

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