

# Can a Man Tell God What to Do?

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- Can a man or woman tell God what to do?
- *and* He must do it?
- What is the first thing that Jesus tells us to do in praying to the Father?
- ‘*Our Father Who is in heaven, Holy or hallowed is Your name.*’
- What’s the next thing? ‘*Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.*’

When His will is not done, though commanded to be done, or altered:

- What is that called? *Sin!*

God’s Word *He has preserved*. We’re going to talk a little bit about the calendar and we are going to talk about postponements. I’ll try and make it as simple as I can. The greatest sin of human beings in the world, in the so-called Christian religions of this world, and in the Churches of God is to tell God what to do. The way you tell God what to do is to do it a little differently than He said.

Do you all accept the fact that God has preserved the Old Testament through the Levites and priests within the Jewish community in the Diaspora? Do you accept that as true? *Yes!* Why? Because God can guarantee that He will do it.

Remember the example of Baalim? Balak hired him to come and curse the children of Israel and he got all this money and all this glory from Balak. When he got up there after all the sacrifices, what did he do? He blessed Israel seven times and even prophesied of the coming Messiah. Now think of that!

Have there been debates among the Jews, the rabbis? *Yes!* You have the rabbis from Jerusalem versus the rabbis in Babylon; they had arguments all the time. One of their biggest arguments was over the calendar and the calculations for it. After Jerusalem was destroyed, the successors of the Babylonian rabbis had the majority. The ones who were faithful with the Word of God went to Tiberius and then over on the coast of Israel and then over to Spain. That’s how we have preserved for us the Old Testament.

Now we’re going to talk about something else, as well. This becomes difficult for people to accept, especially for those who want to *improve* on God.

- Have you ever tried to improve something that was perfect?
- You being imperfect, can that be done?
- Could you with no knowledge cut a perfect diamond?

I’m talking just in the human realm now.

- How about God?
- Does not everyone in the world have an opinion of God?
- A belief of God?
- A rejection of God, which still is a belief in God? *Yes!*

Romans 3:1: “What then *is* the advantage of the Jew, or what *is* the profit of circumcision? Much in every way. Primarily, in that they were entrusted with the oracles of God” (vs 1-2). Who was the one to supervise that for the official Old Testament and the official calendar calculations? *God!* All Scripture is called ‘God breathed’—Old and New Testament.

Verse 3: “For what if some did not believe?....”

- What if some were atheists?
- What if some rejected the Messiah?
- What if someone didn’t believe the Gospel?
- Does that change God? *No!*
- Does that change His Word?

There were those who changed it, but those are all exposed and rejected. One thing we need to understand about God: ***God is faithful!*** What God says *will be*, at whatever time He says it shall be.

“...Shall their unbelief nullify the faithfulness of God?” (v 3). ***No, because God is faithful!***

Consider this: Even with all the evil going on in the world and all the sin that’s taking place in the world, does God still provide for everyone night and day? Food? Rain? *Yes, indeed!* Furthermore, every life is automatically judged in their behavior, what they do, *according to the laws and commandments of God* because they are spiritual and function exactly like the magnetism that holds you on the earth.

Jesus said, ‘If a sparrow falls, God even knows this.’ Think about that! If you have any ideas contrary to the Word of God, or contrary to the calculations of the Calculated Hebrew Calendar, then you better think about your motives—don’t you think? Ask yourself:

- Can you improve upon perfection?
- Can you change something, just because someone gives you a plausible argument?

That’s why we are told to prove all things.

Notice what Paul writes, v 4: “MAY IT NEVER BE!...” Nothing of what God has said, or done, or will do, or prophesied, or had written, or had given to the priesthood to preserve, will God allow them to violate it so it becomes extinct. It might get down to a few people, but the Truth of God is always there and the Truth of God is available. You cannot say, ‘We accept the Old Testament, that God preserved it,’ and say, ‘we don’t accept the Calculated Hebrew Calendar,’ because God preserved that, as well.

