

Leviticus





Leviticus 19:1-2

1 YHWH spoke to Moses:

2 “Speak to the entire Israelite community and tell them:

Be holy because I, YHWH your God, am holy.

Leviticus within the Pentateuch

- (A) Genesis: prologue (separation/blessings/land)
- (B) Exodus: 1a: leaving Egypt;
1b: building the tabernacle
- (C) Leviticus: the tabernacle service
- (B') Numbers: 1a: dedicating the tabernacle;
1b': preparing to enter Canaan
- (A') Deuteronomy: epilogue (separation/blessings/land)

Leviticus Outline

(1-7) Sacrifices

(8-10) institution of priesthood/inauguration of cultus

(11-15) clean/unclean in daily life

(16) Day of Atonement

(17-20) Holy/profane in daily life

(21-22) Legislation for the priesthood

(23-27) Festivals/sacred time

Approaching God + atonement

Judgment/cleansing of everything

Communion w/God + holiness

Feasting With God

Leviticus 23

Sacrifices

(Lev. 17)

The Tent is the exclusive place for interacting with YHWH

Priests

(Lev. 21-22)

Increased requirements for holiness due to increased nearness to YHWH

Blessing

(Lev. 26-27)

Applying what a holy people would look like

Morality

(Lev. 18-20)

Positive & negative moral commands based on 19:2, 18

Calendar

(Lev. 23-25)

Israel is in constant feasting with YHWH when their lives are centered on Him

Holy (Lev. 18-26)



Common (Lev. 18-26)

Clean (Lev. 11-15)



Unclean (Lev. 11-15)



