

## Month 2: The Narrow Road Leads to More Revelation

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**W**e're now entering the second month on the Hebrew calendar. During the first month, we've experienced Passover, the Feast of Unleavened Bread and the Feast of Firstfruits, and are now going through the Omer Count.

Although it's growing, there's still a relatively small group of people observing the feasts and keeping Sabbath compared to the mainstream. The Feast of Unleavened Bread is a time of distinguishing between leavened and unleavened bread, symbolizing our goal of separating sin from righteousness. The number of people eating this way for a week is pretty small. It's likely that those currently counting the omer for 49 days is even smaller. We're going against the grain. It's what I'd call "the narrow path."

Remember Matthew 7:13-14:

*"Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it."*

And Isaiah 35:8-9:

*"And a highway will be there; it will be called the Way of Holiness; it will be for those who walk on that Way. The unclean will not journey on it; wicked fools will not go about on it. No lion will be there, nor any ravenous beast; they will not be found there. But only the redeemed will walk there,"*

### **The Righteous are Drawn Out Through the Narrow Road**

Historically, here are some of the things that happened in the second month:

1. In Genesis, Noah was able to exit the ark in the second month.
2. In Exodus, the Israelites left Egypt last month and are in the wilderness at Mt. Sinai during the second month.
3. In Numbers, the census of the Israelite tribes was taken, and they set out on their first journey in their formations behind the cloud of Yehovah's shekinah glory during this month.
4. In 1 Kings, Ezra & 2 Chronicles the building of the temple is started during this month.
5. In the Gospels, several of Yeshua's post-resurrection appearances occur this month.

As I thought about these events, I noticed this theme of sin and righteousness and the narrow road. In each of these events the lawless ones and those who fell away are left behind, and the righteous remnant is drawn out

to move ahead. These are those who have chosen the narrow road and are on the highway called "the Way of Holiness."

1. In the story of the flood, the sinful and the righteous are separated and the righteous are brought through the narrow road.
2. In the Exodus, the Egyptians and the Israelites are separated, and Israel is brought through the narrow road.
3. The census in Numbers is the first census after the Exodus. It's after the incident of the golden calf, in which 3,000 Israelites died. Those who remain are getting organized to move ahead in their military formation. These are those who are now following Yehovah's shekinah glory for the first time.
4. In the accounts of the Israelites beginning to build the temple. The majority of the people did not return to Jerusalem. Those who are building the temple are those that have stayed true to Yehovah's leading. This is a smaller group who chose the narrow road.
5. In the Gospels, Yeshua appears to those who will move forward with the good news. At Yeshua's death, many turned away, writing him off as just another false messiah. But he appears to those who are still trying to believe, the righteous remnant who have chosen the narrow road of faith.

So we see this theme in all these scenarios that took place in the second month -- the lawless ones and those who fell away are left behind, and the righteous remnant is drawn out to move ahead. These are those who have chosen the narrow road and are on the highway called "the Way of Holiness."

That is sobering. This is that time -- the second month.

### **He is Still Revealing Himself to His Faithful Disciples**

The road we're on -- practicing the feasts, keeping the Sabbath -- is a narrow road, not many follow it. But now, after following that path through the Spring Feasts, we are brought forth ready to move ahead, going deeper and deeper with Yehovah and being used by him.

The Omer Count includes both the second and third months of the year. Yeshua's ascension took place on the 40th day of the Omer Count, next month. During that 40 days, Yeshua appeared to his disciples, revealing himself in a new way to them. Having come through the narrow path, he will reveal himself to you in a new ways this month. Be watching and listening for his appearances in your life this month. Maintain righteousness and follow his leading, so you, too, are prepared to move forward in his plan.