

# The Jewish Holidays and the Messiah

## Shabbat

A weekly day of rest beginning Friday at sundown and closing Saturday at sundown.

**LEV 23:1** The Lord spoke again to Moses, saying, 2 "Speak to the sons of Israel, and say to them, `The Lord's appointed times which you shall proclaim as holy convocations--My appointed times are these: 3 **For six days work may be done; but on the seventh day there is a Sabbath of complete rest, a holy convocation. You shall not do any work; it is a Sabbath to the Lord in all your dwellings.**

## Passover- Feast of Unleaven Bread

Feast of Unleaven Bread on Nisan 14 around March or April is a reminder of God's Protection during plagues in Egypt.

**LEV 23:4** `These are the appointed times of the Lord, holy convocations which you shall proclaim at the times appointed for them. 5 `In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at twilight is the Lord's Passover. 6 `Then on the fifteenth day of the same month there is the Feast of Unleavened Bread to the Lord; for seven days you shall eat unleavened bread.

**1CO 5:7** Therefore purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, since you truly are unleavened. For indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us.

## Yom HaBikkurim - Firstfruits

Harvest Offering First day after the Sabbath after Passover (Sunday) LEV 23:9

**LEV 23:7** `On the first day you shall have a holy convocation; you shall not do any laborious work. 8 `But for seven days you shall present an offering by fire to the Lord. On the seventh day is a holy convocation; you shall not do any laborious work." 9 Then the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, 10 "Speak to the sons of Israel, and say to them, `When you enter the land which I am going to give to you and reap its harvest, then you shall bring in the sheaf of the first fruits of your harvest to the priest. 11 `And he shall wave the sheaf before the Lord for you to be accepted; on the day after the sabbath the priest shall wave it. 12 `Now on the day when you wave the sheaf, you shall offer a male lamb one year old without defect for a burnt offering to the Lord. 13 `Its grain offering shall then be two-tenths of an ephah of fine flour mixed with oil, an offering by fire to the Lord for a soothing aroma, with its libation, a fourth of a hin of wine. 14 `Until this same day, until you have brought in the offering of your God, you shall eat neither bread nor roasted grain nor new growth. It is to be a perpetual statute throughout your generations in all your dwelling places."

Day of resurrection of Yeshua (Jesus): **1CO 15:20** But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

## Shavout - Feast of Weeks

Harvest Offering Fifty Days ( hence: Pentecost) after Passover.

Reading of the Book of Ruth "A Harvest"

**LEV 23:15** `You shall also count for yourselves from the day after the sabbath, from the day when you brought in the sheaf of the wave offering; there shall be seven complete sabbaths. 16 `You shall count fifty days to the day after the seventh sabbath; then you shall present a new grain offering to the Lord. 17 `You shall bring in from your dwelling places two loaves of bread for a wave offering, made of two-tenths of an ephah; they shall be of a fine flour, baked with leaven as first fruits to the Lord. 18 `Along with the bread, you shall present seven one year old male lambs without defect, and a bull of the herd, and two rams; they are to be a burnt offering to the Lord, with their grain offering and their libations, an offering by fire of a soothing aroma to the Lord. 19 `You shall also offer one male goat for a sin offering and two male lambs one year old for a sacrifice of peace offerings. 20 `The priest shall then wave them with the bread of the first fruits for a wave offering with two lambs before the Lord; they are to be holy to the Lord for the priest. 21 `On this same day you shall make a proclamation as well; you are to have a holy convocation. You shall do no laborious work. It is to be a perpetual statute in all your dwelling places throughout your generations. 22 `When you reap the harvest of your land, moreover, you shall not reap to the very corners of your field, nor gather the gleaning of your harvest; you are to leave them for the needy and the alien. I am the Lord your God."

Holy Spirit was given the Day of Pentecost had come...and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit --**ACT 2:1-13**

## Yom Kippur The Day of Atonement

The High Priest would enter the Holy of Holies to sprinkle blood on the Ark of the Covenant for Israel's sins. In modern Judaism, the elaborate Temple service given by God has been replaced by one day of fasting and synagogue attendance.

**LEV 23:26** And the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, 27 "On exactly the tenth day of this seventh month is the day of atonement; it shall be a holy convocation for you, and you shall humble your souls and present an offering by fire to the Lord. 28 "Neither shall you do any work on this same day, for it is a day of atonement, to make atonement on your behalf before the Lord your God. 29 "If there is any person who will not humble himself on this same day, he shall be cut off from his people. 30 "As for any person who does any work on this same day, that person I will destroy from among his people. 31 "You shall do no work at all. It is to be a perpetual statute throughout your generations in all your dwelling places. 32 "It is to be a sabbath of complete rest to you, and you shall humble your souls; on the ninth of the month at evening, from evening until evening you shall keep your sabbath."

A future day of atonement during the second coming of the Messiah,

For My sword is satiated in heaven, For the Lord has a sacrifice in Bozrah,... For the Lord has a day of vengeance, A year of recompense for the cause of Zion. **ISA 34:5-6**

## **Rosh Hashanah**

Feast of Trumpets The Jewish New Year

The Shofar (Ram's horn Trumpets are blown to proclaim a gathering for worship.

**LEV 23:23** Again the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, 24 "Speak to the sons of Israel, saying, `In the seventh month on the first of the month, you shall have a rest, a reminder by blowing of trumpets, a holy convocation. 25 `You shall not do any laborious work, but you shall present an offering by fire to the Lord."

For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout,...., and with the (shofar) trumpet of God; and the dead in Christ shall rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds. -- **1TH 4:15-17**

## **Sukkot - Feast of Tabernacles or Booths**

Feast of Tabernacles Temporary Booths are constructed to remind Israel of the Wilderness wandering. A Lulav of Palm Branches are waved ushering the Kingdom

**LEV 23:33** Again the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, 34 "Speak to the sons of Israel, saying, `On the fifteenth of this seventh month is the Feast of Booths for seven days to the Lord. 35 `On the first day is a holy convocation; you shall do no laborious work of any kind. 36 `For seven days you shall present an offering by fire to the Lord. On the eighth day you shall have a holy convocation and present an offering by fire to the Lord; it is an assembly. You shall do no laborious work. 37 `These are the appointed times of the Lord which you shall proclaim as holy convocations, to present offerings by fire to the Lord--burnt offerings and grain offerings, sacrifices and libations, each day's matter on its own day-- 38 besides those of the sabbaths of the Lord, and besides your gifts, and besides all your votive and freewill offerings, which you give to the Lord. 39 `On exactly the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when you have gathered in the crops of the land, you shall celebrate the feast of the Lord for seven days, with a rest on the first day and a rest on the eighth day. 40 `Now on the first day you shall take for yourselves the foliage of beautiful trees, palm branches and boughs of leafy trees and willows of the brook; and you shall rejoice before the Lord your God for seven days. 41 `You shall thus celebrate it as a feast to the Lord for seven days in the year. It shall be a perpetual statute throughout your generations; you shall celebrate it in the seventh month. 42 `You shall live in booths for seven days; all the native-born in Israel shall live in booths, 43 so that your generations may know that I had the sons of Israel live in booths when I brought them out from the land of Egypt. I am the Lord your God.'" 44 So Moses declared to the sons of Israel the appointed times of the LORD.

All the nations that went against Jerusalem will celebrate the Feast of Booths...all of the families of the earth does not go up to Jerusalem to worship the King, there will be no rain on them. ---**ZEC 14:16-17**