all 24 priests have completed their 7-day cycle. The 168-day cycle (24 priest x 7days =168 day cycle) would start over and repeat every 168 days.

The Facts

Isaiah 40:1-5 Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath received of the LORD's hand double for all her sins. The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain: And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.

John 1:19-23 And this is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou? And he confessed, and denied not; but confessed, I am not the Christ. And they asked him, What then? Art thou Elias? And he saith, I am not. Art thou that prophet? And he answered, No. Then said they unto him, Who art thou? that we may give an answer to them that sent us. What sayest thou of thyself? He said, I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord, as said the prophet Esaias.

The cycles or course of the priest is explained in 1Chronicles 24:7-19. The priest had to serve in the temple starting at the ending of the Sabbath to the end of the next Sabbath at sun down. The temple was destroyed on August 5th, 70 AD. The 1st course of the Priest had just began). If we count backward from the date the temple was destroyed. It will show that it was the end of the 24th course.

Zacharias course or cycle at the temple was the 8th course, which was Abia also referred to as Abijah. His course ended on July 13th 3 BC. The ending of his cycle gives us a time frame as to when Elizabeth conceived John.

Course of the Priest

1 Chronicles 24:7-19 Now the first lot came forth to Jehoiarib, the second to Jedaiah, The third to Harim, the fourth to Seorim, The fifth to Malchijah, the sixth to Mijamin, The seventh to Hakkoz, the eighth to Abijah, The ninth to Jeshuah, the tenth to Shecaniah, The eleventh to Eliashib, the twelfth to Jakim, The thirteenth to Huppah, the fourteenth to Jeshebeab, The fifteenth to Bilgah, the sixteenth to Immer, The seventeenth to Hezir, the eighteenth to Aphses, The nineteenth to Pethahiah, the twentieth to Jehezkel, The one and twentieth to Jachin, the two and twentieth to Gamul, The three and twentieth to Delaiah, the four and twentieth to Maaziah. These were the orderings of them in their service to come into the house of the LORD, according to their manner, under Aaron their father, as the LORD God of Israel had commanded him.

John The Baptist and Jesus

Born Six Months Apart

The following scriptures in the book of Luke will explain Zacharias course or cycle at the temple. He was in the 8th course, which was Abia. His course ended on July 13th 3BC. The ending of his cycle gives us a time frame as to when Elizabeth conceived——— John. These scriptures show that John the Baptist was born around April 14 - 15th 2 BC and Jesus being born six months later, was born around September 29, 2 BC.

As we continue to read the scriptures in the book of Luke, we can see that Jesus was born six months after John the Baptist. They clearly show that Elisabeth was six months pregnant and Mary conceived Jesus in the sixth month of Elizabeth's pregnancy. From what we see here, it is impossible from any standpoint for Jesus to be born on December 25th. ———

Luke 1: 5 There was in the days of Herod, the king of Judaea, a certain priest named Zacharias, of the course of Abia; and his wife was of the daughters of Aaron, and her name was Elisabeth.

Luke 1:13-17 - But the angel said unto him, Fear not, Zacharias: for thy prayer is heard; and thy wife Elisabeth shall bear thee a son, and thou shalt call his name John. And thou shalt have joy and gladness; and many shall rejoice at his birth. For he shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink; and he shall be filled with the Holy Ghost, even from his mother's womb. And many of the children of Israel shall he turn to the Lord their God. And he shall go before him in the spirit and power of Elias, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.

Luke 1: 23 - 25 And it came to pass, that, as soon as the days of his ministration were accomplished, he departed to his own house. And after those days his wife Elisabeth conceived, and hid herself five months, saying, Thus hath the Lord dealt with me in the days wherein he looked on me, to take away my reproach among men.

Luke 1:26-27 - And in the sixth month of Elizabeth pregnancy the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgins name was Mary.

Luke 1:28-31 And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be. And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS.

Luke 1:34-37 - Then said Mary unto the angel, how shall this be, seeing I know not a man. And the angel answered and said to her, The Holy Spirit shall come upon you and the power of the Highest shall overshadow you: therefore also that Holy Thing which shall be born of you shall be called the Son of God. And, behold, your cousin Elisabeth, she has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is the sixth month with her, who was called barren. For with God nothing shall be impossible.

Jesus Birth Using the Civil and Sacred Calendars

You must first understand that the Jews had two calendars. The Jewish calendar every three years would add an extra month called Veadar between the months of Adar and Nisan because their year was shorter than ours. The first calendar was the **Civil Calendar**, which was officially used to record kings, childbirths, contracts, and deaths. It was in use before the Hebrews went into Egyptian captivity. The second was the **Sacred Calendar**, which was used to compute God's feast days. This calendar was chosen by God. The beginning of the Sacred Calendar can be found in **Exodus 12:1 and 13:4**.

The **Civil Calendar** was used by Hebrews through Exodus. They recorded, births, deaths, Kings as well as other events. The sacred calendar came into effect at the deliverance of the Hebrews from Egypt. Both calendars were used simultaneously. There are two differences in the Civil and the Sacred Calendar. The **1st month of the Civil Calendar is Tishri**; (Day of Judgment, Feast of trumpets) 7th month of the Civil Calendar is Nisan (Passover). Whereas the 1st Month of the Sacred Calendar is Nisan (Passover); **7th Month of Sacred Calendar is Tishri** (Feast of Trumpets).

Jesus birth was on the 1st day of the 77 sabbatical cycle (Course of the Priest). The number 7 is God's number of completion. The greatness of God is this: Jesus was born in the 1st month of the new year of the Civil Calendar which was known as the Day of Judgment and also in the 7th month of the Sacred calendar known as the Feast of Trumpets or Day of Judgment.

Exodus 12:1 And the Lord spoke unto Moses and to Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying, 2 This month shall be unto you the beginning of months: it shall be the first month of the year to you

Exodus 13:4 This day came you out in the month Abib. Abib is also known as Nisan (March 15th - April 15th for us).

Tishri consists of 3 events that typify Jesus' three comings to earth, fulfilling God's Feast Days and his return on judgment day:

The Feast of Trumpets – Born = (Day of Judgment)

Rapture on the Day of Atonement – The reconciliation of God with man, also re-gathering of Israel

Feast of Tabernacles - (Final harvest), this is when Jesus rules and reigns upon the earth for 1000 years and everyone must go up to Jerusalem to celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles from year to year.

Zechariah 14:16-20 And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles. And it shall be, that whoso will not come up of all the families of the earth unto Jerusalem to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, even upon them shall be no rain. And if the family of Egypt go not up, and come not, that have no rain; there shall be the plague, wherewith the Lord will smite the heathen that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles. This shall be the punishment of Egypt, and the punishment of all nations that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles. In that day shall there be upon the bells of the horses, Holiness Unto The Lord; and the pots in the Lord's house shall be like the bowls before the altar.

Sacred and Civil Calendar "03 BC"

<i>Jewish Months "03 BC"</i>	<i>Months # Day</i>	<i>Sacred Months</i>	<i>Civil Months</i>	<i>USA Months</i>	<i>USA Months</i>
Nisan	30	1	7	3-4	Mar. 16 - Apr. 15
Iyar	29	2	8	4-5	Apr. 16 - May 15
Sivan	30	3	9	5-6	May 16 - Jun 15
Tammuz - John Conceived "03 BC"	29	4	10	6-7	June 16 - July 15
Ab	30	5	11	7-8	July 16 - Aug 15
Elul	29	6	12	8-9	Aug. 16 - Sept. 15
Tishri	30	7	1	9-10	Sept. 16 - Oct 15
Heshvan	29-30	8	2	10-11	Oct. 16 - Nov 15
Kislev	29-30	9	3	11-12	Nov. 16 - Dec 14
Tebeth - Jesus Conceived "03 BC"	29	10	4	12-1	Dec. 15 - Jan 13
Shebat	30	11	5	1-2	Jan. 14 - Feb. 14
Adar	29-30	12	6	2-3	Feb. 15 - Mar 15

Sacred and Civil Calendar "02 BC"

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Nisan - John's birth "02 BC"	30	1	7	3-4	Mar. 16 - Apr. 15
Iyar	29	2	8	4-5	Apr. 16 - May 15
Sivan	30	3	9	5-6	May 16 - June 15
Tammuz	29	4	10	6-7	June 16 - July 15
Ab	30	5	11	7-8	July 16 - Aug 15
Elul	29	6	12	8-9	Aug. 16 - Sept. 15
Tishri - Jesus Born "02 BC"	30	7	1	9-10	Sept. 16 - Oct 15
Heshvan	29-30	8	2	10-11	Oct. 16 - Nov. 15
Kislev	29-30	9	3	11-12	Nov. 16 - Dec 14
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Historical Events Showing the Timeline of Jesus Birth

There are many historical facts that we can check to verify Jesus' birth.