“...Rather, let God be true...” (v 4). God is true all the time. It’s impossible for God to lie and He is perfect. Wouldn’t you say that that is the sum of the whole Bible? God is the One Who commands and angels are the ones who are to obey. Look what happened to Lucifer and the angels that rebelled. Did God tolerate that? *No!*

“...but every man a liar, exactly as it is written: ‘That You might be justified in Your words... [this is to God] ...and might overcome when You are being judged *by men*’” (v 4). That is the proper translation, because it is the present tense passive. You, God, are being judged. How do people judge God?

- By looking at the Word of God!
- By discrediting the Word of God!
- By saying, ‘We really don’t need this. We really don’t need that.’

Everyone here and everyone in the world believes in calendar postponements. What do I mean by that? We have the Roman calendar, which is a solar calendar. How long is a solar year? *365-1/4 days and a few minutes!* What happens every fourth year in the month of February? Why do they do that? Because before they corrected the calendar in the 1500s the Julian calendar had 365 days. What happened in time? *You lost a quarter of a day!*

Every year spring would move back a quarter of day, a quarter of a day, a quarter of a day. Pretty soon they were getting into keeping the things on the Roman calendar in the actual season of the winter. What they had to do was drop out 10 days from the calendar that they didn’t count. They did that in the 1500s and it was the 4<sup>th</sup> of October. The next day became the 15<sup>th</sup> of October, because they were wrong.

Ever since that time, what do we have? You can’t lose time; *God accounts for every second!* What do you do? You say, ‘Here’s a quarter of a day, we’ll hold that in reserve.’ Next year there’s another quarter of a day and we’ll hold that in reserve. The next year there’s another quarter of a day and now you have three-quarters of a day. In the fourth year what happens? *In order to keep from*

*losing time, you postpone the first of March by inserting the 29<sup>th</sup> day of February!* Does not everybody follow that? Do they not all understand and believe that? Yet, there are some people who say, ‘We should not have postponements with the Calculated Hebrew Calendar.’

Who gave the calendar? *God did!* The last time there was an adjustment to the Calculated Hebrew Calendar was after the sun went back ten degrees during the days of Hezekiah. From that time, Calculated Hebrew Calendar is perfectly accurate. There must be postponements! Because of the sin of mankind and the things that have happened in the heavens and on the earth, *there must be adjustments to it.* God gave all the rules of the calendar.

Let’s understand something very important because one of the reasons that people say we should not have postponements is because they say it should be simple. Foreseeing where the sun goes down and rises where you are on the earth, and where everyone else is on the earth when the sunrise comes to them, it’s simple, you can see it. When the sun goes down you can see it—correct? *Yes!* But it’s not that way with the months and the ‘appointed times.’

Furthermore, everywhere we are on the earth, when the Sabbath comes, it is 24 hours for us. But looking from space—the way that God does—down at the earth—and the International Date Line is in exactly the right place. Even Maimonides in his book says it has to be way east of Jerusalem, because you can’t start a day in the middle of a continent.

Think of this: You have to get to the bank. Here’s the dividing line, right down through the middle of Pasadena. On this side it’s tomorrow. On this side it’s today. How are you going to conduct life here? There are two banks right next to each other, one on one side of the line, one on the other side of the line. This one closes when Sunday comes, but the other one is open. You can’t have it that way, so that’s why *God inspired* the International Date Line.

How many saw the full moon the last two nights before tonight? That’s exactly what it should be. On the 14<sup>th</sup> day of the month it is waxing full, goes around the earth. The 15<sup>th</sup> day it is full, beginning to wane. That’s what God designed.

In order to keep the time, with the sun, the moon and the stars, God had to set it in motion. Let’s see what God did before He began creating all kinds of life. The sun and the moon were there, but He had to put them in the right position, because there was war in heaven and the first flood, at the rebellion of the angels, took place. So, God renewed the surface of the earth.

In order for it to be set in the correct way for life on the earth, animal and human, He set the sun in its place and the moon in its place and the stars the way that they should be. Which day did He do that on? *Day #4!*

Genesis 1:14: “And God said, ‘Let there be lights in the firmament of the heavens to divide between the day and the night, and let them be for signs, and for appointed seasons, and for days and years.’” Who does the appointing? *God does!*

Verse 15: “‘And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heavens to give light upon the earth.’ And it was so. And God *had* made two great lights, the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night; and *God had made* the stars *also*. And God set them in the firmament of the heavens to give light upon the earth” (vs 15-17). He put them in the right place so there would be coordination between the earth, the moon, the sun, and the stars.

