

SEASON	Dates <sup>1</sup> BC	FROM - HEROD "THE GREAT" -	Herod's reign	His rule	Years in building	AGE
	40	The Senate proclaimed Herod king.	1st	3yrs. fighting to gain Judea		
	39		2nd			
Spring	38	SABBATICAL BC 38/37	3rd			
January	37	Herod slew Antigonos, began to rule the Jews. <sup>2</sup>	4th	1st		
	36		5th	2nd		
	35		6th	3rd		
	34		7th	4th		
	33		8th	5th		
	32		9th	6th		
Spring	31	SABBATICAL BC 31/30 [Actium war, Sept.2nd.]	10th	7th		
	30		11th	8th		
	29		12th	9th		
	28	Marcus Agrippa & Augustus instituted a census.	13th	10th		
	27	Augustus' reign began, 16th. of January.	14th	11th		
	26		15th	12th		
	25		16th	13th		
Spring	24	SABBATICAL BC 24/23	17th	14th		
Autumn	JUBILEE BC 24/23 <5880> <sup>11</sup>		18th	15th		
	23		19th	16th		
	22		20th	17th		
	21		21st	18th	0	
	20	Temple reconstruction began. <sup>2&amp;5</sup>	22nd	19th	1	
	19		23rd	20th	2	
Spring	17	SABBATICAL BC 17/16	24th	21st	3	
	16		25th	22nd	4	
	15		26th	23rd	5	
	14	Cyrenius (Quirinius) quelled Marmadean rebellion	27th	24th	6	
	13		28th	25th	7	
	12	Quirinus made consul.	29th	26th	8	
	11		30th	27th	9	
Spring	10	SABBATICAL BC 10/9	31st	28th	10	
	9		32nd	29th	11	
	8	Augustus' first sole lustrum decreeing a census <sup>3</sup>	33rd	30th	12	
	7		34th	31st	13	
	6		35th	32nd	14	
Autumn	5	JESUS BORN <sup>3</sup> <6059> <sup>11</sup>	36th	33rd	15	00
	4	Herod died, Nov. 25th. <sup>3</sup> , Philipp's 1st. year <sup>10</sup>	37th	34th	16	01
Spring	3	SABBATICAL BC 3/2 [Census given to Caesar <sup>3</sup> ]	2nd <sup>10</sup>		17	02
	2	Augustus' Jubilee and loyalty celebrations <sup>3</sup>	3rd		18	03
	BC 1	[NOTE: There is no year zero.]	4th		19	04
	AD 1		5th		20	05
	2		6th		21	06
	3		7th		22	07
	4		8th		23	08
Spring	5	SABBATICAL AD 5/6	9th		24	09
	6	Quirinus annexed Judea to Syria.(?)	10th		25	10
	7		11th		26	11
	8		12th		27	
Spring	9	Jesus in the Temple.	13th		28	12
Autumn	10		14th		29	13
Autumn	11		15th		30	14
Spring	12	SABBATICAL AD 12/13	16th		31	15

SEASON	Dates <sup>1</sup> AD	TO - HEROD AGRIPPA I -	Philipp's reign	Tiberius' reign	His rule	Years in building	AGE
Summer	12	Tiberius made Augustus' viceroy	16th	Tiberius viceroy for 2 yrs. <sup>4</sup>	1st <sup>4</sup>	31	15
Autumn							16
Summer	13		17th		2nd	32	17
Autumn							18
Summer	14	Augustus died August 19th. Tiberius declared emperor. <6207/8>	18th	1st NOTE 11	3rd	33	18
Autumn	15		19th	2nd	4th	34	19
Summer	16		20th	3rd	5th	35	20
Autumn	17		21st	4th	6th	36	21
Summer	18		22nd	5th	7th	37	22
Autumn							23
Spring	19	SABBATICAL AD 19/20	23rd	6th	8th	38	23
Autumn	20		24th	7th	9th	39	24
Summer	21	Quirinus died.(?)	25th	8th	10th	40	25
Autumn	22		26th	9th	11th	41	26
Summer	23		27th	10th	12th	42	27
Autumn	24		28th	11th	13th	43	28
Summer	25		29th	12th	14th	44	29
Autumn							30
Spring	26	SABBATICAL AD 26/27	30th	13th	15th <sup>4</sup>	45	30
Summer							31
Autumn		The 30th. JUBILEE AD 26/27 <6281> <sup>11</sup>			YEAR 1 NOTE 6	BAPTIZED <sup>6</sup>	
Spring	27	1st. Passover. Wed.9 April <6504> <sup>11</sup>	31st	14th	46 <sup>2&amp;5</sup>	30 <sup>3</sup>	
Autumn							31
Spring	28	2nd. Passover. Mon. 29 March.	32nd	15th			32
Autumn							33
Spring	29	3rd. Passover. Sun. 17 April.	33rd	16th			33
Autumn							34
Spring	30	4th. Passover. Thursday 6 April	34th	17th	3 <sup>1/2</sup> yrs.	CRUCIFIED	
Autumn		Peter opened the Kingdom to Jews <sup>7</sup>	35th	18th	YEAR 4	PENTECOST	
Spring	31	Passover. Tues. 27 March.	36th	19th	YEAR 5	CHRIST THE LORD BEGAN BUILDING HIS CHURCH Acts 2: 37-38, 47. cp. Matthew 16:18.	
Autumn	32	Passover. Mon. 14 April.	37th <sup>10</sup>	20th <sup>10</sup>	YEAR 6		
Spring	33	SABBATICAL AD 33/34 [Passover Fri. 3 April]			YEAR 7 NOTE 6	THE VISION SEALED UP <sup>6</sup>	
Summer	34	Peter opened the Kingdom to Gentiles. <sup>6&amp;7</sup> Cornelius baptized. [Acts 10:44-48, cp. 11:16-18] <sup>8</sup> Paul baptized about the same time. [Acts 9:18, cp. 22:16] <sup>8</sup>					
Spring	35	[Passover Tues. 23 March]. [After his conversion Paul preaches in Damascus then he visited Arabia. On his return he stayed in Damascus for 3 more years.]					
Spring	36	[Passover Mon. 11 April]					
Autumn	37	Aretus defeated Antipas and gained Damascus in Syria.				Paul escaped from Damascus	
Summer	38/39	Herod Agrippa I, began his oppressive reign. <sup>9</sup> Josephus born					
Winter		Caligula gave Herod's territory to Agrippa which included Syria					

