

Christ in the Passover

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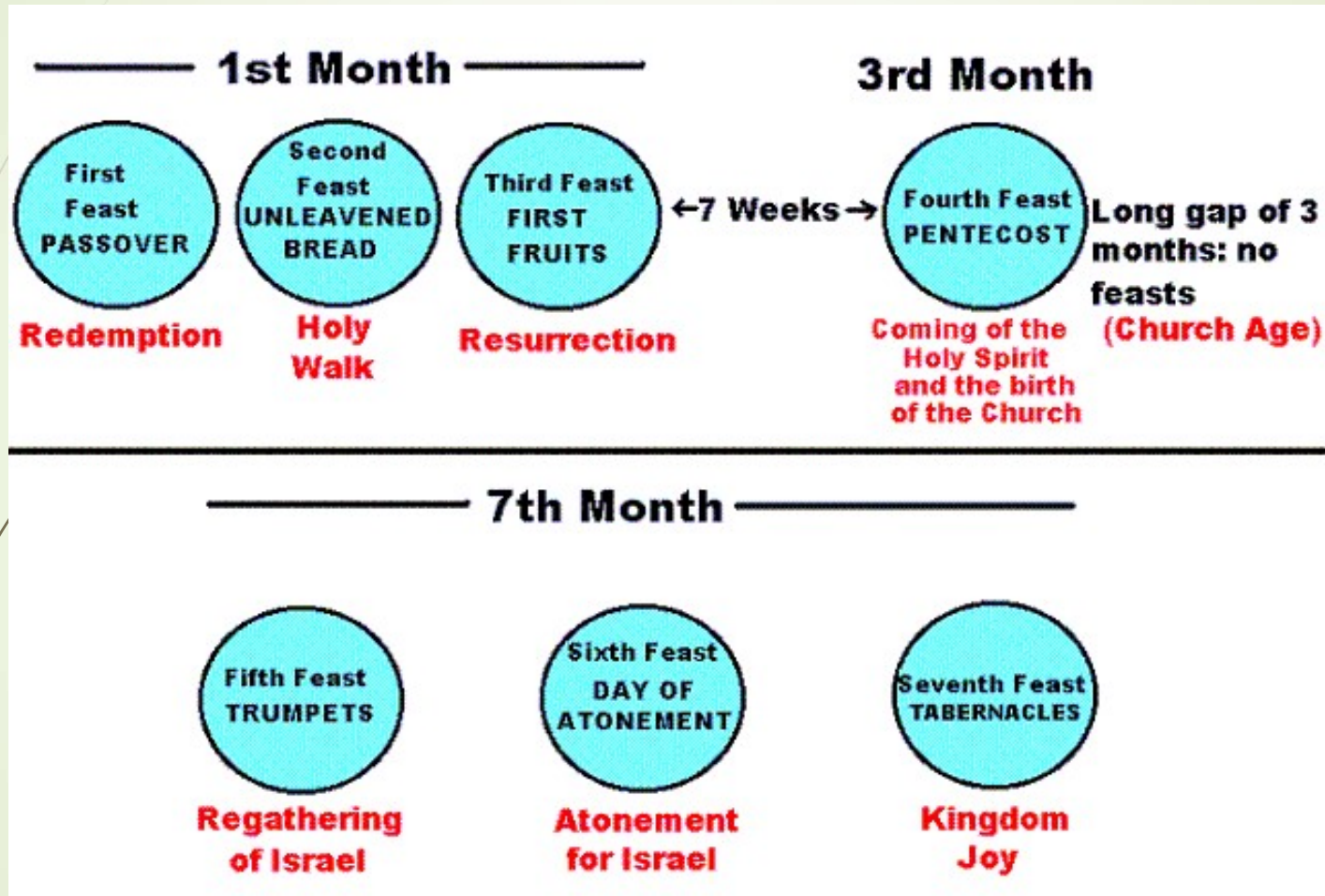
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Leviticus 23:1-2

And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, “Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: ‘The feasts of the LORD, which you shall proclaim *to be* holy convocations, these are My feasts.’”