Let’s look at an example of something. We’ll just mention it, two examples. After God had Moses set up the tabernacle and everything and it was raised up at the precise time that God wanted it raised up, He told Aaron and his sons that there was to always be the fire on the altar, it was never to go out. His two sons, Nadab and Abihu, let it go out. They said, ‘We can’t let anyone know this.’ What they should have done was run to Aaron and say, ‘Father, the fire went out,’ and he could have gone to the candle where it was burning and taken some of that Holy fire and continued the fire on the altar, but they didn’t do it.

They said, ‘We’ll put fire on there.’ What happened to them? BANG! They lost their lives, because they disobeyed God and they changed what God said to put *strange fire*, instead of fire that He had blessed. ***Can a man tell God what to do*** either by action or in words?

Let’s look at another example. God told the children of Israel we are ready to go into the land. They said, ‘Okay.’ They sent out the spies; they were gone 40 days and they came back and you know the story there. Ten of the spies said, ‘We can’t possibly do this, they are too strong, the cities are fortified and there are giants out there.’ You know what happened. Caleb and Joshua said, ‘No, God will be with us. He’ll fight out battles for us. We’ll make it.’ *No, we don’t want to go, we don’t want to go.*

So, God said, ‘All right, you’re not going to go. You’re going to wander another 38-1/2 years, making a total of 40 years that you’re going to wander in this wilderness. All of those who are over 20 are going to die.’ *Oh, God, don’t do that. Boo-hoo, God, don’t do that!* What happened? *The next*

*morning they said, ‘We’re going to go!’* Moses said, ‘Don’t go! God is not with you.’ *We’re going to go.* What happened? *They were driven back and a lot of them were killed!* ***Can anyone tell God what to do?*** *No!*

Let’s see something what God says about the appointed times. Now you know that in Lev. 23 it says, ‘These are the Feasts of the Lord, *the appointed Feasts*, which you shall keep in their seasons,’ and He names the month and the date. ***The appointed times were established in the heavens!*** That’s God’s realm!

Psalms 19:1: “The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims His handiwork. Day after day they pour forth speech, and night after night they reveal knowledge. There is no speech nor language where their voice is not heard” (vs 1-3). Everyone knows about the earth and the heavens by seeing them. But who controls them? *God does!* It reflects His character; it reflects His glory.

Based on the heavens, v 7: “The Law of the LORD ***is perfect*** restoring the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple. The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandments of the LORD are pure, enlightening the eyes. The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether” (vs 7-9).

That means how He has given everything that is not written here. You find no calendar in the Bible; you find *evidence* of it. If anyone desires, we have got four videos on the Calculated Hebrew Calendar, because puny men like to try and change it. The rules that God has given are necessary to keep it functioning, just like I explained with the quarter-day on the Roman calendar. This is how our attitude needs to be concerning God and what He has given: His Word, and His Calculated Hebrew Calendar.

How many in the Church of God understand astro-mathematics and physics to make the correct judgment on what needs to be? *Zero!* Not even NASA has it right. *God’s way is better!*

Psalms 119:126: “It is time for the LORD to work, for they have made void Your Law.... [that sure describes our day] ...Therefore, I love Your commandments above gold—yea, above fine gold. Therefore I esteem ***all Your precepts*** concerning ... [What I choose to accept, to be right. *No!*] ...all things to be right, and I hate every false way” (vs 126-128). We need to think on that.

I have seen all of the proposed calendars. When I did those four videos, and I was so fired up about all the destruction that was happening to the brethren, that I did those four videos one after the

other in one day—six hours! We’ve got a big stack of things here.

How many have read *The Sanctification of the New Moon* by Moses Maimonides, Translation by Ganzfried and Goldin—written by Maimonides in 1100<sub>S.A.D.</sub>. ‘Oh, but he was a rabbi.’ Could God control a rabbi to write the correct things? ‘The calendar wasn’t invented until 352 or 354<sub>A.D.</sub> by Hillel II. He invented it.’ *Nonsense!* He was so afraid because of the intense persecution against the Jews by the Romans that he released it for public distribution everywhere so it would be known, *so that what God had given would not be lost!* Too many people misunderstand that.

