

THE FEASTS OF THE LORD

and their Prophetic Significance:

Pesach - Passover

Scripture Quotations: Complete Jewish Bible

The Feasts of the LORD

- Seven Annual Feasts Lev 23
- Appointed times *moed*
- Holy convocations *miqra*
- YAHVEH's (*Jehovah's*) feasts - not "Jewish" festivals



The Feasts of the LORD

Appointed Times which mark and rehearse His eternal plan of redemption for all mankind

Passover

Unleavened
Bread

First
Fruits

Pentecost

Trumpets

Day of
Atonement

Tabernacles

Gregorian Calendar

Biblical Calendar

4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	1	2	3
Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Nisan	Iyar	Sivan	Tamuz	Av	Elul	Tishri	Cheshvan	Kislev	Tevet	Shvat	Adar	Adar 2

14th day
Passover
Pesach

15th – 21st days
Unleavened Bread
Chag haMatzot
 Day after weekly Sabbath
First Fruits
Omer Reshit (the first sheaf)

on the 50th day
 after

First Fruits..
Pentecost
Feast of Weeks or Shavuot (weeks)

1st day
Feast of Trumpets
Yom Teruah

10th day
Day of Atonement
Yom Kippur
 15th – 21st day
Feast of Tabernacles
Sukkot

The First Month of the Biblical Year

1st Month

Nisan

14th day
Passover
Pesach

15th – 21st
7 days
Unleavened Bread
Chag haMatzot

On the day
after the
weekly
Sabbath
First Fruits
Omer Reshit
*Lit: the first
sheaf*

Passover

Pesach

14th day
of the first month

Unleavened Bread

Chag HaMatzot

7 days

15th to 21st day

Begins and ends with a special Sabbath

On the day after the
Sabbath...

(Lev 23:11)

First Fruits

Omer Reshit (“the first sheaf”)

10th day: take a Lamb

This month shall be the beginning of months for you; it is to be the first month of the year to you. Speak to all the congregation of Israel, saying, 'On the tenth of this month they are each one to take a lamb for themselves, according to their fathers' households, a lamb for each household.

Ex 12:2-3

Unblemished

Your lamb shall
be an
unblemished
male a year old;



you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month, then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel is to kill it at twilight.

Ex 12:5-6

Blood on the Doorposts and Lintel



Moreover, they shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and on the lintel of the houses in which they eat it

Ex 12:7

The Destroyer at the Door



The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live; and when I see the blood I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

Ex 12:13

Thirteen Centuries after the first
Passover...

John recognises Yeshua as the Lamb of GOD



... Yochanan (John) saw Yeshua coming toward him and said, “Look! God’s lamb! The one who is taking away the sin of the world!”

Jn 1:29

Today on the Hebrew Calendar:

8th Nisan 5782

Yeshua came to Bethany six days before Pesach:

Shabbat eve - 8th Nisan

Shabbat Dinner at Beit-Anyah [Bethany]



Six days* before Pesach, Yeshua came to Beit-Anyah, where El'azar (Lazarus) lived, the man Yeshua had raised from the dead; so they gave a dinner there...

Jn 12:1

* six days before Pesach: 8th Nisan

Shabbat Eve

8th Nisan

Marta served the meal, and El'azar (Lazarus) was among those at the table with him.

Miryam (Mary) took a whole pint of pure oil of spikenard, which is very expensive,

poured it on Yeshua's feet and wiped his feet with her hair, so that the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume...



Jn 12:1

Yeshua Enters Jerusalem: 4 Days Before Pesach



The next day*, the large crowd that had come for the festival heard that Yeshua was on his way into Yerushalayim.

They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting: “Hosanna!”
Deliver Us!

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of Adonai, the King of Isra’el!”...

Jn 12:12-13

* the day after Shabbat, i.e. 1st day of the week

Yeshua in the Temple



When He entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to Him while He was teaching, and said, “By what authority are You doing these things, and who gave You this authority?”

