

# Bethany Bible Study & Discussion



## Deuteronomy Part 18 (chapter 16) KJV

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# The Feasts The Festivals (cont.)

# Seven Feasts

**Feasts are Historical**

**Feasts are Prophetic (4 fulfilled)**

**Feasts have Application for us**

**Significance  
of the  
FEASTS:  
Some general  
thoughts**

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**Instituted by God for Jewish nation**

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Holy convocation with God, and His people

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Appointed time + chosen place

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A time of worship and praise

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A time of remembering & rejoicing

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A time of compassion & generosity

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A time of spiritual & physical rest

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**A time of retaining the identity & values of Jewish nation**

# 7 Feasts

## Leviticus 23

### SPRING FEASTS (historical, fulfilled prophecies) (50-days)

1. **Feast of Passover** (Nissan, March-April) (14th day, Thursday) (Crucifixion)
2. **Feast of Unleavened bread** (15<sup>th</sup> day, Friday, 7-days) (Burial)
3. **Feast of First fruits** (17th day, Sunday) (Resurrection)
4. **Feast of weeks or Pentecost** (50<sup>th</sup> day after Passover) (1-day) (Holy spirit, Church)

### FALL FEASTS (historical, await the fulfillment of prophecies) (22 days)

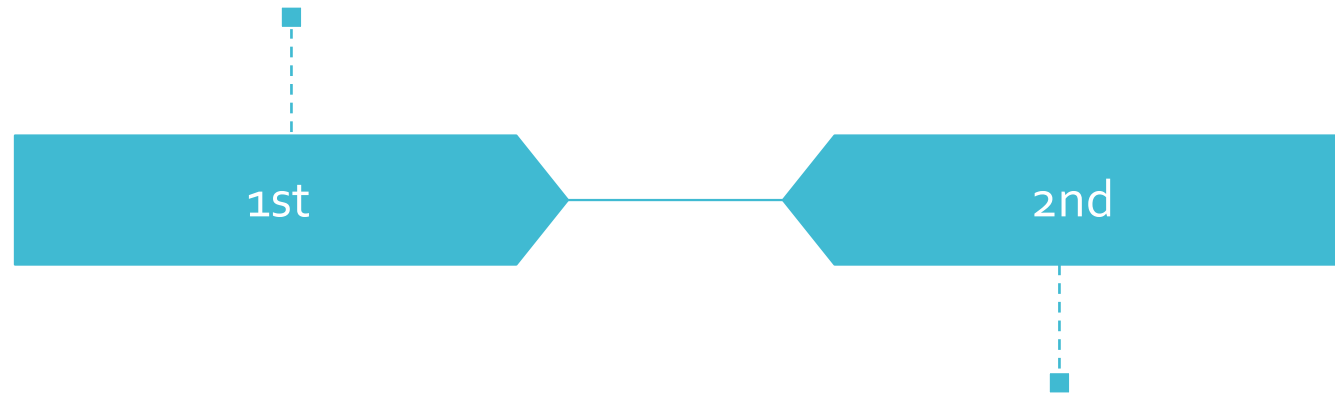
5. **Feast of Trumpets/Rosh Hashanah** (Sept/Oct) (1<sup>st</sup> day) (1-2 days)
6. **Day of Atonement/Yom Kippur** (10<sup>th</sup> day after Feast of trumpets)
7. **Feast of Tabernacles or Booths/Sukkot** (15<sup>th</sup> -22<sup>nd</sup> day)

**Deuteronomy 16 excludes 5 & 6**

**Feasts cover 72-day period (almost 20% of the year!)**

# Feasts and Lord Jesus Christ

4 Spring feasts focus on the **1st coming** of Lord Jesus Christ



3 Fall feasts focus on the **2nd coming** of Lord Jesus Christ



# Three Fall Festivals

Feast of Trumpets

Day of Atonement

Feast of Tabernacles



# 5. Feast of Trumpets

(Rosh Hashanah, Jewish New Year)

(September 15, 2023)



# Feast of Trumpets

(not listed in Deuteronomy 16)

## Leviticus 23:23-25

<sup>23</sup> And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying, <sup>24</sup> Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, in the first day of the month, shall ye have a sabbath, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, an holy convocation. <sup>25</sup> Ye shall do no servile work therein: but ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the Lord (also, Numbers 29:1-6)

“Feast of Trumpets” is not mentioned in the Bible by name.

