## Thaul's

 Teentecost Appointment at yerusalem and the Battle of the Calendars

## A TEACHING FROM:

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## Conclusion of Joshua's Sickle Teaching



Major Calendar Puzzle Pieces in Paul's Journey


In the return trip of Paul's $3^{\text {rd }}$ journey he was of this study? determined to arrive at Jerusalem for Shavuot that year.
We know the Omer Count begins with Wave Sheaf / First Fruits.

WAVESHEAF - OMER COUNT \#1


PENTECOST - OMER COUNT \#50


The Joshua Series is another witness from the OLD Testament that completely aligns with the Torah guidelines written by Moses to verify an Omer Count of only 50 days. The search in this study is to determine if Luke and Paul's testimony in Acts will be in alignment with Torah \& Joshua showing the exact length of the Omer count. Will Luke \& Paul need 50 days, or 99 days to reach Jerusalem in time for Pentecost?



Omer Count $\sim 50$ days? or 99 days? OnethingissuremPentecost We're at the point where a weassfill beliggobervedby decision must be made! thefollowersof Yahusha aboutzoyears afterthearuciffixionb
Some say the date of Acts. 20-24 is 59-60 AD.

The witnesses in this study are Luke \& Paul. Luke recorded every detail, including Paul's testimony that relates specifically to calendar timing. The following instruction from Paul was given about 8. 7 years after Acts 20-24. Please take note as to exactly what Paul is conveying to his audience:

Phil 3:17; 4:9 [NKJV] Brethren, join in following my example, and note those who so walk, as you have us for a pattern. [Paul \& Luke for sure.] 4:9 The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do, and the Elohim of peace will be with you.


Paul's Counting Example


Will this be more than an Omer Count study? 8

## There are

"Three"
Passover
Pillars that
Establish Patterns in
Covenant
Calendar


These are "three" solid
witnesses.

## \#2 REVIEW of Omer Counts from Former Studies

1. Moses' Exodus / Egypt is the FIRST Passover template in Scripture:

+ Exo 12-1 $1^{\text {st }}$ Month: Passover ( $14^{\text {th }}$ ) in this great year was on the $3^{\text {rd }}$ cycle (Tues); Sabbath was the $18^{\text {th }}$; Wave Sheaf on the $19^{\text {th }}$ beginning the pattern of the Omer Count ( $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{cycle} /$ Sun.).
\& Exo 16-2 $2^{\text {nd }}$ Month: The Manna Week stabilizes the full Omer Count.
+ Exo 19-3 ${ }^{\text {rd }}$ Month: Shavuot/Omer \#50: $8^{\text {th }}$ Day ( $1^{\text {st }}$ cycle/Sun).
* And a 99 day count - reaching to the Golden Calf ( $1^{\text {st }}$ cycle/Sun)!

2. Joshua tells us exactly how to determine the Wave Sheaf date to arrive at the correct Torah Omer count after Moses died! Joshua observed Passover on Shabbat that year!
3. Yahusha's Omer Count must align with Torah/Moses \& Joshua:
$\neq$ Crucifixion $-1^{\text {st }}$ Month: Passover ( $14^{\text {th }}$ ) in this great year was on the $4^{\text {th }}$ cycle ('midst of the week' $\{$ Wed $\}$ ). Sabbath was the $17^{\text {th }}$; Wave Sheaf on the $18^{\text {th }}$ beginning the Omer Count ( $1^{\text {st }} \mathrm{cycle} / \mathrm{Sun}$ ).
$2^{\text {nd }}$ Ascension of Yahusha occurred on the $40^{\text {th }}$ day of the Omer count. This is the $27^{\text {th }}$ day of the $2^{\text {nd }}$ month [ $\& 2^{\text {nd }}$ yr.] - exactly the same "date" that Noah left the ark, and a pattern of when Yahusha left this earth. Acts 2 Pentecost [fully come] was 10 days later - only a 50 day Omer count.

## Section \#2: Review [con't]

## Mermeneufic Rule

Expanding the $3^{\text {rd }}$ Witness: Yahusha's ministry through the Covenant Calendar of the Gospels upholds the witnesses in Torah and Joshua for a 50 day Omer Count. Let's examine a few verses:
a) Acts 1:3-4 Yahusha seen of men for 40 days after His ascension.
b) Acts 1:5 Yahusha commanded the assembly to wait in Jerusalem ... "not many days" to receive His baptism.
c) Deut 16:9 [Torah Instructions] From the time the sickle is put forth to the grain, the count for 7 weeks begins - THEN the $50^{\text {th }}$ day of Shavuot.
d) Acts 2:1 "When the day of Pentecost was fully come" the assembly were anointed by the Ruach.
e) The assembly waited 10 days qualifying as a time of "not many days" ... whereas, another 49 or 50 days would not qualify for "not many days."
\& In the presence of 2-3 witnesses a truth is established.
a) Matt 18:16 [Yahusha] ... that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.
b) 2 Cor 13:1 [Paul] ... In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established.

## Basically, the Omer Count of 50 days to

 Shavuot is already established!
## Is there any <br> reason to look <br> for a $4^{\text {th }}$ witness?

## Section \#3: Overview of Paul's Missionary Journeys



Paul's plans to get to Jerusalem for Pentecost include only his return trip of the $3^{\text {rd }}$ journey.

## Section \#3: Overview [con't]

## Luke's Record of <br> Paul's $3^{\text {rd }}$ Journey

1. Paul knew this was the last time he would see the assemblies he had labored for, yet he was in a hurry.
$\checkmark$ Acts 20:3-12: Paul had an "all night" sermon at Troas.
$\checkmark$ Acts 20:13-38: Paul had an urgent farewell with the elders of Ephesus in Miletus. Why not Ephesus?
$\checkmark$ Acts 21:10-11: Paul urged not to go to Jerusalem to be bound and delivered to the Romans.
$\checkmark$ Acts 21:13: Paul declares he is ready to die for Yahusha.
2. If the Omer Count is really 99 days, would Paul need to feel such urgency to get to Jerusalem at a certain time?
3. Is this study so important that it will be Paul's last chance to establish a particular Omer Count for once and for all?
4. Will this witness root Covenant Calendar deeper in Torah?

## PAUL SAID, "IF POSSIBLE" HE WANTED TO BE AT JERUSALEM FOR PENTECOST.

- The reason Paul said "if possible," is because gaining passages on ships was uncertain, not to mention the possibility of unfavorable winds and other delays that might occur, or having to depend on someone else.
- Having reached Tyre and Caesarea, it is evident that:
- Paul had a prosperous journey
- he had found ships without having to wait too long
- there were favorable winds etc.
- he was well ahead of schedule because he stayed seven days at Tyre and many days at Caesarea.
- This he would not have done, had henotmadegood time


## Section \#4: How This Study Was Researched

1. Acts 20-24 contains the details for this study, although there will be information gathered from other parts of Luke's writings in Acts.
2. An understanding of the geographical area is absolutely necessary. $\checkmark$ Differentiate between cities/towns and provinces.
$\checkmark$ Overview of the geographical areas through a variety of maps.
$\checkmark$ Why? Part of the geographical area has had considerable changes from "then" until "now."
3. There is an urgency of time to arrive at Jerusalem before Pentecost. Timing decisions will be made accordingly.
4. Weather elements will affect the sailing times.

The winds needed for sailing change with the seasons.
Paul is sailing during the Omer Count and spring weather conditions.

## Section \#4: How This Study Was Researched [con't]

5. Some ships will carry cargo for "short sail" delivery to local places; other ships will make longer hauls to remote places.
$\checkmark$ Which ships will Paul try to board for the return of his $3^{\text {rd }}$ journey?
$\checkmark$ Will Paul board a ship if it is too close to the Sabbath?
Or will he stay with a congregation for the Sabbath?
6. Different methods of travelling are found in this study:
by sailing and walking.
$\checkmark$ By ship: reasonable estimates will be made according to weather elements for the spring.
$\checkmark$ On foot: reasonable estimates will be made according to foot travel of approx. 3-4 mph.

## Section \#5: How This Study Will Be Conducted:

a) When Luke gives specific calendar details they will be followed.
$\checkmark$ [e.g.: 1) same day 2) next day 3) the day after - or the following day.]
b) Care will be taken to observe the weekly Sabbaths noting that necessary "ship trips" will not be scheduled beginning with the Sabbaths depending on the dates of the month, length of travel, etc.
c) However, some of the travels by sea are very long. When this is the case there will be times of travel on sea during the Sabbath.
d) The best estimates for sea travel [from one destination to another] will be given considering distances, local weather and type of conditions for that time of the year, etc.

