



O'Malley Family Bible Study  
2-2-2-2-2-2 Enigma of Passover  
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About this time of year 2 events occur: Passover and Easter. Which one is correct? Should you follow one and not the other? How about neither but another? That is what this bible study is about the neither other choice.



This study will not be addressing Easter since there is no record in the bible of Joseph and Mary coloring Easter eggs (oops, sorry... resurrection eggs as they call them now), hiding Easter eggs, filling Easter egg baskets with candy, buying rabbits/chicks and having Jesus search for the hidden Easter eggs. How and where did Easter come into existence? How does the rabbit carrying eggs it can't lay get associated with the brutal death of Jesus on the cross? If one didn't know better, one would believe that all these eggs, rabbits, candy were what was celebrated during Easter rather than the death, burial and resurrections of Jesus.

There is an enigma surrounding Passover. The number 2 is connected to Passover in at least 7 ways that come to mind. Each one will be looked at.

There's no way that one will be able to piece the timeline of the last 24 hours of Jesus before He died without the 3 keys. Those keys, which seem unbelievable, are verified both in the bible and eternal of the bible.

The three keys are:

- 1) 2 different calendar systems (with 2 different start days) occurring in Jesus' death week;
- 2) 2 different Sabbaths occurring in Jesus' death week
- 3) 2 different day starts occurring in Jesus' death week



### 1) The First "2" Occurrence: 2 days linked to Jesus



**Easter** is the **first Sunday** after the **first Full Moon** (Paschal Moon) after the **Ecclesiastical Vernal Equinox** (March 21). Easter is defined as the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus after being buried for 3 days and 3 nights

**The Jewish Passover** is celebrated on the **14th sunset** from the **first crescent of the moon** sighting after the **Vernal Equinox**. (this is the simple Passover explanation without taking in account of the 13th month)



**Biblical Passover** is found in RSV Leviticus 23:5-6

5 In the **first month**, on the **fourteenth day of the month** in the **evening**, is the Lord's passover.

6 And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread to the Lord; seven days you shall eat unleavened bread.



The Easter definition uses "ecclesiastical vernal equinox", "Sunday" and "full moon" which is not in the bible definition of Passover. One can't celebrate the resurrection of Jesus from the grave on the correct date without first knowing the correct date of Passover since Passover was 3 days and 3 nights before Jesus rose from the dead.

The Jewish Passover definition uses "first crescent sighting of the moon" and calculates a possible "13th" month both of which are not in the bible definition of Passover.

### 2) The Second "2" Occurrence: 2 linked events spanning ~1515 years

The Old Testament Passover (Israelites leaving Egypt) is a prophecy of Jesus' death, burial and resurrection in the New Testament.

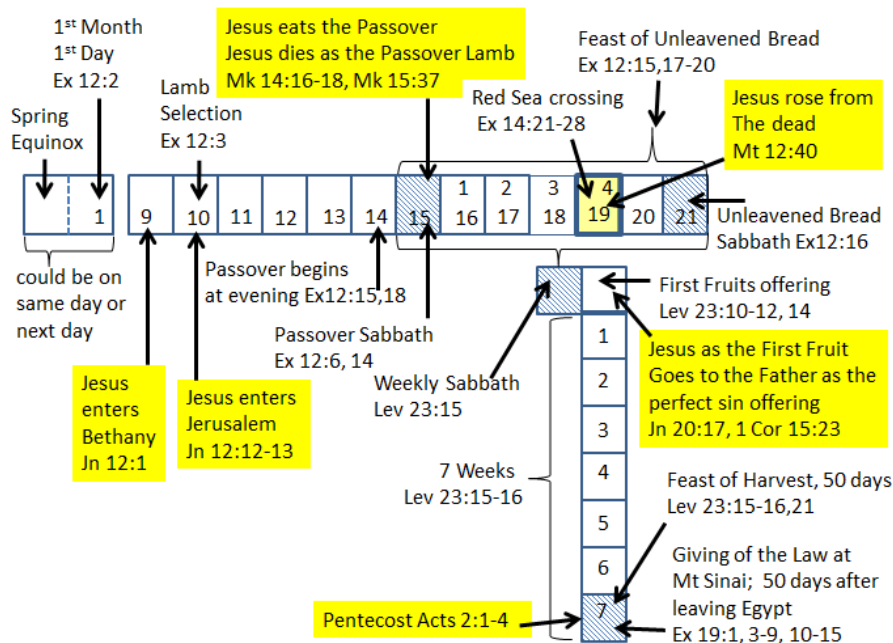
Passover begins on the end of the 14 day and continues thru the 15th day of the 1st month of the year. The feast of Unleavened Bread begins on the 15 day and last until the 21 day of the 1st month of the year. There will be a weekly Sabbath within the 7 day feast of Unleavened Bread. Pentecost is calculated by counting 7 weeks (49 days) the day after the weekly Sabbath. Pentecost is fixed by seven weeks after the weekly Sabbath within the feast of Unleavened bread festival which is fixed by the feast of Unleavened Bread which is fixed by Passover which is fixed by the 1st month which is fixed by the start of the calendar year.

A more detailed description was given in last years bible study "May 1, 2011 Passover from Egypt to Pentecost".

Synchronistic events (occurring on same day) :

- ① The Israelites had to select an unblemished lamb for the Passover and display it until the Passover Sacrifice. Jesus entered Jerusalem and taught in the temple until the Jewish rulers executed Him.
- ② The Death Angel killed the unbeliever's first born in the Egyptian Passover. The Jewish authorities (unbelievers) killed God's first born Son in Jesus' Passover.
- ③ Israelites were saved by going thru the Red Sea (baptism) 3 days after Passover. Jesus was resurrected from the tomb 3 days after Passover.
- ④ The Israelites couldn't eat the first fruits of the field before the wave sheaf offering. Jesus became first fruits wave sheaf offering after He was resurrected.
- ⑤ The Israelites received the Mosaic Covenant 50 days after leaving Egypt. Jesus sent the Holy Spirit 50 days after His resurrection.