Isaiah 40 is where God’s answer is to every man, every woman, every demonic agent of Satan the devil, concerning resistance against the Word of God, concerning usurping the authority of God. God makes it clear. Listen, brethren, the way to true understanding, the way to true freedom, the way to true love, is to

- love God the Father and Jesus Christ with all your heart, mind, soul and being
- believe what God has given
- count everything that God says, *all* of His precepts and judgments, as altogether right

That will make us the most intelligent people in the world, *because all of that will come from God*, not from the universities of this world, or the think tanks of this world. *God calls them*, when they profess themselves to be wise, *fools* (Rom. 1). Isn’t it foolish to go against God? Look what happened.

If you can do this, then you can have authority to change the calendar, Isaiah 40:12: “Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand...” You probably couldn’t even pick up a 55-gallon barrel of water, let alone everything that’s on the earth.

“...and meted out the heavens with a span?... [He put them all in their place] ...And who has comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales, and the hills in a balance?” (v 12).

Think of that the next time you see a documentary about these great mountains and you look how you can see the strata turned up. All you have to do is drive toward Hollister and you go through the mountains there and they are all like this. They were at one time like this. Who made them like this? *God did!* He made all the mountains. He created everything on the earth.

When you declare that something God has provided, that it’s wrong and you don’t need it, which is what is happening when you declare that postponements are not necessary:

Verse 13: “Who has directed the Spirit of the LORD, and who was His counselor that he might instruct Him?” Are you not trying to instruct God when you say of the calculation that He has given, ‘God, we shouldn’t have postponements’? *Oh, well, you’re quite correct; excuse Me, let Me take them away!* Really?

Verse 14: “With whom did He take counsel, and *who* instructed Him and taught Him in the path of judgment, and taught Him knowledge, and made known the way of understanding to Him?” What are you going to tell God? The whole Christian world out there has done this. Too many within the Church of God are not willing to humble themselves like Jesus did, *‘I of My own self can do nothing.’*

Verse 15: “Behold, the nations *are* like a drop in a bucket, and are counted as the small dust of the scales; behold, He takes up the isles as a very little thing. And Lebanon *is* not sufficient to burn, nor the beasts of it sufficient for a burnt offering. **All nations...**” (vs 15-17). How many people are there on the earth, just of and by themselves? *God has a glorious plan for them*, but

- compared to what God is
- compared to what God has made
- compared to what God has created

Stop and think about it. The arrogance of human beings *that God has made* to stand up in the face of God and tell Him He’s wrong. Remember the parable of the potter? Should the thing say to the maker, what have you made? *I’ll make something else!* Think about it, human beings want God on their side, but God says, ‘You come on My side.’

Verse 17: **“All nations before Him are as nothing; and they are counted by Him as less than nothing, and vanity. To whom then will you compare God? Or what likeness will you compare to Him?”** (vs 17-18). Then he talks about making an idol. Look at all those dumb, stupid idols.

Verse 21: “Have you not known?... [Those of us in the Church, have we not known? *Yes, indeed!*] ...Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood *from* the foundations of the earth?” He’s talking to all humankind down through all time.

Verse 22: “*It is* He Who sits above the circle of the earth, and its people are like grasshoppers; *It is* He Who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them out like a tent to dwell in; Who brings the rulers to nothing; He makes the judges of the earth as vanity. No sooner are they planted, no sooner are they sown, no sooner do they take root in the ground, then He shall blow upon them, and they shall wither, and the whirlwind shall take them away like stubble.” (vs 22-24). You want to fight against

God? ‘Oh, I’m not fighting against God, I just think that we don’t need postponements.’ Does that not count? No! It’s in error!

Verse 25: “‘To whom then will you compare Me, or who is My equal?’ says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high, and behold, Who has created these things, who brings out their host by number?....” (vs 25-26).

- Who made time?
- Who made human beings?
- Who made everything in the earth?
- God did!