## Section \#5: Distance \& Time Calculations

* Many say Paul's trip to Jerusalem needed at least a 99 day Omer count because:
$>$ the trip is way over 1100 miles/ 1760 kms
$>$ there were many lengthy stops and some delays.
* This study will count the time and distances according to reasonable data including:
- walking times of approximately 3-4 mph with belongings
- reasonable times of "waiting" to find new sailing arrangements.
- Sailing times according to the wind speeds in April and May:
$>$ the winds in the $1^{\text {st }}$ month (Apr) are about: $7.5 \mathrm{mph} / 8.5 \mathrm{~km}$
$>$ the winds in the $2^{\text {nd }}$ month (May) are about: $9 \mathrm{mph} / 14.5 \mathrm{~km}$
$>$ the winds usually come up at dawn and die down with sunset; many times a ship can be becalmed all night.
> Therefore, sea captains would generally not sail at night, unless they knew there would be winds, which could often be understood by cloud formations.


## What kind of ships would Paul be sailing on?

- Acts does not give any information about the kind of ships the Apostles embarked on during their sea journeys. In addition to small coastal vessels, ancient literature mentions the existence of large ships with the capacity of as many as six hundred passengers or more. Very different were the many small boats, that sailed along the coasts, coming into harbor each night.
- Such boats, hopping from one port to the other, collected any kind of available passenger or merchandise.
- On such coastal boats merchants, exiles, prostitutes or priests, all traveled together. As they made zigzags between islands and the mainland, the traveling merchants would be collecting timber from Phoenicia, copper and wine from Cyprus, amphorae [a tall ancient Greek or Roman jar with two handles and a narrow neck] from Rhodes and Samos or grain mills from Cos.

Reasonable assessments of time will be made for each detail -
i) not to force an Omer count of 50 to fif
:-Torah-requirements.
ii) nor to extend times unnecessarily to reach to an Omer 99 count.

## Section \#6: Map of Paul's $3^{\text {rd }}$ Journey



* Note the cities, towns and provinces on this trip.
* Note the difference of travel on land and travel by sea.
* Returning back to Jerusalem by sea was likely much quicker.
* Before reading Luke's account and charting the Omer count journey on the calendar months, we will gather some information on each stop between Philippi \& Jerusalem to aid in the calculation of time needed for this urgent trip.
* Still the question is: Is there any possible way Paul needed a full 99 days to be on time for this festival?


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## Section \#6: Approximate Distances



| - Philippi to Troas | 140 |
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| - Troas to Assos | 20 |
| - Assos to Mitylene | 40 |
| - Mitylene to Chios | 70 |
| - Chios to Samos | 70 |
| - Samos to Miletus | 50 |
| Miletus to Cos | 40 |
| - Cos to Rhodes | 85 |
| Rhodes to Patara | 70 |
| - Patara to Tyre | $400+$ |
| Tyre to Ptolemais | 25 |
| Ptolemais to Caesarea | 30 |

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him on the voyage, he decided to return through Macedonia, retracing his steps back to Philippi.



- Damacus

When he discovered a plot to waylay

## After 3 months in Corinth Paul planned to sail to Syria.

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## Section \#7: General Background Information

1. In the book of Acts, Luke is the author writing to Theophilus and other "first readers" of that time.
$\checkmark$ Theophilus \& readers have an understanding of that part of the Roman empire that we do not have such as:
$\checkmark$ Sailing times of either short stops or long hauls (\& which ship to catch);
$\checkmark$ weather restrictions
$\checkmark$ location of local assemblies.
2. Note of Interest for this Study: Paul bypasses Ephesus (which was likely a stop he could have made) and then later when at Miletus, Paul sends for the elders of Ephesus to come down to Miletus to see him.
$\checkmark$ This is a very interesting part of the study, especially with his urgency \& determination to get to Pentecost.
$\checkmark$ Would Theophilus understand Paul's reasoning for this, when Ephesus would have been an easy stop?
$\checkmark$ The Ephesus/Miletus details are important in this study.

## Section \#7:General Background Info on Travelers

3. There are nine (9) companions traveling with Paul to Jerusalem (Acts 20:3b-12) as representatives from various assemblies:
From Macedonia:
$\checkmark$ Luke: Philippi
$\checkmark$ Sopater: Berea
$\checkmark$ Aristarchus \& Secundus: Thessalonica
From Asia:
$\checkmark$ Gaius: Derbe
$\checkmark$ Timothy: Lystra
$\checkmark$ Tychicus* \& Trophimus*: Ephesus*
$\checkmark$ Onesimus: Colossae
[escaped slave of Philemon]


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## Section \#8: Locations: i) Philippi

* This study begins in Philippi as Paul is now determined to get to Jerusalem for Pentecost.
* In Philippi, Paul met up with Luke and observed the full Passover festival.
* The two then set sail to Troas [140 miles -5 day trip] where they meet up with the other 8 traveling companions on their way to Jerusalem from various assemblies.
* The various representatives were bringing monetary gifts to the persecuted assembly in Jerusalem.
* Sailing from Greece to Syria was more favorable beginning in April as the gentle winds blew from the NE after the winter storms subsided.


Monsoons - a seasonal prevailing wind in the region of South and Southeast Asia, blowing from the southwest between May and September bringing rain (the wet monsoon), or from the northeast between October and April (the dry monsoon ).
ii) Troas [140 miles from Philippi by sea]

* Known as "old Constantinople."
* This is a chief point of arrival and departure for those who went by sea between Macedonia and the western Asiatic districts;
* It was connected by good roads with other places on the coast and in the interior.
* Paul \& Luke sailed from Philippi to Troas in 5 days and stayed at Troas seven days.
* It was here Paul restored Eutychus to life after he fell asleep \& had fallen from the third loft.
* Paul had two voyages between Troas and Philippi.
\$ Acts 16:11-12 - accomplished in two days [ $\sim 5$ yrs. Prior];
+ Acts 20:6-accomplished in five days.

* These sailing details are valuable here. One ship could have had more cargo, or stronger head winds.
iii) ASSOS [20 miles (land) 60 miles (sea)]
* Seven miles from the island Lesbos; 20 miles from Troas by land, and about sixty miles from Troas by sea.
* While Luke and the others took the longer 60 mile trip around Cape Lectum (Acts 20:13-14), Paul walked ( $6+$ hrs.) overland 20 miles from Troas to Assos on the morrow (vs 7).
* Acts 20:14 does not indicate if Paul met with an assembly of local believers.
* Thus Paul was able to join the ship to Mitylene without difficulty - likely in the mid-afternoon to set sail with the day winds.

* Question: Why would Paul choose to walk to Assos to board the ship, rather than sail? Would this have anything to do with him spending as much time as possible with the Troas Assembly - for the last time?
iv) Mitylene [40 miles by sea from Assos]
* S.E. side, of the island Lesbos.
* The ship likely stopped here for the night.
* The day wind blew from the N.W. at this time of the year. The harbor of Mitylene would shelter ships from these winds.
Things to consider:
a) if there are no winds to sail
b) if it's the time of a dark moon (as some declare)
c) if the sky is cloudy - there would not be sufficient night light to navigate the intricate passages to the south. It would have been safer to wait for daylight before leaving for Chios.


The question is: Was there a dark moon or not? We shall see!
v) ChiOS [70 miles by sea from Mitylene]

* Paul's vessel passed Chios on his last voyage to Jerusalem (Acts 20:15), from Luke's expression, "we came the following day over against Chios."
* This is a journey of 70 miles which is a full day of sailing with favorable winds.
* (Remember: Acts 16:11 records a sailing distance from Troas to Neapolis in two days. The distance is approximately 140 miles.)
* It is likely on this occasion, Paul did not land, but only passed the night in the ship while anchored.

vi) SamOS [70 miles by sea from Chios]
* Samos is situated at the mouth of the bay of Ephesus, between the cities of EPHESUS and MILETUS.
* Incidentally, the topographical notices given by Luke are most exact!
* Paul touched here but spent the night at the anchorage of Trogyllium.
* Many of these coastal ports would receive a short stop for cargo and passengers.



## vii) Trogyllium [4•s miles by sea to samos]

* TROGYLLIUM was about 20 miles ( 32 Km ) south of Ephesus.
* The strait of Mycale is scarcely one mile across with a very rapid current.
* The navigation of this coast is intricate. It can be gathered from Acts 20:15, with subsequent notices of the days spent on the voyage, that the voyage was likelydone undercloudy dark skiesthis can bechecked out with the events ofwhat happensat/Mitylene.
* This darkness was the occasion of the ship's stay in a sheltered spot at Trogyllium.



## vii) Trogyllium [con’t]

As mentioned:

* Paul touched at Samos but spent the night at the anchorage of Trogyllium in the strait between Samos and the extremity of the ridge of the Mycale mountain range on the mainland.
* Paul's next plans were to proceed to Miletus, having passed by Ephesus without touching there.
* Question: Why did Paul choose not to stop at Ephesus when he had sailed so close?