Sin

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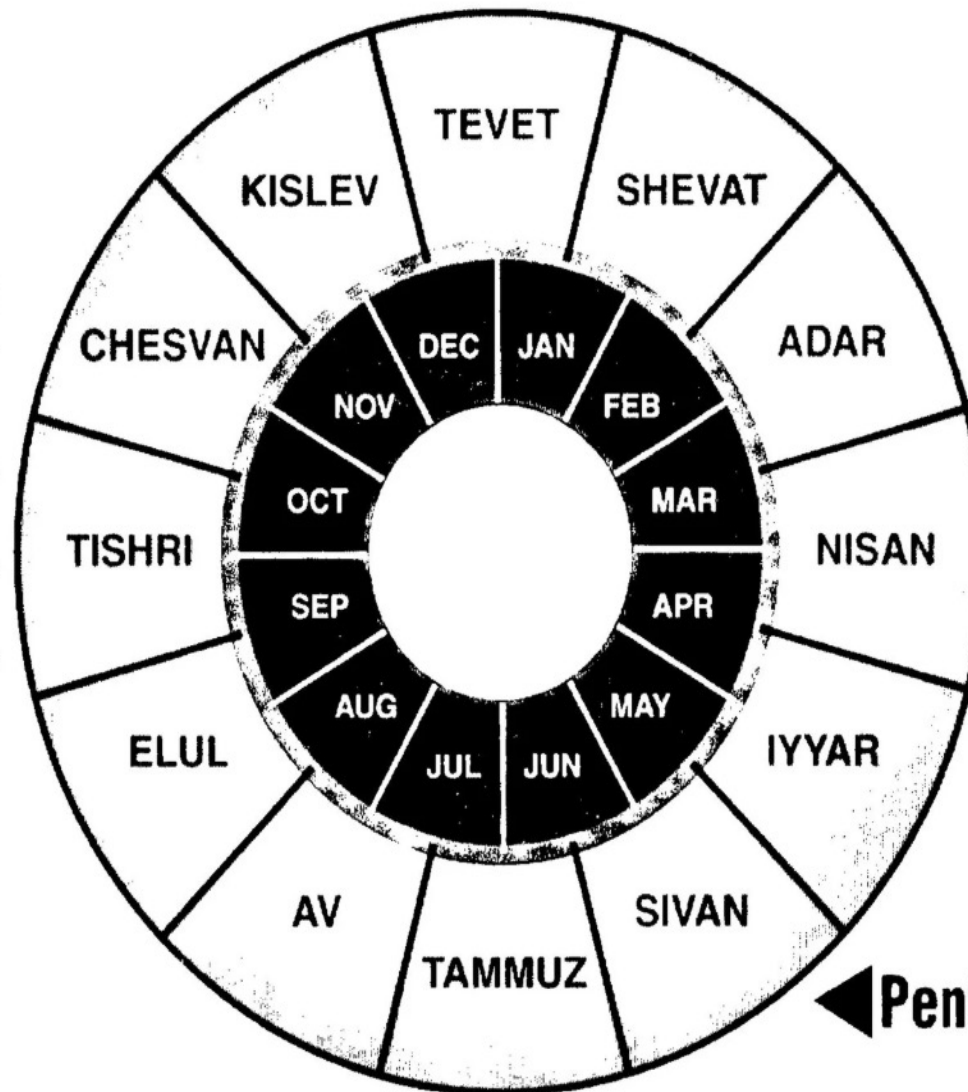
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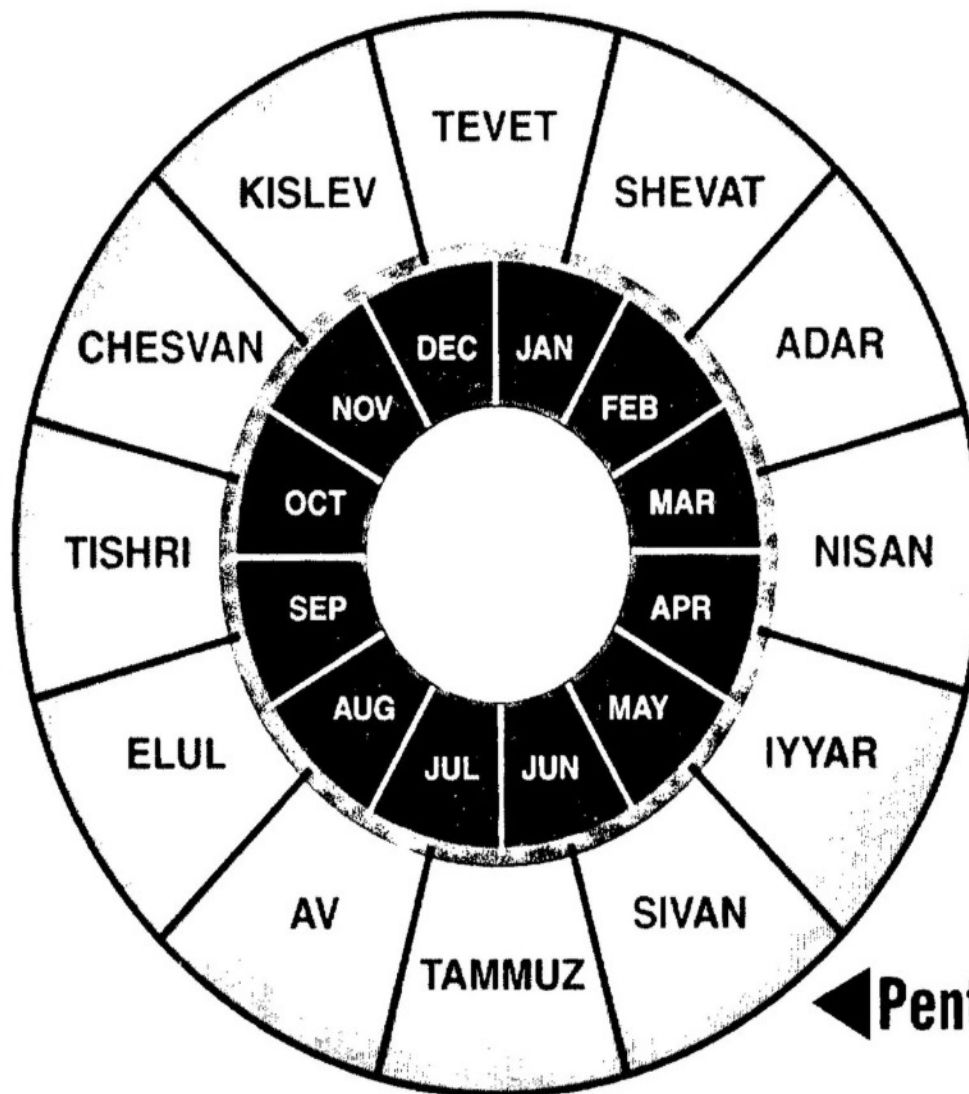
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