

## The Hebrew Calendar Compared to the Gregorian Calendar

<u>Month</u>	<u>Hebrew Month</u>	<u>Gregorian Month</u>	<u>Festivals</u>
First	Abib (Preexile) Nisan (Postexile)	March-April	14 <sup>th</sup> : Passover (Ex. 12:18; Lev. 23:5) 15 <sup>th</sup> -21 <sup>st</sup> : Unleavened Bread (Ex. 12:14-20; Lev. 23:6) 16 <sup>th</sup> : First Fruits (Lev. 23:9-11) 14 <sup>th</sup> : Later Passover (Num. 9:10-11)
Second	Ziv (Preexile) Iyyar (Postexile)	April-May	
Third	Sivan	May-June	4 <sup>th</sup> : Pentecost [Festival of Weeks] (Lev. 23:15-16)
Forth	Tammuz	June-July	17 <sup>th</sup> : Mourning the capture of Jerusalem (Jer. 52:6-30) *
Fifth	Ab	July-August	9 <sup>th</sup> : The burning of Jerusalem and the destruction of Solomon's Temple (2 Kings 25:2-10) *
Sixth	Elul	August-September	
Seventh	Ethanim (Preexile) Tishri (Postexile)	September-October	1 <sup>st</sup> : Trumpets (Lev. 23:24; Num. 29:1) 3 <sup>rd</sup> : The assassination of Gedaliah (Jer. 4:1-10) * 10 <sup>th</sup> : Day of Atonement (Lev. 16:29-34; 23:27-32) 15 <sup>th</sup> -21 <sup>st</sup> : Booths or Tabernacles (Lev. 23:34-40) 22 <sup>nd</sup> : Solemn assembly (Lev. 23:36)
Eighth	Bul (Preexile) Marchesvan (Postexile)	October-November	
Ninth	Chislev (Kislev)	November-December	25 <sup>th</sup> : Dedication (John 10:22)
Tenth	Tebeth	December-January	10 <sup>th</sup> : The beginning of Nebuchadnezzar's siege against Jerusalem (2 Kings 25:1) *
Eleventh	Shebat	January-February	
Twelfth	Adar	February-March	13-15 <sup>th</sup> : The Festival of Purim (Esther 9:18-32) **

Periodically, a 13th month was added so that the lunar calendar would account for the entire solar year.

\* Extra festivals added during the Babylonian exile.

\*\* Festival inaugurated by those still in exile after the return.