## vii) More on Trogyllium [con’t]



* Note: According to Acts 20:15 [kJv], the ship in which Paul was on, tarried at Trogyllium. Several of the early manuscripts omit the words, "tarried at Trogyllium." Yet, whether the words belonged to the text or not, Paul evidently passed the promontory [a point of high land that juts out into a large body of water], and probably stopped there.



## vii) Attempted Sailing into Trogyllium [conclusion]



* Remember: The KJV and many other texts add the words: 'tarried ("stayed" NKJV) at Trogyllium.' It is not known if this reading is original.
* However, a significant geographical reference of the area may be noteworthy. After sailing around the south eastern tip of Samos Island, it is very likely there were no winds to allow them to sail further that day.
* Trogyllium is only about 4-5 miles south, at which place the captain would have found a place to anchor. This is the case even today.


## What About Modern Day Literature?

* After Trogyllium, the next stop for Paul was Miletus.
* This part of the study is a primary focus specifically related to the geography and history of this area due to the events that happen between Miletus and Ephesus - AND - the journey of the elders.
* Important Note: Modern day literature will not be reliable enough to break open some details.


## What About Modern Day Literature? [con't]

A simple paraphrase of Acts 20:15-17 - the text in question:
$\checkmark$ From there we sailed on the following day and arrived offshore of Chios.
$\checkmark$ And the next day we approached Samos
$\checkmark$ and tarried at Trogyllium,
$\checkmark$ and the day after we came to Miletus.

- For Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus, so that he might not lose time in Asia. For he was hurrying to be in Jerusalem, if possible, on the day of Pentecost.
$\checkmark$ From Miletus Paul sent a \{messenger\} to Ephesus to summon the local elders. And when they [the elders] came to him ... [?]

Acts 20:15-1.7

# viii) The Gulf of Latmus 

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One reason Paul decided to bypass Ephesus was because of his unwillingness to be delayed
$0^{\text {Chora }}$


* Upon leaving Trogyllium [on the following day], Paul's ship entered the Gulf of Latmus and continued its journey to Miletus.
In Paul's day the Gulf of Latmus separated Priene from Miletus.



Where is the Gulf of Latmus?

Modern Google Earth Map


## viii) The Secret of the Gulf of Latmus [con't]

* Remember, because of silting over many centuries, the shoreline has moved progressively toward the coast eventually land-locking Miletus.


The geography of Paul's day will affect the timing of his travel towards Jerusalem.

ix) MiletuS/EpheSUS [45 miles by sea from Trogyllium; 38 miles one way to Ephesus]

After leaving Trogyllium, the ship arrived the next day at Miletus. Luke did not explain why Paul changed his mind and decided to stop at Miletus $\sim$ when he was in such a hurry from the onset.

1. From Miletus Paul sent 2 messengers across the Gulf of Latmus to Ephesus to summon the elders.
2. Road travel had the advantage of predictability as waiting for another ship and favourable winds would cause an unpredictable delay of time. [Remember: the ship had already been delayed at Trogyllium.]

3. There is a road distance around Lake Bafa of approximately 63 miles between Ephesus and Miletus.
4. By crossing the Gulf of Latmus the distance is about 38 miles.
5. Given the need to reach Ephesus and get back to Paul promptly, the Gulf of Latmus route was undoubtedly chosen.
6. The journey for the two messengers from Miletus to Ephesus would have been at least 2 LONG days. Allow 1 day to collect the elders and at least another 2 LONG days to return to Miletus.
7. We are not told how much time Paul spent with the elders before leaving.

* Questions: Why did Paul sail past Ephesus if he wanted to meet with the elders thus causing a delay of at least 5 days in Miletus?
Was he not in a hurry to get to Jerusalem for Pentecost?


## ix) Ephesus Circuit to Miletus [con't]

Questions: Again, why did Paul sail past Ephesus?? What was the original hurry?
Now why this delay? How will this affect his journey during the Omer Count?
Here are some reasons for consideration:

1. If Paul would have stopped at Ephesus, would it be too long of a wait for another ship to be going his direction - Jerusalem?
2. Or, was his ship going to be docking longer in Miletus - allowing time for him to send 2 messengers to Ephesus - even if 5+ days of foot travel are needed for the return trip?
3. Or, would his personal visit to Ephesus have delayed him too long as all his friends and local assemblies would have wanted to see him - especially since his message was he would likely not see them ever again? Or ...
4. Landing at Ephesus' harbour with its direct access to the commercial agora, where the silversmiths were centered, could that possibly reignite the situation that had forced Paul to quickly leave Ephesus just months before? (Acts 19)
Somehow, Paul came to feel that he must communicate with the elders of Ephesus one final time because he felt the possibility of death awaited him in Jerusalem (Acts 20:38). The elders accompanied Paul
 to the ship after his messages for them.
x) COS [40 miles by sea from Miletus]

* Ship departure from Miletus was likely at dawn with the day winds ... coming with a straight course to Cos. The ship likely had cargo to drop or pick up; passengers would have waited.


## xi) Rhodes [85 miles by sea from cos]

* A large island of the Aegean sea and part of the natural shipping route from Greece to Palestine, the ship would have stopped to load or unload cargo. The NW winds must have been in their sailing favor to accomplish 85 miles from Cos to Rhodes by the next day.

* No details are given that Paul left the ship.
xii) Patara [70 miles by sea from Rhodes]
* A city on the S.W. shore of Lycia, opposite Rhodes (Acts 21:1-2).
* Because of its excellent harbor, many of the coast trading ships stopped at Patara.
* Here Paul found a ship going to Tyre in Phoenicia, and in this ship his voyage was completed.


## xiiii) Tyre [400+ miles/640+km by sea from Patara]

* It could be possible to accomplish this trip from Patara to Tyre in 2 days during the summer months when the monsoon winds are strong for sailing day AND night.
* But, in early May the winds will be about 10 mph only during the day time hours.
* This would calculate to approx. 4+ days for arrival at Tyre.
* There was no stop scheduled for Cyprus.



## xiv) Ptolemais

[25 miles/40 km by sea from Tyre]

* A seaport in northern Palestine between Tyre and Caesarea.
* Paul visited Ptolemais for one day on his return to Jerusalem at the end of his third missionary journey (Acts 21:7).


## xv) Caesarea

[ 30 miles/ 50 km by land from Ptolemais]

* It was on the high road between Tyre \& Egypt; a little more than a days' journey from Joppa on the S. (Acts 10:24), less than a day from Ptolemais on the N . (Acts 21:8.)
* Paul's journey from Ptolemais (Acts 21:8) was accomplished within the day.

* Question: Have you noticed that even though Paul was in a hurry to get to Jerusalem on time for Pentecost, he has made several stops of varying lengths? Soon we'll discover the Omer Count!
xvi) Jerusalem (Finally!)
[ 65 miles/ 105 km by land from Caesarea]
* Paul does arrive at Jerusalem, but was he on time for Pentecost? (We will soon see when all the stops are charted on the calendar.)


## xvii) Back to Caesarea

[ 65 miles/ 105 km by land from Jerusalem]

* In short order Paul finds himself being escorted by Roman soldiers to Caesarea over a period of two days (Acts 23:31-32); this was by way of Antipatris under orders of the commander. It has been ascertained, however, that the road by Antipatris was a bit shorter - a point of some importance in reference to the night-journey of Acts 23 .


Locations

## Section \#9: <br> Acts 20-24 \& <br> Meteorology Lesson



* Before we begin to chart the Omer count on the calendar, - We will take a brjef look at only the necessary verses in Acts $20-24$-as arback drop for this important study.


## Section \#9: Acts 20:1-5

## Journeys in Greece



1 And after the uproar was ceased [at Ephesus],
Paul called unto him the disciples, and embraced them, and departed for to go into Macedonia.

2 And when he had gone over those parts, and had given them much exhortation, he came into Greece, 3 And there abode three months. And when the Jews laid wait for him, as he was about to sail into Syria, he purposed to return through Macedonia.

4 And there accompanied him into Asia Sopater of Berea; and of the Thessalonians, Aristarchus and Secundus; and Gaius of Derbe, and Timotheus; and of Asia, Tychicus and Trophimus. [Don't forget Luke was there too.] 5 These going before tarried for us [Paul \& Luke] at Troas.

PAUL'S THIRD JOURNEY


* Paul's intent was to observe Pentecost in Jerusalem at the end of his third missionary journey.
* To track his travels from Passover and the Days of Unleavened Bread to Pentecost we need to know his whereabouts during this period.
* Luke's detail in the chapters of Acts 20-24 gives that account.