The summary chart overlaying both the Israelite Exodus from Egypt and Jesus death, burial and resurrection is recreated below (with some updates since 2011):



### 3) The Third "2" Occurrence: 2 Calendar systems at play

Believe it or not there are 2 calendars used in the bible.

Last year's bible study "May 23, 201 2 Calendars of the Bible: 2 Confusing or 2 Simple?" showed that there was a Divine calendar of 12 months using 4 areas:

- 1) Biblical (Noah' flood, the King's provision & the Revelations healing trees verses),
- 2) Agriculture & the Bible festivals,
- 3) Astronomy of Noah's flood and Jesus' Passover,
- 4) Archeology.

Jesus was the Passover lamb (1Cor5:7), Jesus ate the last Passover meal with His apostles (Lk22:14-16), Jesus was arrested, falsely tried & convicted by the Jewish authorities on the Passover (Mt26:59-75), Jesus was hung on the tree on Passover (Mk15:24-25), Jesus died and was buried on Passover (Mk15:34,37).

Those statements are true however how can the bible also be true when it states that Jesus died on the preparation day before the Sabbath (Mk15:42)? Seems contradictory. Jesus is cursed if He changes the Passover day like Jeroboam did (1Kg12:26-33, 1Kg13:33-34) and Jesus would fail to be God if He didn't die on the Passover day since the prophecy would have been broken.

Astronomy clears up this riddle. There is a unique heavenly alignment between the sun, moon and earth described in the aforementioned bible study that NASA confirmed occurred the year that Jesus died (NASA provided the data that could be searched if you knew what you were looking for). This alignment caused the 2 calendar systems to be 1 day off from each other - which was the case the year that Jesus died.

Jesus died on the Divine 12 month calendar Passover Day which was also the Jew's [Babylonian 12/13 month moon based calendar] day of Preparation of the Passover. (note: The Day of Preparation was the day prior to the Passover.)

#### 4) The Fourth "2" Occurrence: 2 Sabbaths at play

There were 2 Sabbaths that happened during the last week of Jesus' death.

This piece of knowledge correctly places Jesus death day (Passover) accurately the proper day of the week. It confirms Jesus' Messiah ship. Jesus stated the only sign of Him being the Messiah was that He would be buried for 3 days and 3 nights (Mt12:39-40) just like Jonah was in the belly of the fish for 3 day and 3 nights (Jonah1:17).

RSV Matthew 12:39-40

39 But he answered them, "An evil and adulterous generation seeks for a sign; but no sign shall be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah.

40 For as Jonah was **three days and three nights** in the belly of the whale, so will **the Son of man be three days and three nights** in the heart of the earth.

There's no possible way that without knowing about the 2 Sabbaths that one would be able to figure out on what day of the week Jesus died on. Most of Christendom see the Sabbath only as the weekly Sabbath.

Does Jesus being buried for 3 days and 3 nights align with a weekly Sabbath death (Friday) and Sunday Morning resurrection?

**No.** The 3 days and 3 nights are mapped out in the chart to the right. Notice that there is no 3rd night. For a Friday death and Sunday morning resurrection there is only 3 days and 2 nights. A belief in a Friday death would invalidate Jesus' sign of being the Messiah.

1st Day	Friday Day (maybe an hour or less)
1st Night	Friday Night
2nd Day	Saturday Day
2nd Night	Saturday Night
3rd Day	Sunday Day (a blink of time prior to sunrise)
3rd Night	? No Sunday Night since Jesus is already risen ?

If one can accept that there are 2 Sabbaths during the week that Jesus died then the 3 days and 3 nights fall into place within the week.

The 4 gospels, no matter what translation that you use doesn't always give a complete time sequence of an event. Sometimes part of the event is reported in one gospel and another gospel fills in the gap.

The benefit of using multiple bible translations is that some translations are clearer than others. The Ferrar Fenton translation mentions the multiple Sabbaths and reading thru Luke, Mark and John you can clearly see the logical flow of the event.

FF Lk23:54 **That was a Preparation-day, and a Sabbath was approaching.**

FF Lk23:55 And the women who had accompanied Him from Galilee having followed, observed the tomb, and how the body was placed.

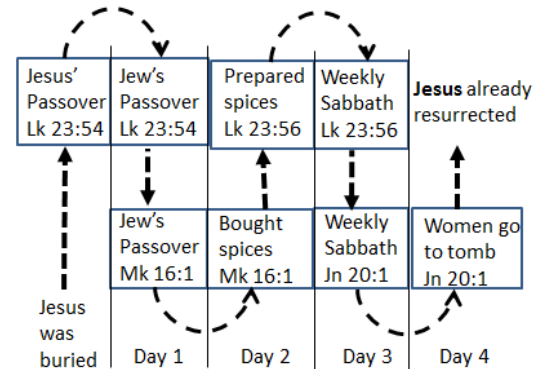
FF Lk23:56 **And returning, ...** (continues after Mk16:1)

FF Mk16:1 Now **when the Sabbath was over,** Mary the Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, **bought aromatic spices,** so that they might embalm him.

FF Lk23:56 (continued from before Mk16:1) ... they prepared aromatics and myrrhs; but they rested upon the actual Sabbath, in accordance with the command.

FF Jn20:1 Now on the first day following the Sabbaths, while it was early, in fact still dusk, Mary the Magdalene went to the tomb, and observed that the stone had been removed from its entrance.

