The Nation of Israel is Born!

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We have just studied the first 2500 years of Earth's existence. From the first Adam through the first 80 years of Moses' life. We have witnessed, through God's History Book to us; The fall of Adam, and hence the onset of: the deterioration of all things living set in and the decomposition of all living matter in God's creation. The relationship: between man and God was fractured as was the relationship between man and woman. This resulted in mankind being banned from God's physical presence (in the Garden of Eden) and caused the first of endless sacrifices to be instituted for the atonement of sins. For the next 6,000 years the shedding of blood, in obedience, for the remission of sins was required. On (about) 4 A.D. the end of the shedding of blood was completed by Christ fulfilling all requirements of perfection and then becoming the Last and final Sin Offering. We witnessed two brothers; one obedient to God and one disobedient to God, result in the first murder of jealousy come about. Over the next, around, 1650 years we would witness the explosion of technological advances in all areas; the arts, metallurgy, construction and all technological advances that would lead the majority of mankind to believe they had outgrown the need for God (hint: look at October 15 2026). And this "super" intelligence led to man believing they could be like God, and even overcome Him. (see Scriptures: Amos 8)

So, over the first, about, 1650 years of mankinds existence knowledge had increased to the point where mans heart, and soul, was continually wicked (self centered, self righteous, seemingly self suffient, seemingly all-knowing, ..., etc) that God had to wipe out life and start over. Enter stage left Noah. God chooses Noah as the only righteous man of his time. He tells him, His plan to flood the earth thus snuffing out life. He also tells him to preach repentence and to turn to God (hint: look at October 15 2026). Over the next 100+ years he will obediently build the Ark to God's specifications all the while preaching God's warning.

We saw God open the flood gates of heaven, and the ocean sized waters from below the earths surface were also brought forth,

So the earth was indeed purged of mankind and beast. We witnessed how after only 175 years after the flood mankind had again gotten to the point of knowledge (not intellegence) where they once again strived to be like God and even built their way to heaven to overthrow Him that God once again had to step in but did not wipe them out. He simply scattered them and gave them all different languages and nationalities. Unfortunately, during the time of the building of the tower all false religions were born. So with the dispersion of the people came also the dispersion of the false religions. Fortunately the power of God was displayed by the dispersion so that it would be clear that only One true God existed. (Again, Hunt: The rapture will leave no doubt that only one God exists. Yes, mankind will try to explain it away, because some of their hearts will be so hardened, but it will be absolutely clear that the Lord Jesus, the Christ, has called His people home. God will pronounce this through the 144,000, the two witnesses that are thousands of years old, and the angelic hosts proclaiming it from the sky's. As God has revealed Himself to us over the years of studying His Word we see that He always leaves no doubt as to His being the exclusive and only God and that He lets no one go to their eternal doom without having hundreds, if not thousands, of opportunities to know Him).

So fast forward another 175 years, after the Flood, and God chooses a man Abram (a.k.a. Abraham) as the vessel by which He will institute a nation of Priests (Exodus 19:6) who are to go out to all the world and preach to the whole world who their God is. This nation of priest we will come to know as Israel. These are the same people that inhabit Israel today. God also gives Abraham a set apart land, the promised land, in the middle east, which shall forever be the land of the Israelites. And todays Israel is in that deeded parcel that God gave Abraham but it is much smaller, currently, than deeded today. It will (of course be much larger, and fill the land, as set apart by God, when Jesus rules from the city of Jerusalem in the Millenial reign.

Of course, Abraham will not be around to see this. Neither will Isaac, nor Jacob, nor his sons who will be the seed for the nation of Israel; which is comprised of the twelve son's

or tribes of Israel, as we know them. Indeed 430 years would be determined, by God, for this nation of people to be established. And when these set apart people reached the exact number that God had determined, at the dawn of time, then He would extract them from where they were and position them towards entering the promised land. He would also start His Calander from that day on. In our study, today is that exact day. The first day, of the first month, of the first year for the nation of Israel: Exodus 12:1-2 The calander starts! And the calander becomes crucial to God's plan for all: The feasts will be established by the Jewish Calander. And since Jesus was an Israelite/Jew; His being the Passover on Passover some 1600 years later would also prove to be significant for all of mankind.