## i) Phillippi to Troas

20:6 And we sailed away from Philippi after the days of unleavened bread, and came unto them to Troas in five days; where we abode seven days. [see note.*]

7 And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow [G1887; the day after]; and continued his speech until midnight.

Eutychus Restoration Event [Acts 20:8-12]
11 When he therefore was come up again, and had broken bread, and eaten, and talked a long while, even till break of day, so he departed [by foot vs 13 - the others sailed].


## ii) Troas to Miletus

20:13 And we went before to ship, and sailed unto Assos, there intending to take in Paul: for so had he appointed, minding himself to go afoot.

14 And when he met with us at Assos, we took him in, and came to Mitylene.

15 And we sailed thence, and came the next day over against Chios; and the next day we arrived at Samos, and tarried at Trogyllium; and the next day we came to Miletus.

16 For Paul had determined to sail by Ephesus, because he would not spend the time in Asia: for he hasted [an urgency], if it were possible for him, to be at Jerusalem the day of Pentecost.

17 And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus, and called the elders of the church.


Ephesus Elders Summoned to hear Paul's last words of Farewell [Acts 20:18-38]

20:38 Sorrowing most of all for the words which he spake, that they should see his face no more. And they [the elders from Ephesus] accompanied him unto the ship.

## iii) $\operatorname{Cos}[\operatorname{coos}]$ to Tyre

21:1 And it came to pass, that after we were gotten from them, and had launched,
we came with a straight course unto Coos, and the day following unto Rhodes, and from thence unto Patara:

2 And finding a ship sailing over unto Phenicia, we went aboard, and set forth.

3 Now when we had discovered Cyprus, we left it on the left hand, and sailed into Syria, and landed at Tyre: for there the ship was to unlade her burden.

4 And finding disciples, we tarried there seven days:
who said to Paul through the Spirit, that he should not go up to Jerusalem.

5 And when we had accomplished those [7] days, we departed and went our way; and they all brought us on our way, with wives and children, till we were out of the city: and we kneeled down on the shore, and prayed.
 our leave one of another, we took ship; and they returned home again.

## iv) Tyre to Jerusalem

21:7 And when we had
finished our course from Tyre, we came to Ptolemais, and saluted the brethren, and abode with them one day.

8 And the next day we that were of Paul's company departed, and came unto Caesarea: and we entered into the house of Philip the evangelist, which was one of the seven; and abode with him.

9 And the same man had four daughters, virgins, which did prophesy.

10 And as
we tarried there [with Philip in Caesarea] many days, there came down from Judaea a certain prophet, named Agabus.
Agabus Warns: Don't Go To Jerusalem!
[Acts 21:11-14]


15 And after those days we packed up and went up to Jerusalem. [NKJV for this verse only.]

16 There went with us also certain of the disciples of Caesarea, and brought with them one Mnason of Cyprus, an old disciple, with whom we should lodge.

## v) Arrivall at Jerusallem (in time for Pentecost?)

21:17 And when we were come to Jerusalem, the brethren received us gladly.

18 And the day following Paul went in with us unto James; and all the elders were present.

19 And when he had saluted them, he declared particularly what things Elohim had wrought among the Gentiles by his ministry.


## The Vow Requirements

23 Do therefore this that we say to thee: We have four men which have a vow on them; 24 Them take, and purify thyself with them, and be at charges with them, that they may shave their heads: and all may know that those things, whereof they were informed concerning thee, are nothing; but that thou thyself also walkest orderly, and keepest the law.

## Elders at Jerusalem Urge Paul to Take a Vow

[Acts 21:20-25]
$\checkmark$ Paul's work with the Gentiles may have rendered him "unclean" to enter the temple for worship.
$\checkmark$ The leaders urged Paul to take a vow so others would know he had not forsaken Moses' commands.
$\checkmark$ This vow involved: 1 ) joining four men that were completing their vow;
2) a cleansing ritual on the $3^{\text {rd }}$ and $7^{\text {th }}$ days;
3) paying for the many sacrifices;
4) shaving their heads as part of the requirement and burning the hair with the peace offering.

## v) At Jerusalem for Purification in the Temple

## Paul's Nazarite Vows in the Temple [Acts 21:28-22:29]

21:26 Then Paul took the men, and the next day purifying himself with them entered into the temple, to signify the accomplishment of the days of purification, until that an offering should be offered for every one of them.
27 And when the seven days were almost ended, the Jews which were of [Ephesus] Asia, when they saw him in the temple, stirred up all the people, and laid hands on him, [Because] ...
 $\checkmark$ Paul brought the converted Gentile, Trophimus an Ephesian, into the temple;
$\checkmark$ The Jews of Ephesus felt this act polluted the temple;
$\checkmark$ They angrily removed Paul from the temple and shut the doors - in the event the temple was polluted, no one else would be allowed to enter.

Paul is Arrested in the Temple [21:28-22:29] \& The Sanhedrin Divided [22:30 \& 23:1-9]
22:30 On the morrow, because he would have known the certainty wherefore he was accused of the Jews, he [chief captain] loosed him from his bands, and commanded the chief priests and all their council to appear, and brought Paul down, and set him before them.

## v) Romans Plan to Move Paul out of Jerusalem

## Paul Rescued by Roman Soldiers from Great Dissension and

 a Plot to Kill Paul the Next Day [Acts 23:10-22]10 And when there arose a great dissension, the chief captain, fearing lest Paul should have been pulled in pieces of them, commanded the soldiers to go down, and to take him by force from among them, and to bring him into the castle.
11 And the night following the Master stood by him, and said, Be of good cheer,
 Paul: for as thou hast testified of me in Jerusalem, so must thou bear witness also at Rome.
12 And when it was day, certain of the Jews banded together, and bound themselves under a curse, saying that they would neither eat nor drink till they had killed Paul. [Paul's nephew was able to get this message delivered to those in charge of Paul's well being.]

## Paul Sent to Felix at Caesarea With a Letter [Acts 23:23-24]

23 And he [chief captain] called unto him two centurions, saying, Make ready two hundred soldiers to go to Caesarea, and horsemen threescore and ten, and spearmen two hundred, at the third hour of the night [approx. 9 PM Roman time];
24 And provide them beasts, that they may set Paul on, and bring him safe unto Felix the governor.


## Horses~ How long can they run?

* Horses can run at a fast pace or galloping without stopping for about 2 miles until fatigue sets in.
* At a slower pace, horses can travel for as long as 20 miles in one day at a walk or a trot.
* The speed of a horse depends on the terrain and the weight that it is carrying. Generally, if the horse is carrying a rider with an average weight on a rather plain ground, it can take around 8 to 9 hours to cover 20 miles. This is considering the fact that the horse is mostly trotting and walking with a few gallops.

> These Roman horses were not used for speed, but for protection and to transport Paul.

## vi) From Jerusalem to Antipatris to Caesarea

23:31 Then the soldiers, as it was commanded them, took Paul, and brought him by night to Antipatris.
32 On the morrow they [the soldiers] left the horsemen to go with him [Paul], and returned to the castle:
33 Who, when they came to Caesarea, and delivered the epistle to the governor, presented Paul also before him.
34 And when the governor had read the letter, he asked of what province he was.
And when he understood that he was of Cilicia;
35 I will hear thee, said he, when thine accusers are also come. And he commanded him to be kept in Herod's judgment hall.


* Antipatris, is on an ancient Roman road about 40-42 miles or 65 km from Jerusalem. It's about another 35 miles $/ 55 \mathrm{~km}$ to Caesarea.


## vii) High Priest Arrives From Jerusalem

24:1 And after five days Ananias the high priest descended with the elders, and with a certain orator named Tertullus, who informed the governor against Paul.

2 And when he was called forth, Tertullus began to accuse him, saying, Seeing that by thee we enjoy great quietness, and that very worthy deeds are done unto this nation by thy providence,

3 We accept it always, and in all places, most noble Felix, with all thankfulness.

4 Notwithstanding, that I be not further tedious unto thee, I pray thee that thou wouldest hear us of thy clemency a few words.

5 For we have found this man a pestilent fellow, and a mover of sedition among all the Jews throughout the world, and a ringleader of the sect of the Nazarenes:

24:6 Who also hath gone about to profane the temple: whom we took, and would have judged according to our law.

7 But the chief captain Lysias came upon us, and with great violence took him away out of our hands,

8 Commanding his accusers to come unto thee: by examining of whom thyself mayest take knowledge of all these things, whereof we accuse him.

9 And the Jews also assented, saying that these things were so.

10 Then Paul, after that the governor had beckoned unto him to speak, answered, Forasmuch as I know that thou hast been of many years a judge unto this nation, I do the more cheerfully answer for myself ..