“...He calls them all by names by the greatness of His might, for He is strong in power; not one fails” (v 26).

Let’s apply that; let’s take the appointed times and let’s look at a couple of Scriptures. In Rev. 13:8 is something that God did from the foundation of the earth. Was that on day four? *The crucifixion in 30<sub>A.D.</sub> was on day four!* That was planned from the foundation of the earth.

Revelation 13:8: “And all who dwell on the earth will worship him [the beast], whose names have not been written in the book of life of the Lamb...” Are our names written in the Book of Life? Yes! Remember what Jesus told the Church at Sardis: ‘If you strengthen the few things that remain, I will not blot your name out of the Book of Life.’ We have to be faithful to the end—isn’t that correct? Yes, indeed!

“...Book of Life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world” (v 8). That is the prophetic perfect that when He proclaimed it would be it was as good as done, the minute that God said it, because God cannot lie. It is impossible for God to lie.

God does things according to the appointed times. Likewise, there was a specific time for Jesus to be born. Everything had to be planned and coordinated according to the Calculated Hebrew Calendar that God gave to man and to His Church so they would know that it did occur on that day. We don’t know what day it was when He said, ‘Slain from the foundation of the world.’ Was that on day four when He set the sun, moon and stars in place, which then have all of the appointed times? We don’t know! That can only be a guess on our part, but God did it.

Galatians 4:4: “But when the time for the fulfillment came... [this is for Jesus to be born] ...God sent forth His own Son, born of a woman, born under law.” Subject to law; at a set time.

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We need to think on this. God has done these things at the set time. What I want you all to do is to

read *The Appointed Times of Jesus the Messiah*. There was an appointed time for Him to be baptized, to be tempted of Satan the devil. There is appointed time for Him to be born, as we just read. There is appointed time for preaching the Gospel.

Mark 1:14: “Now after the imprisonment of John, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of the Kingdom of God, and saying, ‘The time has been fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God is near at hand; repent, and believe in the Gospel’” (vs 14-15).

What happened when He came? *It was on time!* If God is perfect, is He ever late? Ever think of that? Let’s tie this in with the crucifixion again. With this I want you to understand that what God is doing in our lives is so much bigger, so much greater, so much more fantastic than when we first started to learn.

Romans 5:6: “For even when we were without strength, at the appointed time Christ died for the ungodly.”

I want to focus in on the Passover and how God did it with the calendar and this is all with the Calculated Hebrew Calendar with the postponements.

- In the year when Jesus was born, there were postponements
- In the year that He was crucified, there were postponements

God set the calendar so that we do not have back-to-back Sabbath and Holy Day or Holy Day and Sabbath, with the exception of the commanded Feast of Pentecost. He set it that way for a purpose and I explain it in the videos and the material that we have.

What God is looking for in all of us is to love Him with all our heart, mind, soul and being. *God wants us converted in our minds and in our hearts!* In order to do that, we have to yield to God completely. That’s going to make you strong, not make you weak. That is going to give you confidence and Truth.

Before we get started, I want to bring your attention to this. You can find this in *A Harmony of the Gospels*. When was the lamb to be chosen for Passover? *The 10<sup>th</sup> day!* In John 12 the voice from heaven is *God’s choosing Jesus as the Lamb of God!* That’s on a Sabbath. Inclusive counting until He was resurrected on the next Sabbath is 8 days; 8 is the number of new beginning. He was crucified on the 4<sup>th</sup> day, the same day that the sun, moon and stars were set in motion; this is the 4<sup>th</sup> day of the week and it had to be on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of the week on a Wednesday in order to have three days and three nights in the grave. It’s all right there.

Here is why the Calculated Hebrew Calendar is so good and why we have it posted online. You can simply put in the year and punch it up and it will give you the dates.

Here's what Dwight Blevins wrote (Special Letter, *Jesus' Crucifixion and the Calculated Hebrew Calendar*):

Just like any fact of scripture, all information, rightly handled, is cumulative, adding one fact upon another to finally arrive at a conclusion of truth.

That's called growing in grace and knowledge.

