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## The Counting Of The Omer Prophecy Jim Staley 2024

Are you familiar with the counting of the Omer commandment and prophecy and how it relates to Acts chapter two and the Holy Spirit coming down at Pentecost? It's absolutely incredible. It's connected to the 40 days that Yeshua spent in the desert. It's connected to the 40 years that the Israelites spent in the desert. And it's connected to the 40 days that Yeshua was here after he rose from the dead.

Hello, everyone. I'm Jim Staley [Passion For Truth Ministries](#) and in today's broadcast, we're going to talk about the commandment that God gave ancient Israel, to count the Omer. What in the world is that? And why have we never been taught about this as Christians? Well, we're going to unpack it all here in this broadcast, and show you the prophetic connections from the front of the book. I call the front of the book, the Old Testament, and the back of the book, the New Testament, because the New Testament is simply the Old Testament revealed. And the Old Testament is simply the New Testament concealed.

So today, we're going to pull all of it out and put it together and show you why this commandment is so important. It's all connected to God's calendar. If you know anything about me or my ministry, God has given us an incredible calendar. I call it God's prophetic calendar. It's not the calendar that we've been given by Rome, our Roman Catholic friends, but this is God's calendar that was stripped from us, and it was exchanged for something that was not of Him. There are two sets of feast days that are all related to the first and second coming of Christ, the first four happened in the spring, and that relates to the first coming of Christ, and the last three, are connected to the second coming of the Messiah. Those are the fall feast days, and I cover all of those in my fall feast day introduction to [The Fall Feast Days](#). If you'd like more information on the feast days, you can text *feast day* at 844-763-9543, and you'll immediately get a free download, that will give you a prophetic overview of all of them if you're not familiar with them.

In this broadcast, we're going to talk about the Counting of the *Omer*. What is the counting of the Omer? Well, we have to go back all the way up to Leviticus chapter 23 to find out what the instruction is that God gave before we can find the prophetic connection in the book of Acts. So, travel with me back in time, Leviticus 23:15, and it says this, "*you shall count for yourselves from*

the day after the Sabbath, from the day that you brought the sheaf of the wave offering, seven Sabbath shall be completed, Count 50 days to the day after the seventh Sabbath, then you shall offer a new grain offering to the Lord.” This is an amazing passage because it finds itself right here in the very chapter of the Bible that gives us all the details of the feast days on God's calendar, They are all about the curriculum of Christ, and every one of them are about Yeshua, about Jesus.



So inside of the first **Spring Feast Days**, we've got Yeshua dying on **Passover**, then He's put in the grave right before the High Sabbath, the first day of **Unleavened Bread**, which is a seven-day feast. The first Sunday after Passover was **First Fruits**. This is the first fruits of the barley harvests which are called

*HaBikkurim* in Hebrew. That day was the **Feast of First Fruits**. That's the day that the Messiah rose from the dead. That's also the day that they count the first day of the counting of the Omer, counting 50 days, all the way up until in Hebrew what was called Shavuot, and the Greek side is called Pentecost or 50. This is an amazing commandment, because Yeshua raises from the dead not only on the Feast of Firstfruits, where he was prophesied to raise from the dead. He rose from the dead precisely on the same day, which began the counting down to Pentecost, and nobody knew it at the time, which is absolutely incredible. That's what we're going to walk through today. We're going to pull this apart and find out why is this so significant?

