"The Beginning of the New Month"

"New Month" Rosh Chodesh literally means, "beginning renewal" 7218 ro'sh, roshe; the head (in many applications, of place, time, rank, etc.) beginning, 2320 chodesh, kho'-desh; from 2318; the new month 2318 chadash, khaw-dash'; a prim. root; to be new; cause to rebuild:-renew, repair. Gen.1:14-16 - YAH ordains moon for signs, seasons, days, and years. Ex.12:2 – we are told the beginning of Spring or the green leaf (Aviv) is the Beginning of the year; The Month is Abib Ex.13:4; later referred to as Nisan in Esther 3:7. Is Rosh Chodesh a festival or an Appointed Time of YAH? The Torah places Rosh Chodesh on a par with the other festivals. In Numbers chapter 28, and 29 services for Rosh Chodesh are listed along with the other festivals or Appointed Times of YAH. Numb.28:1-2 & 11-15-An appointed Time of YAH it is, a monthly appointed time; although I'm not for sure if it is referring to the beginning of the first, fourth, seventh, and tenth month; or if it is referring to the beginning of all 12 months. 2 Chron.2:4 an ordinance forever

What to do on the Beginning of a New Month (Rosh Chodesh): Numbers 28:11-15 "At the beginning of each of your months you shall..." Psalm 81:3,4 Blow the trumpet at the new month. At the Full moon in this verse is probably a reference to the Appointed Time in my opinion, but there are other views. Greens Interlinear Bible and NASB translates it full moon; King James translates it the time appointed which I think is correct. The strongs concordance leans towards time appointed; it says full moon but it's in italics. The AHLB (Ancient Hebrew Lexicon Bible) doesn't have full moon at all only time appointed. It could mean 'to conceal' according to Ken Johnson. Numbers 10:10 Blow the trumpets; a memorial to YAH on our behalf; a day of gladness, or time of rejoicing I Sam.20:24-27 – family gathering and festive meal; expected to be there Isaiah 66:22,23 – Worship and bow down to YAH-we will keep it forever! Ezekiel 46:1-3 Worship YAH there are a lot of offerings mentioned at the beginning of the new month. I don't know if the Beginning of a New Month is a reference to all 12 Months or if it's only supposed to be Applied to the Appointed Times of the first, fourth, seventh, and tenth month. So here we see not only that it's an appointed time, but also instruction on what to do. This is why we blow the Shofars on Rosh Chodesh! Numbers 10:10 Blow the trumpets; a memorial to YAH on our behalf; a day of gladness, or time of rejoicing Ezekiel 46:1-3 – Worship YAH I Sam. 20:26,27

– family gathering and festive meal. Isaiah 66:23 – Worship and bow down YAH Now the context of this passage is after the millennial reign. This is after the new heaven and new earth this scripture is in the time frame of eternity! So it is possible and very likely that we will be celebrating Rosh Chodesh throughout all eternity. Does YAH change? What not to do on New Moon: Amos 8:5 – It would appear as though there was no buying or selling on the beginning of the new month; maybe they treated it like a Sabbath day including rest and no work. Rosh Chodesh (New Month) is alluded to here as a day of no buying and selling.

YAH tired of their new month festivals; (implying no longer His); but did He do away with them? Hosea 2:11-13 – YAH is causing the mirth, gaiety, or joy to cease but not the festivals. He isn't even referring to the festivals as His, YAH is referring to the festivals as theirs because they departed from the true worship of YAH; yet they kept the festivals not to honor YAH but to have a good time partying. They gave lip service to YAH, but their heart was far from Him. They had the appearance of righteousness, yet they had denied the power of YAH. YAH was bringing correction; He was not putting an end to the festivals though. Isaiah 1:14 – again YAH isn't putting an end to the festivals, but He is bringing correction.

