

# JOSEPH AND THE WAVE SHEAF

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NKJ **Proverbs 25:2** *It is* the glory of God to conceal a matter, But the glory of kings *is* to search out a matter.

- The importance of the sheaves and the barley
- How the wave sheaf offering took place
- The timing issues and my understanding of what YHVH presented through Moses
- The Messianic significance of this ceremony.

Leviticus 23:9-14 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, <sup>10</sup> "Speak to the people of Israel and say to them, When you come into the land that I give you and reap its harvest, you shall bring the sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest to the priest, <sup>11</sup> and he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, so that you may be accepted.

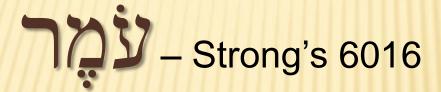


On the day after the Sabbath the priest shall wave it. <sup>12</sup> And on the day when you wave the sheaf, you shall offer a male lamb a year old without blemish as a burnt offering to the LORD. 13 And the grain offering with it shall be two tenths of an ephah<sup>1</sup> of fine flour mixed with oil, a food offering to the LORD with a pleasing aroma, and the drink offering with it shall be of wine, a fourth of a hin. 14 And you shall eat neither bread nor grain parched or fresh until this same day, until you have brought the offering of your God: it is a statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.

- Chag "Feast"
  - + not the "Feast of Firstfruits"
- a ceremony that takes place during Hag haMatza
- "Kashit Retzir" or "the Beginning of the Harvest"
- Not about firstfruits . . .
  - + About the First of the firstfruits



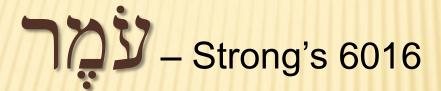
### omer



a dry measure of grain 4 out of 14 times



### omer



a sheaf 10 out of 14 times



NKJ **Deuteronomy 24:19** "When you reap your harvest in your field, and forget a sheaf (omer) in the field, you shall not go back to get it; it shall be for the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, that the LORD your God may bless you in all the work of your hands.



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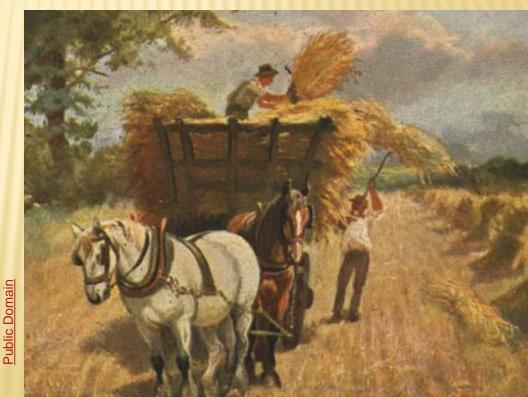
ESV Genesis 37:20 Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits. Then we will say that a fierce animal has devoured him, and we will see what will become of his dreams."

# A FEW POINTS ABOUT BARLEY

- \* the First ripe grain
- Grows wild (the seed spreads by wind and animals
- Became domesticated (must be put into the ground)

#### **ESV John 12:24**

Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.



- after the Sabbath cut a pre-determined amount of barley, bind it together into a sheaves
- roast the barley, grind it into very fine flour
- sift the flour through 13 different sieves
- collect an omer (2 quarts) of the flour, mix it with oil, and wave it over their head toward heaven.
- bake into bread
- additional sacrifices were performed

Temple dependent ceremony



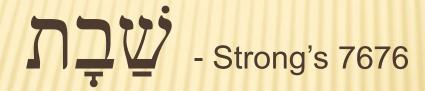
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- At least two sabbaths during Hag haMatza
  - + first / last day of Unleavened Bread
    - × both are considered "sabbaths"
    - x one may fall on the weekly Shabbat
  - + weekly Shabbat
- Which sabbath is being referred to in vs. 11?

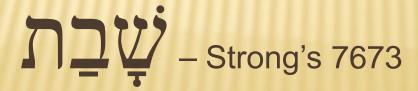


NKJ Leviticus 23:3 'Six days shall work be done, but the seventh day *is* a <u>Sabbath</u> of solemn rest, a holy convocation. You shall do no work *on it;* it *is* the <u>Sabbath of the LORD</u> in all your dwellings.





Feminine noun form of





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NKJ **Leviticus 23:16** 'Count fifty days to the day after the seventh Sabbath (カユロ); then you shall offer a new grain offering to the LORD.

# THE MESSIAH

- Two Messiahs
  - + Messiah ben Yoseph
    - × The humble servant
  - + Messiah ben David
    - The conquering king

ESV **Matthew 11:2-3** Now when John heard in prison about the deeds of the Christ, he sent word by his disciples <sup>3</sup> and said to him, "Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?"



# THE CONCLUSION

ESV 1 Corinthians 15:17 And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins.





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