## Paul has more to say - we'll find out later in Part 3!

## Thaul's

 Thentecost Appointment at yerusalem and the Battle of the Calendars

## Introduction to Section \#10: Charting Paul's Journey



So far we have considered necessary information on:

1. Many maps of Paul's $3^{\text {rd }}$ journey;
2. Individual locations and reasonable distances between Philippi to Jerusalem;
3. Reasonable calculations for walking, waiting times and sailing conditions for various ports, etc.
4. Acts 20-24 testimony was read to bring everything together for the fine calendar details.
5. Next: A short lesson on Meteorology for this trip.
6. Then it is time to chart the Omer Count on the calendar months according to the timing details.
7. Note: Nothing about this return trip to Jerusalem has been purposely advanced to assure a 50 Day Omer Count due to Paul's urgency to be in Jerusalem "if at all possible" for Pentecost.

## Before Setting Sail With Paul ...

- We must understand this journey to Jerusalem. Paul and his travelling companions would have had to know some basic knowledge and information before planning this trip, if they wanted to be "on time" for Pentecost.
- The following information from the web is on weather patterns of the Aegean \& Mediterranean Seas, along with verification from Captain Buddy Jones, our local sea captain for 66 years.

Paul's $2^{\text {nd }}$ Journey


140 miles Troas to Neapolis

## Acts 16:11 [2 days]

11 Therefore loosing from Troas, we came with a straight course to Samothracia, and the next day to Neapolis. [70 miles/day with strong wind]

## Paul's $3^{\text {rd }}$ Journey



140 miles Neapolis to Troas
Acts 20:6 [5 days]
6 And we sailed away from Philippi after the days of unleavened bread, and came unto them to Troas in five days. [ 28 miles/day with mild wind]

## Acts 20 \& Linkage to Meteorology

Paul's return to Jerusalem on his $3^{\text {rd }}$ trip uses many sailing vessels that depend on the winds for movement from port to port. During portions of this spring trip, the winds in this area of the earth are called Etesians.

1) Definition of Etesians: This is the English word for the Greek word Meltemi. The Etesians are strong annual prevailing winds that blow from the North over large parts of: a) Greece b) Aegean Sea c) Mediterranean Sea. Note: The wind experienced at any given location is highly dependent on local topography.
2) Time of Year for Etesians: These winds occur from the END of May to October; very strong winds in June/July. (Winter winds are not Etesians.) During a strong Etesian, the trough may extend relatively far to the west beyond Rhodes and even to Crete forming a closed "low pressure" resulting in almost calm winds at Rhodes.

## Acts 20 \& Linkage to Meteorology

3) Time of the Day for Etesians: These winds mostly blow during the day from 8 AM to 8 PM and are strongest about 2 PM. Often these winds die quickly after sundown, to return at dawn. Under the influence of the sea breeze during the day, the Etesians become stronger locally, as is the case in the coastal area of Northern Crete.
4) Length of Etesians: Occasionally, winds on the $1^{\text {st }}$ day that blow all night can often continue to blow for many days - up to 10 days.
5) Speed of Etesians: These winds are usually moderate, however, they might reach gale-like force over off-shore areas, reaching their maximum wind speeds around early afternoon.
6) Force/Intensity of Etesians: The winds are weaker in May \& can reach an intensity of Force 6. By the very end of May the intensity can be Force 7 and can reach Force 8 for a few hours during the hot hours of the day.


Strong Etesian winds do not occur in April/Abib or early May for really good sailing.

DIRECTION \& LOCAL WINDSPEEDS IN KNOTS FOR GREECE (FOR SHIPPING) [1 Knot = 1.15 mph ]

| LOCATION | APRIL | MAY | JUNE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Samos Sea | NW [Light] | NW [Light] | NW [Gentle] |
| (Samos) | 9.4 knots $=$ | 7.8 knots $=$ | 9.4 knots $=$ |
|  | 10 mph | 9 mph | 11 mph |
| Rhodes Sea | wnw [Gentle] | wNw [Moderate] | NW [Moderate] |
| (Kos-Rodos) | 13.6 knots $=$ | 13.0 knots $=$ | 13.0 knots $=$ |
|  | 15.5 mph | 18.5 mph | 15 mph |

Note: for the open Mediterranean Sea we will use an average of 10 mph wind speed for the beginning of May.
7) By the high season of the Etesian (July...) a Meltemi is heralded by: i) scattered altocumulus or orographic clouds a day before arrival; ii) a sudden drop in humidity; iii) and a rise in atmospheric pressure. It could be that by mid-May of Paul's homeward journey, some of the navigating was determined by clouds, indicating Etesians are coming affecting the sailing time. 70

## Orographic Clouds \& Arrival of Etesian

Orographic clouds develop in response to the forced lifting of air by the earth's topography (e.g.: mountains). Initially, stable air encounters a mountain, is lifted upward and cools through expansion as it rises.


## Altocumulus Clouds \& Arrival of Etesian

Altocumulus clouds usually form by convection in an unstable layer aloft, which may result from the gradual lifting of air in advance of a cold front. The presence of altocumulus clouds on a warm and humid summer morning is commonly followed by thunderstorms later in the day.


Captain Jones confirms: sea captains know how to read the clouds in the sky for their sailing days \& what to expect.

## Section \#10: Sailing With Paul to Jerussalem

- These are a few things that need to be considered before we can begin to chart the details given to us by Luke about this return journey back to Jerusalem.
- Along with the Scriptures that have been read, we are now ready to chart the details on the Covenant Calendar, beginning with the Passover Spring Festival.
- A Note of Interest: Luke has given details in "puzzle fashion" so that we


## Let's chart the Omer Count

 on calendar months! can know exactly when the days of Unleavened Bread ended.$1^{\text {st }}$ Month ~ Abib ~ Leaving Philippi for Troas

$1^{\text {st }}$ Month [Abib] to $2^{\text {nd }}$ Month [Zif]

| ${ }^{\text {st }}$ Cycle [Sun] | $2^{\text {nd }}$ Cycle <br> [Mon] | $3^{\text {rd }}$ Cycle <br> [Tues] | $4^{\text {th }}$ Cycle <br> [Wed] | $5^{\text {th }}$ Cycle <br> [Thurs] | $6^{\text {th }}$ Cycle <br> [Fri] | $7^{\text {th }}$ Cycle <br> [Sabbath] |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Abib 19 <br> Apr 10 <br> Wave Sheaf <br> Omer \#1 | Abib 20 <br> Apr 11 <br> Omer \#2 | Abib 21 <br> Apr 12 <br> \#7 ULB <br> Omer \#3 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Abib } 22 \\ & \text { Apr } 13 \end{aligned}$ | Abib 23 <br> Apr 14 | Abib 24 <br> Apr 15 | Abib 25 <br> Apr 16 |
|  |  |  | DAYS: 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|  |  |  | Omer \#4 | Omer \#5 | Omer \#6 | Omer \#7 |
| Abib 26 Apr 17 | Abib 27 Apr 18 | Abib 28 Apr 19 | Abib 29 Apr 20 | Abib 30 Apr 21 |  |  |
| DAY \#5 | 20:6 ... and came unto them to Troas in five days; where we abode seven days [including Abib 27-Zif 3]. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Arrival: | Troas Day 1 [Abide 7 days] Omer \#9 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Troas Day 2 | Troas Day 3 | Troas Day 4 | Troas Day 5 | Troas Day 6 |
| Omer \#8 |  | Omer \#10 | Omer \#11 | Omer \#12 | Omer \#13 |  |


| $1^{\text {st }}$ Cycle [Sun] | $2^{\text {nd }}$ Cycle <br> [Mon] | $3^{\text {rd }}$ Cycle <br> [Tues] | $4^{\text {th }}$ Cycle <br> [Wed] | $5^{\text {th }}$ Cycle <br> [Thurs] | $6^{\text {th }}$ Cycle [Fri] | $7^{\text {th }}$ Cycle <br> [Sabbath] |
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| Zif 3 <br> Apr 24 <br> Acts 20:7 <br> Paul's sermon all night long till dawn in Troas ready to depart on the morrow; Eutychus \& his excitement. Troas Day 7 | 20:7 And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight. <br> [Eutychus' accident \& raised back to life] <br> Vs 11: [Paul] talked a long while, even till break of day ... <br> VERY Important Note: The calendar detail that this event occurred on the $1^{\text {st }}$ day of the week, is the information that cements the $3^{\text {rd }}$ cycle [Tues] Passover of 57 AD! |  |  |  |  |  |
| Omer \#15 | Orm ${ }^{-16}$ | Omer \#17 | Omer \#18 | Omer \#19 | Omer \#20 | $q=-1=21$ |