There is an incredible parallel here, like two parallel tracks of train tracks that are coming and they're moving towards us - one from ancient Egypt and the first Passover and Pentecost, and the second one in the year that Yeshua died and rose from the dead on that Passover and Pentecost. The parallels are striking. There's something unbelievable for us to learn here. So, when we go back in time to the original Exodus, what we discover are two parts. We discovered that the Egyptians killed Israel in bondage and in slavery. There was an extraordinarily difficult time of 10 plagues. Remember that number 10, that's going to be important. There were 10 plagues that brought them out of Egypt. Then 50 days later, traditionally, they come before Mount Sinai. God himself says, "On the third day, Moses, tell the people on the third day, I'm going to reveal myself to them". How incredible is that? That God said, "On the third day, I'm going to reveal myself in person" and Yeshua died, and on the *third day* revealed himself All right, there we go. There's some patterns and connections happening already. In Egypt, the first thing that we've got is we've got a Passover, and a covenant that is made. And then 50 days later is the feast of Shavuot. In the commandments of God, the Torah was given, the instruction manual was given. They were so excited about this, because they were the only people group in the history of the world, that the God that they served and worshiped, gave them an instruction manual. No other God did that! Every other God, put burdens on the people and would curse the people. They had no idea how to please the gods, and they were constantly offering this and

offering that trying to appease the gods, because the gods never tell told them what they wanted what they didn't want, right? God Yahweh was the only one that did that.

So, this instruction manual, although today we look back and go, *Oh, you know, that was archaic. And that's bondage.* No, this was the most incredible thing ever! Now they knew how to please their God. Husbands, imagine if your wife laid out for you on your wedding day, a 66-book essay that said, *here's everything that you can do to please me, and not please me.* And by the way, I set before you blessings and curses; blessings, if you do things that I like, curses if you don't. Now, look, that doesn't really happen on our wedding day, but the longer that you're married, you learn that your wife absolutely has an instruction manual. There is a Torah there, there are blessings and curses, depending on how you treat her. And so there are incredible connections that we could get into marriage. But we'll save that for a marriage series. For now, what I want to show you is this, there is a time period from Passover where things are extraordinarily difficult. They are chased by Egyptians all the way through the Red Sea. They are mikvahed, they are immersed, or today the language would be baptized in water; like a baby that is coming through the mother's birth canal and there is water, there is birth through water.

So, the Israelites are being birthed as a new people. And here's what's really incredible, they're not new, they are being *renewed*. Okay, this is a prophetic connection to the New Testament, the New Covenant, it is not brand spanking new as if no part of it ever existed before. It is simply renewed from a framework that existed that was perfect in the past. But it was because of the people that broke it that God had to make some rearrangements. And that's exactly what happened in the Old Testament with the people of Israel. They came and they were renewed through the water of the word, if you will, and they came out on the other side, they stood before God. And God said that he was going to make them a royal priesthood, a kingdom of priests, kings and priests. They were not supposed to have a king. It was at this point in time that all 12 tribes of Israel were going to be kings and priests. But because Moses was up on the mountain for too long, and they had no idea when he was coming back, they decided to make a molten image of a golden calf to replace Moses as the mediator. And they were worshipping God through this mediator of the golden calf just like they had learned in Egypt. Even Aaron said, *Hey, tomorrow is going to be feast to unto Yahweh.* In their mind, they were going to serve God through the new Moses, this golden calf. God looked down and said, *No, this is idolatry.* And because of it, he literally pulled the priesthood away from all 12 tribes and gave it to one single tribe and we know what that tribe is - the tribe of Levi. Then they were given a king not too long after that. And so, at the end of the day, God's original plan to give them the Holy Spirit on Mount Sinai, along with the truth, to create the true John for 5:24 worshiper didn't happen. So, 1400 years later *to the day*, this is what happened. God gave the 10 commandments and the Torah on Mount Sinai on Shabbat the first time and then after Yeshua rose from the dead 50 days later comes the feast of Shavuot. Again, something extraordinary happens.

Let's continue to move through this and see what we discover. Let's go on the road to Emmaus, Luke chapter 24, verse 28, through 31. Read it with me, I want you to see what happens Yeshua is now risen from the grave, and he's on the way there. He appears to a couple of disciples on the way to Emmaus, and this is what's going on. *Then they drew nearer to the*

*village where they were going, and he indicated that he would have gone farther, but they constrained him saying, abide with us, for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. And he went in to stay with them. Now it came to pass as he sat at the table with them, that he took bread, blessed it and broke it and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they knew him. And he vanished from their sight. Now listen carefully to the text. This is extraordinary, and gives us deep insight on how God can reveal himself in your life. Watch this, verse 32. And they said to one another, did not our heart burn with us, while he talked with us on the road and while he opened the Scriptures to us. So, they rose up that very hour in return to Jerusalem and found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together saying the Lord is risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon. And they told about the things that had happened on the road and listen to this, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.*