We can read what the early church fathers wrote or what historical books and scrolls state. At this point on our discrediting the myth of Jesus being born on December 25th otherwise known as Christmas., we are going to look at some historical facts.

The Tertullian (one of the early Christian Fathers) and a historical scroll (Magillath Taanith) written during the lifetime of Jesus. Herod's death was listed as the 1st Shebat 1BC. on the Julian Calendar or Civil Calendar as January 14. This lines up with Jesus being born a few months before Herod's death, which was preceded by a total eclipse of the moon, and about 2 months before Passover. There was a total eclipse January, 1BC.

Other historical people such as Cleopatra and Caesar Augustus give us an insight to Jesus' birth. We must take into account that when looking at historical dates and counting from BC to AD, the years are subtracting and when counting from AD forward, the years are adding.

Caesar Augustus reigned 41 years before Jesus' birth, and died in 14AD, 15 years after Jesus' birth. When you count 15 years backwards it shows Jesus was born in 2BC. Caesar Augustus date of death was August 19th, 14 AD. He started his reign in the autumn of 43 BC and he reined before Jesus in 41BC.

Cleopatra died in 30 BC and Jesus was born 28 years after her death, according to the book Stonehenge: A Close Look. This would put Jesus' birth at 2BC.

Irenaeus who was born about 100 years after Jesus, stated "Jesus was born about the 41st year of the reign of Caesar Augustus, Augustus began his reign in autumn of 43BC."

The Great Pyramid of Giza list Jesus birth as September 29, 2 BC.

Eusebius (264-340AD) who was termed Father of Church History wrote "It was the 42 year of the reign of Augustus in the autumn and the 28th year from the subjection of Egypt on the death of Anthony and Cleopatra of 30 BC. "

The ancient records of Josephus states that "on the day of the burning of Matthias, that very night there was a lunar eclipse." It also states, "shortly after that, King Herod died. His death happened two months before Passover." An ancient Jewish scroll called the Magilentet states "that the death of King Herod was on the 1st of Shebat 1 BC" (January 14th on our calendar). This was a very important event on our timeline as noted in Mathew 2:13-15. It shows that Jesus' birth was before Herod's death and before the eclipse.

Matthew 2:13-15 And when they (Joseph, Mary and Jesus) were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt and remain there until I bring you word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him. 14. When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night and went into Egypt 15. And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophets, saying, out of Egypt have I called my son.

Scientist discovered that there was a 7 digit full lunar eclipse over Jerusalem on January 9th, 1 BC in the last days of Tebeth. This eclipse started early evening and lasted 2 hours and was probably seen by all. This would be shortly before King Herod's death and 3 months before the Passover. This would put King Herod's death at January 24th 1 BC.

The eclipse started at 10:38 pm, became full at 11:34 pm -12:24 am and ended at 2:15 am.

As we read the scriptures and combine them with the historical facts, they tie together and verify that Jesus birth cannot be December 25th

This was the 15-year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar. Tiberius reigned from 14 AD -37 AD (March 26). Jesus would have been 30 years old in 29AD, being born in 2 BC.

Jesus being born September 29, 2 BC, and hidden in Egypt from Herod till his death. The eclipse takes place 3 months later, Herod dies 15 days after that, then 2 months later is the Jewish Passover. Scientifically, biblically and archeologically proving Jesus birth was in 2 BC.

The Death of Cesar Augustus

Historical records show that Caesar Augustus died on August 19, 14 AD. In Luke 3:1-4 Tiberius Caesar was in his 15th year of reign when John the Baptist began to preach. John started preaching on his 30th birthday, following the traditions of Jewish customs (Numbers 4:3). This verifies that Jesus turned 30 years old 6 months later.

Numbers 4:3 From thirty years old and upward even until fifty years old, all that enter into the host, to do the work in the tabernacle of the congregation.

Looking back at our calendar, John The Baptist was born in 2BC. Then 2BC to 1BC would make John 1 year old and 1BC to 1AD would make him 2 years old. The year Caesar Augustus died would make John 15 years old in 14 AD. He would then be 30 years old in the 15th year of Tiberius Caesar's reign, April 14th, 29AD.

Therefore Jesus would turn 30 six months later on September 29AD during the Feats of Trumpets. In Luke 3:23 Jesus starts to preach at the age of 30.

Jesus being about 30 yrs old

Luke 3:21-23 - Now when all the people were baptized, it came to pass, that Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened, 22And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon him, and a voice came from heaven, which said, Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am well pleased. 23And Jesus himself began to be about thirty years of age, being (as was supposed) the son of Joseph, which was the son of Heli

John started preaching.

Luke 3:1-3 - Now in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judaea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of Ituraea and of the region of Trachonitis, and Lysanias the tetrarch of Abilene, 2Annas and Caiaphas being the high priests, the word of God came unto John the son of Zacharias in the wilderness. 3And he came into all the country about Jordan, preaching the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins;

Jesus goes to the synagogue to preach.

Luke 4:16-21 - And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read. 17And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written, 18The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, 19To preach the acceptable year of the Lord. 20And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him. 21And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.

The Book of Daniel

In Daniel Chapter 9:1-20, Daniel prays to the Lord and bears witness to the transgressions of the people with the understanding of Gods word and what was written in the law of Moses. His cry was so pure of heart that God heard him and sent the angel Gabriel to speak to Daniel. Showing that God had not forgotten his people and that the prophecies of old would be fulfilled in Seventy weeks or Four Hundred and Ninety years because Gods punishes one day for a year.

This revelation was given to Daniel by the angel Gabriel around "536BC". The commandment to restore Jerusalem was given in 446BC giving us our timeline for the Birth of Jesus Christ.

Daniel 9:26 it states after 62 weeks Jesus the Messiah would be cut off. Jesus would be crucified, not for himself but for the sins of the world.

Counting from 446BC

7 Weeks = 49 years (ending the old Testament - 398BC)

62 Weeks = 434 years (Jesus anointing with the Holy Spirit and death)

Totaling 483 years

You may have noticed there are Seven weeks or Seven years missing. The last seven years were not given to the Prophets of old just as the Church Age was hidden from them. They were given to the Apostle Paul. The last seven years represent the Tribulation, a time when God is to reconcile the Jews back to him. These years are found in the book of Revelations.