The diagram to the right places the above verses in a time sequence. The women bought and prepared the spices between 2 Sabbaths: the Passover Sabbath and the Weekly Sabbath. The women went to the tomb once the weekly Sabbath was over (note that Jesus was already resurrected for a considerable amount of time before the women arrived at the tomb – around 12 hours).



### 5) The Fifth "2" Occurrence: 2 different clocks used in the bible

In last years bible study "April 2, 2011 Accused/Sentenced: the Death of Jesus" the events of Jesus' last 24 hours was overlaid on 2 interconnected 24 hour clock systems offset 12 hours from each other, both having a different hour in which the day began. The outer ring clock begins at Midnight while the inner ring clock begins at sunset. Without 2 clock systems occurring then there is no way to fit the 5 key events into one 24 hour time span.

Jesus began the last 24 hours of His Passover day in eating the Passover meal with His apostles. Jesus ended the Passover day by dying as the Passover lamb and being placed into the tomb shortly before the beginning of the Jewish Passover. The Jewish Passover begins at sunset.

The 5 key times that determine which 24 hour time frame Jesus considers to be a 24 hour day are based on Jesus' eating the Passover meal and then becoming the Passover lamb by dying on the cross. These 5 events **must** occur within a single 24 hour day otherwise Jesus wasn't telling the truth either when He said he ate the Passover meal with his disciples or that He was the Passover lamb. I believe He was telling the truth. The 5 key events are:

#### 1) Jesus ate the Passover with His apostles in the evening.

RSV Mark 14:12 And on the first day of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the passover lamb, his disciples said to him, "Where will you have us go and prepare for you to eat the passover?"

RSV Mark 14:16-18

16 And the disciples set out and went to the city, and found it as he had told them; and they prepared the passover.  
17 And when it was evening he came with the twelve.  
18 And as they were at table eating, Jesus said, "Truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me."

#### 2) Jesus was brought in front of Pilate about the 6th hour. The 6th hour was situated in the morning by Mark15:1

Notice the 2 calendars in play. In the above Mark's account Jesus ate the Passover meal on the first day of Unleavened Bread which is Passover whereas the below account in John says it was the day prior to the Passover. 2 different Passovers.

RSV Mark 15:1 AND AS soon as it was morning the chief priests, with the elders and scribes, and the whole council held a consultation; and they bound Jesus and led him away and delivered him to Pilate.

RSV John 19:13-16

13 When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called The Pavement, and in Hebrew, Gabbatha.  
14 Now it was the day of Preparation of the Passover; it was about the sixth hour. He said to the Jews, "Behold your King!"

15 They cried out, "Away with him, away with him, crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but Caesar."  
 16 Then he handed him over to them to be crucified.

**3) Jesus was crucified on the third hour**

RSV Mark 15:24-25

24 And they crucified him, and divided his garments among them, casting lots for them, to decide what each should take.

25 And it was the third hour, when they crucified him.

**4) Jesus dies on the ninth hour**

RSV Mark 15:34 And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Elo-i, Elo-i, lama sabach-thani?" which means, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"

RSV Mark 15:37 And Jesus uttered a loud cry, and breathed his last.

**5) Jesus was placed into the tomb at the end of the Jewish day of Preparation and beginning of the Jewish Passover Sabbath.**

RSV Luke 23:52-54

52 This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus.

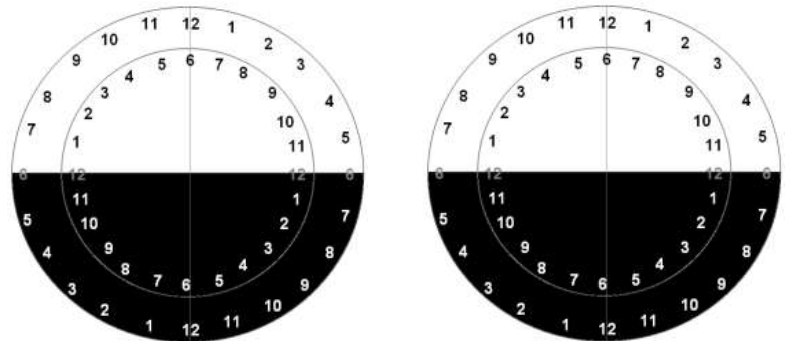
53 Then he took it down and wrapped it in a linen shroud, and laid him in a rock-hewn tomb, where no one had ever yet been laid.

54 It was the day of Preparation, and the sabbath was beginning.

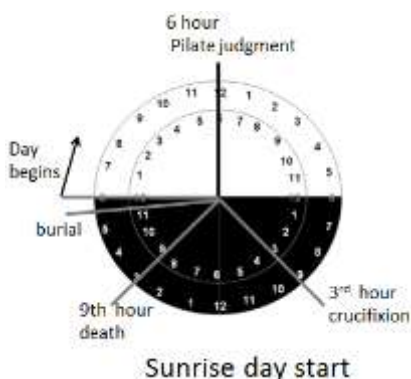
**Comprehension test**

Place all 5 events onto the clock of your choice (sunrise or sunset with the inner ring of numbers or noon or midnight using the outer ring of numbers) in the correct order:

- 1) Evening – Passover meal
- 2) 6<sup>th</sup> hour – Judgment seat of Pilate
- 3) 3<sup>rd</sup> hour – Crucifixion of Jesus
- 4) 9<sup>th</sup> hour – death of Jesus on the cross
- 5) Near Sunset – burial of Jesus in the tomb



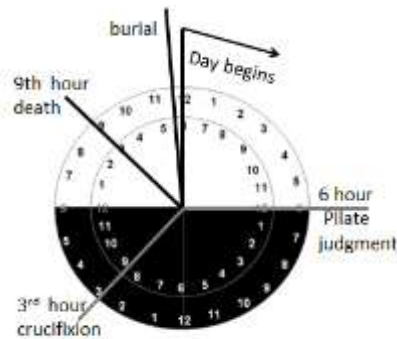
**Solutions**



**Sunrise day start:** uses the inner circle of numbers. Jesus begins his last 24 hours on the earth at sunrise, eats the Passover and at the 6<sup>th</sup> hour (modern day noon) is in front of Pilate being sentenced. Jesus has to wait until 3<sup>rd</sup> hour of the night to be crucified and dies on the cross on the 9<sup>th</sup> hour (modern day 3am) and is buried near sunrise.

