

Seven Years Cycle

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In the Bible book Genesis (Chapter 41), Joseph interprets a dream of a Pharaoh. In the verses 29 till 31 he says: “Behold, seven years of great abundance are coming in all the land of Egypt; and after them seven years of famine will come, and all the abundance will be forgotten in the land of Egypt, and the famine will ravage the land. So the abundance will be unknown in the land because of that subsequent famine; for it will be very severe.”

In the ancient world, the seven year cycle was a sacred one. That is why in another Biblical story, Jacob had to work for seven years before he could marry Rachel. But Rachel’s father Laban tricked Jacob, and made him marry Rachel’s older sister Leah first, after which Jacob had to work for another seven years.

I am not going to explain why 7 is a Wholly Number. Just read my newest e-book when you want to learn more about the 7-parted Unity. In this PateoPedia Paper, I only focus on the period of Seven Years.

In the Jewish calendar, every seventh year is the sabbath year. The Hebrew name of this seventh year is **Shemittah** (also spelled *Shemitah* or *Shmita*), literally meaning “release”.

Just like the so-called Chinese New Year always starts at New Moon, so does the calendar of the Judaic tradition. Both calendar systems combine years of 12 lunar months (of 29 or 30 days each) with years of 13 lunar months. Judaism originated as a moon worshipping religion. For instance, the word *synagogue* literally means: leads (*agogue*) to the moon (*Sin* or *Syn*). Therefore, all believers in Judaism are *sinner*s. By this, I mean no offence. It is just a literal truth.

The Jewish New Year always starts in the month of *Tishri*, which is the seventh lunar month according to the Jewish calendar. This month of Tishri almost always starts in September, and the meaning of the name *September* is indeed “seventh month” because in the old days the spring equinox was considered to mark the start of new year.

The first year of the Jewish calendar started in the year 3761 BCE on October 6. The first *Shemittah* or release year started in 3755 BCE, which was the Jewish year 7. That is at least what I assume, if I understand it correctly (plus these believers forgot that there is not a year 0 between 1 BCE and 1 CE).

The year after every seventh *Shemittah* year is a **Jubilee year** according to Judaism (or *Yovel* in Hebrew). Therefore, the first Jubilee year must have started in 3712 BCE, which was Jewish year 50. However, it is said the Jewish year that starts on September 13, 2015, is again a Jubilee year. That will then be Jewish year 5776, so clearly the original count of the 49-year cycle for the celebration of the Jubilee year got lost somewhere in previous time. Other explanations are that the first Jubilee year was seven years early (in the Jewish year 43) or 42 years late (in the Jewish year 92). Let us assume that this last explanation is correct, and that the first Jubilee year was after 13 cycles of 7 years. Then the first Jubilee year was in the Jewish year 92, which started in 3669 BCE. This means that the Jubilee year that starts on September 13, 2015, will be the 117th Jubilee year since the start of the Jewish calendar. To me, the number of 117 is very meaningful.

Let us now have a look at the most recent **Shemittah** or release years:

Year	Begin Date	End Date
5670	September 28, 1916	September 16, 1917
5677	September 17, 1917	September 6 1918
5684	September 11, 1923	September 28, 1924
5691	September 23, 1930	September 11, 1931
5698	September 6, 1937	September 25, 1938
5705	September 18, 1944	September 7, 1945
5712	October 1, 1951	September 19, 1952
5719	September 15, 1958	October 2, 1959
5726	September 27, 1965	September 14, 1966
5733	September 9, 1972	September 26, 1973
5740	September 22, 1979	September 13, 1980
5747	September 13, 1980	September 28, 1980
5754	September 16, 1993	September 5, 1994
5761	September 30, 2000	September 18, 2001
5768	September 13, 2007	September 29, 2008
5775	September 25, 2014	September 13, 2015

And let us also have a look at the **Jubilee** or Yovel years that followed every seventh Shemittah or release year:

Year	Begin Date	End Date
5671	September 16, 1917	September 7, 1918
5727	September 14, 1966	September 4, 1976
5776	September 13, 2015	September 1, 2016

This is what history tell us about these periods:

- Precisely at the end of the previous Shemittah, we experienced the largest stock market crash ever (on September 29, 2008).
- At the end of the Shemittah before that most recent release year, there was also a huge stock market crash (on September 18, 2001); this was the third largest stock market crash ever recorded (the number 2 largest stock market crash happened on October 15, 2008, and can be considered an aftershock of the crash of September 29, 2008). Thus, will there be a gigantic stock market crash around September 13, 2015?
- The Twin Towers of the original World Trade Center in New York City were opened in a Shemittah year (5733), and also annihilated in a Shemittah year (5761). In fact, even the construction of the New York World Trade Center started in a Shemittah year (5726).
- The Russian Revolution of October 1917 happened right at the start of a Jubilee year (5671).
- The prelude to the Second World War started in a Shemittah year (5698) when Japan invaded China, and Hitler marched into Austria.

We can plot many more historic events on these Jewish years. There are, however, two main questions that you might want answer for yourself :

1. Is there indeed a seven year cycle? And if so,
2. Is it a natural cycle, or is it caused by a Zionists' belief system?