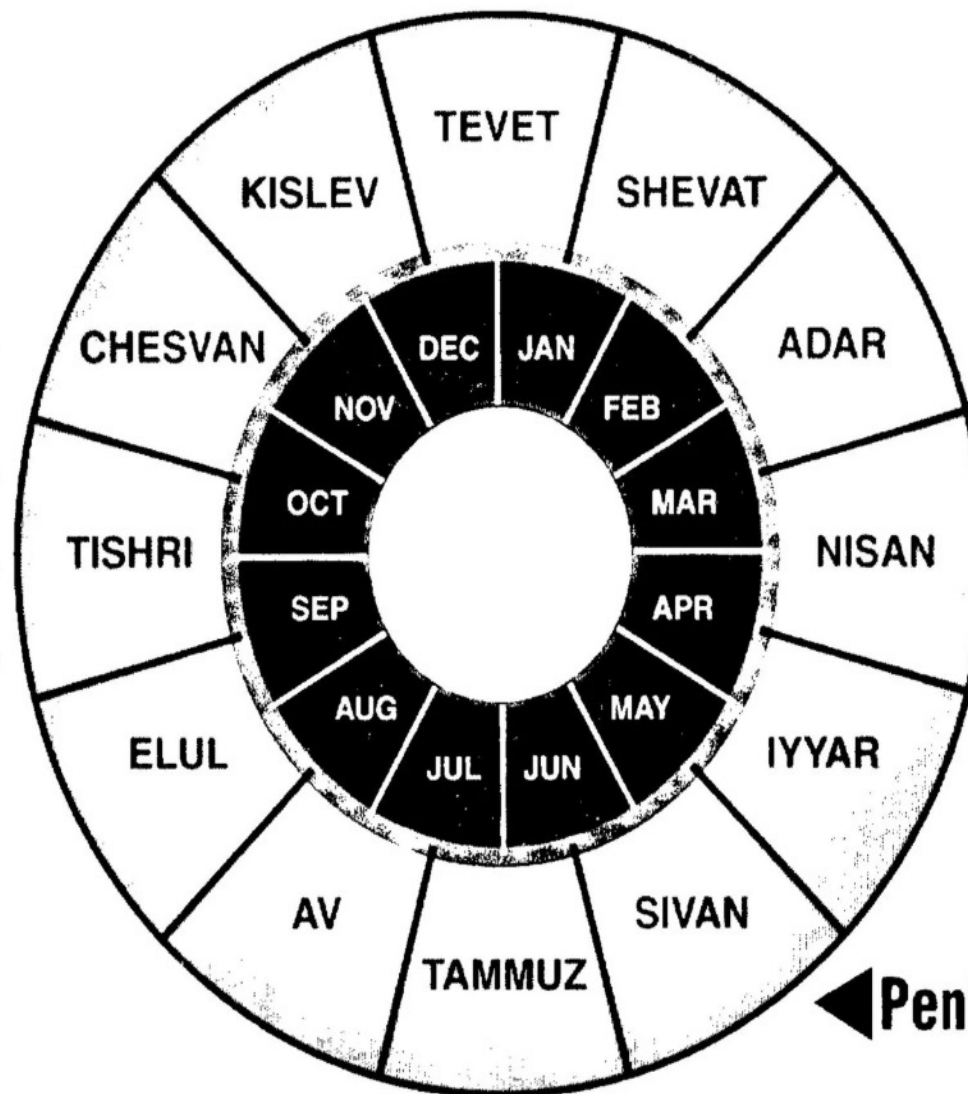
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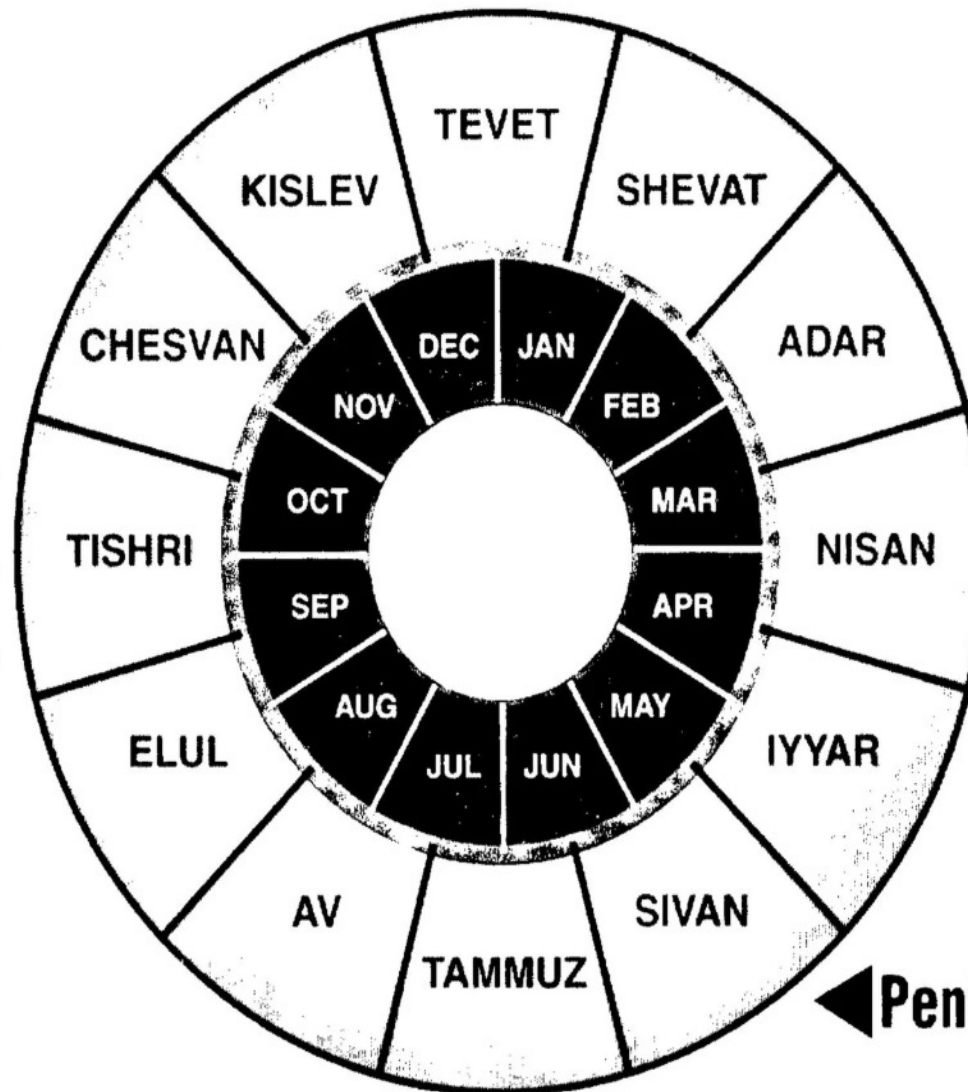
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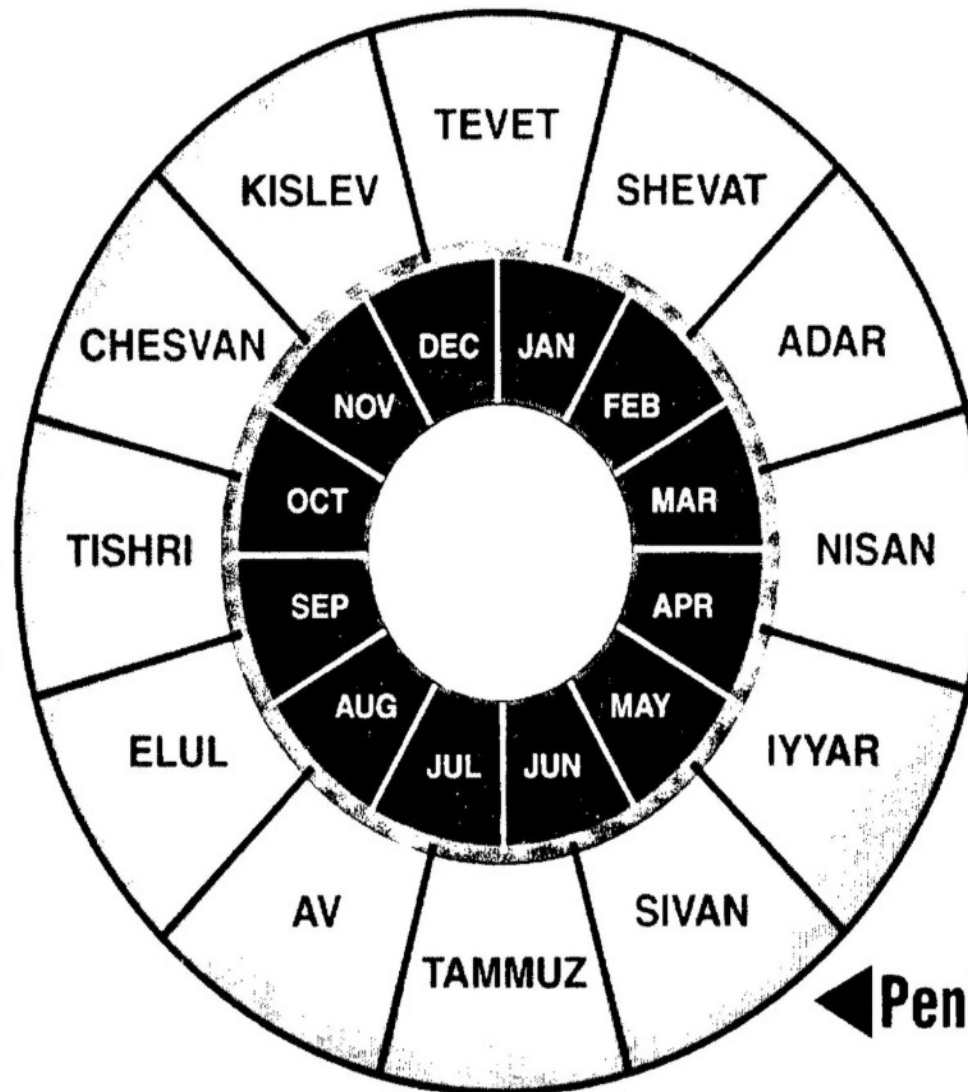