Abib 14 ~ Ziif 3
Establishing the Passover Weekly Cycle

| ${ }^{1 s t}$ Cycle [Sun] | $2^{\text {nd }}$ Cycle <br> [Mon] | $3^{\text {rd }}$ Cycle <br> [Tues] | $4^{\text {th }}$ Cycle <br> [Wed] | $5^{\text {th }}$ Cycle <br> [Thurs] | $6^{\text {th }}$ Cycle <br> [Fri] | $7^{\text {th }}$ Cycle <br> [Sabbath] |
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| Abib 12 Apr 3 | Abib 13 Ap | Abib 14 Apr 5 Passover At Philippi | Abib 15 Apr 6 $1^{\text {st }}$ ULB Sabbath | Abib 16 Apr 7 \#2 ULB | Abib 17 Apr 8 \#3 ULB | Abib 18 Apr 9 \#4 ULB |
| Abib 19 Apr 10 \#5 ULB Wave Sheaf Omer \#1 | Abib 20 Apr 11 \#6 ULB Omer \#2 | Abib 21 Apr 12 \#7 ULB Omer \#3 Left the next day | Abib 22 <br> Omer \#4 <br> DAYS: 1 |  | Abib 24 Omer \#6 10 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Abib } 2 5 \longdiv { 9 } \\ & \text { Omer \# } \end{aligned}$ |
| Abib 26 Omer \#8 DAY \#5 | Abib 27 7 Omer \#9, Troas Day 1 | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \text { Abib 28 } 6 \\ \text { Omer \#1 } 6 \\ \text { Troas Day } 2 \end{array}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { Abib 29 } \\ & \text { Omer \#1 } \\ & \text { Troas Day } 3 \end{aligned}\right.$ | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \text { Abib 30 } \\ \text { Omer \#1 } \\ \text { Troas Day } 4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|ll} \text { Zif } 1 & \text { Ap } \\ \text { Omer \#1 } \\ \text { Troas Day } 5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|lll} \left\lvert\, \begin{array}{lll} \text { Zif } 2 & \text { Ap } \\ \text { Omer \#1 } \\ \text { Troas Day } 6 \end{array}\right. \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| Zif 3 Ap |  | Zif 5 Apr 26 | Zif 6 Apr 27 | Zif 7 Apr 28 | Zif 8 Apr 29 | Zif 9 Apr 30 |
| Troas Day 7 <br> Paul preaches <br> all night; <br> prepares to depart Troas <br> at morn. | Omer \#16 <br> Paul walks to Assos | Let's work the From Omer \#15 From Omer \#9 Omer \#3: \#7 UL Pass Is ther | count backward $-1^{\text {st }}$ day of the count back 5 sa B \& final day of over that ye e proof the | week, count back ing days to We Spring Festival ar was on the year really | 7 days to Ome esday Omer \#4 nored, leaving $3^{\text {rd }}$ cycle [ s 57 AD? | \#9 (Troas visit). morn. ues]. nd why? |


| ${ }^{\text {st }}$ Cycle [Sun] | $2^{\text {nd }}$ Cycle <br> [Mon] | $3^{\text {rd }}$ Cycle <br> [Tues] | $4^{\text {th }}$ Cycle [Wed] | $5^{\text {th }}$ Cycle <br> [Thurs] | $6^{\text {th }}$ Cycle [Fri] | $7^{\text {th }}$ Cycle <br> [Sabbath] |
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| Zif 3 <br> Apr 24 <br> Acts 20:7 <br> Paul's sermon all night long till dawn in Troas ready to depart on the morrow; Eutychus \& his excitement Troas Day 7 <br> Omer \#15 | Zif 4 <br> Apr 25 <br> Paul on foot from Troas to Assos ~ the others sail. <br> Pick up Paul \& sail to Mitylene [40 miles]. Omer \#16 | 20:11-13 [Paul] talked a long while, even till break of day ... so he departed [by foot - the others sailed]. <br> Walking: 20 mi @ $3 \mathrm{mph}=6.5 \mathrm{hrs}$. <br> Approx. arrival at Assos = Noon <br> Sailing: $60 \mathrm{mi} @ 7.5 \mathrm{mph}=8 \mathrm{Hrs}$. <br> Approx. arrival at Assos $=2 \mathrm{PM}$ <br> 20:14 [Paul] met with us at Assos, |  |  |  |  |

iv) Mitylene [ 40 miles by sea from Assos]

* S.E. side, of the island Lesbos.
* The ship likely stopped here for the night.
* The day wind blew from the N.W. at this time of the year. The harbor of Mitylene would shelter ships from these winds.
Things to consider:
a) if there are no winds to sail
b) if it's the time of a dark moon (as some declare)
c) if the sky is cloudy - there would not be sufficient night light to navigate the intricate passages to the south. It would have been safer to wait for daylight before leaving for Chios.
The question is: Was there a dark moon or not? We shall see!


## The

 Mitylene Moon of Omer

Paul is boarding the ship on Omer \#16 from Assos to sail to Mitylene. At this point it is very crucial to know what's happening with this sail! Remember, many say this was a night of a dark moon. Was it, or not? How can we know?
We will further the investigation right now. There may be some surprises!

Wenow know Paul?s calendar year had a 3 rd ${ }^{\text {cycle }}$ [Tues] Passover-exactly the sameas the Exodus year of Moses. This is a Pillar Galendar year!

After a huge search, 57 AD is the ONLY year that qualifies $=$ NOT58-63AD.


| Calendar for Year 57 (Israel) Tequfah: Mar $22^{\text {nd }}$ |  |  |
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| April | Mar 22: Tequfah [Covenant Cal.] |  |
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| 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 <br> 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 | Apr 10: Wave Sheaf \& Omerfin |  |
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| $\begin{array}{lllllllll}24 & 25 & 26 & 27 & 28 & 29 & 30\end{array}$ | Apr 25; Mitylene \& Onner |  |
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## Where was the Mitylene moon?

## Follow the 57 AD Facts

Mar 23: Abib1
Apr 5: Abib14
Apr 10: Wave Sheaf
\& Omer \#\#
Apr 25:Mitylene
\&Omer范16
Apr 22: conjunction
Apr 24: $1^{\text {st }}$ sliver
Conclusion Covenant
Calendar: Mitylene
[ $25^{\text {th }}$ ] did have quite a
dark moon on Omer \#16.


| Calendar for Year 57 (Israel) Tequfah: Mar $22^{\text {nd }}$ |  |  |
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| April | Note: Many commentators declare it was a dark moon for |  |
| Su Mo Tu We Th Fr Sa |  |  |
| 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 | deciare it was |  |
| $\begin{array}{lllllllll}10 & 11 & 12 & 13 & 14 & 15 & 16\end{array}$ | Paul at Mitylene. How would |  |
|  | they know this without |  |
| 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 |  |  |
| $1.08: 014: 0 \quad 220300$ | following Covenant Calendar? |  |

## 57 AD Lunar Cālendar Facts

Mar 24: conjunction Mar 26: 1 个ts sliver moon Apr 8: $1 / 14$ Fri Passover Apr 9: $1 / 15$ ULB \& $7^{\text {th }}$ day Shabbat Apr 10: 1/16 [married to Wave Sheaf \&] Omer \#1
Apr 22: conjunction
Apr 24: $1^{\text {st }}$ sliver Apr 25: $2^{\text {nd }}$ sliver-Mitylene \& Omer \#16
Conclusions Mitylenedid have a pretty dark moon on the Lunarcalendar?

| Calendar for Year 57 (Israel) Tequfah: Mar $22^{\text {nd }}$ |  |  |
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| April | Let's examine this on a large scale so we can "SEE" exactly what is happening between the Covenant Calendar \& Lunar Calendar in 57 AD. |  |
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Is this enough evidence to prove the lunar calendar is true?

Where was the Mitylene moon on Omer \#16 [Apr 25]?


Calendar for Year 57 (Israel)
Tequfah: Mar $22^{\text {nd }}$

| February |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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Amazingly, the lunar festal calendar arrives at exactly thesameconclusion as the Covenant Calendar for the placement of Wave Sheaf \& the \#16 Omer Count.
Both align with the overnight stay at Mitylene!
Is it evident there was a battle between the calendars here?

Where was the Mitylene moon on Omer \#16 [Apr 25]?


## Dark Mitylene moon on 2 Calendars?

## 57 AD Israel Calendar




The Blood-Ratified-Covenant-Calendar!