**Conclusion:** A sunrise 24 hour day doesn't work since Jesus wasn't on the cross at night since the Jewish rulers wanted everyone off the cross before sunset (Jewish Passover day start).

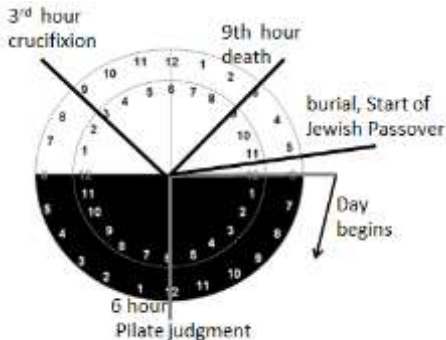




Noon day start

**Noon day start:** uses the outer circle of numbers. Jesus begins his last 24 hours on the earth at noon, eats the Passover and at the 6<sup>th</sup> hour (modern day sunset) is in front of Pilate being sentenced. Jesus has to wait until 3 am to be crucified and dies on the cross on the 9 am and is buried near noon.

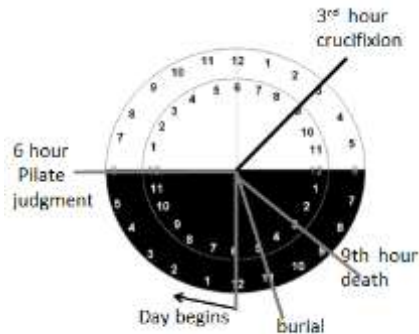
**Conclusion:** A noon 24 hour day doesn't work since Jesus wasn't crucified at 3am.



Sunset day start

**Sunset day start:** uses the inner circle of numbers. Jesus begins his last 24 hours on the earth at sunset, eats the Passover and at the 6<sup>th</sup> hour (modern day midnight) is in front of Pilate being sentenced. Jesus waits until the 3<sup>rd</sup> hour of the day (modern day 9am) to be crucified and dies on the cross on the 9<sup>th</sup> hour (modern day 3pm) and is buried near sunset.

**Conclusion:** A sunset 24 hour day almost works since Jesus wasn't sentenced at midnight but near sunrise at 6am after the Jewish rulers' kangaroo court sentenced Him at night. The day start fits Jesus death near sunset which was the start of the Jewish Passover Sabbath and the end of Jesus' Passover Sabbath.



Midnight day start

**Midnight day start:** uses the outer circle of numbers. Jesus begins his last 24 hours on the earth at midnight, eats the Passover and at the 6<sup>th</sup> hour (modern day sunrise) is in front of Pilate being sentenced. Jesus waits until the 3<sup>rd</sup> hour of the day (modern day 3pm) to be crucified and dies on the cross on the 9<sup>th</sup> hour (modern day 9pm) and is buried near midnight.

**Conclusion:** A midnight 24 hour day is partially correct with the 6am Pilate sentencing of Jesus to die however Jesus' crucifixion time frame is false.

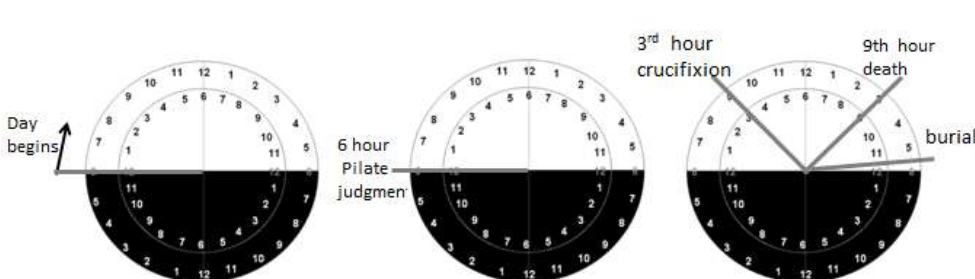
Pilate's sentencing was near dawn which would align with a modern midnight day start. Placing Pilate's 6<sup>th</sup> hour sentencing at dawn on the Roman time outer ring (ensuring the crucifixion was after the Pilate's judgment) and all the other times on the inner ring would result in the following layouts.

