

Outline

1. Shmita 7th year
2. Yovel 50th year

Monday sunset, Sept. 26, 2022 7:09 pm = the start of Tishri 1, 5783.

End of Ha-Shmita הַשְּׁמִטָּה the Shmita year.

5782 ÷ 7 = 826 [a whole number]

5783 ÷ 7 = 826.1428571428571

shamat שָׁמַט

to knock over, to knock down, to drop; to let drop, to let hang; to pull down; to lose, to relax one's grip on; (biblical) **to leave, to release**

Year of Judgment OR blessing

Ha-Shmita הַשְּׁמִטָּה texts

Shmot/Ex 23:10-11 “For six years, you are to sow your land with seed and gather in its harvest. But the **seventh year, you are to let it rest and lie fallow**, so that the poor among your people can eat; and what they leave, the wild animals in the countryside can eat. Do the same with your vineyard and olive grove.

Vayikra/Lev 25.6-7 **But what the land produces during the year of Shabbat will be food for all of you — you, your servant, your maid, your employee, anyone living near you, your livestock and the wild animals on your land; everything the land produces may be used for food.**

[Not commercial harvest, but ...]

Vayikra/Lev 25.20-22 “If you ask, “If we aren’t allowed to sow seed or harvest what our land produces, what are we going to eat the seventh year?” Then **I will order my blessing** on you וְצִוִּיתִי אֶת-בְּרַכְתִּי לָכֶם during the sixth year, so that the land brings forth enough produce for all three years. The eighth year you will sow seed but eat the old, stored produce until the ninth year; that is, until the produce of the eighth year comes in, you will eat the old, stored food.

D'varim/Dt 15.1-3 “At the end of every seven years you are to have a sh'mitah הַשְּׁמִטָּה. Here is how the sh'mitah is to be done: **every creditor is to give up what he has loaned to his fellow member of the community — he is not to force his neighbor or relative to repay it,**

[This is new, reset.]

D'varim/Dt 15.1-3 “ **because Adoni’s time of remission has been proclaimed.** You may demand that a foreigner repay his debt, but you are to release your claim on whatever your brother owes you.

The law does not apply to land in the Diaspora.

Doesn’t apply to land owned by non-Jews.

Religious Zionists adopted the Heter Mechira, sale to a non-Jew.

Doesn’t apply to hydroponic crops.

[<https://en.yhb.org.il/revivim963/>]

Personal debts are considered forgiven at sunset on 29 Elul. Since this aspect of shmita is not dependent on the land, it applies to Jews both in Israel and elsewhere.

Reset of wealth.

Summary of Shmita הַשְּׁמִטָּה

1. Land lies fallow
2. All Israelite debts are canceled

[[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shmita#:~:text=The%20sabbath%20year%20\(shmita%3B%20Hebrew,Shmita\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shmita#:~:text=The%20sabbath%20year%20(shmita%3B%20Hebrew,Shmita))]

“Here is observed the Shmita!”
“I will bless you”



Shmita agriculture in Israel



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https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shmita#/media/File:Shmita_placard_%D7%A9%D7%9C%D7%98_%D7%A9%D7%9E%D7%99%D7%98%D7%94.jpg

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Ha-Shmittah השמטה	1979–1980	5740	
years	1986–1987	5747	
Reset of wealth	1993–1994	5754	
1944–1945	5705	2000-2001	5761
1951–1952	5712	2007-2008	5768
1958–1959	5719	2014–2015	5775
1965–1966	5726	2021-2022	5782
1972–1973	5733		