I meditated on that for several minutes. And the Holy Spirit revealed to me something, brother, that I believe will absolutely encourage you. If you want Yeshua, if you want the Holy Spirit, if you want God to reveal Himself to you, you must take time to walk with Him. And you must take time to sit down and break bread with Him. The Bible says that after all that time - probably hours in the walking, and they never knew who they were walking with. It was when they *sat down* and he began to break bread. And they recognized that this is the rabbi that they were used to on that night. In the last supper when he broke the bread. No other Rabbi broke bread the way this Rabbi did, and their eyes were opened. It was the intimate moment of sharing a meal, and breaking of the bread is when their eyes were opened. I will encourage you break the bread of life, open the bread of life, that is a fascinating word. It is *Bet*, the house, and then bread is *Lechem*, the house, where they were in, the *house of bread*. You know what that word is in Hebrew? It's *Bethlehem*. That's the Hebrew word *for house of bread*. They were eating with him, they were *consumed* with his body being broken, and it just dawned on them, oh my goodness, it has to be him.

We need to spend our time with Him because that time and that walk and that sit down, that's when the power of God is going to be revealed to you. Just a few verses down, it says this and I want you to catch this: *Behold I send the promise of My Father upon you*. We know that's going to be the Holy Spirit. They don't know that yet, but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are indowed with power from on high.

Now I want to share with you the word "tarry" - which literally means to be *seated*. It means to relax. It means to sit down in the hustle and bustle of life. My friends, I know that the amount of stress that I live in and the constant moving at 100 miles an hour sometimes can be. I'm always on the edge of an anxiety attack, and I can feel it. I've had issues with anxiety my whole life. God really spoke to me through this, and said Jim, just tarry just sit down, just relax in my presence and wait for the power on high. Now, they didn't know what this power was but they knew they were going to be in Jerusalem because they have already been counting the Omer, 50 days from the day of First Fruits. They are going to count down seven Shabbats, seven, Sabbaths they're going to count. Now what's incredible about this is that Yeshua is giving them a formula for success in their life. Because my friends coming out of Passover in Egypt 1400 years earlier, there was an extraordinary amount of pain, extraordinary amount of anxiety,

extraordinary amount of stress with almost being killed multiple times by the Egyptians and the army and Pharaoh and the whole waterfall and the almost drowning, and then meeting this scary God on Mount Sinai. There was a lot going on. But when that *third day* came and the sky opened up and this is incredible voice came and gave them the commandments, they were sealed with that promise from that day forward. They were given the power of God in written word. Now, 1400 years later, Yeshua said, tarry in Jerusalem 50 days later, to the day. In Acts chapter two, the Holy Spirit came down on those apostles that were there, because they were counting the Omer. They knew they had to be in Jerusalem, it was commanded to be in Jerusalem for the feast of Shavuot. They were there, they were waiting, they were in the upper room, the same place that they celebrated the Seder, the Passover with their Savior. God showed up in power, He revealed himself, He says, *Look, I just want you to relax, because at some point, when you relax with me, and you're not a Martha, but you're a Mary, and you're not serving me, and you're just relaxing, and that's how you're serving me is just relaxing in my presence. I will fill you with power.*