Biblical Calendar



4 Aspects of Passover

- Historically – The Passover in Exodus
- Culturally – The Jewish Seder
- Prophetically – The Messianic Fulfillment
- The Last Supper – Christ's Observance



Palm Sunday

Speak to all the congregation of Israel, saying: 'On the tenth of this month every man shall take for himself a lamb, according to the house of his father, a lamb for a household. And if the household is too small for the lamb, let him and his neighbor next to his house take it according to the number of the persons; according to each man's need you shall make your count for the lamb. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats. Now you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month. Then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at twilight. (Exodus 12:3-6)

Three Days and Three Nights

- For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of a huge fish, so the Son of Man will be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. (Matthew 12:40)
- Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb for his family (Exodus 12:3) – Palm Sunday
- Take care of them until the fourteenth day of the month, when all the people of the community of Israel must slaughter them at twilight. (Exodus 12:6) - Thursday
- The resurrection: On the first day of the week, very early in the morning. (Luke 24:1)



The Feast of Firstfruits

- Bikkurim
- Leviticus 23:9-14
- But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. (1 Corinthians 15:20)

Preparation


- On the first day remove the yeast from your houses ... Do no work at all on these days, except to prepare food for everyone to eat—that is all you may do. (Exodus 12:15-16)
- On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Where do you want us to make preparations for you to eat the Passover?" (Matthew 26:17)
- "When the hour had come, He reclined at the table, and the apostles with Him. And He said to them, "I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer; for I say to you, I shall never again eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." (Luke 22:14-16.)

Lighting Candles

- Once the house and the participants are ceremoniously clean, the Passover begins with the woman of the house lighting the candles and praying this prayer:
- Blessed art Thou, O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who has sanctified us with Thy commandments and invited us to kindle the festival lights
- When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life (John 8:12).

The Seder



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- Seder = Order
 - Haggadah = The Telling

“Therefore, say to the Israelites: ‘I am the Lord, and I will bring you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians. I will free you (deliver, save you) from being slaves to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with mighty acts of judgment. I will take you as my own people, and I will be your God. Then you will know that I am the Lord your God, who brought you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians. And I will bring you to the land I swore with uplifted hand to give to Abraham, to Isaac and to Jacob. I will give it to you as a possession. I am the Lord.’” (Exodus 6:6-8)

4 Cups Of Wine

1. Sanctification – Beginning of the Seder
2. Thanksgiving – After the Passover story is read
3. Redemption - After the afikomen is retrieved
4. Praise – When the hallel is sung

The Seder Plate



The Lamb

- Each man is to take a lamb (Exodus 12:3)
- Then Moses ... said to them, "Go at once and select the animals for your families and slaughter the Passover lamb. (Exodus 12:21)
- The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! (John 1:29)
- The lamb that was slain from the creation of the world (Revelation 13:8)

Fulfilled Prophecy (Down To the Bone)

- Do not break any of the bones. (Exodus 12:46)
- These things happened so that the scripture would be fulfilled: "Not one of his bones will be broken (John 19:36)

Bitter Herbs

- That same night they are to eat the meat roasted over the fire, along with bitter herbs, and bread made without yeast. (Exodus 12:8)
- Jesus answered, "It is the one to whom I will give this piece of bread when I have dipped it in the dish." Then, dipping the piece of bread, he gave it to Judas Iscariot, son of Simon. (John 13:26)
- One of them, the disciple whom Jesus loved, was reclining next to him. (John 13:21)

Parsley

- Everyone takes a sprig of parsley and everyone dips it in the bowl of salt water.
- The salt water reminds us that while our were in Egypt, we were slaves. The salt water reminds us of the bitterness and tears of our suffering and bondage.
- The green parsley is used to represent growth. We remember that even in slavery, God faithfully caused us to grow into a nation.

Charoseth


- We partake of the charoseth which reminds us of the clay and the mortar used by the Jewish slaves to make the bricks and build the cities.
- Mortar (like cement) is known for its strength and endurance. Yet, the primary result of the hard work was that it taught the Jewish people to be strong and enduring in their faith. And the “more they were oppressed the more they proliferated.”
- Charoseth is a mixture of ground apples, nuts and juice - all symbols of Jewish strength and virtue to teach us the lesson of endurance, how to withstand and grow through every challenge. Its sweetness symbolizes that the bitterness of slavery is tempered with the hope for a future.

Unleavened Bread

- In the first month you are to eat bread made without yeast, from the evening of the fourteenth day until the evening of the twenty-first day. For seven days no yeast is to be found in your houses. (Exodus 12:18-19)
- The afikomen – 3 pieces of unleavened bread.
- Get rid of the old yeast that you may be a new batch without yeast—as you really are. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. Therefore let us keep the Festival, not with the old yeast, the yeast of malice and wickedness, but with bread without yeast, the bread of sincerity and truth. (1 Corinthians 5:7-8)

The Afikomen Is Hidden





The 4 Questions:

Ma Nishtanah: Why is this night different from all other nights!