- **1901-1902 Shmita Year** - 46% U.S. Stock market value wiped out.
- **1916-1917 Shmita Year** - 40% U.S. Stock market value wiped out. German, Austro-Hungarian, Russian and Ottoman Empires collapsed. Britain, the world's greatest empire was almost bankrupt. The beginning of American to rise to world power. All during this one Shmita year.
- **1930-1931 Shmita Year** - 86% U.S stock market value wiped out in the worst financial crisis in modern history.
- **1937-1938 Shmita Year** - 50% U.S. Stock market value wiped out. Global recession.
- **1944-1945 Shmita Year** - End of German Reich and Britain's hold on territories. Establishment of America as the world's super power.
- **1965-1966 Shmita Year** - 23% stock market value wiped out.
- **1972-1973 Shmita Year** - 48% U.S. Stock market value wiped out. Global recession. U.S. Voted to kill its unborn children (Abortion legalized). U.S. lost its first war - Vietnam...
- **1979-1980 Shmita Year** - U.S. and global recession.
- **1986-1987 Shmita Year** - 33% U.S. Stock market value wiped out.
- **1993-1994 Shmita Year** - Bond market crash.
- **2000-2001 Shmita Year** - 37% U.S. stock market value wiped out. **9/11** and Global recession.
- **2007-2008 Shmita Year** - 50% U.S. Stock market value wiped out. Global recession.
- **2014-2015 Shmita Year** - A magnitude-7.8 earthquake struck Nepal on April 25, killing more than 8,800 people.

The World Trade Center was conceived in the Shmita of 1945, begun in the Shmita of 1966, was dedicated in the Shmita of 1973 and destroyed in the Shmita of 2001.

[<http://areyouready.co.za/shmita-year>]

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The king would sit on this platform and all in attendance would gather around him. The *hazzan haknesset* "servant of the synagogue" would hand the Book of the Law to the *kohen gadol*, who would hand it to the High Priest, who would present it to the king. The king would accept the *sefer Torah* while standing, but could sit while he read it aloud. The rest of Israel were required to stand.

The king began the reading with the same blessings over the Torah that are recited before every *Aliyah La-Torah* in synagogues today. Seven additional blessings were recited at the conclusion of the reading.

The reading consisted of the following sections from the Book of Deuteronomy:

1. From the beginning of the book through Shema Yisrael (6:4);
2. The second paragraph of the Shema (11:13-21);
3. "You shall surely tithe" (14:22-27);
4. "When you have finish tithing" (26:12-15);
5. The section about appointing a king (17:14-20);
6. The blessings and curses (28:1-69).

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hakhel#:~:text=The%20term%20Hakhel%20(Hebrew%3A%20%D7%94%D7%A7%D7%94%D7%9C,Israel%20once%20every%20seven%20years.)]

Early Mishnah says the King was to read. Time of Josephus, just after Yeshua, read by the Cohen Gadol, High Priest.

[https://www.chabad.org/library/article_cdo/aid/5648804/jewish/What-Is-Hakhel.htm]

"hear and learn to fear Adoni your God." Not just every seven years, but pattern of hearing → learning → fearing Adoni.

The first Shmita year in the modern State of Israel was 1951–1952 (5712) The Chief Rabbis of both the Ashkenazim and Sephardim did pray together in 1945 to publicly renew the covenant: as instructed by Torah itself, they read Deuteronomy 31:9–13 to all Jerusalem to teach the covenant and her children the fear of the Lord.

And before the following Sabbatical year (1952), the state of Israel came to life! Torah has been read after every Sabbatical year in Jerusalem ever since, but who would know? Is Jerusalem with all Israel in a process of repenting her covenant infidelity as a people?

[https://www.umjc.org/commentary/2022/10/6/haazinu-give-ear-to-a-song-of-the-future?utm_source=UMJC+News&utm_campaign=034aca4440-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_12_10_08_42_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_cd802052fa-034aca4440-203688328]

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HaYovel הַיּוֹבֵל The Jubilee followed immediately after the close of the 7th Shmita year. Started with "hearing fest."