# Feast of Trumpets

WHEN?: 1<sup>st</sup> Day of the Seventh month (new moon day) (only festival on the 1<sup>st</sup> day)

First day of the month ... new moon day (timing unknown; announced of new moon made by two witnesses to the priests)

Rosh Hashanah (head of the year) (God's creation began)

WHY?: Recognize end of harvest | Prepare for Day of atonement

Get ready for atonement and start making the journey for celebration of Festival of Tabernacles

HOW?: no work, blow trumpet

burnt offering, meal offering, sin offering

# The Prophecy of Trumpets & Jesus Christ

Does it relate to the “Rapture”?

Or

Does it relate to the “second coming of Christ” at the end of 7-year tribulation?

The warning  
and  
welcoming  
sound of  
**TRUMPETS**

**SINNERS WARNED / 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming: JOEL 2:1** Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the Lord cometh, for it is nigh at hand; (Zephaniah 1:14-16)

**ELECT GATHERED / 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming-regathering of remnant Jews for Millennium kingdom: MATHEW 24:31** And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

**SAINTS WELCOMED / Rapture:** For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: <sup>17</sup>Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord (**I THESSALONIANS 4:16-17**)

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**MESSAGE TO CHURCHES REVEALED:**

**Revelation 1:10** I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet

**END TIME TRIBULATION and KINGDOM of GOD:**

**Revelation 8-11** notes Seven angels with Seven Trumpets declaring the intensifying events during the great tribulation.

**REVELATION 11:15** And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever

# Trumpet of God

## First Reference of Trumpet

(Mt. Sinai where Ten commandments were given)

**EXODUS 19:19-20** <sup>19</sup> And when the voice of the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder and louder, Moses spake, and God answered him by a voice.  
<sup>20</sup> And the Lord came down upon mount Sinai, on the top of the mount: and the Lord called Moses up to the top of the mount; and Moses went up



# Powerless Trumpets

**I CORINTHIANS 14:8**

**If the trumpet give an uncertain  
sound, who shall prepare himself  
to the battle?**

# 6. Day of Atonement

(**YOM KIPPUR**)

(September 25, 2023)



## DAY OF ATONEMENT

LEVITICUS 23:26-32  
also LEVITICUS 16

(not listed in Deuteronomy 16)

<sup>26</sup> And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying, <sup>27</sup> Also on the tenth day of this seventh month there shall be a day of atonement: it shall be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall afflict your souls, and offer an offering made by fire unto the Lord.

<sup>28</sup> And ye shall do no work in that same day: for it is a day of atonement, to make an atonement for you before the Lord your God. <sup>29</sup> For whatsoever soul it be that shall not be afflicted in that same day, he shall be cut off from among his people.

<sup>30</sup> And whatsoever soul it be that doeth any work in that same day, the same soul will I destroy from among his people. <sup>31</sup> Ye shall do no manner of work: it shall be a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.

<sup>32</sup> It shall be unto you a sabbath of rest, and ye shall afflict your souls: in the ninth day of the month at even, from even unto even, shall ye celebrate your sabbath.

# Day of Atonement

WHEN?: 10<sup>th</sup> Day of seventh month

WHY?: To atone for sins

HOW?: Priest entered 'holy of holies' once a year

1. **Sacrifice of bull**, and blood sprinkled on ark of the covenant (first for Priest to be cleansed)
2. **Two goats** ... one sacrificed for sins of people and blood sprinkled on ark of covenant (price of sin). Other goat (scape goat) released with all the sins of the people (symbolic of sin removed far away, Psalms 103:12, as far as East is from the West)
3. A solemn time when Jews will seek repentance during the 7-days following Feast of Trumpets (day 3 to day 9)

# Prophecy of Day of Atonement & Jesus Christ


If Feast of Trumpets refer to Rapture of Church,

The day of atonement refers to the great tribulation period when when some Jews will repent and are saved (tribulation saints) (Zechariah 13:8-9)

Even today, repentance is needed in order to be saved.

**except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish (Luke 13:5)**

Timing: Rapture of church is followed by 7-years of tribulation

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# 7. Feast of Tabernacles (or Feast of Booths Sukkot) (13-15)

Sept. 29 - October 6, 2023

# Feast of Tabernacles

## Deuteronomy 16:13-15

<sup>13</sup> Thou shalt observe the **feast of tabernacles** seven days, after that thou hast gathered in thy corn and thy wine: <sup>14</sup> And thou shalt rejoice in thy feast, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy manservant, and thy maidservant, and the Levite, the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, that are within thy gates. <sup>15</sup> Seven days shalt thou keep a solemn feast unto the Lord thy God in the place which the Lord shall choose: because the Lord thy God shall bless thee in all thine increase, and in all the works of thine hands, therefore thou shalt surely rejoice.

