

Behar I On the mountain — הבהר

The thirty-second reading from the Torah and second-to-last reading from the book of Leviticus is called Behar (בהר), which means "On the Mountain." The name comes from the first words of the first verse of the reading, which could be literally translated to read, "Yahweh then spoke to Moses on Mount Sinai" (Leviticus 25:1). This portion from the Torah introduces the laws of the sabbatical years, the jubilee and laws concerning redemption.

Behar On the mountain — בהר (bet - hey - resh)

Torah:
Prophets:

<u>Leviticus 25:1 - 26:2</u> <u>Isaiah 61:1-11</u> <u>Jeremiah 32:6-27</u>

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וַיִדַבֵּר יָהֹוָה אֶל-מֹשֶׁה, בְּהַר סִינַי לֵאמֹר

way-dab-bêr. Yah-weh. 'el- mō-šeh, bə-har. sî-nay. lê-mōr.

And Yahweh spoke unto Moses in mount Sinai, saying:

<u>Leviticus 25:1 - 26:2</u>

Lev. 25:1-7 - The Sabbath Year Lev. 25:8-22 - The Year of Jubilee Lev. 25:23-34 - Redemption of Property Lev. 25:35-46 - Kindness for Poor Brothers Lev. 25:47-55 - Redeeming a Poor Man Lev. 26:1-2 - Blessing for Obedience

Isaiah 61:1-11

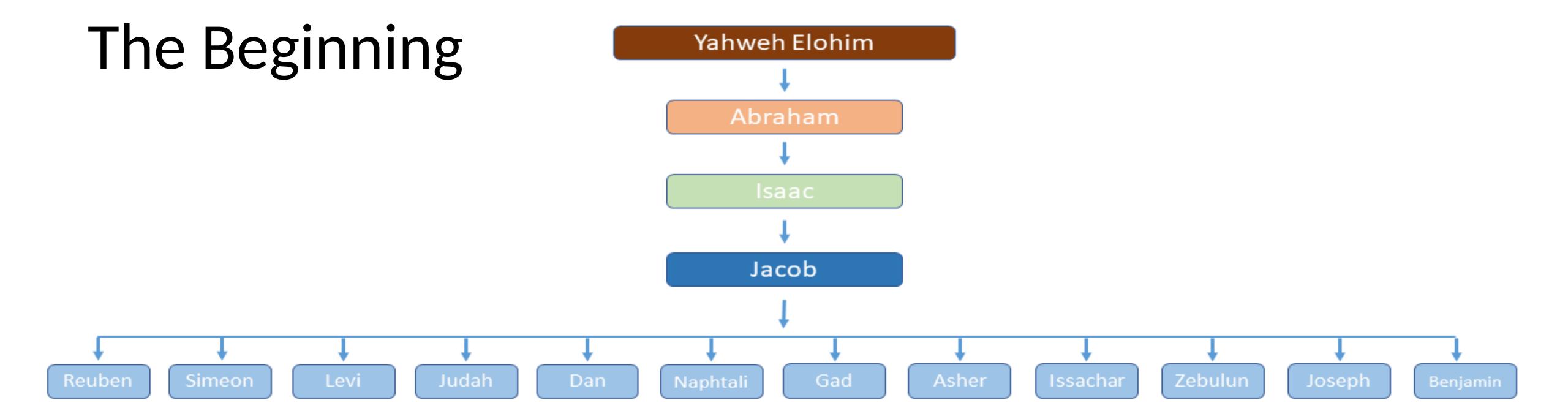
The Year of Yahweh's Favor

Jeremiah 32:6-27

Jeremiah Buys a Field During the Siege Jeremiah Prays for Understanding

Yahweh spoke to Moshe at Mount Sinai

- Exodus Chapters 19-31 Narrative (before the Golden Calf)
 - Make everything according to the pattern shown you on the mountain
- **Sabbath:** 'You shall surely observe My sabbaths; for *this* is a sign between Me and you throughout your generations, that you may know that I am Yahweh who sanctifies you." Exodus 31:12



