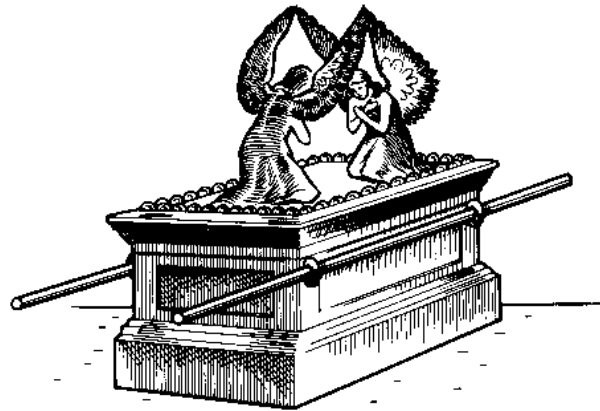


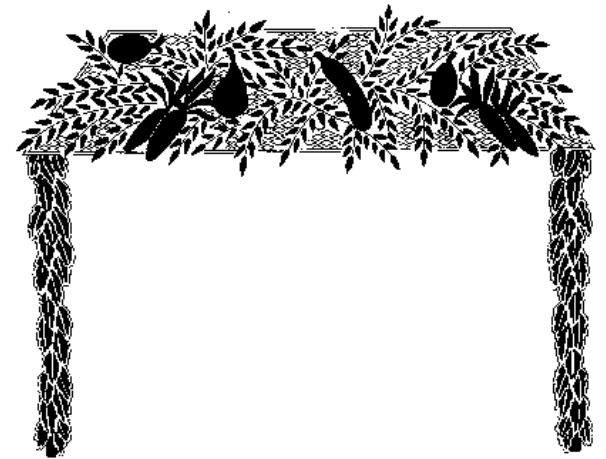
# Fall Feasts and Jesus' Return



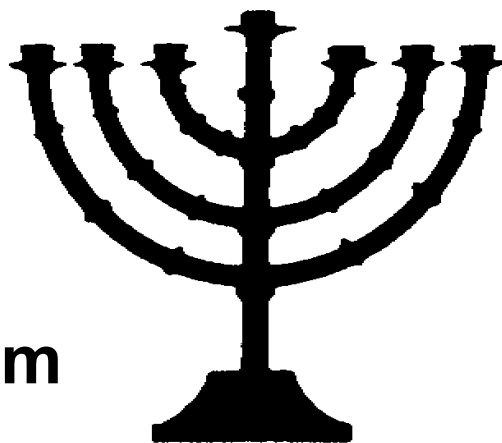
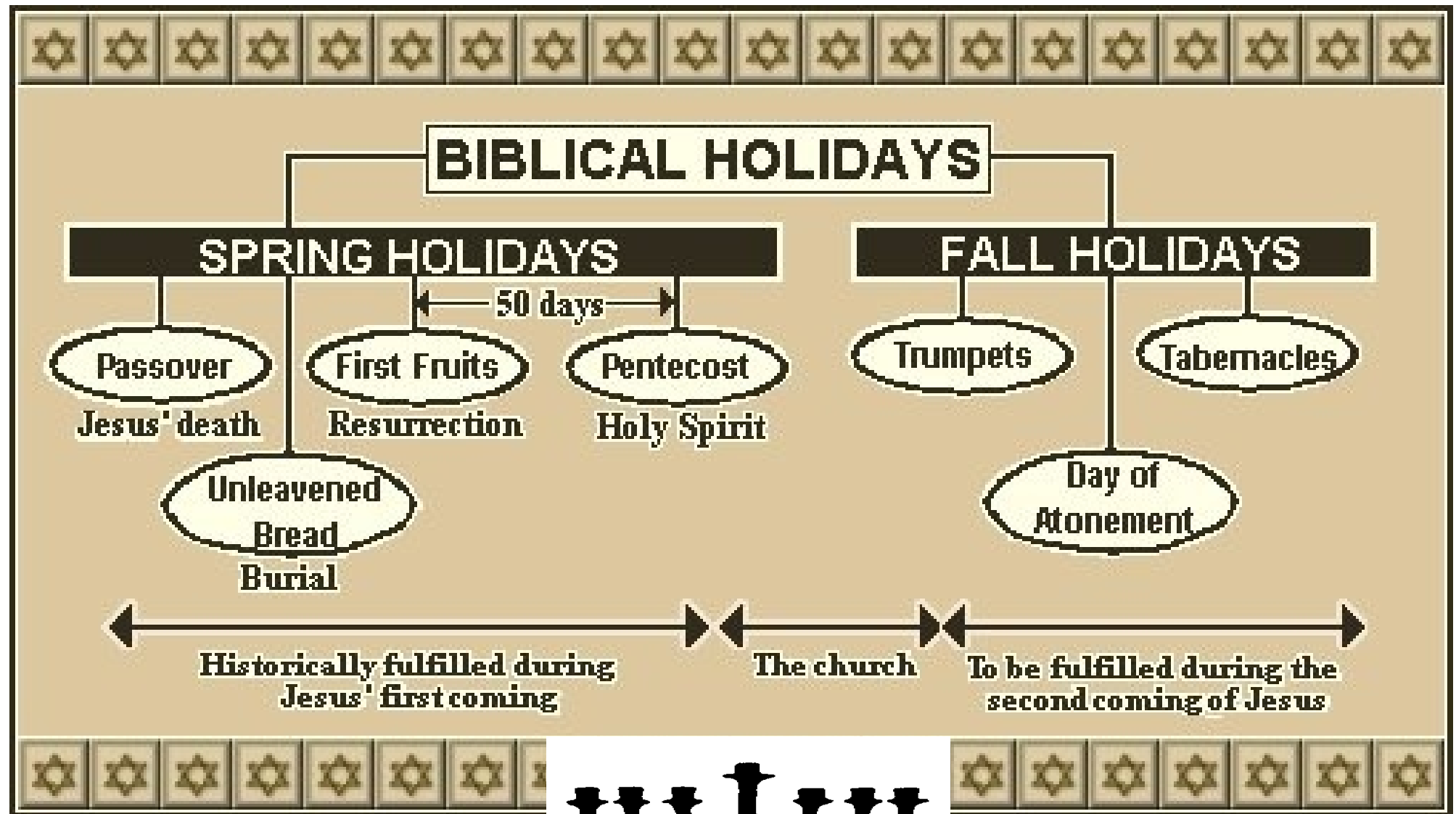
Feast of Trumpets



Day of Atonement



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# Prophetic Scripture



Isaiah 61:1-2 “<sup>1</sup>The Spirit of the Lord GOD is on me; because the LORD has anointed me to preach good tidings to the meek; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; <sup>2</sup>To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn;”

(inserted by Jesus from Isaiah 42:7 and stopped prior to when quoted by Jesus in Luke 4:18-19)

