

Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025

1 Timothy 4:13, “Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching.”

Title: The Feasts of the Lord
Series: Easter Sunday, 2025
Text: Leviticus 23:1 - 44

Purpose: I want to INFORM my congregation of the Feasts of the Lord and their significance and relevance to the Believer.

Introduction:

The Feasts of the Lord are prophetic for the redeemed Jew and Gentile.

~ Matthew 15:24, “He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.”

~ Acts 1:8, “But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

~ Ephesians 2:14, “For he himself is our peace, who made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility”

1. The Feast of Passover:

~ Leviticus 23:5, “In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at twilight, is the LORD’S Passover.” - Nisan 14

~ Exodus 12:6, “and you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill the lambs at twilight.”

~ John 8:34 – 36, “Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. (35) The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. (36) So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.””

~ Matthew 26:24, “The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that man if he had not been born.”

~ For the Believer – HISTORY

2. The Feast of Unleavened Bread:

~ Leviticus 23:6, “And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the Feast of Unleavened Bread to the LORD; for seven days you shall eat unleavened bread.” - Nisan 15

~ Galatians 5:9, “A little leaven leavens the whole lump.”

~ 2 Timothy 2:19, “But the foundation stands, bearing this seal: “The Lord knows those who are his,” and, “Let everyone who names the name of the Lord depart from iniquity.””

~ For the Believer – CURRENT

3. The Feast of First Fruits:

~ Leviticus 23:10 – 14

By Levitical practice this feast was the day after Unleavened Bread - Nisan 16

~ 1 Corinthians 15:20 – 23, “But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. (21) For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. (22) For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. (23) But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ.”

~ Colossians 1:18, “And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent.”

As to Christ Jesus – HISTORY;
as the Believer - FUTURE

4. The Feast of Weeks (Pentecost):

~ Leviticus 23:15, “You shall count seven full weeks from the day after the Sabbath, from the day that you brought the sheaf of the wave offering.” Sivan 7

~ Acts 2:1, 4, 14, 41: “When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. (4) And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. (14) But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words.” (41) So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.”

~ Ephesians 5:18, “And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit,”

For the Believer – both HISTORICAL and CURRENT

5. The Feast of Trumpets:

~ Leviticus 23:24, “Speak to the people of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, on the first day of the month, you shall observe a day of solemn rest, a memorial proclaimed with blast of trumpets, a holy convocation.”

Tishri 1 (Notice Passover is the first month and now this is at the first of the seventh month!)

~ Please note that these trumpets are sounding a solemn rest and a holy convocation unlike the trumpets of judgment that sound in the bowls (cups) of wrath in the book of Revelation.

6. The Feast of Atonement:

~ Leviticus 23:28, “And you shall not do any work on that very day, for it is a Day of Atonement, to make atonement for you before the LORD your God.” Tishri 10

~ John 17:20 – 23, “I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, (21) that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. (22) The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one.”

~ 1 John 3:1 – 3, “See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. (2) Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. (3) And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.”

~ For the Believer – CURRENT and yet FUTURE

7. Feast of Tabernacles:

~ Leviticus 23:34, “Speak to the people of Israel, saying, On the fifteenth day of this seventh month and for seven days is the Feast of Booths to the Lord.” Tishri 15

~ Revelation 21:1 – 4

~ For the Believer – FUTURE

Conclusion:

What a Day That Will Be