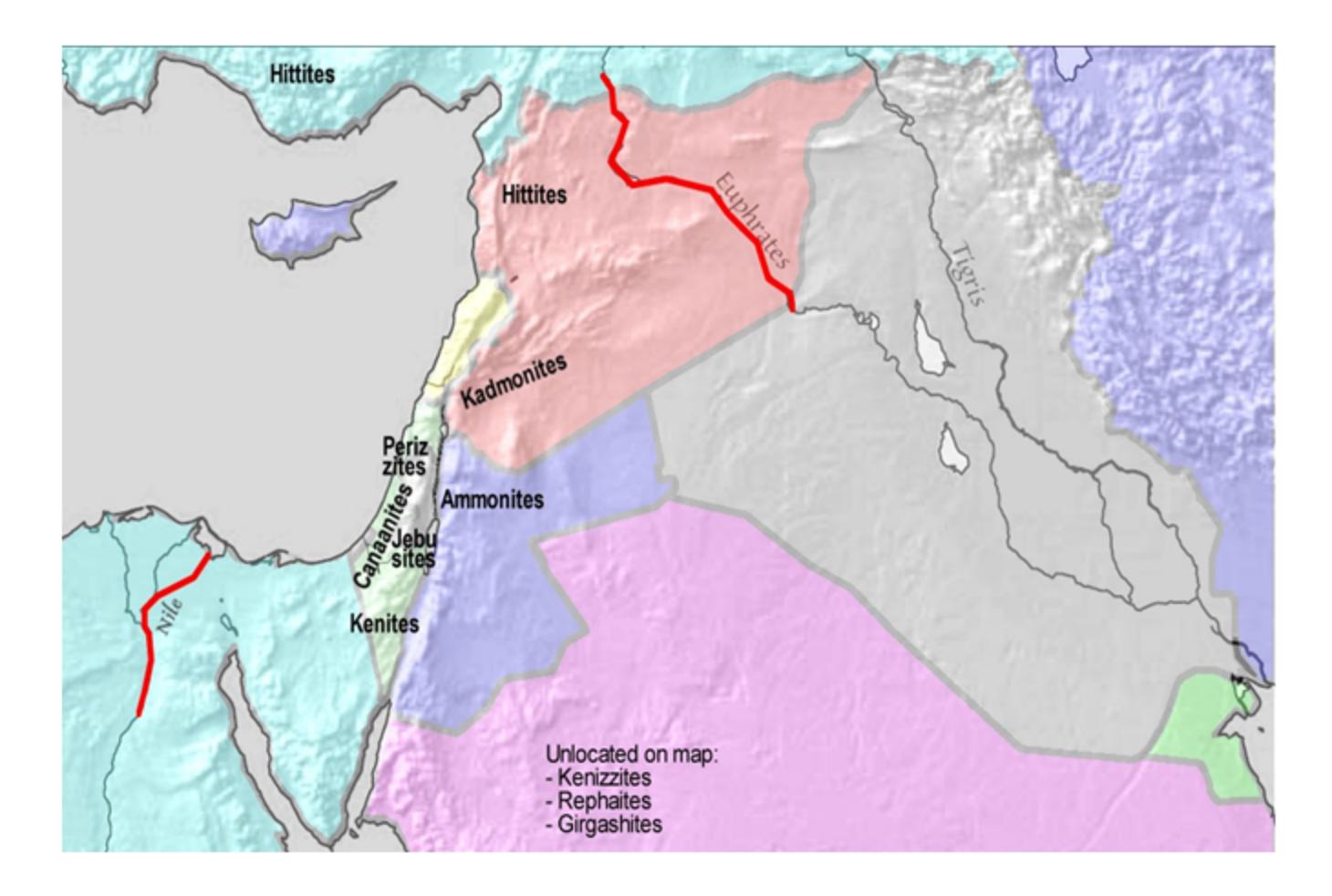
THE PROMISE AT SCHECHEM

⁶ Abram passed through the land as far as the site of Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. Now the Canaanite was then in the land. ⁷ YAHWEH appeared to Abram and said, "To your descendants I will give this land." So he built an altar there to Yahweh who had appeared to him. - Genesis 12:6-7



All the land that you see
I will give to you
and to your offspring
forever

(Genesis 13:15)