Daniel 9:1-20

In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the seed of the Medes, which was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans; 2 In the first year of his reign I Daniel understood by books the number of the years, whereof the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah the prophet, that he would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem. 3 And I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes: 4 And I prayed unto the Lord my God, and made my confession, and said, O Lord, the great and dreadful God, keeping the covenant and mercy to them that love him, and to them that keep his commandments; 5 We have sinned, and have committed iniquity, and have done wickedly, and have rebelled, even by departing from thy precepts and from thy judgments: 6 Neither have we hearkened unto thy servants the prophets, which spake in thy name to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and to all the people of the land. 7 O Lord, righteousness belongeth unto thee, but unto us confusion of faces, as at this day; to the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and unto all Israel, that are near, and that are far off, through all the countries whither thou hast driven them, because of their trespass that they have trespassed against thee. 8 O Lord, to us belongeth confusion of face, to our kings, to our princes, and to our fathers, because we have sinned against thee. 9 To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him; 10 Neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws, which he set before us by his servants the prophets. 11 Yea, all Israel have transgressed thy law, even by departing, that they might not obey thy voice; therefore the curse is poured upon us, and the oath that is written in the law of Moses the servant of God, because we have sinned against him. 12 And he hath confirmed his words, which he spake against us, and against our judges that judged us, by bringing upon us a great evil: for under the whole heaven hath not been done as hath been done upon Jerusalem. 13 As it is written in the law of Moses, all this evil is come upon us: yet made we not our prayer before the Lord our God, that we might turn from our iniquities, and understand thy truth. 14 Therefore hath the Lord watched upon the evil, and brought it upon us: for the Lord our God is righteous in all his works which he doeth: for we obeyed not his voice. 15 And now, O Lord our God, that hast brought thy people forth out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and hast gotten thee renown, as at this day; we have sinned, we have done wickedly. 16 O Lord, according to all thy righteousness, I beseech thee, let thine anger and thy fury be turned away from thy city Jerusalem, thy holy mountain: because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and thy people are become a reproach to all that are about us. 17 Now therefore, O our God, hear the prayer of thy servant, and his supplications, and cause thy face to shine upon thy sanctuary that is desolate, for the Lord's sake. 18 O my God, incline thine ear, and hear; open thine eyes, and behold our desolations, and the city which is called by thy name: for we do not present our supplications before thee for our righteousnesses, but for thy great mercies. 19 O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive; O Lord, hearken and do; defer not, for thine own sake, O my God: for thy city and thy people are called by thy name. 20 And whiles I was speaking, and praying, and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my supplication before the Lord my God for the holy mountain of my God;

Ephesians 3:1-5

For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles, 2 If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward: 3 How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words, 4 Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ) 5 Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;

Daniel understood the things of God and God loved him greatly.

God sent an angel to give Daniel the timeline or guideline to Jesus' birth and death. He was given three commandments to rebuild Jerusalem.

In Daniel 9:21-24 the angel Gabriel speaks to Daniel. Speaking of the seventy weeks — to finish the transgressions. To give more of an understanding to the seventy weeks lets look at them through the scriptures and view the timeline.

With an understanding that God punishes one day for a year. It would take four hundred and ninety years to finish these transgressions spoken of in Daniel. This is calculated by taking the seven days in a week which equals seven years and then multiplying them by seventy or the seventy weeks spoken of in Daniel.

Daniel 9:21-24 Yea, whiles I was speaking in prayer, even the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening oblation. 22. And he informed me, and talked with me, and said, O Daniel, I am now come forth to give thee skill and understanding. 23. At the beginning of thy supplications the commandment came forth, and I am come to shew thee; for thou art greatly beloved: therefore understand the matter, and consider the vision. 24. **Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression,** and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.

Daniel shows us in Chapter 9:25-56 that Jesus the Messiah would come in threescore and two or 62 weeks and after the 62 weeks he would be cut off or crucified for the transgressions or sins of the world. This is verified also in the New Testament in the book of Galatians, II Corinthians, Titus, and I John.

Jesus would have been anointed with the Holy Spirit between 29 and 30AD. At that time he would have been about 30 years old. He would then die in the 62nd week around 34AD.

Daniel: Chapter 9:25, 26 Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks and threescore and two (62 weeks) the street shall be built again and the wall, even in troublous times. (command given in 446BC by Artaxerxes). 26. And after threescore and two shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself:

Galatians 1:4 Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father:

2Corinthians 5:21 For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

Titus 2:14 Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

1 John 2:2 And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

Read about the troublous times in Nehemiah 4:1-23. The book of Nehemiah was written in 445BC-433BC

446BC - 440BC = 1 week	397BC - 391BC = 1 week	327BC - 321BC = 11 weeks	250BC - 244BC = 22 weeks	173BC - 167BC = 33 weeks -	103BC - 97BC = 43 weeks	19BC - 13BC = 55 weeks
439BC - 433BC = 2 weeks	390BC - 384BC = 2 weeks	320BC - 314BC = 12 weeks	243BC - 237BC = 23 weeks	of the 62 wks -- also wk 40 of	96BC - 90BC = 44 weeks	12BC - 06BC = 56 weeks
432BC - 426BC = 3 weeks	383BC - 377BC = 3 weeks	313BC - 307BC = 13 weeks	236BC - 230BC = 24 weeks	the 69 wks	89BC - 83BC = 45 weeks	05BC - +01AD = 57 weeks --
425BC - 419BC = 4 weeks	376BC - 370BC = 4 weeks	306BC - 300BC = 14 weeks	229BC - 223BC = 25 weeks	166BC - 160BC = 34 weeks	82BC - 76BC = 46 weeks	born 2BC
418BC - 412BC = 5 weeks	369BC - 363BC = 5 weeks	299BC - 293BC = 15 weeks	222BC - 216BC = 26 weeks	159BC - 153BC = 35 weeks	75BC - 69BC = 47 weeks	+02AD - +08AD = 58 weeks
411BC - 405BC = 6 weeks	362BC - 356BC = 6 weeks	292BC - 286BC = 16 weeks	215BC - 209BC = 27 weeks	152BC - 146BC = 36 weeks	68BC - 62BC = 48 weeks	+09AD - +15AD = 59 weeks
404BC - 398BC = 7 weeks	355BC - 349BC = 7 weeks	285BC - 279BC = 17 weeks -	208BC - 202BC = 28 weeks	145BC - 139BC = 37 weeks	61BC - 55BC = 49 weeks	+16AD - +22AD = 60 weeks
49 years are now complete	348BC - 342BC = 8 weeks	also week 24 of the 69 weeks	201BC - 195BC = 29 weeks	138BC - 132BC = 38 weeks	54BC - 48BC = 50 weeks	+23AD - +29AD = 61 weeks
Old Testament ends (Malachi)	341BC - 335BC = 9 weeks	278BC - 272BC = 18 weeks	194BC - 188BC = 30 weeks	131BC - 125BC = 39 weeks	47BC - 41BC = 51 weeks	+30AD - +36AD = 62 weeks --
	334BC - 328BC = 10 weeks	271BC - 265BC = 19 weeks	187BC - 181BC = 31 weeks	124BC - 118BC = 40 weeks	40BC - 34BC = 52 weeks	also the 69th wk = 483 years
		341BC - 335BC = 20 weeks	180BC - 174BC = 32 weeks -	117BC - 111BC = 41 weeks	33BC - 27BC = 53 weeks	total
		257BC - 251BC = 21 weeks	of the 62 wks also wk 41 of	110BC - 104BC = 42 weeks	26BC - 20BC = 54 weeks	
			the 69 wks			

Christmas Day

Well then, whose birthday is December 25th and how did this come about? December 25th was the birthday of Nimrod, the founder of the 1st false religion of "Baal".

How did this come about? Semiramis, His mother/wife had a illegitimate child, then claimed that it was begotten by a spirit, as a rebirth of nimrod. This mother and child then became the object of worship = the first womb and child worship, just as today, as some worship Mary and baby Jesus. In today's society women and children mean everything.

His mother claimed that an evergreen tree grew overnight; symbolizing the rebirth of Nimrod would return on his birthday and leave gifts under the tree.

This is where our Christmas tree Tradition came from verified in Jeremiah.

Jeremiah 10: 3 - 5 For the customs of the people are vain: for one cutteth a tree out of the forest, the work of the hands of the workman, with the axe. 4They deck it with silver and with gold; they fasten it with nails and with hammers, that it move not. 5They are upright as the palm tree, but speak not: they must needs be borne, because they cannot go. Be not afraid of them; for they cannot do evil, neither also is it in them to do good

Jesus Christ

Death and Resurrection

Easte

As the Easter holiday approaches (old Jewish Passover), we find another misleading Christian Holiday built on tales of the truth. As stated previously in the Christmas section of this book, God hates our self appointed holidays. Most Christians believe that Jesus rose at sunrise on Sunday morning.

