



# Joshua 5 Wave Sheaf

Yes or No?

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# 1 - God's Word is Truth

<sup>NKJ</sup> **Deuteronomy 31:9** So Moses wrote this law (torah) and delivered it to the priests, the sons of Levi, who bore the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and to all the elders of Israel

<sup>NKJ</sup> **Psalms 119:142** Your righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, And Your law (torah) is truth.

<sup>NKJ</sup> **John 17:17** "Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.



## 2 – The Torah Ends with Moses

<sup>NKJ</sup> **Deuteronomy 31:24** So it was, when Moses had completed writing the words of this law in a book, when they were finished,

### 3 – You May Not Add to or Take Away

<sup>NKJ</sup> **Deuteronomy 4:2** "You shall not add to the word which I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you.

<sup>NKJ</sup> **Deuteronomy 12:32** "Whatever I command you, be careful to observe it; you shall not add to it nor take away from it.

<sup>NKJ</sup> **Matthew 5:18** "For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled.



## 4 – Follow the Torah Explicitly

<sup>NKJ</sup> **Deuteronomy 28:14** "So you shall not turn aside from any of the words which I command you this day, *to the right or the left*, to go after other gods to serve them.



## 5 – God Does Not Change

<sup>NKJ</sup> **Malachi 3:6** "For I *am* the LORD, I do not change; Therefore you are not consumed, O sons of Jacob.



# Wave Sheaf Timing

<sup>NKJ</sup> **Leviticus 23:5** 'On the fourteenth *day* of the **first month** at twilight *is* the LORD's Passover.

<sup>NKJ</sup> **Deuteronomy 16:1** "Observe the month of Abib, and keep the Passover to the LORD your God, for in the month of Abib the LORD your God brought you out of Egypt by night.

“aviv’ - אָבִיב – Strong’s 24  
“fresh” and “green ears



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## WHAT SABBATH?



# Wave Sheaf Timing

- The **Sabbath before** causes you to have to harvest grain for the offering on an annual sabbath
- The **Sabbath after** takes you out of the context of the festival
- The **Sabbath after** makes you wait until after the festival to begin to harvest the grain. You may have to wait up to the 29th day of Aviv to begin the harvest – a point when the barley would be past the point of peak maturity

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Wave Sheaf Offering →

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Wave Sheaf Offering ⇨

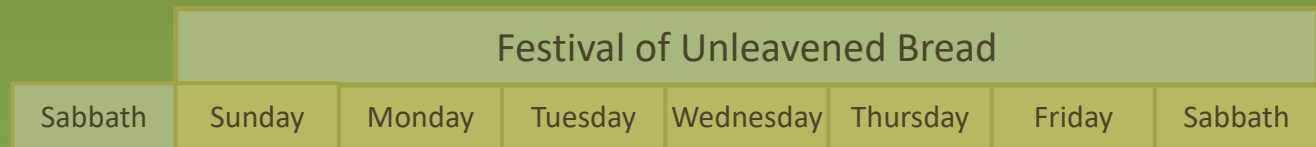
## What About Joshua 5?

<sup>NKJ</sup> **Joshua 5:10-12** Now the children of Israel camped in Gilgal, and **kept the Passover** on the fourteenth day of the month at twilight on the plains of Jericho. <sup>11</sup> And **they ate of the produce of the land on the day after the Passover**, unleavened bread and parched grain, **on the very same day.** <sup>12</sup> Then the manna ceased on the day after they had eaten the produce of the land; and the children of Israel no longer had manna, but they ate the food of the land of Canaan that year.

# What About Joshua 5?

The Theory:

- the Hebrews “kept” (i.e. – “killed” ) the Passover on the weekly Sabbath
- performed the service of the wave sheaf and the next day (Sunday morning – Aviv 15 - the First Day of Unleavened Bread)
- allowed them to harvest grain



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<sup>NKJ</sup> **Leviticus 23:12-13** 'And you shall offer on that day, when you wave the sheaf, **a male lamb** of the first year, without blemish, as a burnt offering to the LORD. <sup>13</sup> **'Its grain offering shall be** two-tenths of an ephah of fine flour mixed with oil, an offering made by fire to the LORD, for a sweet aroma; and **its drink offering shall be** of wine, one-fourth of a hin.



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<sup>NKJ</sup> **Deuteronomy 26:5-10** “... 'My father was a Syrian, about to perish, and he went down to Egypt and dwelt there, few in number; and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and populous. <sup>6</sup> 'But the Egyptians mistreated us, afflicted us, and laid hard bondage on us. <sup>7</sup> 'Then we cried out to the LORD God of our fathers, and the LORD heard our voice and looked on our affliction and our labor and our oppression. <sup>8</sup> 'So the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and with an outstretched arm, with great terror and with signs and wonders. <sup>9</sup> 'He has brought us to this place and has given us this land, "a land flowing with milk and honey"; <sup>10</sup> **'and now, behold, I have brought the firstfruits of the land which you, O LORD, have given me.'**...”

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<sup>NKJ</sup> **Deuteronomy 26:1** "And it shall be, **when you come into the land** which the LORD your God is giving you *as* an inheritance, **and you possess it and dwell in it,** <sup>2</sup> "that you shall take some of the first of all the produce of the ground, **which you shall bring from your land that the LORD your God is giving you,** and put *it* in a basket and go to the place where the LORD your God chooses to make His name abide. <sup>3</sup> "And you shall go to the one who is priest in those days, and say to him, 'I declare today to the LORD your God that I have come to the country which the LORD swore to our fathers to give us.'



## the Wave Sheaf and You!

- The Wave Sheaf is about YOU!
- We need the Lamb in order to do His will.
- Like the disciples, we have a job to do.
- And like the disciples, we offer our lives to the mission.
- Being part of God's Kingdom is just the start.



# Did Joshua Offer the Wave Sheaf?

## NO!

If he had, he would have:

- Violated the prohibition of doing regular work on the festival
- Violated the Torah defined timing of the offering
- Violated the purpose of the offering by using unacceptable grain.

# How Do You We Determine the Wave Sheaf When The First Day of Unleavened Bread Falls on Sunday?

**You follow the Torah!**

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Shalom Aleichem

*Peace be Unto You*