A **sunrise day start** would cause Jesus' death day to last 3 days long. **This day start is not valid.**

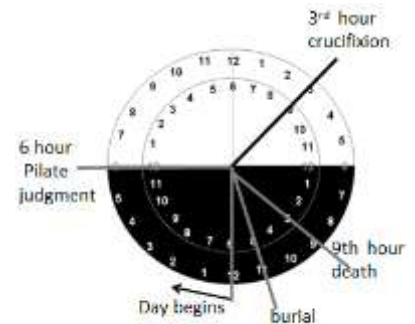
A **noon day start** requires 2 days and it has Jesus' death during the night. **This day start is not valid.**

A **sunset day start** fits all the events within a single day. **This day start is valid.**

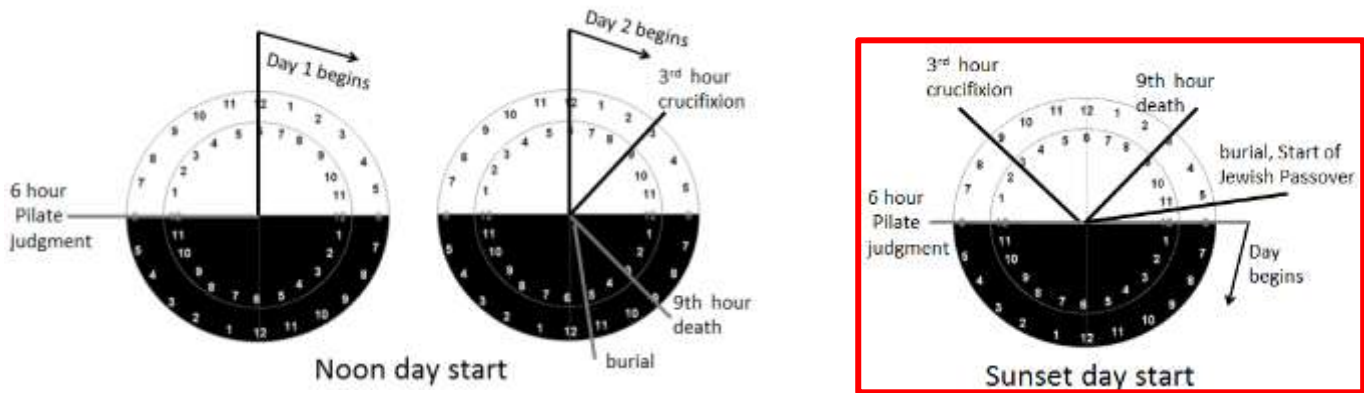
A **midnight day start** has Jesus death occurring during the night. **This day start is not valid.**



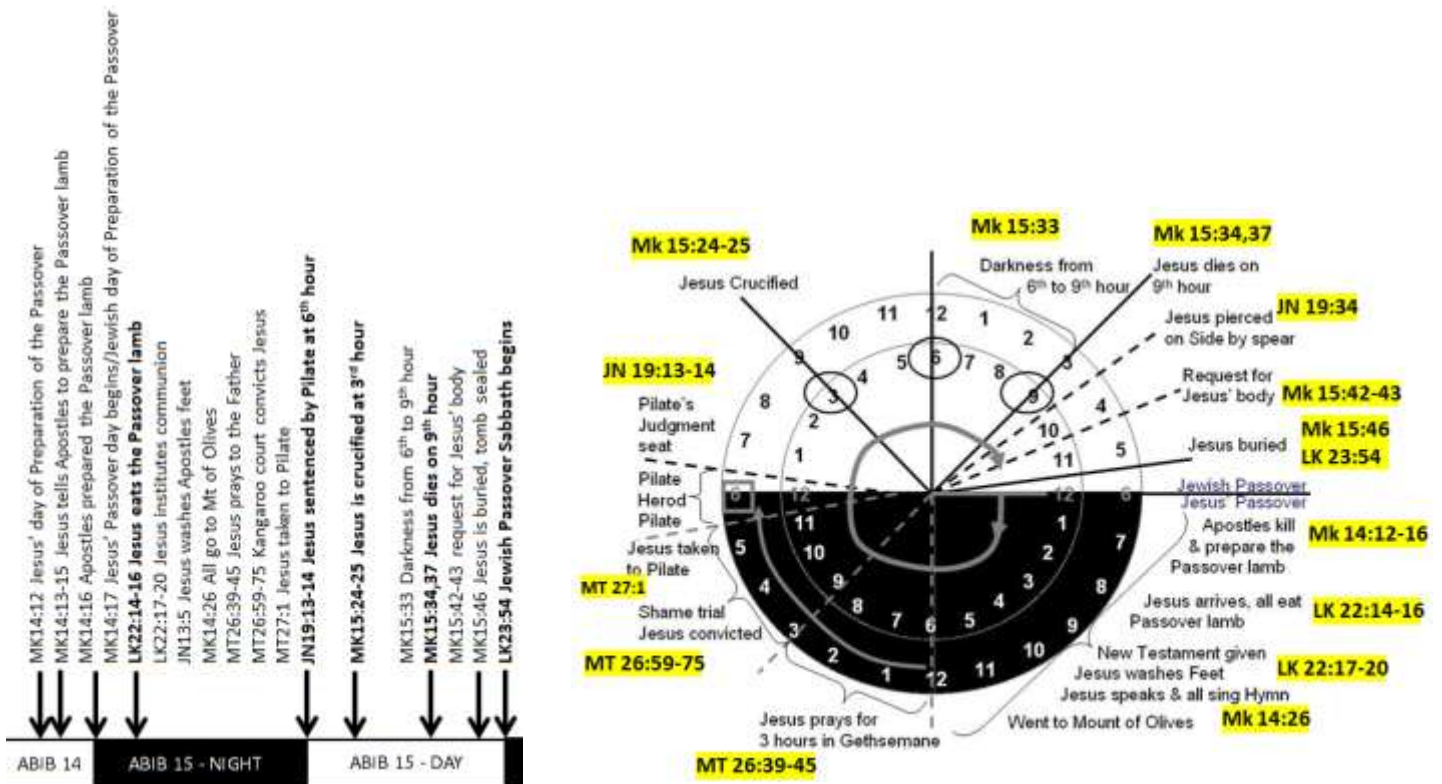
Sunrise day start



Midnight day start



Placing all the events into the sunset day start would result in the following timeline (from "April 2, 2011 *Accused/Sentenced: the Death of Jesus*" study). A flattened view of the clock would be to the left while a circular or clock view is on the right. Notice all the events fall into place. Abib is the name of the 1<sup>st</sup> month of the year. The 1<sup>st</sup> month was later changed to Nissan after the Babylonian captivity.