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| Zif 3 <br> Apr 24 <br> Acts 20:7 <br> Paul's sermon all night long till dawn in Troas ready to depart on the morrow; Eutychus \& his excitement. Troas Day 7 <br> Omer \#15 | Zif 4 <br> Apr 25 <br> Paul on foot from Troas to Assos <br> ~ the <br> others sail. <br> Pick up Paul \& sail to Mitylene [40 miles]. <br> Omer \#16 | Zif 5 <br> Apr 26 <br> 70 mi from Mitylene to arrive at Chios the NEXT day. | 20:15a we sailed thence and came the next day over against Chios ... <br> Sailing: 70 mi to Chios @ $7.5 \mathrm{mph}=9.5 \mathrm{Hrs}$. <br> This is an "all day" sail from dawn to sunset. <br> Omer \#18 <br> Omer \#19 |  |  |  |

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| Omer \#15 | Omer \#16 | Omer \#17 | Omer \#18 | Omer \#19 | Omer \#20 | mer \#21 |

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| Zif 10 <br> May 1 <br> This is the first of 2 days of walking to meet with Paul one last time about 20 [of 38] mi. ( $6+$ Hrs. (e) 3-4 mph). | Zif 11 <br>  <br> Paul's time with the elders was limited. He has much to share before he boards the ship for the next days' sail. | Zif 12 <br> May 3 <br> 21:1a And it came to pass, after we were gotten from them, and had launched ... <br> Prepare to sail to Cos at dawn. | Zif 13 <br> May 4 |  |  |  |
| Omer \#22 | Omer \#23 | Omer \#24 | Omer \#25 | Omer \#26 | Omer \#27 | Omer \#28 |

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| Zif 10 <br> May 1 <br> This is the first of 2 long days of walking to meet with Paul one last time about 1617 hours. <br> Omer \#22 | Zif $112^{\text {nd }}$ day May 2 arrival \& Paul's time with the elders was limited for so much he needed to tell them before he boards the ship for the next days' sail. Omer \#23 | Zif 12 <br> May 3 <br> $\square$ <br> Sail 40 mi from <br> Miletus to arrive at Cos. <br> $40 / 7.5 \mathrm{mph}$ $=5.5 \mathrm{Hrs}$. Anchor for the night. <br> Omer \#24 | Zif 13 <br> May 4 <br> mon <br> 85 mi <br> from Cos <br> to arrive at Rhodes the following day. <br> $85 / 7.5 \mathrm{mph}$ = 11.5 Hrs. Anchor for the night. <br> Omer \#25 | Zif 14 <br> May 5 <br> 21:1b we came with a straight course unto Cos and the day following unto Rhodes. |  |

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|  |  |  |  | Zif 14 <br> May 5 <br> 70 mi from Rhodes to Patara \& arrive the following day. $70 / 7.5 \mathrm{mph}$ $=9.5 \mathrm{Hrs}$. Anchor for the night. <br> Omer \#26 | Zif 15 <br> May 6 <br> $500+$ mi. left! <br> Will Paul arrive in time for Pentecost or not? |  |
| Omer \#22 | Omer \#23 | Omer \#24 | Omer \#25 |  | Omer \#27 | Omer \#28 |

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|  |  |  |  | Zif 14 <br> May 5 <br> 70 mi from Rhodes to Patara \& arrive the <br> following day. <br> [anchor at night] <br> Omer \#26 | Zif 15 <br> May 6 <br> Find a ship to Phoenicia; Sail ~10 Hrl day towards Cyprus with stronger winds on open sea. 10 Hrs. @ 10 mph $=100$ miles <br> Omer \#27 | Zif 16 <br> May 7 <br> Winds die down at sunset. <br> Set sail at dawn for <br> ~10 Hrs• \& very close to Cyprus. 10 Hrs. @ 10 mph $=100$ miles <br> Omer \#28 |

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| Zif 17 <br> May 8 <br> Again, winds die down at sunset. <br> Set sail at dawn for ~10 Hrs. \& pass Cyprus on the left about 11 Am . 10 Hrs. @ | Zif 18 <br> May 8 <br> Set sail at dawn for ~10 Hrs. for total of 400 mi. Arrival at Tyre the next day. 10 Hrs. @ | Zif 19 <br> May 9 |  |  |  |  |
| 10 mph $=100$ miles Omer \#29 | 10 mph $=100$ miles Omer \#30 | Omer \#31 | Omer \#32 | Omer \#33 | Omer \#34 | Omer \#35 |

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|  |  | Zif 19 <br> May 10 <br> Ship arrives \& unloads cargo at Tyre; disciples are found; they | Zif 20 <br> May 11 | Zif 21 <br> 21:3C ... and was to unlad disciples <br> There are on Question: If he tarry in T | Zif 22 <br> nded at Tyre: <br> her burden. 2 <br> tarried at Ty <br> 20 days left till ul was in such for 7 days on | Zif 23 <br> there the ship 5 And finding even days. <br> entecost. hurry, why did The Levant? |
| $10 \text { Hrs.@ }$ | 10 Hrs.@ | Tyre for 7 days. | Tyre Day 2 | Tyre Day 3 | Tyre Day 4 | Tyre Day 5 |
| 10 mph | 10 mph | DAYS: 1 | 2 | 4 |  |  |
| Omer \#29 | Omer \#30 | Omer \#31 | Omer \#32 | Omer \#33 | Omer \#34 | Omer \#35 |

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| Zif 17 <br> May 8 <br> Omer \#29 | Zif 18 <br> May 9 <br> Omer \#30 | Zif 19 <br> May 10 <br> Omer \#31 | Zif 20 <br> May 11 <br> Omer \#32 | Zif 21 <br> May 12 <br> Omer \#33 | Zif 22 <br> May 13 <br> Omer \#34 | Zif 23 <br> May 14 <br> Omer \#35 |
| Zif 24 <br> May 15 Counsel is given to Paul to NOT go up to Jerusalem, but to save his life. <br> Paul is ready to $90^{\circ}$ | Zif 25 <br> May 16 Friends 90 with Paul \& companions to the ship for dawn sailing to Ptolemais the next day. | Zif 26 <br> May 17 <br> 25 miles from Tyre to Ptolemais; 9 AM arrival \& stay with the brethren one day. <br> 25 miles @ 10 mph $=2.5 \mathrm{Hrs}$. <br> Omer \#38 |  |  |  | SYRIA |
| Omer \#36 | Omer \#37 |  |  |  | Omer \#41 | Omer \#42 |

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## $3^{\text {rd }}$ Month ~ Sivan

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| Zif 24 <br> May 15 <br> Omer \#36 | Zif 25 <br> May 16 <br> Omer \#37 | Zif 26 <br> May 17 <br> Omer \#38 | Zif 27 <br> May 18 <br> Omer \#39 | Zif 28 <br> May 19 <br> Omer \#40 | Zif 29 <br> May 20 <br> Omer \#41 | Zif 30 <br> May 21 <br> Omer \#42 |
| Sivan 1 <br> May 22 <br> Pack \& leave Caesarea for Jerusalem -65-70 miles, 7+ Hrs/day for 3 days. Day 1 of 3! | Sivan 2 <br> May 23 <br> Enroute to Jerusalem 7+ Hrs/day walking. Day 2 of 3! | Sivan 3 <br> May 24 <br> Arrive at Jerusalem - <br> 7+ Hrs/day walking. <br> Day 3 of 3! <br> Meet with the brethren \& gladly received! | Sivan 4 <br> May 25 <br> Surprise ~ on the following day! <br> Paul urged to join 4 men in their Nazarite vow! | Note: According to the best of calculations, Paul did arrive in Jerusalem on Omer Count \#45, well before the $50^{\text {th }}$ cycle Omer count. <br> Question: But, was Paul actually "in" Jerusalem for Pentecost? Did he have the right count? |  |  |
| Omer \#43 | Omer \#44 |  |  | Omer \#47 | Omer \#48 | Omer \#49 |

## Why was Paul having difficulty in Jerusalem?

1. James \& the elders were very happy with Paul's report of his ministry with the Gentiles.
2. However, other Asian Jews that were attending Jerusalem for Pentecost were circulating rumors that Paul was teaching many to ignore the decisions of the Acts 15 council.
3. James \& the elders felt that if Paul would join the 4 men that were finishing their Nazarite vow \& pay their sacrificial expenses that this would prove that he had not forsaken some important principles.

4. Not only that, but some felt that because Paul had been in Gentile territory for such a long period of time, this may have rendered him as "unclean" to enter the temple for worship.
5. Joining the 4 men in this Nazarite vow would provide the necessary cleansing to render Paul as purified.
6. This purification is over a 7 day period, with cleansings on day 3 and day 7 , along with the required sacrificial offerings, and the cutting of one's hair ending the Nazarite vow.