[Cultural pic: National assembly to hear King read Dvarim/Deuteronomy]



יובל yvul

produce, crop; yield, fruit, return, harvest

HaYovel יובל Jubilee

Vayikra /Lev 25 9-10 You are to sound a blast on the shofar; you are to sound the shofar all through your land; and you are to consecrate the fiftieth year, proclaiming freedom throughout the land to all its inhabitants.



https://www.google.com/url?sa=i&url=https%3A%2F%2Fmemoryhollow.wordpress.com%2F2013%2F10%2F17%2Fthe-liberty-bell-part-3%2F&psig=AOvVaw3q8OyTVutkWNV-xkPJt4z5&ust=1665283046628000&source=images&cd=vfe&ved=0CAwQjRxqFwoTClidh7vOz_oCFQAAAAAdAAAAABAD

https://www.google.com/url?sa=i&url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.dosagemagazine.com%2Fliberty-bell-fun-facts%2F&psig=AOvVaw3q8OyTVutkWNV-xkPJt4z5&ust=1665283046628000&source=images&cd=vfe&ved=0CAwQjRxqFwoTCMi6kfbMz_oCFQAAAAAdAAAAABA0J

Vayikra /Lev 25.10-11 You will return everyone to the land he owns, and everyone is to return to his family. In that year you are not to sow, harvest what grows by itself or gather the grapes of untended vines ...

Vayikra /Lev 25.15 When you buy land from your neighbor, and he is to sell to you according to the number of years crops will be raised. [*pro-rated purchase*]

Vayikra /Lev 25.23-24 The land is not to be sold in perpetuity, because the land belongs to me — you are only foreigners and temporary residents with me. Therefore, when you sell your property, you must include the right of redemption.

Vayikra /Lev 25.28 If he hasn't sufficient means to get it back himself, then what he sold will remain in the hands of the buyer until the year of yovel; in the yovel the buyer will vacate it and the seller return to his property.

According to Maimonides (Mishne Torah, Hil. Shmita ve-Yovel 10:7), during the Second Temple period, the seven-year cycle which repeated itself every seven years was actually dependent upon the fixation of the Jubilee, or the 50th year, which year temporarily broke off the counting of the seven-year cycle.

A Sabbatical year could not be fixed without the year of the Jubilee, since the Jubilee serves to break off the 7 x 7-year cycle, before resuming its count once again in the 51st year. While the 49th

year is also a Sabbatical year, the 50th year is not the first year in a new seven-year cycle, but rather is the Jubilee.

Its number is not incorporated into the seven-year cycle. Rather, the new seven-year cycle begins afresh in the 51st year, and in this manner is the cycle repeated. After the Temple's destruction, the people began a new practice to number each seventh year as a Sabbatical year, without the necessity of adding a 50th year.

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HaYovel יוֹבֵל Jubilee

was a second year of freedom, of faith

[No work plus and minus]

This could be a יוֹבֵל Yovel, Jubilee year.

Yeshua has a spiritual Yovel for us based on a prophecy in Isaiah.

Yeshayahu/Is 61.1-3 The Spirit of Adoni Elohim is upon me, because Adoni has anointed me to announce good news to the poor. He has sent me to heal the brokenhearted; **to proclaim freedom to the captives**, to let out into light those bound in the dark; to proclaim the year of the favor of Adoni and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn, yes, provide for those in Tziyon who mourn, giving them garlands instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, a cloak of praise instead of a heavy spirit, so that they will be called oaks of righteousness planted by Adoni, in which he takes pride.

Lk 4.16-21 Now when he went to Natzeret, where he had been brought up, on Shabbat he went to the synagogue as usual. He stood up to read, and he was given the scroll of the prophet Yesha'yahu / Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll, he found the place where it was written, "The Spirit of Adoni is upon me; therefore he has anointed me to announce Good News to the poor; he has sent me to proclaim freedom for the imprisoned and renewed sight for the blind, to release those who have been crushed, to proclaim a year of the favor of Adoni." After closing the scroll and returning it to the shammash, he sat down; and the eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fixed on him. He started to speak to them: "Today, as you heard it read, this passage of the Tanakh was fulfilled!"

Are we walking in liberty in Messiah?

Erev Yom Kippur, I spoke on expelling Satan. Have we? Strongholds?

Joel Chernoff/Lamb song:

Sound the trumpet everywhere – all throughout the land,
Follow my decrees, you must obey my commands,
Gather with your families – come sing and clap your hands,
It is the Year of Jubilee
It is the Year of Jubilee
When the lame shall walk and the blind shall see,
When the Lord sets the captives free,
It is the Year of Jubilee.