Matt 21:23

Yeshua before the Sanhedrin



The head cohanim and the whole Sanhedrin tried to find evidence against Yeshua, so that they might have him put to death, but they couldn't find any...

Yeshua before Caiaphas and the Sanhedrin



Yeshua remained silent [prophesied in Isa 53:7].
The cohen hagadol (chief priest) said to him, “I put you under oath! By the living God, tell us if you are the Mashiach, the Son of God!”

Matt 26:63

Offered Himself up on 14th Nisan



For our Pesach lamb, the Messiah, has been sacrificed.

1 Cor 5:7

At that moment the *parokhet* (curtain or veil) in the Temple was ripped in two from top to bottom; and there was an earthquake, with rocks splitting apart.

Matt 27:51

Joseph of Arimathea goes to Pilate to ask for Yeshua's body for burial

Since it was Preparation Day (that is, the day before a Shabbat), as evening approached, Yosef of Ramatayim, a prominent member of the Sanhedrin who himself was also looking forward to the Kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for Yeshua's body...

Yosef purchased a linen sheet; and after taking Yeshua down, he wrapped him in the linen sheet, laid him in a tomb which had been cut out of the rock, and rolled a stone against the entrance to the tomb.



Yeshua
Buried in
Yosef's
tomb

on 14th
Nisan



For just as Yonah (Jonah) was three days and three nights
in the belly of the sea-monster,
so will the Son of Man be
three days and three nights
in the depths of the earth.

Matt 12:40

The next day: Friday

Special Sabbath
First Day of Unleavened
Bread

Next comes: Saturday

Ordinary Sabbath
2nd Day of Unleavened
Bread

Unleavened Bread – Chag HaMatzot



Unleavened Bread – Chag HaMatzot

Get rid of the old yeast! Then you will be like fresh bread made without yeast, and this is what you are. Our Passover lamb is Christ, who has already been sacrificed.

So don't celebrate the festival by being evil and sinful, which is like serving bread made with yeast. Be pure and truthful and celebrate by using bread made without yeast.

1 Cor 5:7-8

Unleavened Bread – Chag HaMatzot



On this feast, grain would be put in the ground accompanied by a prayer that GOD would bring the harvest for the coming year.

They would pray, "Give us life out of the earth" as they placed the grain in the ground and covered it.

First Fruits – Omer Reshit



The first crop was the barley harvest. The first sheaf of the ripening barley was collected...

First Fruits Offering

“Tell the people of Isra’el,
‘After you enter the land I
am giving you and harvest
its ripe crops, you are to
bring a sheaf of the
firstfruits of your harvest to
the *cohen* (priest) .