**The Great Tribulation**

**Christ's Coming in the Air**  
**The First Resurrection**

**Christ's Coming to Earth**

**Judgments**

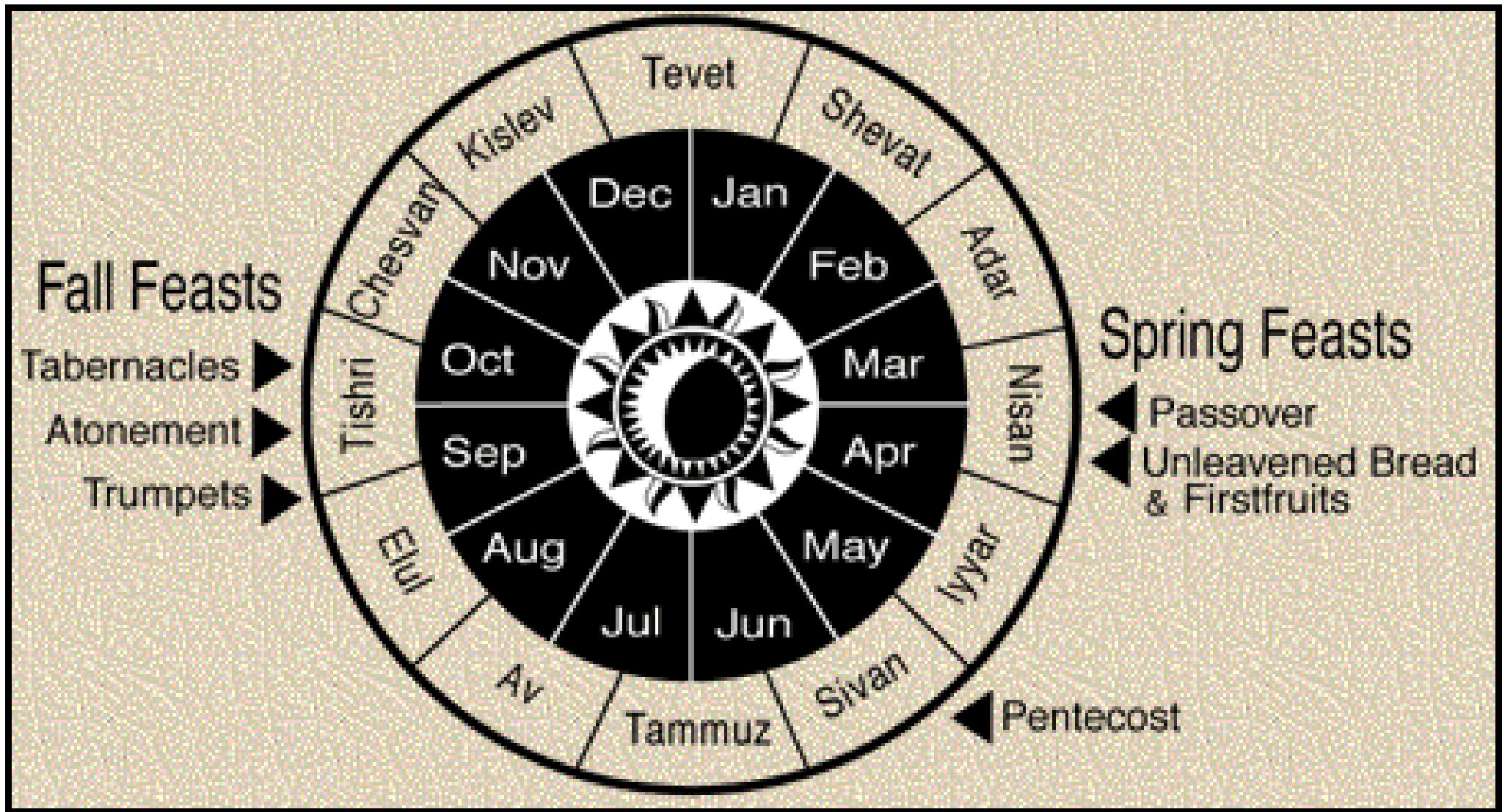
**The Millennium**

**New Heavens and New Earth**

**The Second Resurrection**

**Marriage Supper of the Lamb**

**What fits with each feast?**



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# Jesus' 40 day fast in the desert

Satan attacks Jesus' identity as God's Son by tempting Him

...

1) to use His power to provide for Himself instead of relying on His Father's provision,

2) to prove God's protection of Him by imperiling His life, and

3) to obtain His destiny through Satan without His personal sacrifice on the cross in complete obedience to His Father.