On all other nights, we eat bread or matza. On this night, why do we eat only matza?



On all other nights, we eat all kinds of vegetables. On this night, why do we eat only bitter herbs?



On all other nights, we do not dip our vegetables even once. On this night, why do we dip the twice?



On all other nights, we eat our meals sitting or reclining. On this night why do we eat only reclining?



The 10 Plagues:

1. Dahm! Blood!

2. Tz'fardeiyah! Frogs!

3. Ki-nim! Lice!

4. Arov! Flies!

5. Dever! Cattle Disease

6. Sh'chin! Boils!

7. Barad! Hail!

8. Arbeh! Locusts!

9. Choshech! Darkness!

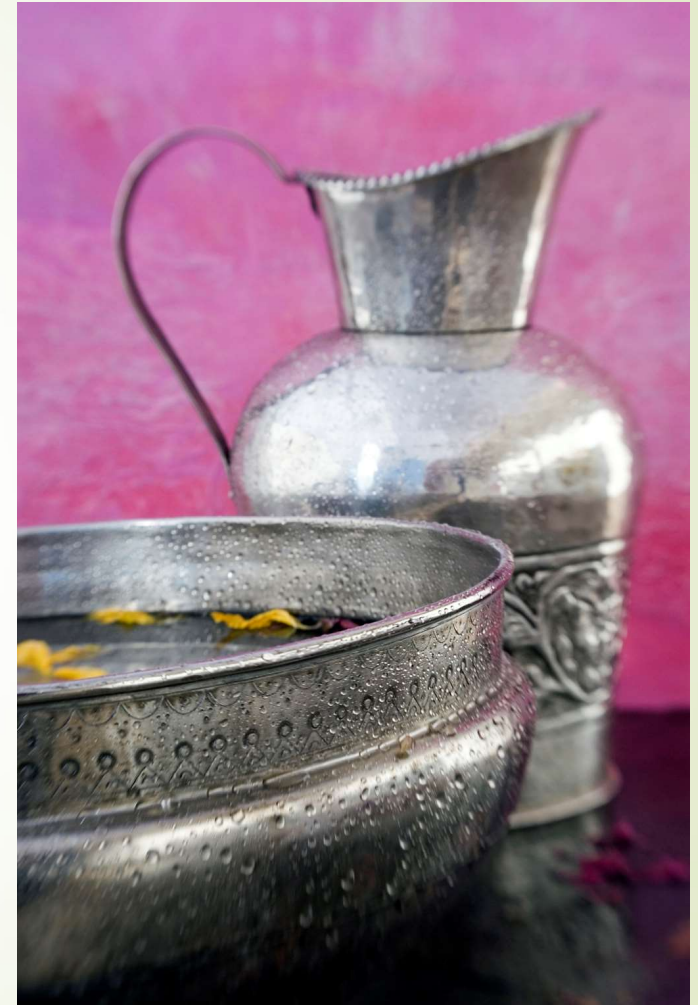
10. Makat B'chorot!
Death of the Firstborn!

Judgment Against Satan

- On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn—both men and animals—and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the LORD. (Exodus 12:12)
- And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross. (Colossians 2:15)