In this next part of the book you will be shown this is false because you must use the time frame of the Jewish calendar. The Jewish calendar and historical events will show he rose at sunset. Many people struggle with this, and some do not believe God raised Jesus from the dead. This is the rock and foundation of our faith. Many will try to persuade you there is no truth to this and that the bible is not true. This booklet will show how the world and Satan himself wants to keep you in a circle of deception.

There are many reasons why people will tell you that you should not believe the bible. The top two reasons are: men wrote it and it's not scientific. First of all men wrote every book on the planet; this would mean we would have to eliminate each and every book in existence today.

The bible is a historical book, translated from historical manuscripts. History is not and cannot be proven scientifically. In order to prove something scientifically, it has to be observable, measurable and repeatable. History cannot be observed, measured, nor repeated.

Historical events can only be validated or verified by evidence, eye witnesses, and witnesses of eyewitnesses. Contrary to what the world wants you to believe, the bible has the most reliable collection of historical manuscripts. Men who had first hand knowledge of the events they had seen during their lifetime wrote the manuscripts. Others who saw the same things confirmed these events. The bible has more evidence and actual observations than almost all the books we trust and believe today.

Other proofs: The bible has 23,000 archeological digs, Psalms 22 was written 1000 years before Jesus birth by a man that never saw or knew about what a crucifixion was. More than 40 witnesses that collaborate the same story and events, more reliable manuscripts than any other books and authors. More than 24,000 manuscripts that support the new testament, over 14,000 old testament manuscripts. You can also find proof in 668 prophecies that have been fulfilled. In addition to this, the discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls provide phenomenal evidence.

As you explore this booklet, it will open your eyes to expose the deceptions of Satan and this world. The information inside is extremely valuable to your Christian life. Read it, study it, understand it and spread the knowledge to others that you know. God bless!

Philosophers

Our entire government structure, Philosophies and Banking has been from the writings of Plato, who got it from Socrates. We have zero (yes 0) manuscripts of Socrates and only seven (yes 7) manuscripts of Plato.

Yes the way you think, live, and the way you believe has been taught from zero manuscripts. And you have believed every word of it through elementary school, junior high, high school and college.

Yes, we have studied Socrates, Plato, Aristotle, and Caesar... between them we have only 66 manuscripts. If you add Homer to the list, it increases to 709 manuscripts. Compared to the bible, which has 38,000 manuscripts.

Those other manuscripts were written more than 500 - 1000 years after the original manuscript, some of the bible manuscripts were written less than 29 - 150 years of the original manuscript.

After reading this booklet you have a choice, to continue to believe and think the way you do or to give God a try. I say give God a try, he will never confuse you nor let you down.

The New Testament is constantly under attack by critics for its reliability and accuracy and is often challenged and contested. But if they want to disregard the New Testament, then they must also disregard many other ancient writings by Plato, Aristotle, Socrates and Homer. The New Testament documents are better-preserved and more numerous than any other ancient writings. The New Testament manuscripts are so numerous, they can be cross checked for accuracy... and they are very consistent.

There are presently 5,686 Greek manuscripts in existence today for the New Testament. In the following table, we have compared the number of New Testament manuscripts to other ancient writings, we find that the New Testament manuscripts far outnumber the others in quantity.

Author	Date Written	Earliest Copy	Approximate Time Span between original & copy	Number of Copies	Accuracy of Copies
Lucretius	died 55 or 53 B.C.		yrs 1100	2	—
Pliny	61-113 A.D.	850 AD	yrs 750	7	—
Plato	427-347 B.C.	900 AD	yrs 1200	7	—
Demosthenes	4th Cent. B.C.	1100 AD	yrs 800	8	—
Herodotus	480-425 B.C.	900 AD	yrs 1300	8	—
Suetonius	75-160 A.D.	950 AD	yrs 800	8	—
Thucydides	460-400 B.C.	900 AD	yrs 1300	8	—
Euripides	480-406 B.C.	1100 AD	yrs 1300	9	—
Aristophanes	450-385 B.C.	900 AD	1200	10	—
Caesar	100-44 B.C.	900 AD	1000	10	—
Livy	59 BC-AD 17	—	???	20	—
Tacitus	circa 100 AD	1100 AD	yrs 1000	20	—
Aristotle	384-322 B.C.	1100 AD	1400	49	—
Sophocles	496-406 B.C.	1000 AD	yrs 1400	193	—
Homer (Iliad)	900 B.C.	400 B.C.	yrs 500	643	95%
New Testament	1st Cent. A.D. (50-100 A.D.)	2nd Cent. A.D. (c. 130 A.D .f.)	less than 100 years	5600	99.5%

If you wanted to change or falsify any of these manuscripts it would be impossible. You have to change all of the Greek manuscripts and then find a way to change all the Syriac, Latin, Coptic and Aramaic manuscripts.

Almost all biblical scholars agree that the New Testament documents were all written before the close of the First Century. If Jesus was crucified in 30 A.D., then that means that the entire New Testament was completed within 70 years. This is important because it means there were plenty of people around when the New Testament documents were printed who could have contested the writings. In other words, those who wrote the documents knew that if they were inaccurate, plenty of people would have pointed it out. But, we have absolutely no ancient documents contemporary with the First Century that contest the New Testament texts.

Another important aspect of this discussion is the fact that we have a fragment of the gospel of John that dates back to around 29 years from the original writing (John Rylands Papyri 125 A.D.). This is extremely close to the original writing date. This is simply unheard of in any other ancient writing and it demonstrates that the Gospel of John is a First Century document.

Below is a chart with some of the oldest New Testament manuscripts compared to when they were originally written. Compare these time spans with the next closest

which is Homer's Iliad, where the closest copy from the original is 500 years later. Undoubtedly, that period of time allows for more textual corruption in its transmission. How much less so for the New Testament documents.

If those critical of the Bible dismiss the New Testament as reliable information, then they must also dismiss the reliability of the writings of Plato, Socrates, Aristotle, Caesar, Homer, and the other authors mentioned in the previous chart. On the other hand, if the critics acknowledge the historicity and writings of those other individuals, then they must also retain the historicity and writings of the New Testament authors; after all, the evidence for the New Testament's reliability is far greater than the others. The Christian has substantially superior criteria for affirming the New Testament documents than he does for any other ancient writing

You can chose to believe that you are the way you are because of you, or because of what someone else has directed you to be. You can also choose to study for yourself and find out the truth, then and only then will you truly be able to become what you were created to be. Or you will be like the rock that someone threw, and in mid flight the rock was awakened and enlighten. The rock said wow look at me soar, what a great flyer I am, not realizing that he was thrown. As the rock starts to crash to the ground, then and only then does he realize he is not flying by his own power.

Many Christians are like this, not knowing that through the teachings of those Greek philosophers, radio, television, newspapers, computers etc... They have become like that rock, thinking that they are operating under their own powers and abilities. Not realizing that someone else launched them. God is trying to open your eyes to the truth through his word, but most don't want to hear the truth because they have been launched by another system, another voice. This is why one of the most important scriptures you can read is; 2 Corinthians 10:5 "casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalt itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ."

If your thoughts and mind does not line up with what God has said, you have become what someone else has directed you to become and it wasn't God. You have become the child of someone else, but it's not God. God wants you to be transformed by the renewing of your mind back to his ways.

The evidence provided in this booklet is more than enough to open your eyes to the truth. The problem is, will you continue in your old way of thinking or will you repent and change your way of thinking to God ways. The choice is yours. The evidence has been presented. Eternity is at stake!