### 6) The Sixth "2" Occurrence: 2 Sunsets

There are 2 sunsets in a day, the starting one that begins the day and the ending one at the close of the day. Which evening was Lev23:5-6 calling out for the start of the Passover - the beginning or ending sunset?

RSV Leviticus 23:5-6

5 In the **first month**, on the **fourteenth day of the month** in the **evening**, is the Lord's passover.

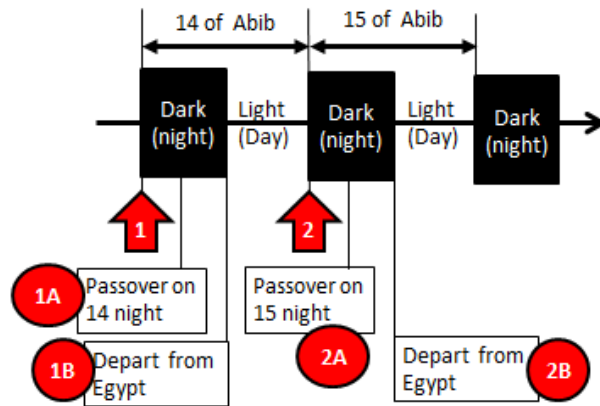
6 And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread to the Lord; seven days you shall eat unleavened bread.



The below graph shows the 2 Sunset possibilities:

**Case Red Arrow 1:** The beginning of the 14. The death Angel would have passed over the houses of the Israelites at midnight, 1A, and they would have departed Egypt on the day portion of the 14th, 1B.

**Case Red Arrow 2:** The beginning of the 15. The death Angel would have passed over the houses of the Israelites at midnight, 2A, and they would have departed Egypt on the day portion of the 15th, 2B.



Which fits the best? What day did the children of Israel leave Egypt?

FF Num33:3 They marched first from Ramases in the first month, upon the fifteenth day of the first month – after the morning of the Passover, the children of Israel advanced with a high hand in the sight of all Mitzeraim.

RSV Exodus 12:17 And you shall observe the feast of unleavened bread, for on this very day I brought your hosts out of the land of Egypt: therefore you shall observe this day, throughout your generations, as an ordinance for ever

Numbers 33:3 shows that the Israelites assembled in Ramases sometime after the Pharaoh expelled them (after midnight – the Passover event) and then headed out of Egypt on the 15<sup>th</sup>. Exodus12:17 confirms that it was the first day of the feast of unleavened bread that they left Egypt. In the two options above the second option fits coming out of Egypt with haste as it mentions in Ex12:11 where they were to eat in haste. Waiting a whole day is not haste. The Israelites got word sometime after midnight to begin heading to Ramases.

RSV Exodus 12:11 In this manner you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it in haste. It is the Lord's passover.

The Passover was supposed to be eaten with unleavened bread (Ex12:8). The feast of Unleavened bread began on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the month not the 14<sup>th</sup> day (Lev23:6). They were to eat unleavened bread for 7 days from the 15<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup>. Had they began eating unleavened bread on the 14<sup>th</sup> then they would have eaten unleavened bread for 8 days. In the two cases above the second case (Passover begins at sundown at the end of the 14<sup>th</sup> day) fits the departure of the Israelites from Egypt and thus the start of Passover – sunset at the end of the 14<sup>th</sup> day.

RSV Exodus 12:8 They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it.

RSV Leviticus 23:6 And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread to the Lord; seven days you shall eat unleavened bread.

## 7) The Seventh "2" Occurrence: 2 different reactions of Jesus' death

RSV John 16:20 Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice; you will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy.

The two reactions of the people:

- 1) weep and lament
- 2) rejoice

However after 3 days the roles reverse. This seventh "2" occurrence will be covered in the next bible study:  
*"Heaven's anguish, Hell's 3 day party"*



When is the correct Passover day? This depends on whether or not Passover is calculated by the "moment of Equinox" or Equilux.

If a sundial is used the Equinox (Equilux) will be found. Equilux is the term for a day that has nearly 12 hours in the daytime and 12 hours in the nighttime. The only problem is that day varies based on where you are located on the earth due to many factors (Longitude, Latitude, Altitude, Sun Refraction...). The chart below shows a sampling of Equiluxes from the US and some around the world (data from the US Naval Observatory: [http://aa.usno.navy.mil/data/docs/RS\\_OneYear.php](http://aa.usno.navy.mil/data/docs/RS_OneYear.php)).

All time is in 24 hour Universal Coordinate Time. Notice the sample below in the US the Equilux can vary from March 15 to March 17 and outside the US the Equilux can vary in the sample below from March 16 to March 23. Notice that the Equiluxes (green cells) do not fall on the Equinox day of March 20<sup>th</sup> (gold line). The setting of the sun should be 12 hours after the sunrise for the day to be 12 hours day and 12 hours night. Example: Fort Collins, Colorado has a 6:09am UCT sunrise and a sunset at 6:09pm UCT (18:09 UCT) making March 16 as the Equilux. Using a sundial would result in setting God's new year 4 days prior to the Astronomical-Seasonal-Equinox.