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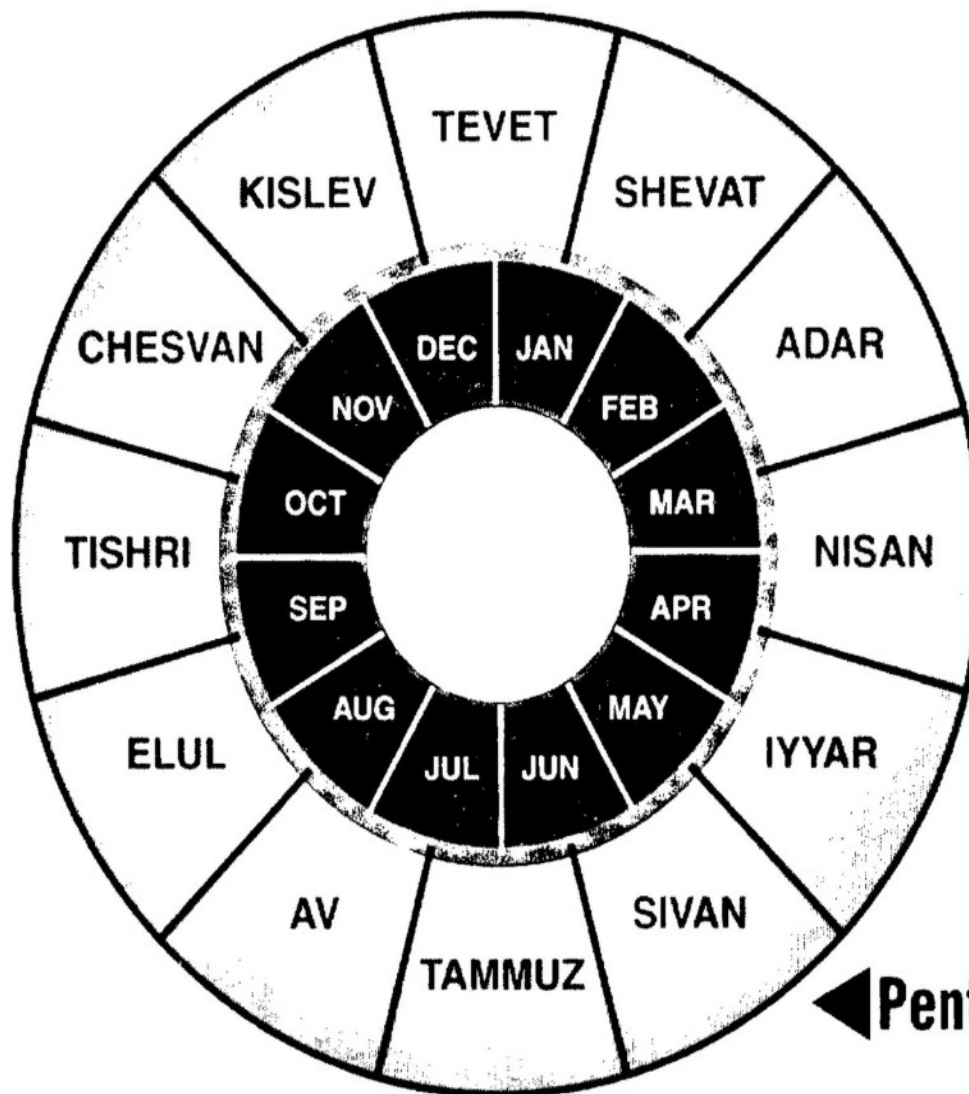
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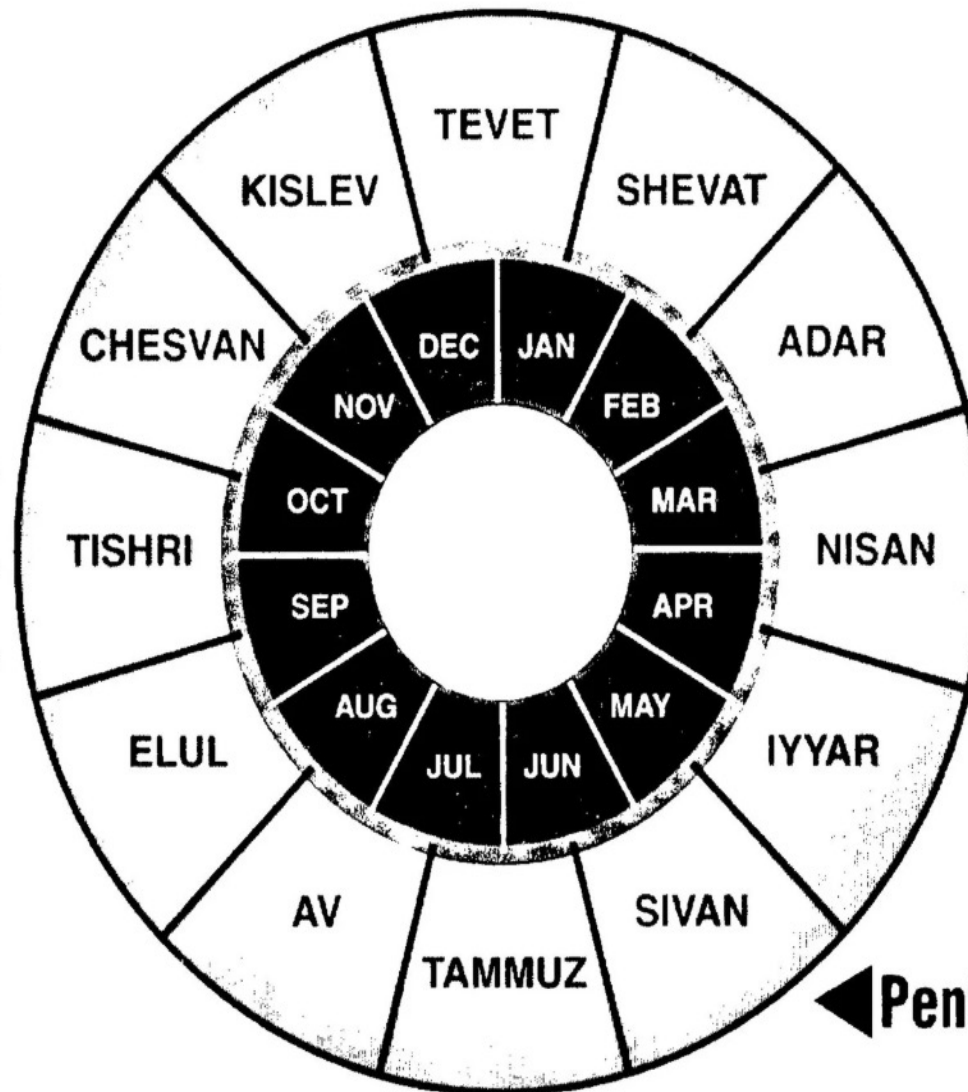
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³⁷ On the last and most important day of **the festival**, Jesus stood up and cried out, “**If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink.**” ³⁸ The one who believes in me, as the Scripture has said, **will have streams of living water flow from deep within him.**” ³⁹ He said this about the Spirit. Those who believed in Jesus were going to receive the Spirit, for the Spirit had not yet been given because Jesus had not yet been glorified. (cf. **Ezk. 47:1-11; Rev. 21-22**)