Lets look at another scripture that can be controversial: Colossians 2:16,17 – Paul is talking to new believers in the Messiah who were formerly gentiles. These new believers are now partaking in the festivals and being Torah – obedient. They are probably taking some flak for it from their old non-believing friends. Paul says don't worry about that YAH will judge them and you accordingly. This scripture is not saying I won't let anyone judge me because I don't keep the festivals or the rest of the Torah. This scripture isn't saying it's ok to not be Torah-obedient. They left behind their pagan calendar and holidays and started keeping the Creators Calendar and Holidays and were getting the same grief I get!

Conclusion: We see the psalmist refer to the new month as an appointed time and a commandment from YAH. And we see Solomon refer to the new month as an ordinance forever. Rosh Chodesh is a monthly festival, or an appointed time. Renewal can be seen as starting over after a series of failings. Renewal can also be seen as a beginning at a new stage after the completion of a prior stage. Rosh Chodesh was celebrated in the past, and will be celebrated in the future, we should be celebrating it today! Obviously the offerings can't be brought because we have no Temple, but, we can celebrate the parts that are permissible. We don't do these sacrifices without a temple system in place. But there is something you can offer to YAH which is more important than any sacrifice you could ever make. Mark 6:30-44; There is something special about putting something into the hands of YAH for Him to work with. They needed a miracle to feed all these people and in order for Yahusha to do the miracle He asked that they put something in His hands to work with. Now we can put something in YAHs hands to work with. We can give Him our hearts, our time, our resources, we can be His hands and feet, His voice crying in this world to repent and turn to YAH. Vs.52 – Don't let your heart become hardened. Ask YAH for a soft, pliable heart that will desire to please Him; ask YAH for a heart after His own heart. Lets worship YAH, Blow the trumpets!!!

In Hebrew the word for moon is 3394 yareach. In Hebrew the word for month is 2320 chodesh. No where in Scripture does it ever say New Moon, it only says New Month! So the witness that scripture gives is that we have new months, there is no such thing as a new moon in Scripture. Colossians 2:16 uses new moon, but if you research it you will see it's 3561 a combination of 3501(new) and 3376(month). I Samuel 20:5,18,24; II Kings 4:23; Psalm 81:3; Isaiah 66:23; Ezekiel 46:1,6; Amos 8:5. All these verses use new moon; however if you look up the word it's not yareach (moon); it's actually chodesh (month).

I am of the opinion that the reason the translators did this is because they want us to think the lunar calendar is ok to use. I think the reason they left the book of Jubilees and Enoch out of our Cannon is because these books expose the deceit of the lunar calendar. If these books were included we would know that the lunar calendar is condemned in the book of Jubilees and by default in the book of Enoch.

Jubilees 6:36-38 "For there will be those who will assuredly make observations of the moon- now it disturbeth the seasons and cometh in from year to year ten days too soon. For this reason the years will come upon them when they will disturb the order, and make an abominable day the day of testimony, and an unclean day a feast day, and they will confound all the days, the holy with the unclean, and the unclean day with the holy; for they will go wrong as to the months and sabbaths and feasts and jubilees. For this reason I command and testify to thee that thou mayest testify to them; for after thy death thy children will disturb them, so that they will not make the year 364 days only, and for this reason they will go wrong as to the new months and seasons and sabbaths and festivals..."

Enoch 74:12 "<u>And the sun and the stars bring in all the years exactly</u>, so that they do not advance or delay their position by a single day to eternity; but complete the years with perfect justice in 364 days."