	Bangor, Maine		Fort Collins, Co		Jerusalem, Israel		Mayo, Ireland		Oslo, Norway		Seattle, Washington		Victoria, Australia		Austin, Tx	
March	Rise h m	Set h m	Rise h m	Set h m	Rise h m	Set h m	Rise h m	Set h m	Rise h m	Set h m	Rise h m	Set h m	Rise h m	Set h m	Rise h m	Set h m
12	552	1738	616	1804	354	1547	658	1836	542	1713	627	1811	2012	840	644	1838
13	550	1739	614	1806	353	1547	655	1837	539	1715	625	1813	2013	838	643	1838
14	549	1741	613	1807	352	1548	653	1839	536	1718	623	1814	2014	836	641	1839
15	547	1742	611	1808	350	1549	650	1841	533	1720	621	1816	2015	835	640	1840
16	545	1743	609	1809	349	1549	648	1843	530	1723	619	1817	2016	833	639	1840
17	543	1744	608	1810	348	1550	646	1845	527	1725	617	1819	2017	832	638	1841
18	541	1746	606	1811	347	1551	643	1847	524	1728	615	1820	2018	830	637	1841
19	539	1747	604	1812	345	1551	641	1849	521	1730	613	1821	2019	829	635	1842
20	537	1748	601	1813	344	1552	638	1851	518	1732	611	1823	2020	827	634	1843
21	536	1750	601	1814	343	1553	636	1853	515	1735	609	1824	2021	826	633	1843
22	534	1751	600	1815	341	1553	633	1854	512	1737	607	1826	2021	824	632	1844
23	532	1752	598	1816	340	1554	631	1856	509	1740	605	1827	2022	821	630	1845
24	530	1753	596	1817	339	1555	628	1858	506	1742	603	1829	2023	821	629	1845
25	528	1755	595	1818	338	1555	626	1900	503	1745	601	1830	2024	820	628	1846
26	526	1756	593	1819	336	1556	623	1902	500	1747	599	1832	2025	818	627	1846

An **equinox** occurs twice a year, when the **tilt** of the **Earth's** axis is inclined neither away from nor towards the **Sun**, the center of the Sun being in the same plane as the Earth's **equator**. The term equinox can also be used in a broader sense, meaning the date when such a passage happens.

For most locations on earth, there are two distinct identifiable days per year when the length of day and night are closest to being equal; those days are referred to as the "equiluxes" to distinguish them from the equinoxes. Equinoxes are points in time, but equiluxes are days. By convention, equiluxes are the days where sunrise and sunset are closest to being exactly 12 hours apart.

Pasted from <<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Equinox>>

The Astronomical Equinox takes knowledge of planetary calculations to figure it out rather than just using a sundial.

Which method was used in the bible?

My initial guess would be the sundial method since God directed Jerusalem to be the place where the Passover would be held out (Dt16:2). That would eliminate any Equilux fluctuations across the kingdom of Israel.

However... I would choose the Astronomical Equinox based on the following facts:

- 1) God told Moses the beginning of the year (Ex12:2). Egyptians kept some form of tracking the sun and stars so why would Moses need to know the beginning of the year since he was instructed in all the wisdom of Egypt?

2) The Babylonian derived calendar that the Israelites carried back from the Babylonian captivity is the same being used presently. In this study, it was shown that Jesus' Passover was 1 day off from the Babylonia calendar. Looking at the NASA data shows that the Astronomical Equinox was a day after the New Moon which would cause the first crescent sighting (~2 days after New Moon) to be a day after the Equinox hence 2 calendars 1 day apart.

3) Confusion across country if local sundial time was used since beginning of the year could vary based on Equilux causing a different New Year 's Day and thus a different Passover day

4) The Christian body is to be united worldwide. The moment of Equinox is very specific point in time where planet earth's tilted equator becomes perpendicular to the sun thus a region of people would be celebrating Passover at the same time. (Depending on one's time zone per this event could mean you are a day ahead or a day behind, this is why the Catholic Church went with the ecclesiastical vernal equinox of March 21)

Question: What is the correct way to determine the first day of the year? From the three 2011 Passover Bible Studies (April 2, May 1, May 23) it was shown by various means both biblical and non-biblical that the Vernal Equinox marked the first day of the biblical calendar year.

<http://www.timeanddate.com/calendar/seasons.html>)

March 20, 2012 is the Vernal Equinox - 12:14 AM CDT (Austin, TX)

	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	
March	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	<- Modern Midnight to Midnight month/day
				1	2	3	4	5 <- Biblical sunset to sunset month/day
March	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	<- Modern Midnight to Midnight month/day
		6	7	8	9	10	11	12 <- Biblical sunset to sunset month/day
April	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	<- Modern Midnight to Midnight month/day
		13	14	15	16	17	18	19 <- Biblical sunset to sunset month/day

Passover begins: Evening of the 14 (end of the 14th & start of the 15th)

Counting 14 sunsets from March 20 sunset would make the **Biblical Passover** to begin at sunset of Tuesday April 3 and continue to sunset of April 4.

(note: Easter 2012 is on April 8, The Jewish Passover (Nissan 15) is on April 6)

Why celebrate the Passover? Paul writes in 1Cor5:8 that Passover is still a festival to be kept.

SIM 1 Corinthians 5:8 So, **let us celebrate our Passover Festival**, but not by using the old yeast of sin and evil. Instead, let us use sincerity and truth.

Passover festival was a deliverance and salvation festival. Those Israelites keeping it during the Egyptian captivity were saved from the death angel. If Passover is to be kept then keep one should keep it on the right day instead of making up another day. If the Israelites in Egypt planned to celebrate the Passover even a day sooner/later they would either be dead or still be in bondage in Egypt. The world is spinning into crazy land and one needs all the protection that they can get. Keeping the Passover & Communion on the right day is another layer of heavenly protection against satan's plans for you during the rest of the year. If you don't celebrate Passover then you have just thrown away a layer of Godly protection for that year. Keeping the Passover will do one no good if they are not in the body of Christ. The only way to be in the body of Christ is to be added to the body (Acts2:41,47). The only way to be added into the body is by Adult full immersion water baptism for the remission of sins in the name of Jesus Christ – Acts2:38.