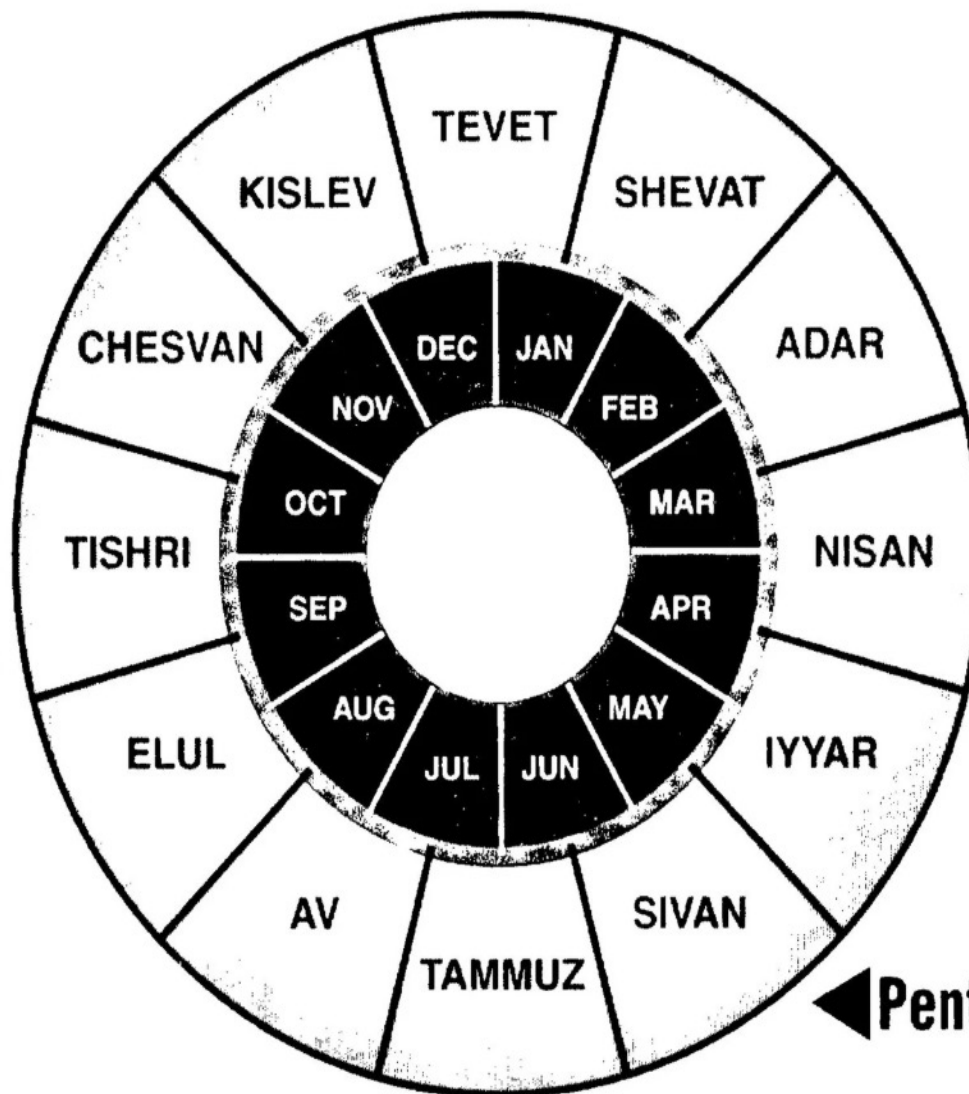
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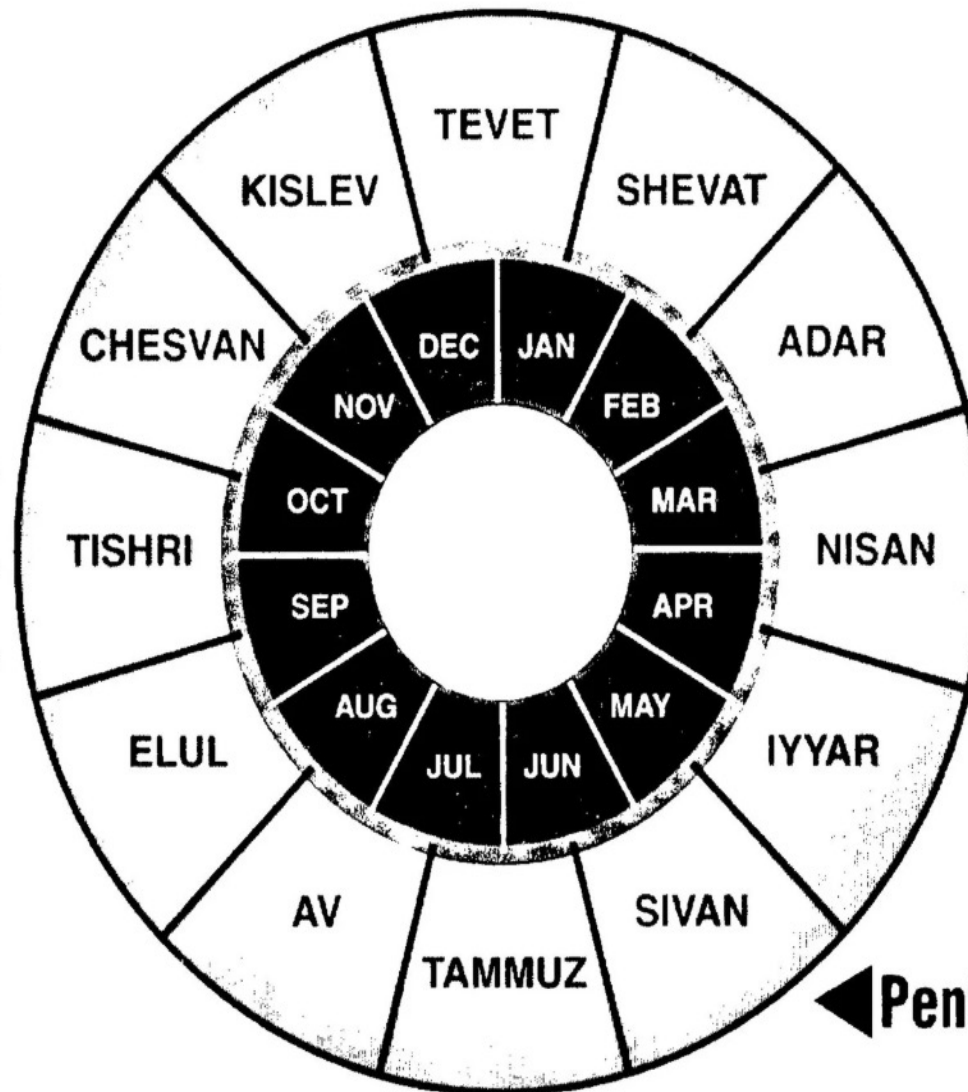