Enoch 75:1-2 "And the leaders of the heads of the ten thousands, who are in charge of the whole creation and over all the stars, have also to do with <u>the four</u> <u>days of the year which are not counted in the yearly calendar</u>, being not separated from their office, according to the reckoning of the year, and these render service on the four days which are not counted in the reckoning of the year. And because of them men go wrong in them, for those luminaries truly render service to the stations of the world, one in the first door, one on the third door of heaven, one in the fourth door, and one in the sixth door, <u>and the exactness of the year is accomplished through its separate three hundred and sixty-four stations."</u>

Enoch 82:1-7 "And now, my son Methuselah, all these things I am recounting to you and writing down for you! And I have revealed to you everything, and given you books concerning all these; so, my son Methuselah, preserve the books from your father's hand, and see that you deliver them to the generations of the world. I have given wisdom to you and to your children, and those children to come, that they may give it to their children for generations. This wisdom namely that passes their understanding. And those who understand it shall not sleep, but shall listen that they may learn this wisdom, and it shall please those that eat thereof better than good food. Blessed are all the righteous, blessed are all those who walk in the way of righteousness and sin not as the sinners, in the numbering of all their days in which the sun traverses heaven, entering into and departing from the doors for thirty days with the heads of thousands of the order of the stars, together with the four which are within the calendar which divide the four portions of the year, which lead them and enter with them four days. Owing to them men shall be at fault and not count them in the whole number of days of the year. Men shall be at fault, and not recognize them accurately. For they belong to the calculations of the

year and are truly recorded therein forever, one in the first door and one in the third, and one in the fourth and one in the sixth, and the year is completed in three hundred and sixty-four days. And the account of it is accurate and the recorded counting thereof is exact; for the luminaries, and month and festivals, and years and days, has Uriel shown and revealed to me, to whom the Lord of the whole creation of the world hath subjected the host of heaven."

Enoch 82:10 "Their four leaders who divide the four parts of the year enter first; and after them the <u>twelve leaders of the orders who divide the months</u>; and for three hundred and sixty days there are heads over thousands who divide the days, and for the four days in the calendar there are the leaders which divide the four parts of the year."

<u>Beginning of the First Month (Spring) –</u> **Jubilees 6:25** Day of Remembrance; Noah was told to build the ark and the earth dried up after the flood. **Genesis 8:13** "Now it came about in the six hundred and first year, in the first month, on the first of the month, the water was dried up from the earth. Then Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and behold, the surface of the ground was dried up."

<u>Beginning of the Fourth Month (Summer) –</u> **Jubilees 6:26** Day of Remembrance; the mouth -waters of the depth were closed after the flood. **Genesis 8:2** "Also the fountains of the deep and the floodgates of the sky were closed, and the rain from the sky was restrained; and the water receded steadily from the earth, and at the end of one hundred and fifty days the water decreased."

<u>Beginning of the Tenth Month (Winter) –</u> **Jubilees 6:27** Day of Remembrance; mountain tops were seen after the flood as Noah rejoiced. **Genesis 8:5** "And the water decreased steadily until the tenth month; in the tenth month, on the first day of the month, the tops of the mountains became visible."

Beginning of the Seventh Month - Yom Teruah - (Fall) - Jubilees 12 tells us Abram sat up through this night and spoke with YAH and YAH blessed him as in Genesis 12. YAH then opens Abrams mouth and ears to hear and speak the language which hath been revealed and had ceased from the mouth of all since the tower of babel. <u>They call Hebrew the tongue of the creation</u>. Abram then takes the books of his fathers, which are in Hebrew, and studies them for 6 rainy months.

In Jubilees 31 on the beginning of the 7th month Yacov goes up to Bethel builds an altar and invites Isaac but Isaac is too old so Yacov goes to his parents and Isaac

prophesies over his children. Jubilees 6:26 <u>A Day of Remembrance of when the</u> mouths of the depths of the earth were opened to take in the flood waters.

Ken Johnson DSSC page 136- "Yom Ha Melek, or the Day of the King. It's the time of Messiah's coronation and the beginning of His kingdom. A new king is crowned during 'Yom Teruah'. A king always has his bride with him at his coronation."

Previously the only thing I knew about the beginning of the seventh month was that it was a memorial but Scripture I had didn't tell me for what it was a memorial to. I always thought it was the day the Messiah was born and will return, but I could be wrong. One thing we know now is that it is A Day of remembrance of when the mouths of the depths of the earth were opened to take in the flood waters and it's the Head of Fall!