Important Manuscript Papyri	Contents	Date Original Written	MSS Date	Approx. Time Span	Location
p52 (John Rylands Fragment)	John 18: 31-33 & 37-38	circa 96 A.D.	circa 125 A.D.	29 yrs	John Rylands Library, Manchester, England
P46 (Chester Beatty Papyrus)	Romans 5: 17, 6: 3, 5-14; 8: 15-25, 27-35; 10: 1-11, 22: 24-33, 35; 16: 1-23, 25-27; Heb.; 1 & 2 Cor., Eph., Gal., Phil., Col.; 1 Thess. 1: 9-10; 2: 1-3; 5: 5-9, 23-28	50's-70's	circa 200 A.D.	Approx. 150 yrs	Chester Beatty Museum, Dublin & Ann Arbor, Michigan, University of Michigan library
P66 (Bodmer Papyrus)	John 1: 1, 6: 11, 35; 14: 26; fragment of 14:29, 21:9	70's	circa 200 A.D.	Approx. 130 yrs	Cologne, Geneva
P67	Matthew 3: 9, 15; 5: 20-22, 25-28		circa 200 A.D.	Approx. 130 yrs	Barcelona, Fundacion San Lucas Evangelista, P. Barc.1

Historians Proving the Existence of Jesus

Non-Christian Historians

Celsus was a 2nd century anti-Christian Greek writer. His writings are mostly insignificant except for the fact that he wrote about Jesus as an actual historical figure. As far as it is known, Celsus made no claims that Jesus never lived. In fact, it was Celsus' belief that Jesus was not born of a virgin but rather he was the illegitimate son of Mary and a Roman soldier who'd been stationed in Palestine.

Tacitus (56AD-117AD) was a Roman official and historian. He wrote the history of the Roman empires around the birth of Christ. He felt the name of Christians was vulgar. He wrote "Christ one who in the reign of Tiberius suffered death as a criminal under Pontius Pilate." Proving the existence of Jesus Christ as well as his crucifixion.

Josephus (37AD-100AD) was a 1st century Jew and Roman citizen who wrote about Jewish history. He wrote "Now there was about this time Jesus, a wise man, if it be lawful to call him a man; for he was a doer of wonderful works, a teacher of such men as receive the truth with pleasure. He drew over to him both many of the Jews and many of the Gentiles."

Christian Historians

Ingnatius 35AD-108AD was among the Apostolic Fathers, he was a student of John the Apostle. He wrote a series of letters and seven of those letters have survived and are examples of early Christian theology. He made it clear that Jesus is God.

Polycarp 69AD-155AD was the Bishop of Smyrna during the 2nd century. He knew St. John and other disciples of Jesus as well as other people who had seen Jesus. Polycarp stood up and believed in the teaching of the apostles and because of his beliefs died a martyr.

Clement (150AD-215AD) was a Christian theologian. He was a Bishop to Rome and was ordained by Peter, a disciple of Jesus. Although very little is known of Clement's letters he wrote to the Corinthian church references teaching of the apostles Testament letters.

Paul (5AD-67AD) born a Roman citizen, was a Jew from the tribe of Benjamin. He was then known as Saul and persecuted Christians. Blinded on his way to Damascus with a vision of the **Risen Jesus**, changed his life drastically. He upheld that Jesus was the long awaited Jewish Messiah and Son of God. Paul wrote half of the New Testament.

Jesus' Death and Passover

For many years we have celebrated Jesus' death and resurrection as beginning Good Friday and Resurrection on Sunday morning at sunrise. This is completely false; first of all Jesus was following the Hebrew /Jewish calendar which days started at 6 o'clock p.m. and not at 12 o'clock a.m. which we are accustomed to.

As we are going to see, Jesus would have to die at 3 p.m. on Passover day, the day of Preparation. Then he must stay in the grave for three days and three nights and rise at the beginning of the fourth day. Jesus himself stated this on numerous occasions, as we will see below.

In Exodus 12:3-14 it lays out explicitly how the passover lamb is to be killed. Jesus fits these criteria's. Jesus is a lamb of the first year in God years, Jesus is a lamb without blemish (sin free), also as the lamb was to be in their home for about three and one half days; Jesus from the time of his anointing, walked among his people for three and one half years.

In using God's time, a year for a day, Jesus fulfills this criteria also. Jesus' body was also unleavened (sin free). This also explains why Jesus' body could not remain on the cross until the next day.

Matthew 12:39-40

But he answered and said unto them, an evil and adulterous generation seeks after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonah. 40. For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

Matthew 27:62-63

Now the next day, that followed the day of the preparation, the chief priest and Pharisees came together unto Pilate. 63. Saying, Sir, we remember that that deceiver said, while he was yet alive, after three days I will rise again.

Exodus 12:3-14

Speak you unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth day of this month they shall take to them every man a lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for a house. 4. And if the household be too little for the lamb, let him and his neighbour next unto his house take it according to the number of the souls; every man according to his eating shall make your count for the lamb.5. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats:6. And ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in the evening (3pm).7. And they shall take of the blood, and strike it on the two side posts and on the upper door post of the houses, wherein they shall eat it. 8. And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire, and unleavened bread; and with bitter herbs they shall eat it. 9. Eat not of it raw, nor sodden at all with water, but roast with fire; his head with his legs, and with the purtenance thereof.10. And you shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; and that which remains of it until the morning you shall burn with fire.11. And thus shall ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it is the LORD's passover.12. For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the LORD.13. And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt. 14. And this day shall be unto you for a memorial; and ye shall keep it a feast to the LORD throughout your generations; ye shall keep it a feast by an ordinance for ever.

Days Leading to the Crucifixion

Jesus ate his Passover meal with his disciples the day before the Day of Passover. Probably about 5-6pm (**Day of Preparation**) the day before Passover begins. Passover would begin at 6pm on our American calendar according to the Jewish calendar that they followed in Jesus' day. That would be 6pm on Tuesday on our American calendar, which would be the beginning of Wednesday on the Jewish calendar.

As we can see from these scriptures, about 12am or (6th hour) Wednesday on the American calendar the Jewish High Priest offered Jesus up. Then about 9am or (3rd hour) Wednesday morning they crucified Jesus. Then at 12pm Wednesday at noon (6th hour), darkness covered the whole land. At 3pm or (9th hour) Wednesday, Jesus gave up the ghost and died.

Jesus was in the grave by 6pm Wednesday of the American calendar to 6pm Thursday = 1 day in grave. 6pm Thursday to 6pm Friday = 2 days in the grave. 6pm Friday to 6pm Saturday = 3 days in the grave. Saturday 6pm on the American calendar is the first day of the week on the Jewish calendar, which is the day of Firstfruits. This is the day Jesus rose from the dead = 6 - 6:01pm

Matthew 26:17 - 21 (6pm Passover on day of preparation)

17. Now the first day of the feast of unleavened bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying unto him, Where wilt thou that we prepare for thee to eat the passover?18. And he said, Go into the city to such a man, and say unto him, The Master saith, My time is at hand; I will keep the passover at thy house with my disciples.19. And the disciples did as Jesus had appointed them; and they made ready the passover. "This is between 6pm and 9pm"20. Now when the even was come, he sat down with the twelve.21. And as they did eat, he said, Verily I say unto you, that one of you shall betray me.

Matthew 26:26 - 32 (Jesus does communion/ Passover memorial)

26. And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body.27. And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it;28. For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins. 29. But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom. 30. And when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives. 31. Then saith Jesus unto them, All ye shall be offended because of me this night: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock shall be scattered abroad. 32. But after I am risen again, I will go before you into Galilee.

John: 19: 14 - 34 (Jesus judged and crucified the day of Passover)

14. And it was the preparation of the passover, and about the sixth hour: and he saith unto the Jews, Behold your King! "12a.m."15. But they cried out, Away with him, away with him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Caesar.16. Then delivered he him therefore unto them to be crucified. And they took Jesus, and led him away.17. And he bearing his cross went forth into a place called the place of a skull, which is called in the Hebrew Golgotha:18. Where they crucified him, and two other with him, on either side one, and Jesus in the midst.19. And Pilate wrote a title, and put it on the cross. And the writing was JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS.20. This title then read many of the Jews: for the place where Jesus was crucified was nigh to the city: and it was written in Hebrew, and Greek, and Latin.21. Then said the chief priests of the Jews to Pilate, Write not, The King of the Jews; but that he said, I am King of the Jews.22. Pilate answered, What I have written I have written.23. Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments, and made four parts, to every soldier a part; and also his coat: now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout.24. They said therefore among themselves, Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be: that the scripture might be fulfilled, which saith, They parted my raiment among them, and for my vesture they did cast lots. These things therefore the soldiers did.

