

Holidays and Holy Days – Fall 2019

Week 1: OT Feasts and Cycle of Holy Days

- **The Appointed Feasts of the Lord**
 - **Leviticus 23**
 - **Sabbath** (Shabbat) – 7th Day of the Week
 - **Passover** (Pesach) & **Unleavened Bread** (Hag Hamatzot) – Early Spring
 - **Feast Firstfruits** (Yom HaBikkurim) - Early Spring
 - **Feast of Weeks / Pentecost** (Shavnot) – Late Spring
 - **Feast of Trumpets / New Year** (Rosh HaShanah) – Early Fall
 - **Day of Atonement** (Yom Kippur) - Early Fall
 - **Feast of Tabernacles / Booths** (Sukkot) - Early Fall
 - **Additional Holy Days**
 - **Rejoicing in the Law** (Joy of Torah) – Fall (last day of Tabernacles)
 - **Feast of Dedication** (Hanukkah, Feast of Lights) – Early Winter
 - **Feast of Lots** (Purim, Preservation of the Jewish People) – Late Winter
 - **Additional Special Years**
 - **Sabbatical / Sabbath Year** – every 7 years
 - **Year of Jubilee** – After 7th Sabbatical years – i.e after 49 years completed, or once every 50 years (~ once every generation)
 - **Themes / Purpose of these Feasts**

- **Note on Grouping of 7 Main Feasts:**
 - **Spring:** Passover, Unleavened Bread, Firstfruits ...
 - **Late Spring:** Weeks / Pentecost (50 days after Firstfruits)
 - **Fall:** Trumpets, Atonement, Tabernacle

- **Note on Fulfillment** (*more next week*)
 - **Spring:** Christ's Death, Burial and Resurrection
 - **Late Spring:** Coming of the Spirit ... Gap until 2nd Coming
 - **Fall:** Return of Christ, Judgement / Final Forgiveness of Sins (ingathering of Israel), Set Up Eternal Kingdom / God Dwell with Man

- **Cycle of Observances**
 - **Daily Cycle**
 - **Night and Day** (Genesis 1, Psalms)
 - **Work to Eat** (2 Thessalonians 3:10), **Not Lazy** (Proverbs 10:4), **Gives to Beloved Sleep** (Psalm 127:2)

 - **Weekly Cycle**
 - **Work and Rest** (Genesis 2:1-3)

 - **Sabbath** (Exodus 20:8-11, Exodus 31:12-18, Leviticus 23:3, Isaiah 58:13-14)

 - **Place of Sacrifices** (Leviticus 21-22)

- **Seasonal / Yearly Cycle**
 - **Cycles to Seasons / Life** (Psalm 104; Ecclesiastes 3:1-8)

 - **Festivals / Convocations / Pilgrimages** (review Lev. 23, Duet. 16)

- **Cycle of Years** (*more in week 4*)
 - **Sabbatical / Sabbath Year** (Leviticus 25:1-7)

 - **Year of Jubilee** (Leviticus 25:8-22...)

- **Cycle of Judgments and Recommitment**

(seen throughout OT, represented in cycle of Week, Feasts and Years)

 - **Iniquity and Sacrifice** (Isaiah 1:2-4...10-20)

 - **Judgment** (Ezekiel 20:18-24; Amos 8; II Chronicles 36:17-24)

 - **Renewed Vows** (Nehemiah 10:30-33...)

(note: we will come back to Christ's fulfillment and Paul's instruction on how to practice these over the next 3 weeks, then turn to celebrating Advent, Christmas and Epiphany)