Am I 100% correct on what I presented? Based on the verses that was laid out in much more detail in three 2011 bible studies (April 2, May 1 & May 23) – Yes, I believe so. We are told to study in Acts 17:11 to prove what you believe. My intention was for this purpose and still is to seek the truth.

If I am incorrect in any area above it's not by my lack of on trying to root out the truth from the bible. One's belief should be able to withstand any biblically based constructive review of the contents. One's Hypothesis is accurate if one has done the due diligence in looking at a question from as many different angles (harmonizing all the scripture verses) and still has come to the same conclusion. I am confident in the presented evidence however if there is a mistake....

Here I stand, ready for correction/reprove/instruction.

Regards,  
David O'Malley

<p><b>2012 Completed Bible studies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 1/20/12 - Fukushima Daiichi (end times part 1)</li> <li>- 2/12/12 - The Trinity: 1 in 3, 3 in 1 or ... 4 by 2 from 1? (part 1)</li> <li>- 2/25/12 - The Trinity: 1 in 3, 3 in 1 or ... 4 by 2 from 1? (part 2)</li> <li>- 3/04/12 - A time for war and a time for peace</li> <li>- 3/12/12 - Christian Soldier: Equipping - part 1</li> <li>- 3/26/12 - 2-2-2-2-2-2-2 Enigma of Passover</li> </ul>	<p><b>Future O'Malley Family Bible studies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Heaven's anguish, Hell's 3 day party (3/24)</li> <li>- Passover - pain and suffering of Jesus (3/31)</li> <li>- Christian Soldiers group maneuvers</li> <li>- PEP: Persecution, Endurance &amp; Preservation</li> <li>- Understanding, knowledge and wisdom &amp; Fear connection</li> <li>- Fall of Jerusalem: departure of the King of Kings</li> <li>- 5 stones for 5 giants: tearing the Baals down</li> <li>- The Law - intro/controversy/importance</li> <li>- The Law - distant, past, now, future</li> <li>- Path to the end (end times part 2)</li> <li>- Marks of the nations of Israel (end times part 3)</li> <li>- Escape from Babylon (end times part 4)</li> <li>- the message for the mixed multitude</li> <li>- War scrolls fighting insights</li> </ul>
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- > KJV 1 Corinthians 5:7 Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even **Christ our passover is sacrificed for us:**
- > KJV Luke 22:14-16
- 14 **And when the hour was come,** he sat down, and the twelve apostles with him.
- 15 And he said unto them, With desire I have desired **to eat this passover** with you before I suffer:
- 16 For I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God.
- > KJV Mark 15:24-25
- 24 And when they had crucified him, they parted his garments, casting lots upon them, what every man should take.
- 25 **And it was the third hour, and they crucified him.**
- > KJV Mark 15:34 And **at the ninth hour** Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani? which is, being interpreted, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?
- > KJV Mark 15:37 And Jesus cried with a loud voice, **and gave up the ghost.**
- > KJV Mark 15:42 And now when the even was come, because **it was the preparation,** that is, **the day before the sabbath,**
- > KJV 1 Kings 12:26-33
- 26 And Jeroboam said in his heart, Now shall the kingdom return to the house of David:
- 27 If this people go up to do sacrifice in the house of the Lord at Jerusalem, then shall the heart of this people turn again unto their lord, even unto Rehoboam king of Judah, and they shall kill me, and go again to Rehoboam king of Judah.
- 28 Whereupon **the king took counsel,** and **made two calves of gold,** and said unto them, **It is too much for you to go up to Jerusalem: behold thy gods,** O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.
- 29 And he set the one in Bethel, and the other put he in Dan.
- 30 **And this thing became a sin:** for the people went to worship before the one, even unto Dan.
- 31 And he made an house of high places, and made priests of the lowest of the people, which were not of the sons of Levi.
- 32 And Jeroboam ordained a feast in the eighth month, on the fifteenth day of the month, like unto the feast that is in Judah, and he offered upon the altar. So did he in Bethel, sacrificing unto the calves that he had made: and he placed in Bethel the priests of the high places which he had made.
- 33 So he offered upon the altar which he had made in Bethel the fifteenth day of the eighth month, even in the month which he had devised of his own heart; and ordained a feast unto the children of Israel: and he offered upon the altar, and burnt incense.
- > KJV 1 Kings 13:33-34
- 33 After this thing Jeroboam returned not from his evil way, but made again of the lowest of the people priests of the high places: whosoever would, he consecrated him, and he became one of the priests of the high places.
- 34 And **this thing became sin unto the house of Jeroboam, even to cut it off, and to destroy it from off the face of the earth.**
- > KJV Jonah 1:17 Now the Lord had prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah. **And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.**
- > RSV Hebrews 9:22 Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.
- > RSV 2 Corinthians 3:11 For if what faded away came with splendor, what is permanent must have much more splendor.
- > KJV Deuteronomy 16:2 **Thou shalt therefore sacrifice the passover** unto the Lord thy God, of the flock and the herd, **in the place which the Lord shall choose to place his name there.**
- > KJV Exodus 12:2 **This month shall be unto you the beginning of months:** it shall be the first month of the year to you.
- > RSV Acts 2:38 And Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.
- > RSV Acts 17:11 Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica, for **they received the word with all eagerness, examining the scriptures daily to see if these things were so.**
- > RSV Acts 2:41 So those who received his word **were baptized, and there were added** that day about three thousand souls.
- > RSV Acts 2:47 praising God and having favor with all the people. And the **Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.**

# Updated chart from March 31 2013 Passover Paradigm Predicament