Mark: 15:17-28 (Jesus crucified in 3rd hour with 2 thieves = 9am)

17. And they clothed him with purple, and platted a crown of thorns, and put it about his head,18. And began to salute him, Hail, King of the Jews! 19. And they smote him on the head with a reed, and did spit upon him, and bowing their knees worshipped him.20. And when they had mocked him, they took off the purple from him, and put his own clothes on him, and led him out to crucify him. "**Psalms 22: 7**" 21. And they compel one Simon a Cyrenian, who passed by, coming out of the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to bear his cross. 22. And they bring him unto the place Golgotha, which is, being interpreted, The place of a skull. 23. And they gave him to drink wine mingled with myrrh: but he received it not.24. And when they had crucified him, they parted his garments, casting lots upon them, what every man should take. 25. And it was the third hour, and they crucified him.

Mark: 15:33 - 42 (Jesus was crucified on the Day of Preparation)

33. And when the sixth hour "12pm" was come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour "3pm". = "**Psalms 22:1-2**"

34. And at the ninth hour "3pm" Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani? which is, being interpreted, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? 35. And some of them that stood by, when they heard it, said, Behold, he calleth Elias. 36. And one ran and filled a sponge full of vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink, saying, Let alone; let us see whether Elias will come to take him down. 37. And Jesus cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghost. 38. And the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom. 39. And when the centurion, which stood over against him, saw that he so cried out, and gave up the ghost, he said, Truly this man was the Son of God. 40. There were also women looking on afar off: among whom was Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the less and of Joses, and Salome; 42. And now when the even was come, because it was the preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath,

Passover

Jesus (**Emmanuel = God with us**), represented the Passover lamb, would be among his people for 3½ years and be killed at 3pm on the day of Passover and taste death for all men (**die replacing our death**). Jesus went into the temple (house) of his people in Luke 4, sometime in 30AD, he preached to them for 3½ years then in 34AD Jesus dies at 3pm on Passover of that year. Jesus then had to be taken off the cross and rushed to his grave before 6pm and not left on the cross till the next morning because it was a high Sabbath. Jesus then raises from the grave after 3 days and goes into heaven and places his blood on the mercy seat for you and I.

Jesus had to die on a Tuesday, Passover, to fulfill 3 days and 3 nights in the grave. He also had to fulfill **Passover, Unleavened Bread, the Sabbath** and **Firstfruits**. Then you would count 7 Sabbaths and 1 day and He would have to fulfill “**The Day of Pentecost**” and the Holy Spirit comes.

The only way this all lines up is, Jesus had to be born in 2BC between September / October (during the “**Feast of Trumpets**”). As I stated previously, Jesus turned 30 years of age in 29AD, and then died in March 23rd of 34AD.

According to Exodus 12: 1-7 you would take the Passover lamb into your house on the 10th day and you will kill at 3pm on the 14th day. The lamb would be in your house for 3 1/2 days, it would be part of your family for 3 1/2 days then it would die in place of you. Typifying that Jesus (**Emmanuel = God with us**) the Passover lamb would be among his people for 3 1/2 years (**a day for a year**) and be killed at 3pm on the day of Passover and taste death for all men (**die replacing our death**).

LUKE 4: 16-25

Jesus was our Passover Lamb

These scriptures show us how Jesus comes into the house as a lamb for his people.

JOHN 19:30-42

Jesus fulfilled the Sabbath

In John Jesus was rushed to the grave. He had to be buried before 6:00 p.m. because it would be the start of the High Sabbath

1PETER 1:19

Jesus fulfilled the Passover

In 1Peter the scriptures continue to show how Christ is the Passover lamb without spot or blemish.

1 CORINTHIANS 5:7

Jesus fulfilled Unleavened Bread

Reading these scriptures allows you to see how he was also became our unleavened bread.

1 CORINTHIANS 15:20 - 23

Jesus fulfilled the Firstfruits

We can see in these scriptures that not only was Jesus our Passover lamb, he was also our firstfruits.

Passover of 22 AD fell on a Sunday (April 3rd)

Passover of 23 AD fell on a Thursday (March 23rd)

Passover of 24 AD fell on a Thursday (April 11th)

Passover of 25 AD fell on a **Tuesday** (April 1st)

Passover of 26 AD fell on a Saturday (March 21st)

Passover of 27 AD fell on a Thursday (April 8th)

Passover of 28 AD fell on a **Tuesday** (March 28th)

Passover of 29 AD fell on a Sunday (April 17th)

Passover of 30 AD fell on a Thursday (April 6th)

Passover of 31 AD fell on a **Tuesday** (March 27th)

Passover of 32 AD fell on a Monday (April 14th)

Passover of 33 AD fell on a Friday (April 3rd)

Passover of 34 AD fell on a **Tuesday** (March 23rd)

Passover of 35 AD fell on a Monday (April 11th)

Passover of 36 AD fell on a Friday (March 30th)

Passover of 37 AD fell on a Thursday (April 18th)

Passover of 38 AD fell on a **Tuesday** (April 6th)

Passover of 39 AD fell on a Saturday (March 26th)

Passover of 40 AD fell on a Saturday (April 14th)

High Sabbath

Jesus had to be taken off of the cross and put into the tomb before 6pm because 6pm was the start of Unleavened Bread, a high Sabbath day. If not in the grave before 6pm he would have to remain hanging on the cross because no work could be done on a Sabbath day. So they took Jesus to a sepulcher that was very near. Josephus of Arimathea asked Pilate for the body of Jesus and placed it in his own tomb.

John 19:28-37 (Day after was a high Sabbath, not the Sabbath)

28. After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled, saith, I thirst.29. Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and they filled a sponge with vinegar, and put it upon hyssop, and put it to his mouth.30. When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.31. The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was an high day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away.32. Then came the soldiers, and brake the legs of the first, and of the other which was crucified with him.33. But when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was dead already, they brake not his legs: 34. But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out blood and water. 35. And he that saw it bare record, and his record is true: and he knoweth that he saith true, that ye might believe. 36. For these things were done, that the scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of him shall not be broken. 37. And again another scripture saith, They shall look on him whom they pierced.

John 19:40-42 (Jesus had to be buried before 6pm)

40. Then took they the body of Jesus, and wound it in linen clothes with the spices, as the manner of the Jews is to bury. 41. Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden; and in the garden a new sepulchre, wherein was never man yet laid. 42. There laid they Jesus therefore because of the Jews' preparation day; for the sepulchre was nigh at hand.

MATTHEW 27: 50 – 53

Jesus when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost.51. And, behold the veil of the temple was rent in two from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake and the rocks rent;52. And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose, 53. And came out of the graves after his resurrection and went into the holy city and appeared unto many.

ACTS 1: 2 – 3

Until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen:3. To whom also he showed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God:

1 CORINTHIANS 15: 3 – 8

For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; 4. And that he was buried and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures; 5. And that he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve.6. After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are dead. 7. After that, he was seen of James; then of all the apostles.8. Last of all he was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time.

1 PETER 3: 18 – 19 (Jesus preached in Hell)

For Christ also has once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but quickened (made alive) by the spirit.19. By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison.

ACTS 2: 24 & 27 (Jesus would defeat death and not stay in Hell)

Whom God has raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it.27. Because you will not leave my soul in hell, neither will you suffer your Holy One to see corruption.

Resurrection

When Jesus died, he went into hell and preached, and death could not hold him. Jesus rose from the dead, all the saints of old rose also and walked the streets.