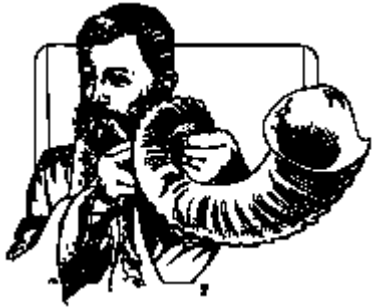


“Examine yourselves, whether you be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know you not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except you be reprobates?”  
2 Corinthians 13:5

# Trumpet prepares us for His coming

Joel 2:1-2a, 10-13, 15 “<sup>1</sup>Blow you the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the LORD comes, for it is near at hand; <sup>2</sup>A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and of thick darkness, . . . <sup>10</sup>The earth shall quake before them; the heavens shall tremble: the sun and the moon shall be dark, and the stars shall withdraw their shining: <sup>11</sup>And the LORD shall utter his voice before his army: for his camp is very great: for he is strong that executes his word: for the day of the LORD is great and very terrible; and who can abide it? <sup>12</sup>Therefore also now, said the LORD, turn you even to me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning: <sup>13</sup>And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn to the LORD your God: . . .  
<sup>15</sup>Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly.”

# Trumpet prepares us for His coming



Joel 2:28-32 “<sup>28</sup>And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions: <sup>29</sup>And also on the servants and on the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit. <sup>30</sup>And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke. <sup>31</sup>The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and terrible day of the LORD come. <sup>32</sup>And it shall come to pass, that whoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered: for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD has said, and in the remnant whom the LORD shall call.”



# Teshuvah (repentance) before Teruah

Psalm 81:1-7

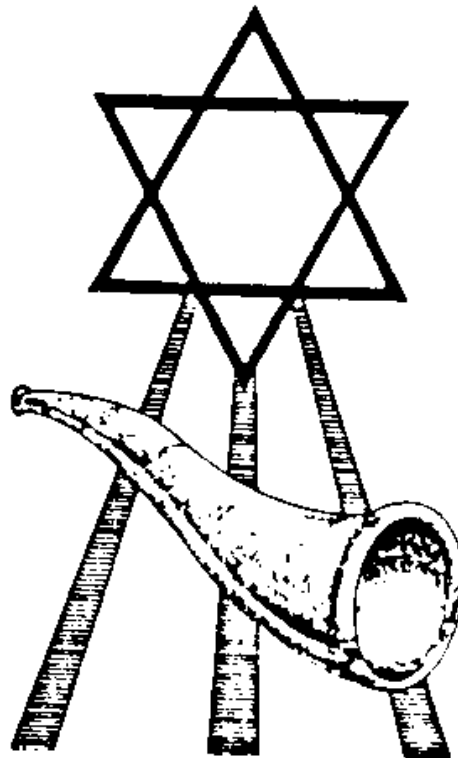
Isaiah 26:19

Isaiah 51:9+17

Romans 13:11

1 Cor. 15:34

1 Cor. 15:49-54



Eph. 5:14

1 Thess. 4:13-18

Job 19:25-26

**REPENT!!!**

Ezekiel 33:4-5 “<sup>4</sup>Then whoever hears the sound of the **trumpet**, and takes not warning; if the sword come, and take him away, his blood shall be on his own head. <sup>5</sup>He heard the sound of the **trumpet**, and took not warning; his blood shall be on him. But he that takes warning shall deliver his soul.”

# *(Yom Teruah)* Day of the Awakening Blast Resurrection of the Dead; Rapture (*Natzal*)

Revelation 10:7 “But in the days of the voice of **the seventh angel**, **when he shall begin to sound**, **the mystery of God should be finished**, as he has declared to his servants the prophets.”