**Leviticus 23:33-43** ... <sup>42</sup> Ye shall  dwell in booths  seven days; all that are Israelites born shall dwell in booths: <sup>43</sup> That your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God.

Numbers 29:12-38

# Feast of Tabernacles

**WHEN?:** 15<sup>th</sup> day of 7<sup>th</sup> month; end of harvest of wheat and grapes  
Week long celebration

**WHY?** Celebration to recognize God's continued faithfulness and provision  
Remember the tent dwelling while in wilderness

**HOW?:** Left their homes and lived in booths/tents  
1<sup>st</sup> day: Holy Convocation/Sabbath/worship  
Sacrifices and offerings  
8<sup>th</sup> day Holy Convocation/Sabbath/worship  
Time of rejoicing with everyone  
Similar to feast of weeks

# Timing of Feast of Tabernacles

## Temple of Solomon dedicated (I Kings 8:2)

<sup>2</sup> And all the men of Israel assembled themselves unto king Solomon at the feast in the month Ethanim, which is the seventh month.

## Jesus offered the living water (John 7:37-39)

<sup>37</sup> In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, **If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink.** <sup>38</sup> He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. <sup>39</sup> (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)

# Glorious End: Prophecy of Feast of Tabernacle and Jesus Christ

Jesus will return to dwell and rule on earth during the 1,000 year Millennial rule (Revelation 20:4-6)

In heaven, there will be no temple and no sun!

God will dwell among his people in the new Jerusalem (Revelation 21:3, 22, 23)

<sup>3</sup> And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. <sup>22</sup> And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it. <sup>23</sup> And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof.

**Worship is never about the physical place (be it tabernacle or temple or church building) but the person, Christ! Only if we have relationship with Christ can we worship in spirit and in truth.**



## Summary

# 7 Feasts and Prophecies

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Passover (Crucifixion of Christ on the cross, blood shed)

Feast of Unleavened bread (burial of sinless Christ)

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Feast of First fruits (Resurrection of Christ)

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Feast of Pentecost (Holy Spirit descends, Church formed)

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Feast of Trumpets (Christ returns in the air, Rapture of Church)

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Day of Atonement (Repentance of remnant Israel during tribulation)

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Feast of Tabernacles (Millennial reign with Christ)

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# Jesus Christ, our superior high Priest and mediator

## Hebrews 7:22-28

- High Priest who is without sin so does not need offer sacrifice for his sins first
- High Priest who intercedes for us
- High Priest who lives for ever and is consecrated for evermore
- His blood shed on the cross gives us boldness to enter into the holiest.

## HEBREWS 10:1

For the law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect.



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# Do we need to observe the feasts?

**NO,** We don't have to observe the feasts

The feasts were instituted by God for Jews (not for NT believers)

However, we should not condemn anyone who is observing holy days like sabbath (as they were instituted by God)

## **Colossians 4: 9-10**

But now, after that ye have known God, or rather are known of God, how turn ye again to the weak and beggarly elements, whereunto ye desire again to be in bondage? Ye observe days, and months, and times, and years.

Observing without understanding is tradition, not a testimony!

## What is the application of Feasts?

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Feasts reveal the master plan of God, from the beginning when animal was sacrificed to cover the sins of Adam and Eve

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Feasts provide context for fulfilled prophecies, and gives us faith that remaining prophecies will also be fulfilled.

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Feasts shows how the Old Testament points to Jesus Christ

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Feasts demonstrates Bible is a collection of 66 books with a consistent message.

## Instructions on giving

<sup>16</sup> Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the Lord thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles: and they shall not appear before the Lord empty: <sup>17</sup> Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord thy God which he hath given thee.

3 times/year appear before God  
Do not appear empty



Give as able,  
in proportion to God's blessing

# Judges & Officers

<sup>18</sup> Judges and officers shalt thou make thee in all thy gates, which the Lord thy God giveth thee, throughout thy tribes: and they shall judge the people with just judgment. <sup>19</sup> Thou shalt not wrest judgment; thou shalt not respect persons, neither take a gift: for a gift doth blind the eyes of the wise, and pervert the words of the righteous.

**Leadership:** Judges and Officers

Judge justly

Don't be biased

Don't take bribes

## No Idols (20-22)

<sup>20</sup> That which is altogether just shalt thou follow, that thou mayest live, and inherit the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee. <sup>21</sup> Thou shalt not plant thee a grove of any trees near unto the altar of the Lord thy God, which thou shalt make thee. <sup>22</sup> Neither shalt thou set thee up any image; which the Lord thy God hateth.



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