FEAST DAYS

Passover:

14th day of Nisan = March – April = 29th day of March
“Sacrificed for us” also “Jesus our Passover”

1 Corinthians: Chapter 5: 6-8

Unleavened Bread:

15th day Nisan = March – April = 30th day of March
Communion with Christ”

1 Corinthians: 11:24 - 27 = wave sheaf eaten without leaven

Jesus our Unleavened Bread

1 Corinthians: Chapter 5 :6 - 8

Sabbath:

7TH day of every week = 6:00pm Friday thru 6:00pm Saturday = Sunday
“Day of rest” – Jesus was lord of the Sabbath

Luke: Chapter 6:1 - 5

“The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath”

First Fruits:

1st Sunday after the Sabbath after the week of Passover

“Resurrection” – 1st Christ, then others at his coming = Rapture

Jesus our First Fruits

1Corinthians: Chapter 15:20 - 23

Pentecost:

1ST Sunday after counting 7 Sabbaths from First Fruits 50 days = Sivan = May

“Law given to Moses” - “Descent of Holy Spirit to form the Church”

Acts: Chapter 2:1 - 4

Wave Loaves: Another First Fruits

“Wave loaves eaten with leaven”

“ Church age starts and we’ll have evil (sin) present”

CHURCH AGE GAP

Feast of Trumpets:

1st day of the 7th month = Tishri =
September – October

“The Civil New Year”

(Day of judgment) – Jesus Birth =

Rosh Hashanah

Jesus our Judgment

John: Chapter 9:39

Day of Atonement:

10TH day of the month = Tishri

September – October

“Re-gathering of Israel”

(Reconciliation of God with Man) –

Rapture = Yom Kippur

Jesus our Atonement

Romans: Chapter 5:8 - 11 and

Revelation 4:1 - 2

Feast of Tabernacles:

15th day of the month = Tishri =

September – October

“Memorial to redemption out of

Egypt”

(Final harvest) – Jesus Returns =

Sukkot

Jesus our Feast of Tabernacles

Zechariah: 14:16-20

RESURRECTION TIMELINE

Calendar of Today	Time	Jewish Calendar	Feast Days
Monday Morning	12:00 a.m.		
	6:00 a.m.		
	12:00 p.m.		
	6:00 p.m.	Tuesday Morning	
Tuesday Morning	12:00 a.m.		
	6:00 a.m.		
	12:00 p.m.		
	6:00 p.m.	Wednesday Moring Day of Preperation Prays, Betrayal	Passover Meal Jesus John 19:14
Wednesday Morning	12:00 a.m.	Jesus Accused	
	3:00 a.m.	Trial & Beating	
	6:00 a.m.		
	9:00 a.m.	On the Cross 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Crucifixion
	12:00 p.m.	Darkness covers the earth.	
	3:00 p.m.	Jesus says "Its Finished"	Passover Lambs Killed
	6:00 p.m.	Thursday Morning (Jesus Buried) Matthew 27:62-66	High Sabbath Unleavened Bread John 19:31

Our Calendar of Today	Time	Jewish Calendar	Feast Days
Thursday Morning	12:00 a.m.		
	6:00 a.m.		
	12:00 p.m.		
Friday Morning	6:00 p.m.	Friday Morning (1 Day in the grave)	Tomb guarded.
	12:00 a.m.		
Friday Morning	6:00 a.m.	Women prepare spices.	Luke 23:54-56
	12:00 p.m.		
	6:00 p.m.	Saturday Morning (2 Day in the grave)	Tomb Guarded Sabbath
Saturday Morning	12:00 a.m.		
	6:00 a.m.	No work	
	12:00 p.m.		
Sunday Morning	6:00 p.m.	Sunday Morning (3 Days in the Grave) Rises Jesus	Firstfruits
	12:00 a.m.		
Sunday Morning	6:00 a.m.	Women Show up at the tomb and Jesus is gone.	Tomb Guarded Matthew 28:1-4
	12:00 p.m.		
	6:00 p.m.	Monday Morning	
	6:00 p.m.	50 Days Later	Sunday Morning Holy Spirit Comes Day of Pentecost

Resurrection Explanations

The resurrection of Jesus has brought forth many questions from those who do not believe he rose. Many have asked questions such as was Jesus in the grave 3 days and 3 nights, did the Jews steal the body of Jesus, did the Romans steal the body of Jesus, they questioned if those who spoke of the resurrection hallucinated, was Jesus resuscitated, did they look in the wrong tomb, did Jesus live, those who even spoke of the resurrection lied.

We can read in Matthew 27 and 28 there were guards at the tomb for three days and three nights. This would eliminate the stealing of the body by the Jews or the Romans.

If the Jews stole the body of Jesus, they could easily go and bring the body back and this would have ended the argument that he rose from the dead. Likewise, the Romans could have produced the body also and ended this argument.

Both the Jews and the Romans had nothing to gain by hiding the body of Jesus, they both would have gained more by bringing the body forth. Thus, proving their point that Jesus did not raise from the grave.

Hallucinations: Proven fact that one to three people may hallucinate of same thing at same time, but it is impossible for hundreds of individuals to have the same hallucinations about the same thing at the same time.

Resuscitate: Resuscitation was not possible after three days, and more important was the fact that it is impossible to be resuscitated from a Roman crucifixion. (lungs full of blood)

Empty Tomb: This one is simple; if the tomb is empty because you went to the wrong tomb, just go to the right tomb.

Jesus lived: It is now proven fact that Jesus did live. Historian Josephus, father of church history; Eusebius, early Christian father Tertullian and Irenaeus through historical facts, proved that Jesus did live.

Disciple's lied: Why would they lie when their life was on the line. When given the choice to quit preaching Jesus and live, they chose to die. "Ten disciples ran to keep from dying when Jesus died at Calvary." Then faced with the same question at a later time in life, each in a different place; all ten chose to die other than saying Jesus did not raise.

Told the Truth: You have to believe they told the truth because of the change that each disciple made; they each changed from doubt to faith

Matthew 27: 62 – 66

Now the next day, that followed the day of the preparation, the chief priests and Pharisee's came together unto Pilate.⁶³ Saying, sir, we remember that that deceiver said, while he was yet alive, after three days I will rise again.⁶⁴ Command therefore that the sepulcher be made sure until the third day, lest his disciples come by night, and steal him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead; so the last error shall be worse than the first.⁶⁵ Pilate said unto them, you have a watch: go your way, make it as sure as you can.⁶⁶ So they went and made the sepulcher sure, sealing the stone, and setting a watch

Matthew 28: 1 – 6

In the end of the Sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulcher. 2. And, behold, there was a great earthquake: for the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it. 3. His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow: 4. And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead men.

The Old and New Testaments Speak of Jesus

In the Hebrew language we must begin to understand the culture, idioms and ancient translations (not modern). In the Old Testament, when we see feast days; the translation really means appointed times of God. When we see Holy Convocations; it means, God's set apart events. In the book of Leviticus Chapter 23 we find full detail of God's set apart events in His set appointed times. In this chapter of Leviticus you the which Jesus states in Mark 5:18 he came to fulfill. (Matthew 5:18; For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.)

Jesus not only came just to fulfill the ten commandment and all the other laws that came with them, but to fulfill all of God's set apart, appointed time events (feast days) also. This is why God said; in the fullness of time, he sent forth his son. "Jesus born and died in God's appointed time".

In Jesus birth and death, He fulfilled all of the law and all of the feast days that came with the law. The New and Old Testament verify that Jesus fulfilled: Day of Atonement (gathering the church "Rapture" and Israel), Passover (sacrificial beating and "Death" on the Cross), Scapegoat (bearing our iniquities, carrying them into hell), Unleavened Bread (lived without sin), Sabbath (we now rest "Sabbath" in Him = grace), First Fruits (defeated death, going into hell and out= Resurrection), Pentecost (falling of Holy Spirit to start church age). He also fulfilled Feast of Trumpets (Birth = judgment) and Feast of Tabernacles (fulfilled during the Millennium).