Revelation 11:15,18-19 <sup>15</sup>And **the seventh angel sounded**; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, **The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.** <sup>18</sup>**And the nations were angry, and your wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that you should give reward to your servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear your name, small and great; and should destroy them which destroy the earth.** <sup>19</sup>And the temple of God was opened in heaven, and there was seen in his temple the ark of his testament: **and there were lightning, and voices, and thunder, and an earthquake, and great hail.**”

# Blow the trumpet, for “Joseph” is now King

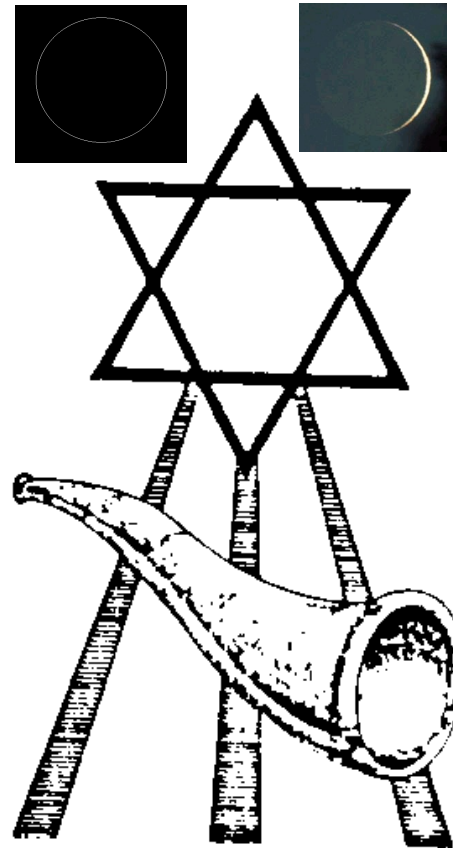
Genesis 41:46-47,50a “<sup>46</sup>And Joseph was thirty years old when he stood before Pharaoh king of Egypt. And Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh, and went throughout all the land of Egypt. <sup>47</sup>And in the seven plenteous years the earth brought forth by handfuls. <sup>50</sup>And to Joseph were born two sons before the years of famine came,”

Psalms 81:3-5a “<sup>3</sup>**Blow up the trumpet in the new moon**, in the time appointed, on our solemn feast day. <sup>4</sup>For this was a statute for Israel, and a law of the God of Jacob. <sup>5</sup>This he ordained in Joseph for a testimony, when he went out through the land of Egypt:”

Revelation 11:8,15 “<sup>8</sup>And their [two witnesses'] dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified. <sup>15</sup>And **the seventh angel sounded**; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.”

# (New Year) *Rosh Hashanah* (Tishri 1)

- Head of the Year
- Shout (Job 38:7)
- Adam & Eve created
- Enoch taken by God (Gen. 5:24)
- Flood waters dried



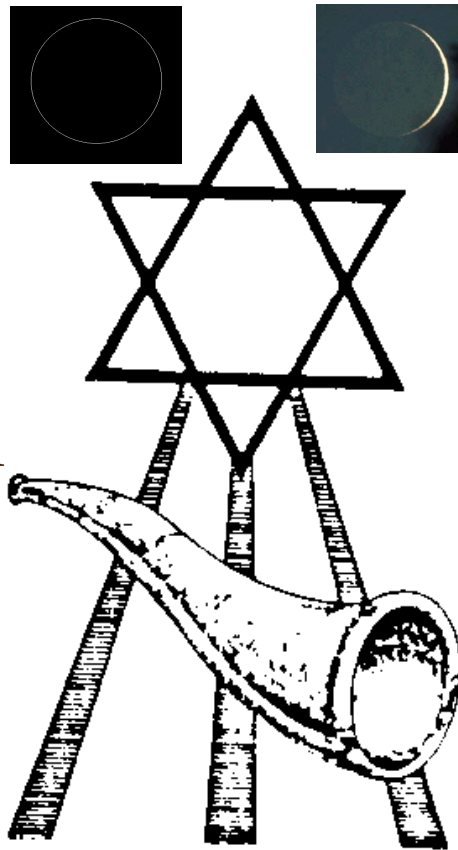
- Joseph freed from prison
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Adam-Jesus born
- Celebrated 2 days (Neh. 8:2-3+13)
- Ezra (3:1) altar

“Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, whose word created the heavens, whose breath created all that they contain. Statutes and seasons He set for them, that they should not deviate from their assigned task. Happily, gladly they do the will of their Creator; whose work is dependable. To the moon He spoke: renew yourself, crown of glory for those who were borne in the womb, who also are destined to be renewed and to extol their Creator for His glorious sovereignty. Blessed are You, Lord who renews the months.” (Hebrew prayer)

# The New Moon of the Long Hidden Day

Psalm 27:5

“For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the **secret** of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up on a rock.”