My friends, I feel like there's a prophetic word right now that you need to know. You need to know that you don't have to **DO** in order to **RECIEVE** the power of God. There are times when you will be pregnant with the promise, and the power of the faith that God is requiring of you is to **believe** in that promise that He will **fulfill** it in your life. Because the days before the counting of the Omer, it's Passover season, it's getting the leaven out and there's a difficulty there. There is a labor pain that's happening, but when you are moving from the resurrection, ladies and gentlemen, the resurrection of Shavuot to Pentecost, that time is peaceful, that day is the counting of blessings every single day, we count it down. We know there's something coming. There is a promotion coming for you right now, brother and sister. There is a promotion. You've been in a trial. But God says, the first 40 days started the ministry of Christ and it was in the desert, the devil was there, there was temptation, there was difficulty. The Son of the living God was struggling to make it through to start his ministry. And isn't it incredible, my friends, that he ends his ministry on planet Earth with 40 days. Acts chapter one tells us that he was in the earth for 40 days after he rose from the dead, instructing his disciples. Walking through walls, eating, letting them touch his glorified body was absolutely incredible. The 40 days of him being on the earth is connected to the 40 days that he started his ministry. But what's the difference? You see 40 in Bible times represents *trial*. Forty years in the desert, 40 days in the desert, 40 days of rain day and night with Noah's Flood; everything around the word 40 revolves around trial and tribulation until you get to the cross. The moment the resurrection happens, there's a 40 day event that happens where, Yeshua, Jesus the Christ, is on earth and he transitions the 40 from trial to tribulation: *Consider it pure joy, my brother because you will be mature and complete, not lacking anything. The power of God is going to come upon you and the "40" that you're used to as trial and tribulation, I'm now going to transition that into dunamis power. That's what I'm going to do for you.*

So now you've seen that 40 days, 40 years all this 40 is rough and tough stuff. But you see what Yeshua says that the last 40 days that I'm going to be on planet Earth, I'm going to erase the pain, and I'm going to replace it with power. You see, pain brings you to power, like pregnancy brings you to new birth. The father told me this last fall during the Feast of Sukkot, that this next

year was going to be a year of birthing a year of supernatural growth. And I've seen that in my own ministry - over 800% growth. Just in the first few months of this year. God is birthing new things in this ministry and in our lives. And I believe that he's going to be birthing new things in your life as well. While we have a war raging in the Middle East, there are birth pains that are happening, or God is resurrecting things in our hearts again and making us new and alive. But we need to count down this time and recognize that God told us to do this for a reason, these 50 days, so he was here for the first 40 days, and then he leaves and there's 10 days left. What's fascinating about that, is that there are 10 days between the Feast of Trumpets in the fall, and before Yom Kippur, which is judgment day. And it's prophesied that the Messiah is going to come on the Feast of Trumpets, and every knee will bow at the sound of that trumpet, which is why it's during the Feast of Trumpets. It's when the kings of Israel in ancient days were inaugurated as King even when they came into their kingship earlier on Tishri one, the seventh month, the first day of the month, on Rosh Hashana, Trumpets, they would crown him as king. And when they did crown that new king of Israel, everybody would bow the knee and declare that that King is Lord. In the same way Yeshua is going to come riding on the cloud, and every knee will bow and declare him as Lord and that church as we know it will be taken up out of this earth and then the 10 days of wrath. It's called the 10 days of awe will happen where he pours His wrath out on planet Earth, and then judges at the very last day. My friends, this 50 Day countdown is extraordinary because it is connected to First Fruits. First Fruits is when they held the sheaf offering of the barley and they waved it before God, right at sunrise on that Sunday morning on Yom Bikkurim. Yeshua is rising from the dead at that moment, they have been eating unleavened bread, they can't eat regular bread during the Feast of Unleavened Bread, but during the Feast of Shavuot, 50 days later, is the only feast where they take two loaves of wholly leavened bread perfectly baked and they wave them before God. One hundred fifty days later, 50 days earlier was just a sheaf. It was just the grain, there's nothing there. There's no bread, it's just the ingredients of the bread. But 50 days later, on the wheat harvest, they would wave before Yahweh the full mature bread. All the ingredients put together everything in its place. It was upgraded from sheaf to what it was made to be and why the sheaf was cut to begin with. Ladies and gentlemen, you were cut from the earth. When you accepted Christ, that was you, you're just a sheaf, you're just a sheaf. But God says 40 days, 40 nights, 50 even through the Tribulation will bring you a joy of transformation like you've never seen.