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| Zif 24 <br> May 15 <br> Omer \#36 | May 16 <br> Omer \#37 | May 17 <br> Omer \#38 | May 18 Omer \#39 | May 19 <br> Omer \#4 | May 20 Omer \# | Zif 30 May 21 Omer \#4 |
| 21:26 Paul took the men \& the NEXT day [Omer \#47] purifying himself with them entered into the temple to signify the accomplishment of the days of purification, until an offering should be offered for every one of them. |  |  |  | May 26 On the NEXT day! Paul entered the temple to make arrangements for all requirements. Day 7 of 7 | May 27 <br> The men stay at the temple all 7 days to avoid defilement. <br> Nazarite Vow Day 2 of 7 | Sivan 7 <br> May 28 <br> On the $3^{\text {rd }}$ Day: sprinkling of waters of purification before Shavuot. Nazarite Vow Day 3 of 7 |
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## When it came to the NazariteVow, each one could fix thelength

of time for their vow - usually 30 days and no more than 100 days.

## SET APART

At the feast of Pentecost, (Acts 21:23-26), Paul took on himself the Nazarite vow as recommended by Jamês and the elders as given in the following description:

- "The ceremonfes involved tookalonger time than Paul had at his disposal, But the law permitted aman to sharethevow If hecould find companions who had gone through the prescribed ceremonies,
and who permitted him to join their company.


## SET APART

This permission was commonly.granted if the new comer paid all the fees required from the whole company (fee to the Levite for cutting the hair and fees for sacrifices), and finished the vow along with the others. Four Jewish Christians were performing the vow, and agreed to admit Paul to their company, provided he paid their expenses.

## Paull Joined this Nazarite Vow

- Paul consented, paid the charges, and when the last sevendays of the vow began he went with them to live in the temple, giving the usual notice to the priests that he had joined in regular fashion, was a sharer SEJ A PABT
with the four men, and that his vowwould end with theirs.
Nazarites retired to the temple during the last period of seven days, because they could be secure there against any accidental defilement." (Lindsay's Acts)


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| Sivan 1 <br> May 22 <br> Omer \#43 | Sivan 2 <br> May 23 <br> Omer \#44 | Sivan 3 <br> May 24 <br> Omer \#45 | Sivan 4 <br> May 25 <br> Omer \#46 | Sivan 5 <br> May 26 <br> Omer \#47 | Sivan 6 <br> May 27 <br> Omer \#48 | Sivan 7 <br> May 28 <br> Omer \#49 |
| Sivan 8 <br> May 29 <br> (0) eerers <br> Paul \& 4 <br> Men are in <br> the temple <br> the $4^{\text {th }}$ day! <br> Nazarite Vow <br> Day 4 of 7 | Sivan 9 <br> May 30 <br> Paul \& 4 Men are in the temple the $5^{\text {th }}$ day! Nazarite Vow Day 5 of 7 | Sivan 10 <br> May 31 <br> Paul \& 4 Men are in the temple the $6^{\text {th }}$ day! Nazarite Vow Day 6 of 7 | Sivan 11 <br> June 1 <br> Paul arrested when the 7 days were almost ended! <br> Nazarite Vow <br> Day 7 of 7 | 21:27 And when the seven days were almost ended, the Jews which were of [Ephesus] Asia, when they saw him [Paul] in the temple, stirred up all the people, and laid hands on him [because] ... <br> $\checkmark$ Paul had brought converted Gentile, Trophimus [an Ephesian], into the temple; <br> $\checkmark$ The Jews of Ephesus felt this act may have polluted and defiled the temple; <br> $\checkmark$ They angrily removed Paul from the temple and shut the doors - in the event the temple was polluted, no one could enter. <br> $\checkmark$ Their intentions to kill Paul were foiled by the Roman captain. |  |  |
| DAYS \#4 | \#5 | \#6 | \#7 |  |  |  |

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| Sivan 1 <br> May 22 <br> Omer \#43 | Sivan 2 <br> May 23 <br> Omer \#44 | Sivan 3 <br> May 24 <br> Omer \#45 | Sivan 4 <br> May 25 <br> Omer \#46 | Sivan 5 <br> May 26 <br> Omer \#47 | Sivan 6 <br> May 27 <br> Omer \#48 | Sivan 7 <br> May 28 <br> Omer \#49 |
| Sivan 8 <br> May 29 <br> (0) med <br> Paul \& 4 <br> Men are in <br> the temple the $4^{\text {th }}$ day! Nazarite Vow Day 4 | [22:30] On the morrow ... the Roman commander freed Paul from his bondage to appear before the Sanhedrin council. <br> 23:10 And when there arose a great dissension, the commander, fearing lest Paul might be pulled to pieces by them, commanded the soldiers to go down and take him by force from among them and bring him into the barracks. <br> 23:11 And the night following <br> [Paul has a vision from Yahusha that all is well]. <br> 23:12 And when it was day, <br> [the Jews made a vow to kill Paul]. <br> 23:23 [Paul is moved with 200 soldiers; 70 horsemen; 200 spearmen Sabbath night.] |  |  | Sivan 12 <br> June 2 <br> Paul appears in council with the chief priests; placed in secure Roman custody. <br> Acts 22:30 \& 23:10 | Sivan 13 June 3 <br> Paul is promised protection in a night vision. | Sivan 14 <br> June 4 <br> Jews plot to kill Paul. Acts 23:12 <br> Rome moved Paul at $3^{\text {rd }}$ hr of night enroute to Ceasarea r 7st stop Antipatris. |
| DAYS \#4 | \#5 | \#6 | \#7 |  | Acts 23:11 | Acts 23:23 |

## Rome's Seriousness About Paul's Protection

Upon discovery that Paul's life was in danger, plans were made immediately to move out at the $3^{\text {rd }}$ night hour [9 PM] with 200 soldiers; 70 horsemen; 200 spearmen for safety of Paul and night protection. They reached Antipatris by morning [40 mi to the Roman destination].
Even at 4 mph , this would have been a 10 hour journey.

## When did Paul arrive at Caesarea?

[Acts 23:32] On the morrow [ $15^{\text {th }}$ cycle; $3^{\text {rd }}$ month] the soldiers left the horsemen to continue with Paul to Caesarea the last 25-30 miles, as they returned to the castle.

* In Caesarea Paul was to stand trial before governor Felix.
* Question: What does all of this information have to do with the matter of whether or not Paul was in Jerusalem for Pentecost on the Omer 50 count?
* Don't we already know he was there, in fact even in the temple?



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## $3^{\text {rd }}$ Month ~Sivan

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# On the $20^{\text {th }}$ cycle [day] of the $3^{\text {rd }}$ Month 



## Note:

Paul was ceremonially clean when he was IN the temple 12 days ago.

Acts 23:23-24:21

24:17 "After an absence of several years, I came to Jerusalem to bring my people gifts for the poor and to present offerings. 24:18 I was ceremonially clean when they found me in the temple courts doing this. There was no crowd with me, nor was I involved in any disturbance.
24:19 But there are some Jews from the province of Asia [the Jews of Ephesus], who ought to be here before you and bring charges if they have anything against me. 24:20 Or these who are here should state what crime they found in me when I stood before the Sanhedrin.


## $3^{\text {rd }}$ Month $\sim$ Sivan Let's count the 12 days!





Luke (as a physician) and Paul (as an honor student of the Torah) were the two most qualified apostles to witness and write of this calendar account. They recognized what was happening in year 57 AD \& followed the promptings of the Ruach to make sure this account was recorded with every necessary detail. If they were not following the specifics of Yahuah's Covenant Calendar, there would have been no need to take care and record such a degree of detail and accuracy. However, the calendar events are not recorded in a way that is easy to break open. This is one huge calendar puzzle - following the pattern of the calendar puzzle clues found in the Gospels by all four writers. There must have still been dissension around the correct calendar to be kept for honoring Yahuah's Festivals. It's very obvious that the "lunar calendars" of the day had a strong presence, or Luke would not have taken care to record these details for "no good reason." Yes, it is true, there is not one idle word in Scripture. The question begs to be asked, "Who would have ever thought this simple ship trip would contain so many clues to support, enhance and declare the Covenant Calendar as Yahuah's calendar? Few at most! This study is completely capable of debunking so many huge counterfeits in a variety of other calendars just as the Joshua studies have done. The details are in this study for each individual to check for themselves. The question is: "How many will take the time to 'look and see' and really do it"? The following 2 slides will help to "put everything together" for this interesting calendar study.




1. With Luke's care to amazing details of this event, it is impossible for Pentecost to be at any 99 day Omer count! 2. As an honor student of the Torah, Paul does know how 8 to calculate the Omer count If according to Moses \& Yahusha. 3. This $4^{\text {th }}$ witness is about 27

+ This witness years AFTER the crucifixion also acknowledging all the spring festivals were still

is exactly the same calendar counts as Eco 11?
 Luke

 being honoured and kept.


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May alhula give you wisdom and understanding as you count out His Omer
 His Blood-ratified Covenant Calendar.

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