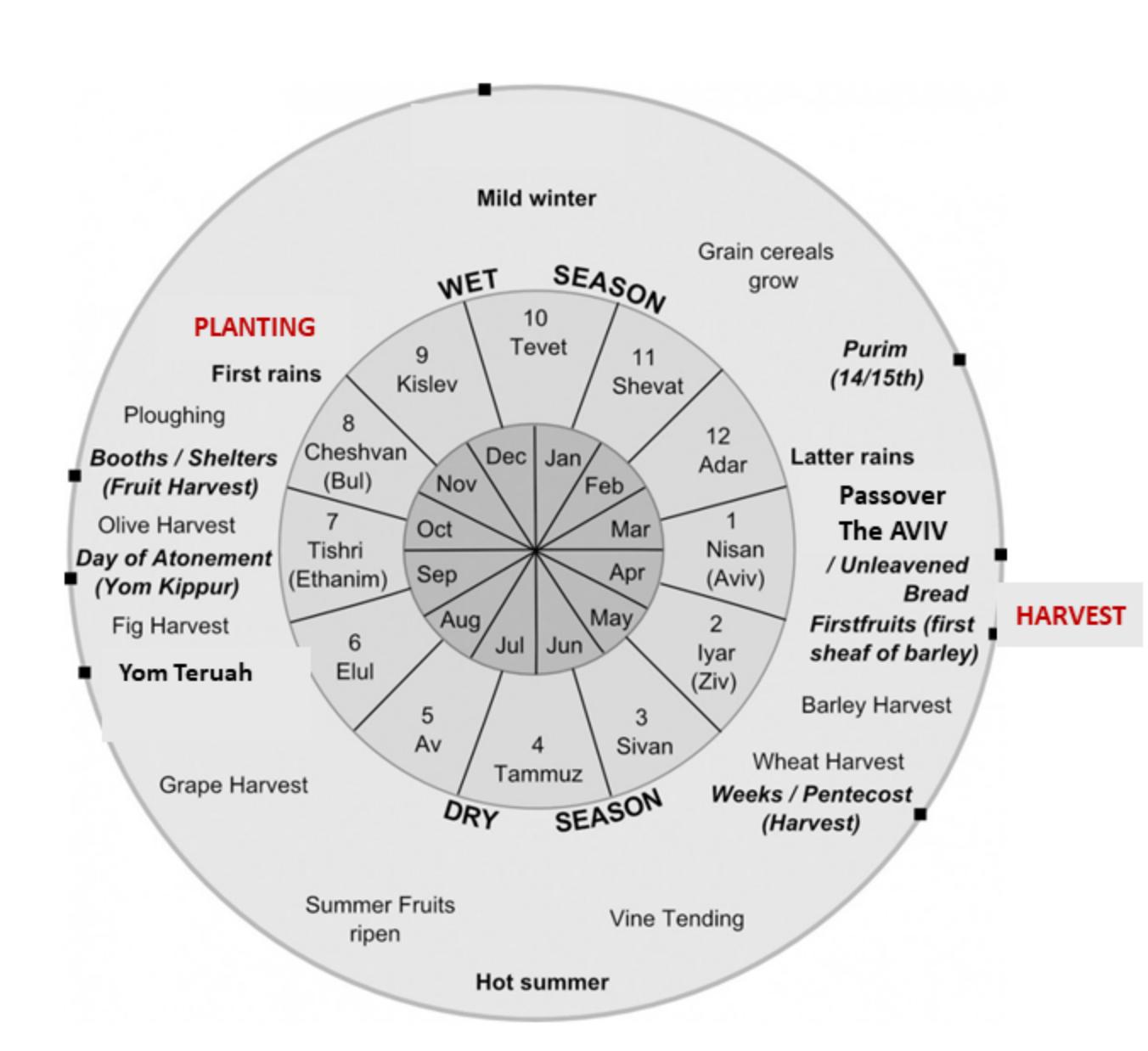


¹⁸On that day Yahweh made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I have given this land, From the river of Egypt as far as the great river, the river Euphrates: ¹⁹ the Kenite and the Kenizzite and the Kadmonite

²⁰ and the Hittite and the Perizzite and the Rephaim ²¹ and the Amorite and the Canaanite and the Girgashite and the Jebusite."