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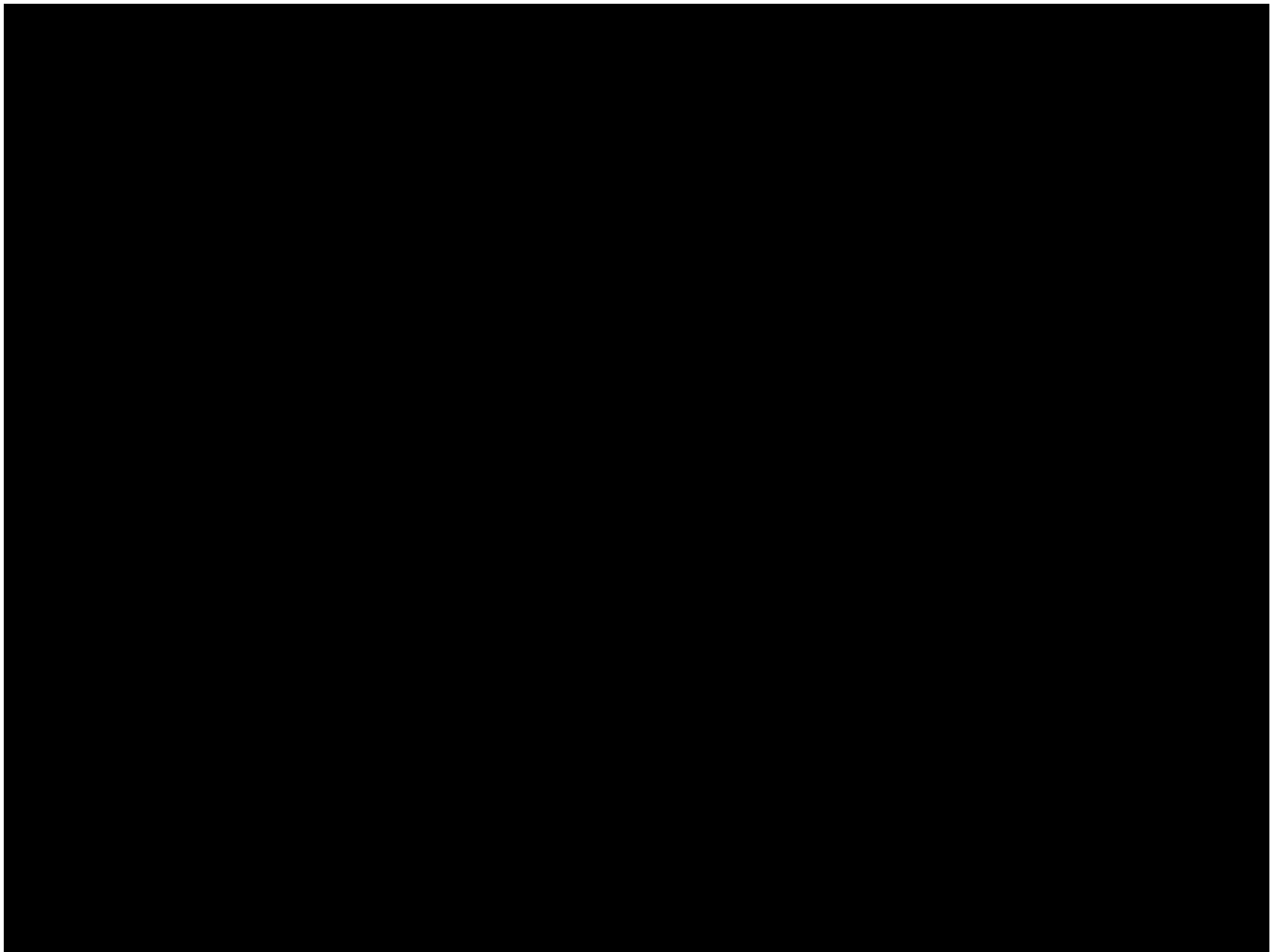
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