Planned for perhaps hundreds, thousands, or even millions of years, before the foundation of the earth, it was apparently determined that Passover, in the year of the crucifixion, had to fall on Wednesday.

Given this requirement, one might assume that a very likely, uncomplicated scenario would be set up with calendar declarations, so this event would have minimal room for error, right?....

That's how we would do it!

...Not so, it seems, for the most narrow of probabilities was chosen—a year and date that could maximize the possibility of error, yet the timing of the 62 weeks, Jesus' ministry, and the week, day and year of His death was pulled off in a flawless manner, fulfilling many of the most important prophecies in the history of the universe.

Here's the point. All declarations of Tishri 1...

That's the first day of the 7<sup>th</sup> month. That's how the calendar is calculated.

...which occur on the weekday of Tuesday, are pretty unique. Such declarations, falling on Tuesday, occur only for years of 354 or 384 days. These are the average numbers for the lengths of the common 12 month, and the 7 thirteen month interlace of leap years of the 19-year Metonic cycle.

The Greeks did not invent the Metonic cycle, God did! Why? *Because you have to keep everything in coordination!* A full year of the lunar year is short compared to a solar year. So therefore, at 7 times in a 19-year time cycle there is an added month given, called Adar 2. This keeps everything in coordination.

Many of us are creatures of habit. Often, when we think of 30 AD and the year of

the crucifixion, we first focus on the day of Trumpets, 30 AD, then in mind, backtrack to the Wednesday Passover, almost 6 months earlier—Passover always falling 3 days earlier in the week, compared to the day of Trumpets at the outset of the 7<sup>th</sup> month.

That is three days in the week.

Nothing necessarily wrong with this mindset, except that when we do this sort of thing, technically we are moving in reverse order of the fact. That is, the Hebrew calendar calculations run on a counting method aligned with the civil year, which, with respect to any Passover, bears reference not to the successive day of Trumpets, almost 6 months later, but to the day of Trumpets which occurred in the fall of the solar year before. So, it is really the previous day of Trumpets, which sets the cadence of the CHC, not Tishri 1, which follows later, almost 6 months after the day of the Passover.

Then, in the sense of a civil year, according to progression of the Appointed Times, Passover day becomes the 5<sup>th</sup> Appointed Time...

What is the number of grace? *Five!* All these numbers add up.

...and not the 1<sup>st</sup>, as we oft view Nisan 14. From this perspective, Pentecost becomes the 8<sup>th</sup> Appointed Time...

and something he's already coordinated to

...always following the days of the 8<sup>th</sup> course of Abia.

What was the 8<sup>th</sup> course of Abia? That's when John the Baptist's father, Zacharias, was doing his priestly duty. Pentecost fell at the time he was doing it. So, you have the 8<sup>th</sup> feast from the beginning of the civil year to the 8<sup>th</sup> course of Abia to bring in the beginning of the new order starting with John the Baptist. Just like the first sentence says, you add, you add, you add; you don't subtract.

Jesus, in 30 AD, having been seen by His disciples for 40 days, on Thursday, the 27<sup>th</sup> of Iyar, the 44<sup>th</sup> day of His crucifixion, returned to the heavens, to begin serving as High Priest, just two days before the service of the 8<sup>th</sup> course began, Sabbath, Iyar 29.

What happened on Pentecost, 30<sub>A.D.</sub>? *The Holy Spirit came*—correct? *Yes!* So, you see how God works.

Again, in order for Passover, 30 AD, to fall on Wednesday, the previous Tishri 1, 29 AD, had to occur on a Tuesday, the least likely day for Trumpets.

Now, while there are 3 possible configurations of the lunar year, which may produce a Wednesday Passover day, the least likely of all options fell upon the timing of the years, 29 and 30 AD.

Passover had to fall on Wednesday, 30 AD, otherwise the prophecy of the 3 days/3 nights would not stand, the day of the Wave Sheaf would be off, with the count to Pentecost falling apart. It is worth nothing that virtually all important, prophetic times seem to be ordered by the number 4, the day of the half week (Wednesday) of the 7 day weekly cycle.