Genesis 15:18-21

PLANTING AND HARVEST SEASON IN ISRAEL

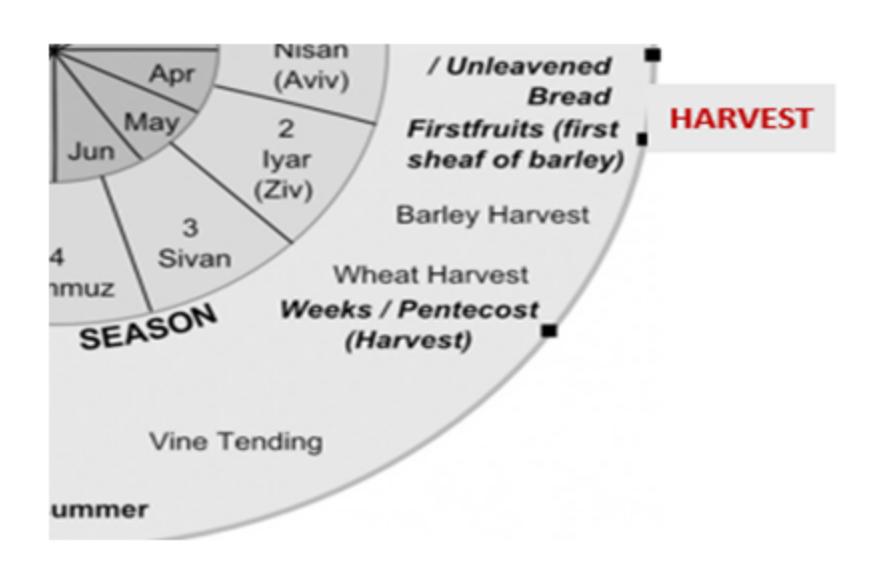


Yahweh said to Noah "seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter" (Genesis 8: 22).

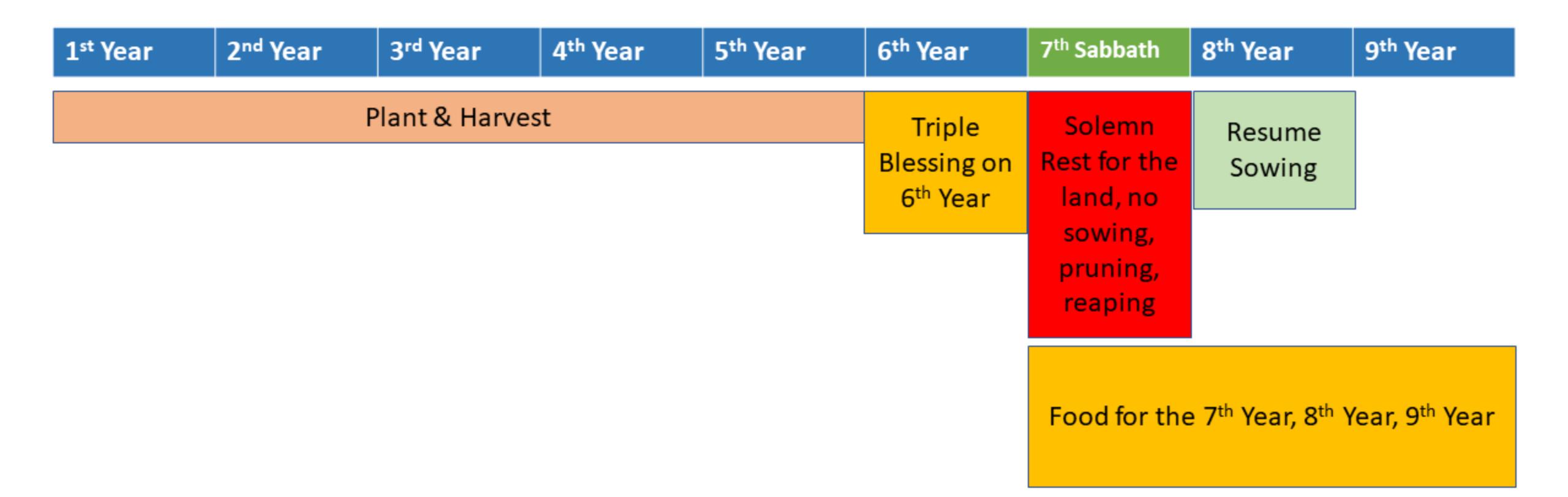
The Hebrew word "aviv", translated today as spring is mentioned twice in the Bible, both referring to a stage in the ripening of barley rather than a season. The month of Aviv (hodesh ha'aviv) is the time when this ripening of barley takes place

SIDE NOTE

Matthew 13:30 "Let both grow together until the harvest. At the proper time I will tell the harvester, 'First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles to be burned; then gather the wheat into my barn.'"