The Second Washing

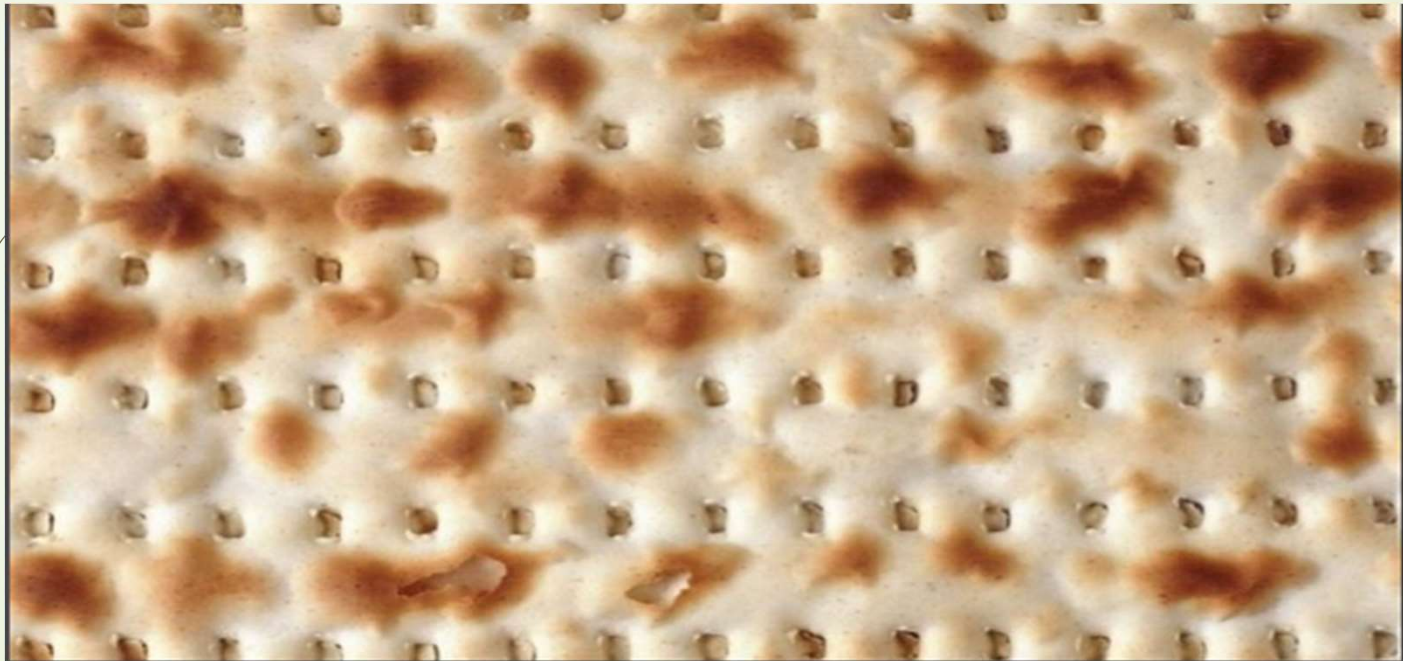
- After that, He poured water into a basin and began to wash His disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him ... When He had finished washing their feet, He put on his clothes and returned to his place.
- 'You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am. Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you.' (John 13:5, 12-15).





The Afikomen Returns!

“I have Arrived!”



But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed.” (Isaiah 53:5)

The Importance Of The Blood

- Then they are to take some of the blood and put it on the sides and tops of the doorframes of the houses where they eat the lambs. (Exodus 12:7)
- The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt. (Exodus 12:13)



Everlasting Ordinance


So this day shall be to you a memorial; and you shall keep it as a feast to the LORD throughout your generations. You shall keep it as a feast by an everlasting ordinance. (Exodus 12:14)

For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you: that the Lord Jesus on the *same* night in which He was betrayed took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke *it* and said, “Take, eat; this is My body which is Broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me.” In the same manner *He* also *took* the cup after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink *it*, in remembrance of Me.” For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death till He comes.

(1 Corinthians 11:23-26)

The Hallel

- Psalm 113-118 - The Hallel
- The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone (Psalm 118:22)
- When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. (Matthew 26:30)



Shouts of joy and victory resound in the tents of the righteous:

“The Lord’s right hand has done mighty things! The Lord’s right hand is lifted high; the Lord’s right hand has done mighty things!”

I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the Lord has done. The Lord has chastened me severely, but He has not given me over to death.



Open for me the gates of the righteous; I will enter and give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord through which the righteous may enter.

I will give You thanks, for You answered me; you have become my salvation (My Yeshua!).

The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief corner stone.

This is the LORD'S doing; It is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day which the LORD has made; Let us rejoice and be glad in it!



Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD...You are my God, and I give thanks to You! You are my God, I extol You!

Elijah's Cup

According to Scripture, before the Messiah returns, Elijah will appear to proclaim His coming. (Malachi 4:5)

We set a place at the table, along with a cup of wine, in case this is the year that Elijah appears, heralding the coming of the Messiah!



Next Year in Jerusalem





God's Eternal Kingdom

Then I saw a Lamb who appeared to have been slain, standing in the center of the throne, encircled by the four living creatures and the elders.... And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are You to take the book, and to break its seals; for You were slain, and did purchase for God with Your blood men from every tribe and tongue and people and nation. (Revelation 5:6, 9).