See why it's important that we do not presume to tell God, 'We don't need postponements. It's okay to have a Sabbath and then the Feast of Trumpets, or have the Feast of Trumpets and then a Sabbath.' God has set it *His way*. His time schedule is what we are to follow. His time schedule follows the Calculated Hebrew Calendar, *not what we think*.

That's why God has done it His way.

Yet, that's only the second of many complications, necessary to insure that Passover would be declared on Wednesday, 30 AD. The next hurdle is that a 384-day year can also begin on Tuesday, which occurs 5.26%, or 1/19<sup>th</sup> of the time. Therefore, since only years of 354 or 384 days may begin on Tuesday, the sum of the 384 and 354 day years, amounting to 11.5%, leaves us with the fact that 11.5-5.26=a mere 6.24% chance that Trumpets, 29 AD would be so declared in order that Passover in 30 AD would fall on Wednesday. This is a very narrow window of opportunity.

What we are dealing with is the mind of God. This may be making your head swim just a little bit, but you have to understand God makes it so that it will work.

But that's only the 3<sup>rd</sup> part of the complication, with yet more to add. On Monday, September 25, 29 AD, the astronomical conjunction of Tishri, Jerusalem time, fell at about 2:11 pm in the afternoon (12:11 UT)....

When it falls afternoon, you must declare the next day. So, that meant this fell on Monday at 2:11 you declare Tuesday.

...Thus, no chance whatsoever that the first crescent moon could occur just a few hours later at sunset.

All of those who say you have to see the new moon are wrong. Because of the sins of men and the disturbances in the heavens, *it must be calculated* in order for everything to be on time.

The molad of Tishri occurred even later in the day, falling at about 5:31 pm...

At 6 o'clock it goes into the next day.

...Jerusalem time, late Monday afternoon, very near the close of the day and within less than a half hour of the juncture of Elul/Tishri of that year....

It would have made it in the wrong month of that year.

...Therefore, with the molad calculation well past noon, by postponement rules, the next day, Tuesday, 29 AD was declared the day of Trumpets, strictly by calculation alone, as any visual of a crescent would have been an impossibility at sunset, Monday eve, as Trumpets began.

Let's stop and think for just a minute. Since this is true with calendar calculations and there are postponements within these calculations for the timing of Jesus' birth and the timing of His death, which was set long ago; therefore, God made it all happen in spite of how men may want to calculate it or figure it.

So, are we done with the complications of such declarations and requirements to assure a Wednesday Passover, 30 AD? Not quite, there's yet more to add. In order for Trumpets, 29 AD to occur in the necessary configuration to produce a Wednesday Passover day, the previous year had to be a leap year, moving the first month of the new year to a month and molad time, which would cause the declaration to rightly fall on a required day of the week, enabling a Wednesday Passover the following year. Therefore, this tells us that a strict cyclical cadence of the 19 year cycles had already been in place and functional, long before the time of Jesus' birth and ministry. The 8<sup>th</sup> year of the 19 year cycle, 28/29 AD was a leap year, and Tishri 1, 29 AD was declared day one of the 9<sup>th</sup> civil year of the Metonic, the year of Jesus' death—a civil year of 354 days.

No wiggle room in any of this, if calendar rules, as we know them, were in force. The bottom line, from a human perspective, this was the worst possible choice and scenario, which would encourage the possibility of error, yet, again, regarding timing, a book perfect example of how God orders His plan. What He has predetermined will always happen, with exact precision, seeing He is able to declare the end from the beginning. Based on the set up of the declaration of Trumpets, 29 AD, there was a 93.76% possibility of error, yet everything passed through the narrow, 6.24% window of time, just as God had planned

Trumpets was declared on Tuesday in 22, 29, and 42 AD. These were the only years for Tuesday in that era. 22 was way too early, 42 considerably late. Therefore, no doubt, 29 was the year that began on a Tuesday and 30 AD, the spring which produced a Passover on the weekday of Wednesday, all due to Hebrew calendar rules of declaration.

You may not understand some of this and it may be a little over your head, but go back and re-read it again. If you need some of that calendar material, we will send it to you. It will be eye-opening again.

For anyone—wherever this may go—who have thoughts to the contrary concerning anything that God has given in His Word or in His calendar, **can you tell God what to do?** Think about that!

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