

LEVITICUS 12: THE DAYS OF UNCLEANNES



INTRODUCTION

"LORD, make me to know my end, and the measure of my days, what it is; that I may know how frail I am."
(Psa. 39 v 4)

"So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom." (Psa. 90 v 12)

Jews, above all people, treasure the Psalms of David. Yet they do not have the wisdom to understand them.

If they believed prophetic counting begins and ends with Jesus Christ the Jews would have obtained instruction and warning of what their future would be if they rejected Christ.

JEWISH HISTORY after the Cross is predicted in the Book of Leviticus. If we use the life of Jesus Christ as the starting point, the prophecy is clear. If Jesus Christ is used as the starting point, the prophecy is meaningless.

PROPHETIC COUNTING

Modern history tracks Bible prophecy on a ONE CHAPTER = SEVEN YEARS basis, but only if you start at Leviticus. Why Leviticus? Because Jesus Christ is the Alpha and the Omega: the Beginning and the End. Modern history begins with Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ is the sin-bearer; Leviticus provides all the detailed rules for sacrifices to God. Leviticus chapters 1 – 6 map directly to the birth, life, ministry, and death of Christ.

¹ www.telegraph.co.uk This is an image of a refugee women living under a blanket in a tent in a field. Levitical rules for the days of purification required women to live like a refugee outside the community for quite some time. This is a perfect typology of what happened to the Jews (which is further described in this paper).

For further explanation and justification of the ONE CHAPTER = SEVEN YEARS prophetic tool, please see our page [LEVITICUS](http://www.biblenumbersforlife.com) on www.biblenumbersforlife.com

Leviticus 1 corresponds to the SEVEN YEAR period beginning with the Birth of Christ in **7 BC**, the slaughter of the innocents, the flight to Egypt, and the return to the Holy Land.

When we get to **Leviticus 12** we arrive at the period of history **77** years later (**11 x 7**) which is **71 to 77 AD**.

Leviticus 12 is a short chapter. It deals with the purification of the WOMAN after child-birth: so many days for a SON; so many days for a DAUGHTER.

Who is the prophetic fulfillment of the 'SON' in the Book of Leviticus? This can only be the Son of God - Jesus Christ - who is the theme of the whole book.

If so, who is the 'WOMAN' who gave birth to Jesus? She must be the Jewish people!

In **66 AD** the Jews revolted against the Romans. Rome pushed back and Jerusalem fell in **70 AD**.



THE DAYS OF UNCLEANNES

From the time of the revolt, **66 AD**, the Jews were persona-non-grata in the Roman Empire: they were despised people of worthless reputation. After the Fall of Jerusalem in **70 AD**, Jews were not allowed to rebuild their Temple or to offer sacrifices.

Sounds like what the Bible says about the 'WOMAN': "a woman who is pregnant and gives birth to a son will be CEREMONIALLY UNCLEAN for seven days." (Lev. 12 v 2)

A ceremonially unclean person could not enter 'The Camp' and could not offer sacrifices. Fulfillment: Starting in **71 AD**, within the prophetic time period of **Leviticus 12**, Jews were not permitted to live in Jerusalem and could not rebuild their Temple! Many of the survivors in Judea migrated to Egypt and from there sojourned as refugees to other parts of the Mediterranean.

THE DAYS OF UNCLEANNESS COMPLETED

Assuming a "Day" = 7 years, we count the days:

For a SON:

7 days ceremonially unclean	(7x7)	49 years
1 day circumcision (8th day)	(1x7)	7 years
33 days purification of bleeding	(33x7)	231 years

For a DAUGHTER:

14 days ceremonially unclean	(14x7)	98 years
66 days purification of bleeding	(66x7)	462 years
TOTAL	(121x7)	847 years

What happened in history **847** years after the Jewish Revolt in **66 AD**?

THE CALIPHATE OF CORDOBA

The first time the Jewish diaspora community experienced respect, peace, and protection of a government was during the reign of **Abd al-Rahman III** in Cordoba, Spain.

This period is known in Jewish History as "a golden age" of Jewish culture in the entire Middle Ages period. Jews were permitted to live in their communities, read their scriptures, observe their holy days, and integrate into society. Jews were free to engage in commerce and were involved in the local academic institutes.

Abd al-Rahman III began his reign of Cordoba in **912 AD**. His chief financial minister was a Jew by the name **Hasdai ibn Shaprut**, whose counsel assisted **Abd al-Rahman III** to become rich and powerful. In 929 the Emir declared himself to be Caliph, ruler of all the world's Muslims. His domain was known thereafter as the Caliphate of Cordoba.

The year the 'WOMAN' was deemed 'clean'? The beneficence of **Abd al-Rahman III** was right on schedule.

66 AD + 847 = 913 AD

Clarification: the 'SON' the Jews gave birth to (prophetically) was Jesus Christ; the 'DAUGHTER' the Jews gave birth to was the peaceful diaspora community that existed in the time of the Caliphate of Cordoba.

THE JEWS UNSAVORY REPUTATION

The Jews handed Jesus, who was innocent of a capital crime, over to the Romans to be crucified. The Jews also rebelled from the governing authorities, the Romans, who had re-built their temple and granted them the privilege to practice their religion, even though it was antithetical to Roman pagan practices. These were the kinds of mistakes that earn people a reputation for double-dealing and untrustworthiness.

However, there is a deeper spiritual cause at the root of the universal disdain for Jews during the years of uncleanness.

The Jews accused Jesus of Nazareth of being born out of wedlock. They believed him to be an illegitimate son and taunted him by saying "**We be not born of fornication; we have one Father, even God.**" (**John 8 v 41**)

But if the son is illegitimate, what does that say about the mother!

And so the Jews pronounced themselves 'unclean'!

JEWISH HISTORY FORETOLD IN LEVITICUS: MISSED

If the Jews sought a chapter in the Bible to know their future they should have looked at **Leviticus 12**, since it specifies the regulations for the purification of uncleanness for a woman who gives birth. But this never would have crossed their minds, since they rejected the Jesus as unclean. Even after the fall of Jerusalem they did not accept their uncleanness, nor consider their sins caused the second diaspora, just as their sins caused the first diaspora.

Maybe now with the passage of time, they will see the fulfillment of prophecy in **Leviticus 12** and believe in Jesus? No, they won't. Even if a man rose from the dead they won't believe. Such is their unbelief and hard hearts.

But the fulfillment of the **Leviticus 12** prophecy should encourage the hearts of Christians. Jesus is the Alpha and Omega: the Beginning and the End, of prophecy: since eternity past and for eternity future.

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