

When is the New Year for Yah's Covenant People

Shalom Family, let's dive into this topic together and see what the Word of Yah reveals.

Many people around the world celebrate January 1st as the start of a new year, but Scripture reveals a different timeline for Yah's covenant people. Yah sets the first month of the year according to His calendar, not the man-made Gregorian calendar.

The Biblical New Year

Exodus 12:2 – “This month shall be unto you the beginning of months: it shall be the first month of the year to you.”

- The first month is Abib (also called Nisan), which falls in the spring (usually March–April in the Gregorian calendar).
- This timing corresponds with the ripening of the barley, the first harvest of the year in Israel.
- The month of Abib/Nisan is also when Yah established the spring feasts, beginning with Passover (Pesach) on the 14th of Nisan.

Why January 1st Is Not Yah's New Year

- January 1st is a man-made tradition based on the Roman solar calendar.
- Celebrating the new year on this day is rooted in pagan history, not Scripture.
- Yah calls His people to walk in His ways and honor His appointed times:

Jeremiah 10:2 – “Thus saith the Lord, Learn not the way of the heathen...”

How We Should Acknowledge Yah's New Year

1. Recognize the Month of Abib/Nisan
 - Begin your year with Yah in spring, as He designed.
 - This is a reminder that He is the Lord of seasons and the Author of time.
2. Reflect on His Faithfulness
 - Use the start of the year to look back on Yah's blessings and guidance.
 - Make resolutions or set goals aligned with His Word, not the world's calendar.

3. Align with His Feasts and Appointed Times

- The month of Abib begins the cycle of Yah's biblical feasts, which reveal Messiah's mission and plan of salvation.
- Celebrate and honor Him by walking in obedience to His commands and feasts, not human traditions.

Psalm 104:19 – “He appointed the moon for seasons: the sun knows his going down.”

Living in Yah's Timing

Acknowledging Yah's New Year is more than just marking a day, it is a statement of faith. It shows that we:

- Trust His calendar over the world's.
- Seek to live in alignment with His timing and purposes.
- Recognize that our lives are guided by Yah's covenant, not man-made customs.

For Yah's covenant people, the new year begins in Abib/Nisan, the first month of Yah's calendar, not January 1st. By following His appointed times, we honor His Word, His timing, and His plan for our lives. Let this New Year be a time to walk in His ways, celebrate His feasts, and commit to living in covenant faithfulness.

📖 Key Scriptures:

Exodus 12:2 | Jeremiah 10:2 | Psalm 104:19

Until we meet again, may we continue to walk in the undeniable truth of Yah's Word.

Shalom,

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