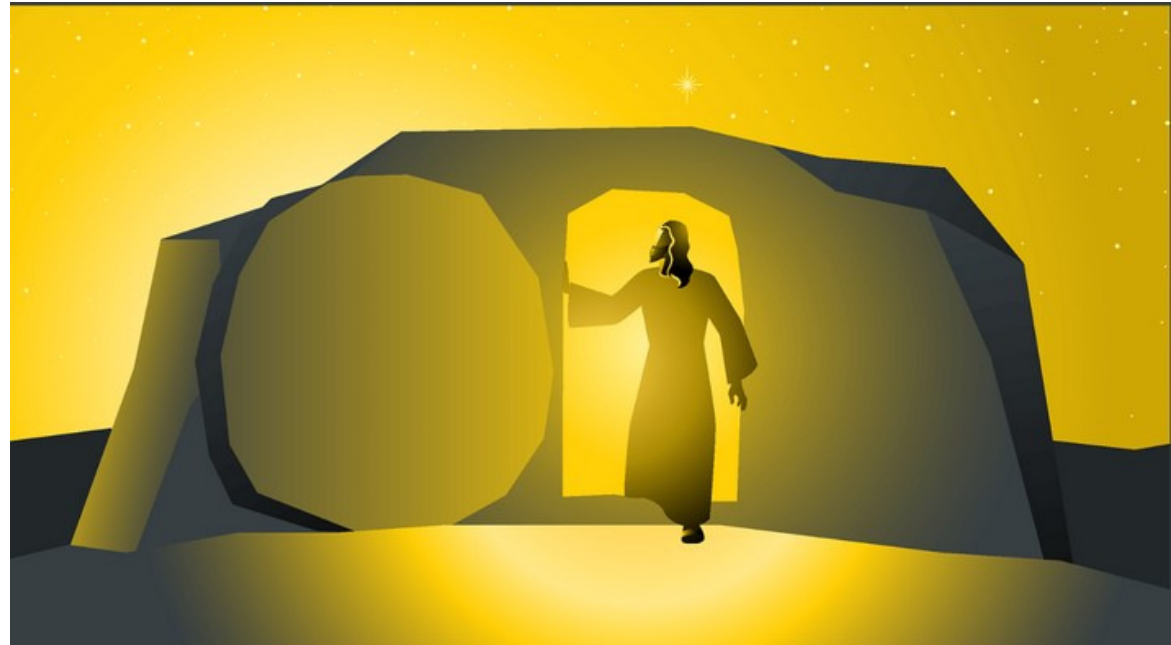
He is to wave the sheaf
before Adonai, so that you
will be accepted; the *cohen*
is to wave it **on the day
after the Shabbat**.

Lev 26:10-11



The Empty Tomb

First Fruits pictures the Resurrection of Messiah. This feast took place *after* the weekly Sabbath,



i.e. on Sunday, the first day of the week. Yeshua rose from the dead on the first day of the week.

After Shabbat, as the next day was dawning, Miryam of Magdala ([Mary Magdalene](#)) and the other Miryam ([Mary](#)) went to see the grave. Suddenly there was a violent earthquake, for an angel of Adonai came down from heaven, rolled away the stone and sat on it...

Matt 28:1

This was just the beginning of the crop; first-fruits represents the promise of a full harvest still to come.



But the fact is that the Messiah has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have died...

1 Cor 15:20.

Passover fulfilled: Likely sequence of events

Fri 8 th Nisan	Sat 9 th Nisan	Sun 10 th Nisan
<p>Yeshua arrives in Bethany and visits Mary, Martha and Lazarus</p> <p>Shabbat meal</p> <p>Anointing oil</p> <p>The Lamb of GOD is set apart</p>	<p>Weekly shabbat</p> <p>Day of rest in Bethany</p>	<p>Yeshua rides a donkey into Jerusalem; the crowd cries out: “Hosanna!”</p> <p>The Lamb of GOD enters the city</p>

Passover fulfilled: Likely sequence of events

Mon 11 th Nisan	Tues 12 th Nisan
Yeshua being tested in Jerusalem	Yeshua being tested in Jerusalem

Passover fulfilled: Likely sequence of events

Wed 13 th Nisan	Thurs 14 th Nisan	Fri 15 th Nisan
<p>Passover meal with the disciples in the upper room</p> <p>Yeshua is betrayed and taken before the Sanhedrin</p>	<p><i>'Day of Preparation'</i> Eve of Passover</p> <p>Yeshua before Pilate, as lambs are brought to the temple</p> <p>Yeshua is taken to the execution stake</p> <p>His body is laid in the garden tomb</p>	<p>First Day of Unleavened Bread</p> <p>Special Sabbath</p> <p>Yeshua's body is buried in the earth</p>

Passover fulfilled: Likely sequence of events

Sat 16 th Nisan	Sun 17 th Nisan
<p>2nd day of Unleavened Bread Weekly Sabbath</p> <p>Yeshua's body remains buried in the earth</p> <p>3 days and 2 nights; to this point; one night to go, until....</p>	<p>'First Fruits' (day after the Sabbath)</p> <p>Now the priest waves the first sheaf in the temple</p> <p>Yeshua has risen from the dead before dawn</p> <p><i>Hallelujah!</i></p>

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