The Sabbath Year



Seventh Year (Shemitah "release")

 In the land which Yahweh is giving the children of Israel

Deuteronomy 15:1-11

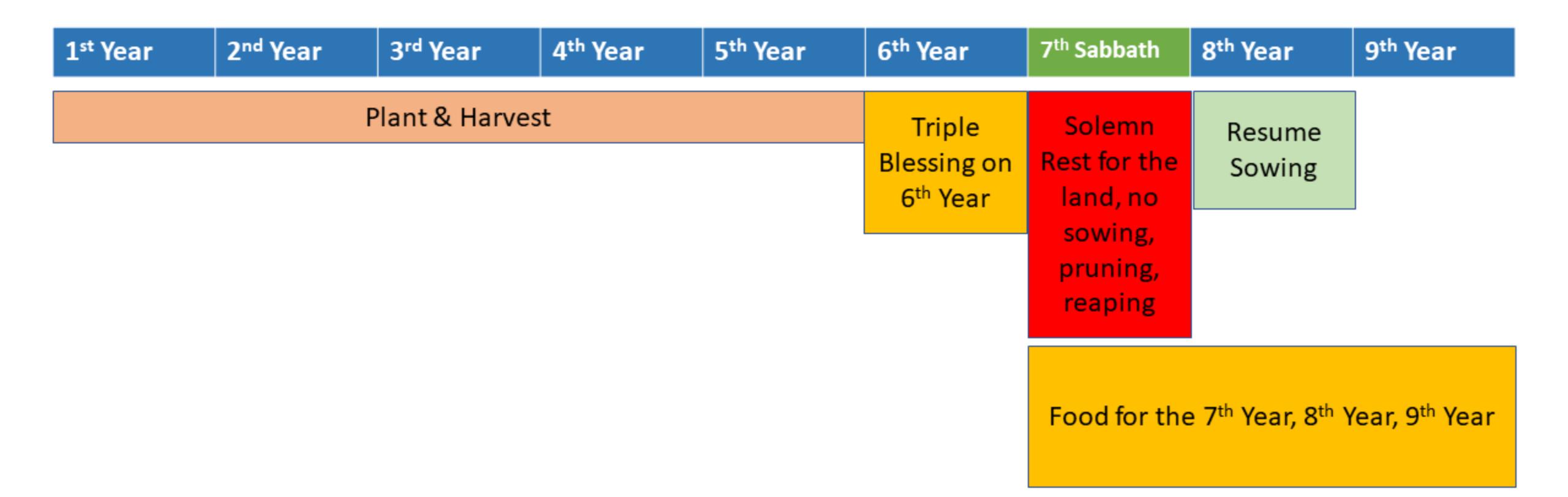
"At the end of every seven years you shall grant a remission of debts. ² This is the manner of remission: every creditor shall release what he has loaned to his neighbor; he shall not exact it of his neighbor and his brother, because Yahweh's remission has been proclaimed.

³ From a foreigner you may exact it, but your hand shall release whatever of yours is with your brother. 4 However, there will be no poor among you, since Yahweh will surely bless you in the land which Yahweh your Elohim is giving you as an inheritance to possess, 5 if only you listen obediently to the voice of Yahweh your Elohim, to observe carefully all this commandment which I am commanding you today. 6 For Yahweh your Elohim will bless you as He has promised you, and you will lend to many nations, but you will not borrow; and you will rule over many nations, but they will not rule over you.

⁷ "If there is a poor man with you, one of your brothers, in any of your towns in your land which Yahweh your Elohim is giving you, you shall not harden your heart, nor close your hand from your poor brother; ⁸ but you shall freely open your hand to him, and shall generously lend him sufficient for his need in whatever he lacks. 9 Beware that there is no base thought in your heart, saying, 'The seventh year, the year of remission, is near,'

and your eye is hostile toward your poor brother, and you give him nothing; then he may cry to Yahweh against you, and it will be a sin in you. 10 You shall generously give to him, and your heart shall not be grieved when you give to him, because for this thing Yahweh your Elohim will bless you in all your work and in all your undertakings. 11 For the poor will never cease to be in the land; therefore I command you, saying, 'You shall freely open your hand to your brother, to your needy and poor in your land.'

The Sabbath Year



The Year of Our Release?

 The analogy to us as believers in the Messiah is that He is the one who sets us free. The bondage of Israel was cruel, enforced servitude. Yahshua sets us free from the bondage and shackles of sin.

"If the Son, therefore, shall make you free, you shall be free indeed"
John 8:36.