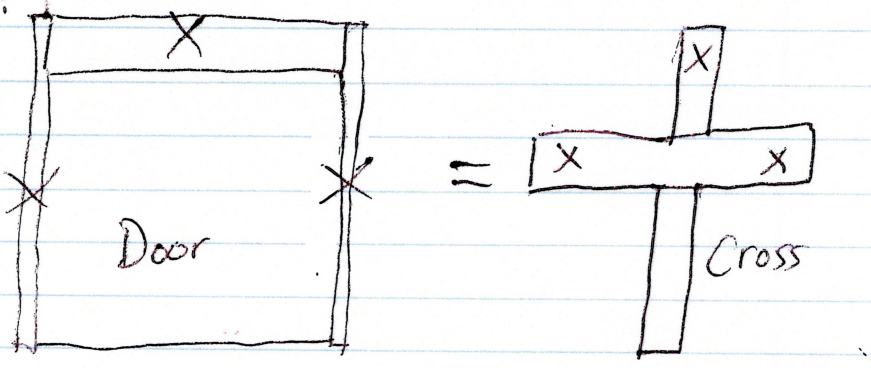
Exodus 12:3-4 Hebrew calander in order. It has 12 months on "standard" years and 13 months on Leap years. This is to keep it aligned with God's solar timing. Example: ever 19 years will have 7 leap months added: Nissan 30 days, Spring includes Passover, Iyar 29 days, Spring includes Yom Ha Atzmaut and Lag BaOmer, Sivan 30 days, Spring/early Summer includes Shavuot, Tammuz 29 days Summer, begins the mourning period of the Three Weeks. Av 30 days, Summer includes Tisha B'Av, Elul 29 days late Summer, month of repentance leading in to the High Holy Days, Tishrei 30 days Autumn includes Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, and Sukkot, Cheshvan (also called Marcheshvan) 29 or 30 days - Autumn, no major holidays. Kislev 29 or 30 days - late Autumn/early Winter, includes Hanukkah. Tevet 29 days, Winter, concludes Hanukkah and includes Fast of Tevet. Shevat 30 days, Winter includes Tu BiShavat. Adar 29 days, Winter, includes Purim. And Adar I 30 days, is the leap Month. Now God adhered to His calander and to His (upcoming laws) exactly! Example: The first Passover would be the Exodus and the most important Passover would be the crucifixion. Both to the day, and minute, according to the appointed day and month. And from here on every thing crucial to God's plan of Salvation could be forecast according to Israel's calander and feasts. The absolute only thing that deviates from this is Jesus' return. His return will be "unexpected" since it does not, will not, conform to anything other than God's will and time!

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So here God is commanding that every household is to secure a lamb, or lambs according to household size. If the household is too small, it is to share. There is to only be enough lamb for 1 meal.

Exodus 12:5 This lamb is to be without spot or blemish. Obviously, this lamb will be considered a sacrifice to God and as such it is to be flawless. (God does not want your second best, or your "good enough". Hence, He let us get to witness the historical event of Cain and Abel!). This of course would be symbolic of Christ's sacrifice to God on our behalf as the Lamb without spot or blemish (perfect, pure, sin-free).

Exodus 12:6-7 This lamb is to be kept until the 14th day of the month, and its sacrificial blood is to be put on the door posts and on the lintel:



Exodus 12:8-11 The details are given for the meal: No leven since leven is symbolic of sin ("a little leven/yeast permeates the loaf"). And another thing to note is the urgency of the matter: Don't get to laid back, and keep everything on, as if you might have to flee. The eating of the sacrifice is also to be done in haste, staff in hand. Most importantly this first Passover meal is given a name: the LORD's Passover. (It is not: the Passover of the Death angel, the Passover of Israel's freedom, the Passover to a new life, ... etc.)

Exodus 12:12-13 The God we serve: The God we serve has never, and will never, execute judgement without warning. He will also never execute judgement without giving absolutely everyone a way out of the judgement: The Ark: 7 days (I know, but you can't repeat it often enough), before that: Cain and Abel, Ninoveh heeded Jonah's warning, God got all the righteous out of Sodom and Gomorrah before His judgement, and on and on right through the last 7 years of this age. And I promise you it was no different here. The Egyptian converts assuredly also were given the same warning of how to escape the coming judgement!