Sound the trumpet Israel, let all the people hear,
It is I the Lord your God, who draws you near,
I have not forsaken you, so have no fear
It is the Year of Jubilee

When the lame shall walk and the blind shall see,
When the Lord sets the captives free,

It is the Year of Jubilee.

Sound the trumpet everywhere – let His praises ring,
Yeshua has redeemed mankind – salvation He brings,
For by His precious sacrifice are we standing free
It is the Year of Jubilee
It is the Year of Jubilee
When the lame shall walk and the blind shall see,
When the Lord sets the captives free,
It is the Year of Jubilee.

[<https://www.invubu.com/music/show/song/Lamb/The-Year-Of-The-Jubilee.html>]



Is this the year of our freedom?

[<https://www.israel365news.com/274830/watch-red-heifers-arrive-in-israel/>]

OneforIsrael.com near 100 million hits. Hebrew speakers.

Openness in Israel

Red Heifer found for Temple rebuilding!

Bamidbar / Nu 19.1-5 Adoni said to Moshe and

Aharon, “This is the regulation from the Torah which Adoni has commanded. Tell the people of Isra’el to bring you a young red female

cow without fault or defect and which has never borne a yoke. You are to give it to El’azar the cohen; it is to be brought outside the camp and slaughtered in front of him. El’azar the cohen is to take some of its blood with his finger and sprinkle this blood toward the front of the tent of meeting seven times. The heifer is to be burned to ashes before his eyes — its skin, meat, blood and dung is to be burned to ashes. The cohen is to take cedar-wood, hyssop and scarlet yarn and throw them onto the heifer as it is burning up. A man who is clean is to collect the ashes of the heifer and store them outside the camp in a clean place ...They are to be kept for the community of the people of Isra’el to prepare water for purification from sin.

The red heifer was the main component in the biblically mandated process of ritual purification for impurity that results from proximity or contact with a dead body. Because the elements needed for this ceremony have been lacking since the destruction of the Second Temple, all Jews today are considered ritually impure, thereby preventing the return of the Temple service. The Temple Institute launched its Red Heifer program about a decade ago, led by Rabbi Azariah Ariel. But even in Temple times, an animal that fulfilled the Biblical requirements was exceedingly rare. Failing to produce a suitable candidate from ranchers in Israel, The Temple Institute began investigating alternative sources for a red heifer.

[<https://www.israel365news.com/274830/watch-red-heifers-arrive-in-israel/>]

A team of rabbis from the Temple Institute flew out to inspect the calves last year. The requirements are incredibly demanding, requiring that there be no more than two non-red hairs on the entire calf. It must also never have been used for any labor or have been impregnated. The heifer must be two years and one day old to be suitable for the ceremony.



An Israeli rabbi uses a magnifying glass to examine a cow named Zippora, trying to determine whether the animal is a "red heifer",
(photo credit: STR NEW/REUTERS)



The Temple Institute and Boneh Israel made a huge step towards reinstating the Temple service on Thursday, September 13, 2022, when five red heifers landed at Ben Gurion International Airport.

[<https://www.jpost.com/judaism/article-717650>]



Conclusion Yovel: Liberated by the Word.

Yn 15.3-4 **You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you.** Abide in Me, and I will abide in you. The branch cannot itself produce fruit, unless it abides on the vine. Likewise, you cannot produce fruit unless you abide in Me.

T'hillim/Ps 1.1-2 **How blessed are those who reject the advice of the wicked, don't stand on the way of**

sinners or sit where scoffers sit! Their delight is in Adonai's Torah; on his Torah they meditate day and night.

T'hilim/Ps 119.11-16 I treasure your word in my heart, so that I won't sin against you. Blessed are you, Adonai! Teach me your laws. I proclaim with my mouth all the rulings you have spoken. I rejoice in the way of your instruction more than in any kind of wealth.

T'hilim/Ps 119.11-16 I will meditate on your precepts and keep my eyes on your ways. I will find my delight in your regulations. I will not forget your word.

We are in a spiritual Yovel Jubilee, if we want it.