 When the Trumpet of Yahweh will sound (signaling the return of Yahshua) – there will be great joy. All tears will be dried, and the brokenhearted comforted. The meek and the poor in spirit will be exalted and the thirsty and hungry filled. Hebrews 4:1-11 summarizes the Sabbaths Yahweh has given us to remember His great plan of redemption of mankind. We are told that there remains a Sabbath of rest for the people of Yahweh.

- There is the Weekly Sabbath which is set aside for the people of Yahweh.
- The Sabbatical rest for the land of Canaan.

 The rest and redemption for the elect people of Yahweh who will reign with Yahshua when He returns to set up the Messianic Kingdom: Blessed and holy is he that part in the first resurrection: on such the second death has no power but they shall be priests of Elohim and the Messiah, and shall reign with Him a thousand years, Revelation 20:6.

Seven Sabbaths of Years (49 Years)

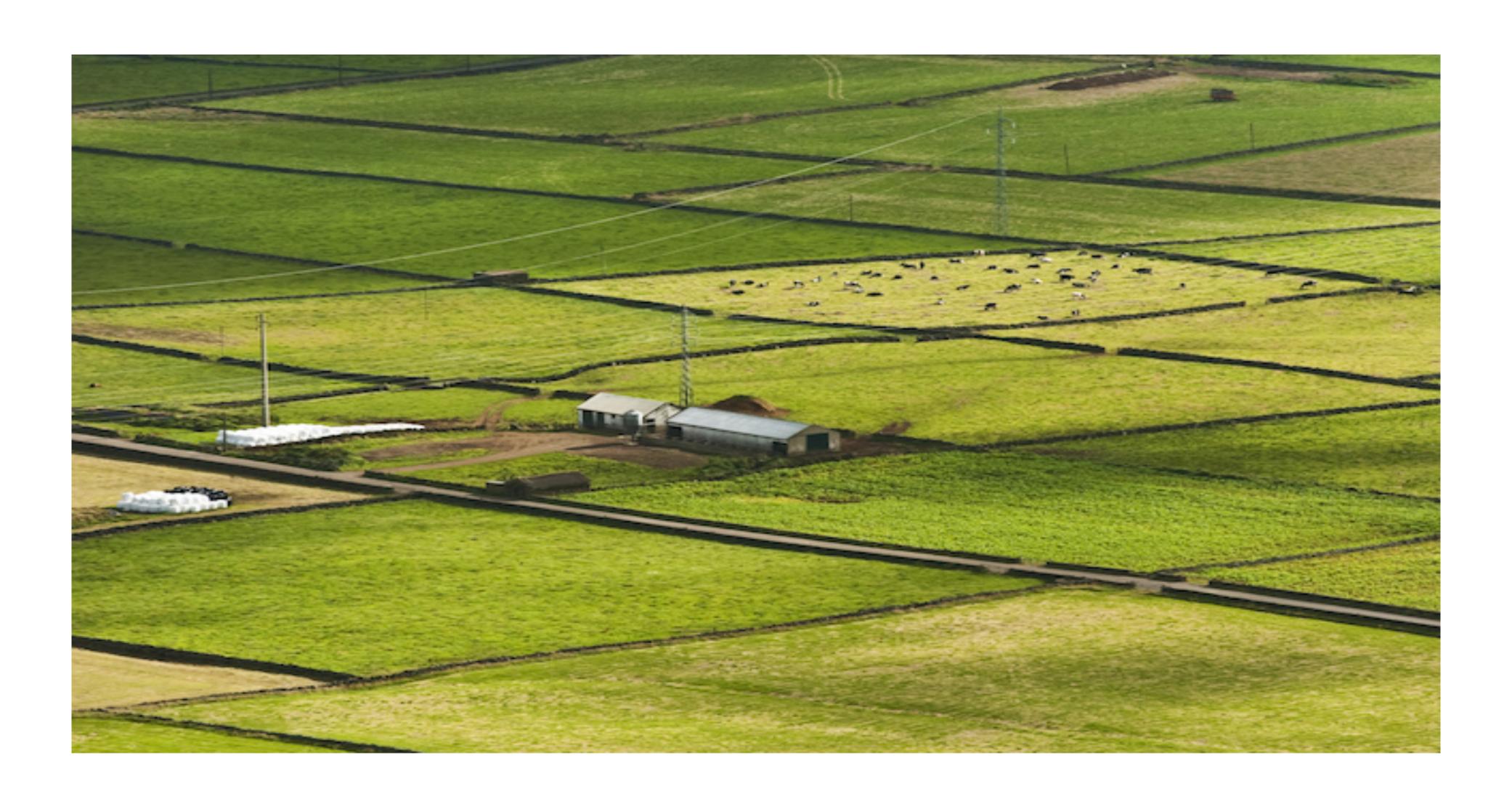
- Sound the rams horn on the 10th day of the seventh month (Tishri) – Atonement Day
- On the 50th Year (a year after the 49th) proclaim a "release" a **Yovel**!
- return to his own property
- and each of you shall return to his family
- You shall not sow, nor reap its aftergrowth, nor gather in from its untrimmed vines. For it is a Yovel; it shall be holy to you. You shall eat its crops out of the field.

