

**The Book of Leviticus
God's Calendar -The Feasts of the Lord
Leviticus 23:1-44 (page 84)**

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- The Sabbath (23:1-3; Gen 2:1-3)
 - *Points to:* Our ultimate rest in Jesus Christ (Luke 6:5; Matt 11:28-30; Heb 4:6-11)

The Seven Feasts Appointed by the Lord:

Spring Feasts...

- The Passover (23:4-5; Exo 12:1-14, 21-29, 43-51; Jn 19:14)
 - *Points to:* The death of Jesus Christ and our deliverance from slavery to sin (1 Cor 5:7)
- The Feast of Unleavened Bread (23:6-8; Exo 12:15-20)
 - *Points to:* The sinless Savior and our own separation from sin (1 Cor 5:8; Eph 4:22-24)
- The Feast of Firstfruits (23:9-14)
 - *Points to:* The resurrection of Jesus Christ and the promise of our own resurrection (1 Cor 15:20-26)
- The Feast of Pentecost (23:15-21; Acts 1:4-8; Acts 2)
 - *Points to:* The beginning of the Church - the joining of Jew and Gentile into one body (Eph 2:11-2)

Fall Feasts...

- The Feast of Trumpets (23:23-25; Num 10:1-10)
 - *Points to:* The gathering of God's people - the Church and Israel (Isa 27:12-13; Matt 24:29-31; 1 Cor 15:52; 1 Thess 4:13-18)
- The Day of Atonement (23:26-32; 16:1-34)
 - *Points to:* Forgiveness and salvation for the nation of Israel (Zech 12:10-13:1)
- The Feast of Tabernacles (23:33-44)
 - *Points to:* The joy of the Lord as His kingdom is established on the earth (Isa 52:7-12; 2:2-4; 11:1-12; Micah 5:2-5; Zech 12-14)

The importance of chapter 23 for us today....

These seven feasts typify the sequence, timing and significance of major events of the Lord Jesus Christ's redemptive ministry (Luke 24:44-47; Col 2:17)

Because the events are spaced, timed and regulated we are able to determine where we are in history right now. (Matt 16:2-3; 1 Chron 12:32)

Things that were literally and historically true of the nation Israel, picture and reveal the manner in which every believer in Jesus Christ proceeds in their spiritual development today. (1 Cor 10:1-13)