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Acts 6: 4 ASV

Advent of Time A Message for Adults

Week of Sunday 20 August, 2017 A.D.
(Anno Domini – In the year of our Lord)

Sunday 29 Av, 5777

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- Advent means arrival.
- The ancients marked time by sunset. Sunset to sunset is one Hebrew (yom) day. In six days the LORD made heaven and earth, and rested the seventh day. (Exodus 20: 11) Seven days is a week.
- The ancients reckoned periods of time from well known events. They would remember an event happened after another more significant event, like after the death of Moses. (Joshua 1: 1)
- The ancients observed moon phases. The

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ancient Hebrews gave each new moon a name; 12 lunar months; 354 days, 8 hours, 38 seconds; is a lunar year. The Sacred Hebrew Calendar months are reckoned to the moon. The LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying, This month [shall be] unto you the beginning of months: it [shall be] the first month of the year to you. (Exodus 12: 1-2) It was Nisan, and reckons to our March or April. The first month, has 30 days.

- This message for the week of 20 August 2017

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reckons 28 Av 5777, the fifth month on the Sacred Hebrew calendar. The month has 30 days, and reckons to our July or August. This month is of special note for; Aaron the priest went up into mount Hor at the commandment of the LORD, and died there, in the fortieth year after the children of Israel were come out of the land of Egypt, in the first [day] of the fifth month. (Numbers 33: 38) The ninth day of Av is a sad day on the calendar for the Hebrew nation. Tuesday, August 1, 2017 reckoned 9 Av 5777 this year.

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It is the day the LORD decreed the Hebrew nation would wander in the desert for forty years. The two Temples in Jerusalem were destroyed on this day. The first crusade and the liquidating of the Warsaw ghetto were both on the 9th of Av. It is a day of mourning!

- Numbering of the months from the Passover month (Exodus 12: 1-2) is applied in the Pentateuch (First five OT books) and in a few sacred biblical histories. Thus it is called the Sacred Hebrew Calendar. As trade increased and

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government, a civil calendar became essential, to reconcile contracts. These needs birthed a Civil calendar. The Civil calendar recognized the seventh sacred month as the first month. The month Tishri, reckons to our September or October, and is beginning of the Jewish Civil year.

- The chart below will help with understanding.

Synchronized Hebrew Calendar

This chart lists the Sacred then the Civil number of the month.

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Number	Names of Months	Observance
• 1 7	Nisan (March-April)	Begin barley harvest
• 2 8	Iyar (April-May)	Barley harvest
• 3 9	Sivan (May-June)	Wheat harvest
• 4 10	Tammuz (June-July)	
• 5 11	Av (July-August)	Grape, fig, olive ripen
• 6 12	Elul (August-September)	Vintage begins
• 7 1	Tishri (September-October)	Early rains, plowing
• 8 2	Chesvan (October-November)	Wheat, barley sowing
• 9 3	Kislev (November- December)	

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| • 10 4 | Tevet (December-January) | Rainy winter months |
| • 11 5 | Shevat (January-February) | Trees blossom |
| • 12 6 | Adar (February-March) | Almonds blooming |
- **Text:** Genesis 1: 14-19 ASV

And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of heaven to divide the day from the night; **and let them be for signs**, and for seasons, and for days and years: and let them be for lights in the

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firmament of heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so. And God made the two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night: he made the stars also. And God set them in the firmament of heaven to give light upon the earth, and to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, a fourth day.

- **Text:** Joel 2: 28-32 ASV

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And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions: and also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my Spirit. **And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth: blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke. The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and terrible day of Jehovah cometh.** And it shall come to pass,

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that whosoever shall call on the name of Jehovah shall be delivered; for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those that escape, as Jehovah hath said, and among the remnant those whom Jehovah doth call.

- Friday, March 20, 2015 reckons 29 Adar 5775; **Solar Eclipse** - Dedication of Tabernacle.
- Wednesday, April 8, 2015 reckons 19 Nissan 5775; **Blood Moon** - 3rd Day of Passover.
- Sunday September 13, 2015 reckons 29 Elul 5775 - Last Day of the Shemitah Year.

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- Monday September 14, 2015 reckons 1 Tishrei 5776 - Rosh Hoshanah Jubilee New Year.
- Monday, September 28, 2015 reckons 15 Tishrei 5776; **Blood Moon** – Sukkoth.
- Monday, **August 21, 2017** reckons 29 Av 5777; **Solar Eclipse**
- Thursday September 21, 2017 reckons 1 Tishrei 5778 – Rosh Hoshanah the Jewish Civil year New Year.

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- Is Jesus giving a warning sign to prepare disciples, as the sun becomes black as sackcloth, Monday, August 21, 2017? Is scripture being fulfilled; of that day and hour knoweth no one, not even the angels of heaven, neither the Son, but the Father only (Matthew 24: 36); because man chooses to disregard instruction from the LORD? Are you ready for judgment?
- Allow me to summarize: The LORD instructed mankind how to keep time focused on feasts of

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dedication, using a lunar day from sunset to sunset. Man chose to keep time observing trade and government and focused on items of his interest instead of His. Scripture teaches no one but the LORD knows the great and terrible day, except Jehovah.

- Disregarding the Sacred calendar man disregards the signs and does not have understanding. Is scripture being fulfilled because of mans wisdom?

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We study doctrine and pray every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.