

Comparing “Harvest-Ready” Barley Fields

BELOW LEFT: Caption taken from a “You Tube” video of a barley field deemed “harvest ready” by Karaite Jews on March 30, 2010, in advance of their Passover/Feast of Unleavened Bread observance. Notice the mixture of what appears to be ripe stalks with *unripe* green stalks.

BELOW RIGHT: Photo of a field of ripe barley. Notice that there are no green stalks co-mingled with the ripe barley. This field is *truly* “harvest ready.” Did the Karaites declare Abib too soon? Ancient Jews such as Philo wrote that the first month of the year began after the spring equinox.



ABIB

FIRST MOON

2010

FIRST DAY	SECOND DAY	THIRD DAY	FOURTH DAY	FIFTH DAY	PREPARATION	SABBATH	
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Sunset times based upon local time in Plano, Texas USA						Sun Set: 7:57 pm April 16	Sun Set: 7:57 pm April 17
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
April 18	April 19	April 20	April 21	April 22	Sun Set: 8:02 pm April 23	Sun Set: 8:03 pm April 24	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
April 25	April 26	April 27	April 28	PASSOVER Sun Set: 8:07 pm April 29	Unleavened Bread Sun Set: 8:07 pm April 30	Unleavened Bread Sun Set: 8:08 pm May 1 1	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
Unleavened Bread May 2 2	Unleavened Bread May 3 3	Unleavened Bread May 4 4	Unleavened Bread May 5 5	Unleavened Bread May 6 6	Sun Set: 8:12 pm May 7 7	Sun Set: 8:13 pm May 8 8	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	
May 9 9	May 10 10	May 11 11	May 12 12	May 13 13	Moon = 11.38° (Plano, TX) Sun Set: 8:17 pm Moon Set: 9:24 pm May 14 14	Moon = 23.12° (Plano, TX) Moon = 19.12° (Jerusalem) Sun Set: 8:18 pm Moon Set: 10:25 pm May 15 15	