This is the time period, and I said all that to say this, prophetically, the counting of the Omer prophecy is about your opportunity every single year during this time to go Father, by faith, I want to receive my upgrade on Pentecost, I want to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit on Shavuot. I want to receive whatever you have for me, by faith, I'm going to count it as if it already exists. It is all about counting 1,2,3 - all the way to 49. And then the 50th is the Jubilee. It is the giving back of all the debts. It is the endowment of power from on high and that dynamis power in the Greek. You know what that literally means? That's the word that we're getting *dynamite* from. It literally means explosive power, the talent and the gifting to do something. You're no longer sitting and tearing, now you're doing something because you have the power to do it. You know, most of us walk through our lives and we don't experience the supernatural. We don't have stories of miracles and healings and prophetic words and visions and amazing things that God does in our life. You know why? Because we're not walking in power. You can't walk

around with the Word of God, and just start telling people this is what the Word of God says. Nobody cares anymore that those days are over. Those are Billy Graham days. People want to see results. And Paul said, I didn't come to you with persuasive words, I came to you with the power demonstrated power of God.

My friends, if we want to transform this world into what it was supposed to be, if we want to make an impact in people's lives, we don't need gimmicks. We don't need to invite people to a men's conference and do crazy things. So, they'll show up. We don't need to put a playboy up so we can get a crowd of men, if you will, and preach them the gospel. What we need to do is express the power of God in our lives. They're already hungry and waiting for it. I'm telling you this counting is about you receiving a promotion. From a trial that you've already gone through, you just don't know that this is the process now from this moment, till Shavuot. Count down the Omer in your life. What's the Omer, it's a measurement of grain about three and a half liters. It's designed just for you. It's enough for a couple of loaves of bread for you and your loved ones, and you, by faith, have to receive it, just like you did when you accepted Him in your heart for the very first time. If you want the image of Christ, Galatians five, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. If you want the image of Christ and the gifts of the Spirit, you don't receive those by doing things *you will do*, you receive them by faith, and asking God for them.

So in closing this, my friends, let me encourage you. Ask the Father, for the gifts that He wants to give you, that he's been desiring to give you from the very beginning. And then wait for Him. Sit in his presence, walk with Him, eat and dine with him. Let him reveal Himself to you through the scriptures. Look for him everywhere you go. Pray in the gaps in everything that you do. If you're driving home, turn the radio off, stop filling your mind with things that matter not. And pray in the Spirit, pray with Him, spend time with him, talk to him, like he was your best friend sitting right there next to you. You wouldn't be silent for hours on end while you're sitting in traffic, or however long it takes you to drive from one place to another. This Shavuot let it be different. You are set up every year with a pattern. It is not just to look back and go, *Oh, isn't that incredible?* The Holy Spirit came down and the tongues of fire showed them that this is where the *new* tabernacle is going to be, just like the pillar of fire that was over the tabernacle. Wasn't that an amazing thing. This isn't just looking back. *You* can have that today. My friend, today, this year, you can birth something that's incredible. You birth it and you will have no effort in the process. The effort is simply walking with him and then inviting him for dinner. Can you imagine that gentleman that we're walking with, Yeshuah, and didn't even know it? What would happen if they wouldn't have invited him to their house? If he was not invited to their house? They would have never known who he was. They went above and beyond. When was the last time that you spent that kind of time with God. And you said, I want more. I want more. Show me. Let's break bread together. Guys, I believe that God can bless you. He can keep you, He can give you extraordinary supernatural giftings and power. You just need to believe it. You need to believe with all your heart, mind, soul and strength and look forward to that day. And it's on that day that it's customary. God's people would bring an offering before God. They would present an offering. Every one of those disciples had an offering that they brought to Jerusalem, just like

the commandment said, and God out did their offering by giving them power, power to overcome and sometimes its power to endure.

Sometimes it's a supernatural peace, *shalom*. Sometimes it's an upgrade in your job, your career, your relationships, but you must be focused on the faith of that promotion and believe by faith that God is going to do His part, when you do your part. He does his part every single time.

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