

# ROOD REVIEW

»»» MAY 2024

## The Gift of Counting The Omer

**In the quiet between Passover and Shavuot**, something very important is happening. In the Torah, we are instructed to count fifty days or seven Sabbaths that lead us to Shavuot.

*“And you shall count unto you from the morrow after the Sabbath, from the day that you brought the sheaf of the wave offering, seven Sabbaths shall be complete. Unto the morrow after the seventh Sabbath shall you number fifty days...” ~ Leviticus 23:15-16*

This counting acts as a bridge between the Spring Feasts of the LORD. As we count, we are stepping along with the Israelites from the exodus from Egypt and the crossing of the Red Sea through the desert to Mount Sinai. It is a count that brings us to the completion of something beautiful — entering into the covenant with the Almighty that allowed the people to continue on to the Promised Land.

The same count that takes the Israelites from Egypt to Mount Sinai also paces out the time between the resurrection of our Messiah to the gift of the Holy Spirit. Layered upon this understanding, our count anticipates the gift our risen Messiah gave at the completion of his ministry. He did not leave us empty-handed, but rather empowered us with the Holy Spirit to teach and live according to the Word so that we may live eternally with him.

Although it may appear as a lull between the spring feasts, this count, also called the Counting of the Omer, is really a lifeline. It is a count filled with anticipation and expectation. It is the count from a rescue, a deliverance, a salvation to a gift of life, of strength, of holiness. It is the count of a promise to its fulfillment. It is a count of hope that leads to blessing.

So this month, as you count out the days between the exodus and the giving of the Torah, as you count out the days between the resurrection and the gift of the Holy Spirit, remember to give thanks. Remember also to think about your offering to the Almighty and how you might bless him through your life. May you bless and be blessed this month as you continue the count.



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# Count The Omer to SHAVUOT!

This year, according to the Astronomically and Agriculturally Corrected Biblical Hebrew Calendar, the Day of Firstfruits will be Sunday, April 28. This is the first day of a 50-day "counting of the omer" that we are commanded to keep (Lev. 23:15-16) leading up to Shavuot when the Holy Spirit was given. Here's a schedule to keep you on track!

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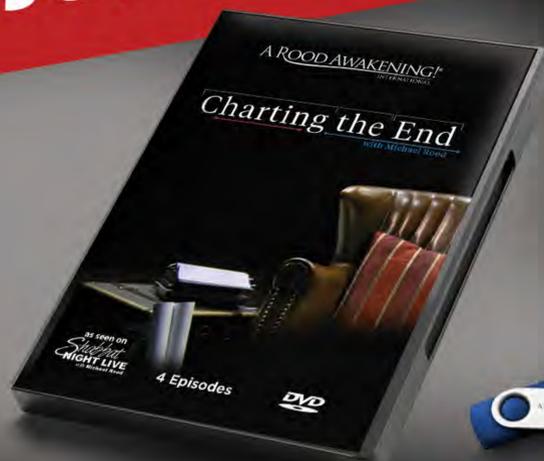
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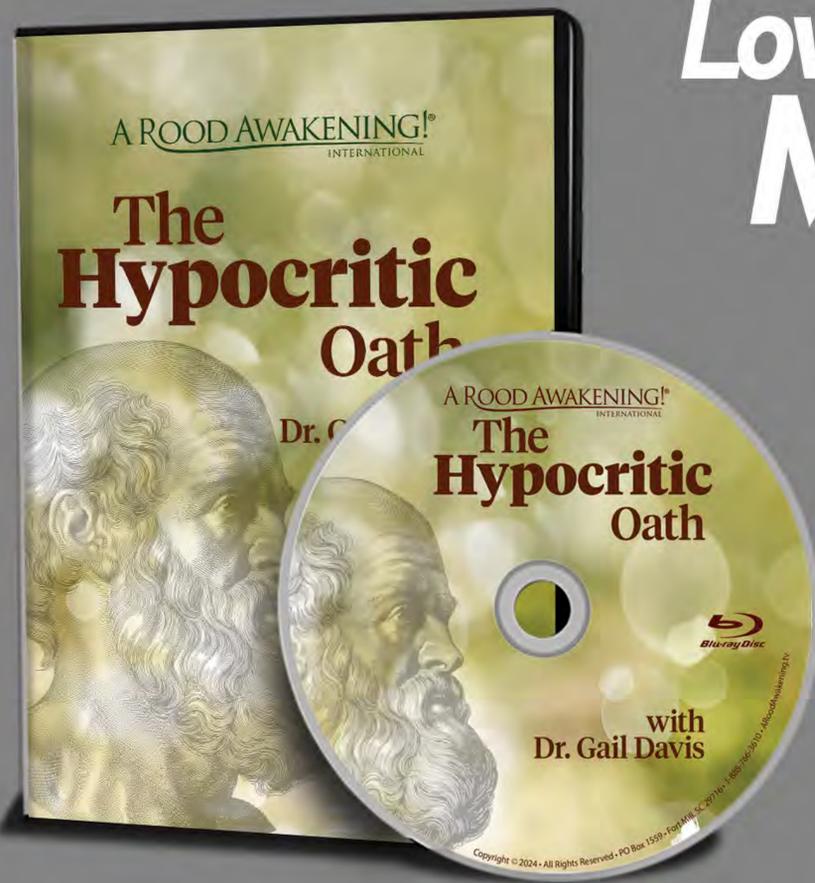


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