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\* Several secular time factors help us to ascertain with a reasonable degree of accuracy the year in which the Lord Jesus was born:-

The death of Herod "the Great" (25 November BC4) <6208><sup>11</sup>

The 15th year of Tiberius reign (AD26/27)<sup>4</sup>

The 46th. year of building Herod's the temple.<sup>2&5</sup>

After Herod's death Philip reigned 37 years.<sup>10</sup>

1 Dates: Hebrew months were lunar. Each new moon introduced a new month. When the heads of barley turned light green (Hebrew AVIV) the next new moon introduced the first day of a new year (Deut 16:1). So some years an extra month. This kept the first month (Nisan) in step with the barley harvest. The 1st month of the Hebrew year always started in late March or early April.

2 Even though the Senate declared Herod 'the Great' king in BC40 <6424><sup>11</sup> he did not begin reigning over the Jews until he gained control of Jerusalem in January BC 37, <6208><sup>11</sup> so Jews would count his years of reign from January BC37. <5476><sup>11</sup> Herod began building the temple in the 18th year of his reign. <5944><sup>9&11</sup> BC 37 being the 1st. of his reign, the 18th would be BC20.

3 Augustus required all Roman citizens and people of note register their loyalty to him in their home towns. This would take many months to accomplish.

The complete register was presented to Augustus in BC3.

Joseph and Mary were of note, both being of king David's royal line.

The Lord Jesus was crucified at Passover time, in the Spring. 3<sup>1/2</sup> years earlier, in the Autumn, He started his ministry, having just turned 30 years of age [Luk 3:21-23].<sup>4</sup> It follows that he was born in the Autumn.

4 Tiberius began to rule as viceroy in the summer of AD 12, two years before Augustus died. <6197/8><sup>11</sup> John started baptising in the 15th year of Tiberius rule, (summer AD 26 to summer AD 27). [Luk 3:1-2]

5 Building work on the temple had been going on for 46 years.<sup>2</sup> [John 2:13-22]

6 Daniel 9:27 predicted 7 years would be spent establishing the Messiah's covenant with many (Jews and Gentiles). At the start of the 7 years the Messiah was declared "Son of God" "who takes away the sin of the world" (John 1:15-36). In the middle of the 7 years, during the Passover of AD 30 (Spring), the covenant was sealed with His blood. Then on the day of Pentecost it was applied to the Jew (Acts 3:25,26).

3<sup>1/2</sup> years later (Autumn, AD 33) it was finalised with Gentiles (Acts 11:18, Romans 1:16, 2:10) This completed the 70 times 7 years predicted in Daniel 9:24<sup>3</sup>, thus sealing up the 490 year vision.

7 The Lord gave Peter the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven. (Matthew 16:19) He opened the kingdom to Jews (Acts 2:1-41) and Gentiles. (Acts 10:24-48 cp. Isaiah 42:1-4, 49:6, 52:13-15, Matthew 12:18-21.)

8 Cornelius and possibly Paul were both baptized in the last year of Daniel's 70x7 years.

The events in Acts 8:1-3, 9:1-31 and Acts 8:4-40, 9:32-12:25 occurred concurrently.

9 Herod Agrippa I, oppressed the church 3. 1/2 years from AD 41 to 44, see Acts 12. He ruled from AD 37 to 28th. September 43. Acts 12:23 records his death.

10 Phillip 37th year coincided with Tiberius' 20th. year of reign. This also confirms that Herod died in BC4. (Whiston 's Josephus 1980, Wars of the Jews: XVIII 4:6 & footnote).

11 References indicated thus <6208> are the paragraph numbers in:

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