Leviticus 16: 20 - 22 (The scape goat)

And when he hath made an end of reconciling the holy place, and the tabernacle of the congregation, and the altar, he shall bring the live goat: 21. And Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat, and confess over him all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions in all their sins, putting them upon the head of the goat, and shall send him away by the hand of a fit man into the wilderness: 22. And the goat shall bear upon him all their iniquities unto a land not inhabited: and he shall let go the goat in the wilderness. 23. And Aaron shall come into the tabernacle of the congregation, and shall put off the linen garments, which he put on when he went into the holy place, and shall leave them there:

Isaiah 53: 4 - 6 (Jesus our escape goat)

Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. 5. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. 6. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. (1 Peter 3:18, 19 Acts 2:25-36)

Hebrews: 9:11 - 13 (Jesus our sin offering)

11. But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building 12. Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us. 13. For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh: 14. How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? (Hebrews 9:18-28)

Leviticus 16: 15 - 16 (The sin offering)

15. Then shall he kill the goat of the sin offering, that is for the people, and bring his blood within the vail, and do with that blood as he did with the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle it upon the mercy seat, and before the mercy seat: 16. And he shall make an atonement for the holy place, because of the uncleanness of the children of Israel, and because of their transgressions in all their sins: and so shall he do for the tabernacle of the congregation, that remaineth among them in the midst of their uncleanness

1 Corinthians 5:6 - 8 (Jesus our Passover)

Your glorying is not good. Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump? 7. Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us: 8. Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Leviticus 23:4-6 (15th day of Nisan is Unleavened Bread)

These are the feasts of the LORD, even holy convocations, which ye shall proclaim in their seasons. 5. In the fourteenth day of the first month (Nisan) at even is the LORD's Passover. 6. And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD: seven days ye must eat unleavened bread.

Exodus 13: 3 - 4 (Abib / Nisan is 1st Month of the Jews year)

And Moses said unto the people, Remember this day, in which ye came out from Egypt, out of the house of bondage; for by strength of hand the LORD brought you out from this place: there shall no leavened bread be eaten. 4. This day came ye out in the month Abib (Nisan).

1 Corinthians 11:24-26

And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me. 25 After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, this cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me. 26 For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come.

Leviticus 23: 10 - 12 (Firstfruits)

Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come into the land which I give unto you, and shall reap the harvest thereof, then ye shall bring a sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest unto the priest:11. And he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted for you: on the morrow after the sabbath the priest shall wave it. "1st fruits"12. And ye shall offer that day when ye wave the sheaf an he lamb without blemish of the first year for a burnt offering unto the LORD.

Exodus 20:8 - 11 (The Sabbath day is Holy unto God)

Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.9. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work:10. But the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates:11. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

Exodus: 12:11-14 (The Lord's Passover)

And thus shall ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it is the LORD's passover. 12. For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the LORD.13. And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt. 14. And this day shall be unto you for a memorial; and ye shall keep it a feast to the LORD throughout your generations; ye shall keep it a feast by an ordinance for ever

Exodus : 12:5 - 7 & 11 - 14 (The Lord's Passover)

Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year: ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats:6. And ye shall keep it up until the fourteenth day of the same month: and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in the evening.7. And they shall take of the blood, and strike it on the two side posts and on the upper door post of the houses, wherein they shall eat it.

1 Peter 1:19

But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

1 Corinthians 15:20 - 23 (Jesus is our firstfruits)

But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept.21. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

Mark 2 :27 28 (Jesus is Lord of the Sabbath)

And he said unto them, The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the sabbath:28. Therefore the Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath.

Hebrews 4:1 - 10 (We Sabbath or rest in Jesus)

Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left us of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it.2. For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard it.3. For we which have believed do enter into rest, as he said, As I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest: although the works were finished from the foundation of the world.4. For he spake in a certain place of the seventh day on this wise, And God did rest the seventh day from all his works.5. And in this place again, If they shall enter into my rest.6. Seeing therefore it remaineth that some must enter therein, and they to whom it was first preached entered not in because of unbelief:7. Again, he limiteth a certain day, saying in David, To day, after so long a time; as it is said, To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts.8. For if Jesus had given them rest, then would he not afterward have spoken of another day.9. There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God.10. For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from his.

Romans 3:25

Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;

Jesus Crucified

God's people are destroyed for lack of knowledge and Isaiah said: "your self-appointed holidays, my soul hates." Jesus in John said, "eternal life is to know God the Father and Jesus Christ whom He sent." God said this in Jeremiah: "if you glory, glory in this: that you know Me and understand Me." Jesus said he would spend three days and three nights in the belly of the earth. We cannot get three days and three nights from Good Friday through Sunday morning at sunrise service, no matter how hard we try.

Our Christian life is based on God's word being true. If Jesus lied about spending three days and three nights in the belly of the earth, how would we then be able to rely on His word that He will return. God is not the author of confusion. God is the God of truth. We can lay our life on His word; God is not man that he should lie.

Jesus had to be taken off of the cross and put in the tomb before 6pm because 6pm was the start of Unleavened Bread, a high Sabbath day. If not in the grave before 6pm he would have to remain hanging on the cross because no work could be done on a Sabbath day. So they took Jesus to a sepulcher that was very near. Josephus of Arimathaea asked Pilate for the body of Jesus and placed it in his own tomb.

John 19:28-37 (Day after was a high Sabbath, not the Sabbath)

After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled, saith, I thirst.²⁹ Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and they filled a sponge with vinegar, and put it upon hyssop, and put it to his mouth.³⁰ When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.³¹ The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was an high day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away.³² Then came the soldiers, and brake the legs of the first, and of the other which was crucified with him.³³ But when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was dead already, they brake not his legs: ³⁴ But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out blood and water. ³⁵ And he that saw it bare record, and his record is true: and he knoweth that he saith true, that ye might believe. ³⁶ For these things were done, that the scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of him shall not be broken. ³⁷ And again another scripture saith, They shall look on him whom they pierced.

John 19:40-42 (Jesus had to be buried before 6pm)

Then took they the body of Jesus, and wound it in linen clothes with the spices, as the manner of the Jews is to bury. ⁴¹ Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden; and in the garden a new sepulchre, wherein was never man yet laid. ⁴² There laid they Jesus therefore because of the Jews' preparation day; for the sepulchre was nigh at hand.

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Let's not continue to play games with God, the Father and Jesus, the Son. Do you think God rejoices over us Christians not knowing His Son's birthday? God gives His only begotten Son and we celebrate His birthday on the wrong day. Christians are unbelievable! No wonder God said in Hosea: "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge" and Isaiah said: "your self-appointed holidays, my soul hates." Jesus in John said, "eternal life is to know God the Father and Jesus Christ whom He sent." God said this in Jeremiah: "if you glory, glory in this; that you know Me and understand Me."

Am I saying, we should not celebrate Christmas and Easter? No! I am saying celebrate them as American holidays! Enjoy Santa, the Christmas tree, Easter bunny and all that goes with it. Just don't use it as God's holidays!

We as Christians should do as Paul says, study to show yourself approved and to seek out your own salvation with fear and trembling. There are souls at stake. What are we going to say or answer when our children come to us and say "we studied this in school and the dates and timelines don't match up." As our children continue to get smarter, Christians still remain ignorant. The bible says have an answer for every man. God's desire from the beginning was for man to know and understand him. Most Christians think that just because they can quote scriptures, that means they know God. The bible says, no scripture is for private interpretation. What are you going to say when you find out the original scrolls had no chapter and verses, because then you couldn't just pull scriptures to make them mean whatever you wanted them to mean. They meant exactly what God meant for them to say. Remember this: I think, I feel and I believe has no place in God's word. The only thing that matters is what God and Jesus said and meant. What you think, feel or believe they said, means nothing.

Study and show yourself approved so you can be ambassadors of the true word of God.

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