

The Seven Feast of the LORD

Leviticus 23, Numbers 28, 29 and Deuteronomy 17

The LORD gave Israel seven feasts (appointments) to be kept annually to remember what the LORD has done. These seven feasts also look forward and point to the Messiah; Jesus' first and second coming.

Spring Feasts - In the First Month, Nisan

Feast	Date Observed	Past Remembrance	Significance
Passover <i>Pesach</i>	Nisan 14	Passover in Egypt when the blood of the lamb applied to the lintel of the door protected the firstborn sons.	Redemption: Messiah, the Passover Lamb was sacrificed for us.
Unleavened Bread <i>Hag Hamatzot</i>	Nisan 15-21	Israel left Egypt quickly and the bread did not have time to leaven (leaven means fermentation/decay).	Sanctification: Messiah's body did not decay in the grave.
First Fruits <i>bikkurim</i>	Nisan 16	Barley is the first crop harvested and presented to the LORD in anticipation that He will bring in the rest.	Resurrection: Messiah rose triumphantly from the grave on the third day.
Weeks <i>Shavuot</i>	7 weeks from First Fruits plus 1 day-50 days <i>Pentecost - Greek</i>	Wheat harvest is in and Israel brings two loaves of bread before the LORD.	Origination: Messiah sent the Holy Spirit to inaugurate the New Covenant and the birth of the Church.

Autumn Feasts - In the Seventh Month, Tishri

Feast	Date observed	Past Remembrance	Significance
Trumpets <i>Rosh Hashanah</i>	Tishri 1	The trumpet was to be blown on the 1 st day of the 7 th month at the first sight of a new moon.	Future: day when Messiah returns to bring the righteous home often referred to as the rapture.
Day of Atonement <i>Yom Kippur</i>	Tishri 10	Most solemn day of the year. It is the day the blood sacrifice of an animal covered the sins of the previous year.	Future: day when Israel repents of her sins and turns to the Messiah.
Tabernacles <i>Sukkot</i>	Tishri 15-21	Living in booths outside Israel remembers God's past goodness and provision during their time in the wilderness.	Future: day when the Messiah set up the messianic Kingdom and tabernacles among His people

Excellent resource: "The Feasts of the LORD" by Kevin Howard and Marvin Rosenthal
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