| Nisan - Adar |
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Sound a loud
trumpet (Tishrei
10 th day 7 th
Month -
Atonement) |

YOVEL 1st Year

when each of you shall return to his property and each of you shall return to his clan. ¹¹ That fiftieth year shall be a jubilee for you; in it you shall neither sow nor reap what grows of itself nor gather the grapes from the undressed vines

"Yobel" – meaning "ram's horn" refers to the blast of the shofar on the Day of Atonement announcing the jubilee year!



Israel never properly observed the Sabbath year and this triggered this warning.

- ³³ And I will scatter you among the heathen, and will draw out a sword after you: and your land shall be desolate, and your cities waste.
- Then shall **the land enjoy her sabbaths**, as long as it lieth desolate, and ye be in your enemies' land; even then shall the land rest, and enjoy her sabbaths.
- ³⁵ As long as it lieth desolate it shall rest; because it did not rest in your sabbaths, when ye dwelt upon it.

Leviticus 26:33-35

Psalm 13

How long, O YAHWEH? Will You forget me forever? How long will You hide Your face from me? How long shall I take counsel in my soul, *Having* sorrow in my heart all the day? How long will my enemy be exalted over me?

Consider and answer me, O YAHWEH MY ELOHIM; Enlighten my eyes, or I will sleep the sleep of death, And my enemy will say, "I have overcome him," And my adversaries will rejoice when I am shaken.

But I have trusted in Your lovingkindness; My heart shall rejoice in Your salvation (Yahshua). I will sing to Yahweh, Because He has dealt bountifully with me.

1 Thessalonians 4:16

¹⁶ For Yahweh himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump (Yovel) of Elohim: and the dead in Messiah shall rise first:

The Law of Redemption (Land)

- Not sold permanently, the land is Yahweh's!
- Nearest kinsman is to come and buy back
- In the year of Yovel, it shall revert
- House in walled city, redemption rights 1 year if not bought back, does not revert in Yovel
- Levites, has permanent right of redemption, pasture fields shall not be sold

Of Poor Countrymen

- countryman of yours becomes poor and his means with regard to you falter, then you are to sustain him
- Do not take usurious interest from him, but revere your Elohim, that your countryman may live with you.
- sells himself to you, you shall not subject him to a slave's service, a hired man
- then he shall have redemption right after he has been sold
- Even if he is not redeemed by these means, he shall still go
 out in the year of Yovel, he and his sons with him. For the sons
 of Israel are My servants; they are My servants whom I
 brought out from the land of Egypt. I am Yahweh your Elohim.

So Jun, when is the next Shemitah/Yovel?

- I don't know! I don't want to add to Yahweh's word to find a conclusion.
- I might be wrong, but if I am wrong, I hope I'm wrong because I misunderstood the scriptures, not because I made up my own thing.
- It's about a promise a **land**! "When you come into the land which I shall give you Canaan.
- Pattern of seven: the 7th day is the Sabbath. Count 49 days after the wave offering, the 50th day is Shavuot.

- At the end of every seven years is Sabbatic Year
 let the land rest for a year.
- Count off seven sabbaths of years, seven times seven years (forty-nine years). 50th Year is a Yovel – a year of release.
- Week after week, moedim after moedim: if we are attending, showing up to be counted, we will not miss our appointment with Him.
- There are blessings when you obey.

² You shall keep My sabbaths and reverence My sanctuary; I am Yahweh. 3 If you walk in My statutes and keep My commandments so as to carry them out, 4 then I shall give you rains in their season, so that the land will yield its produce and the trees of the field will bear their fruit.

Leviticus 26:2-4