Col. 2:16-17

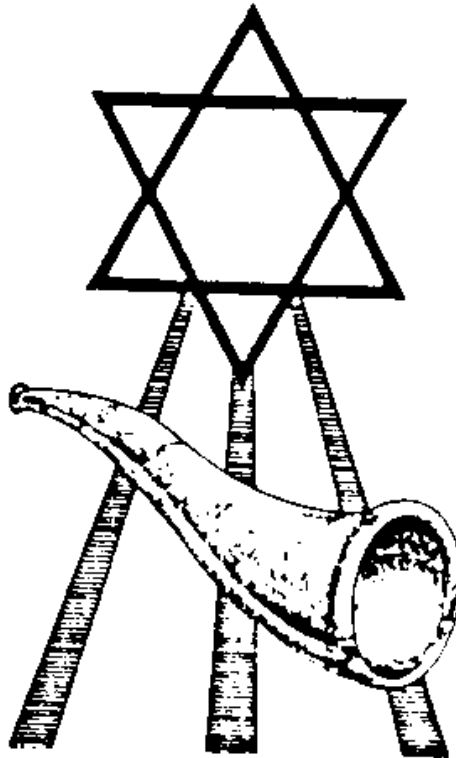
“Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holy day, or of the **new moon**, or of the sabbath days: Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body is of Christ.”

Isaiah 26:18a-22 “ <sup>18</sup>We have been with child, we have been in pain, <sup>19</sup>Your dead men shall live, together with my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, you that dwell in dust: for your dew is as the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead.

<sup>20</sup>Come, my people, enter you into your chambers, and shut your doors about you: hide yourself as it were for a little moment, until the indignation be over. <sup>21</sup>For, behold, the LORD comes out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity: the earth also shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain.”

# Feast of Trumpets

- *Rosh HaShanah*
- *Yom Teruah*
- *Yom HaDin*
- *HaMelech*
- *Yom Hazikkaron*
- Jacob's trouble



- Opening Gates
- Resurrection of the dead
- *Natzal* (Rapture)
- The Wedding
- Hidden day

Leviticus 23:23-25 “And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, <sup>24</sup>Speak to the children of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, in the first day of the month, shall you have a sabbath a memorial of blowing of trumpets, an holy convocation. <sup>25</sup>You shall do no servile work therein: but you shall offer an offering made by fire to the LORD.”

# Resurrection of the dead & Rapture

1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 33-34 “<sup>20</sup>But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become **the first fruits of them that slept.** <sup>21</sup>For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. <sup>22</sup>For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. <sup>23</sup>**But every man in his own order: Christ the first fruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming.** <sup>24</sup>Then comes the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power. <sup>25</sup>For he must reign, till he has put all enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup>**The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death. . . .** <sup>33</sup>Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners. <sup>34</sup>Awake to righteousness, and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God: I speak this to your shame.”



# Resurrection of the dead & Rapture

1 Corinthians 15:42-44a, 50-58 “<sup>42</sup>So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: <sup>43</sup>It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: <sup>44</sup>It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. <sup>50</sup>Now this I say, brothers, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither does corruption inherit incorruption. <sup>51</sup>Behold, I show you a mystery; **We shall not all sleep, but we** shall all be changed, <sup>52</sup>**In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.** <sup>53</sup>For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. <sup>54</sup>So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, **Death is swallowed up in victory.** <sup>55</sup>O death, where is your sting? O grave, where is your victory? <sup>56</sup>The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. <sup>57</sup>But thanks be to God, which gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>58</sup>Therefore, my beloved brothers, be you steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as you know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.”



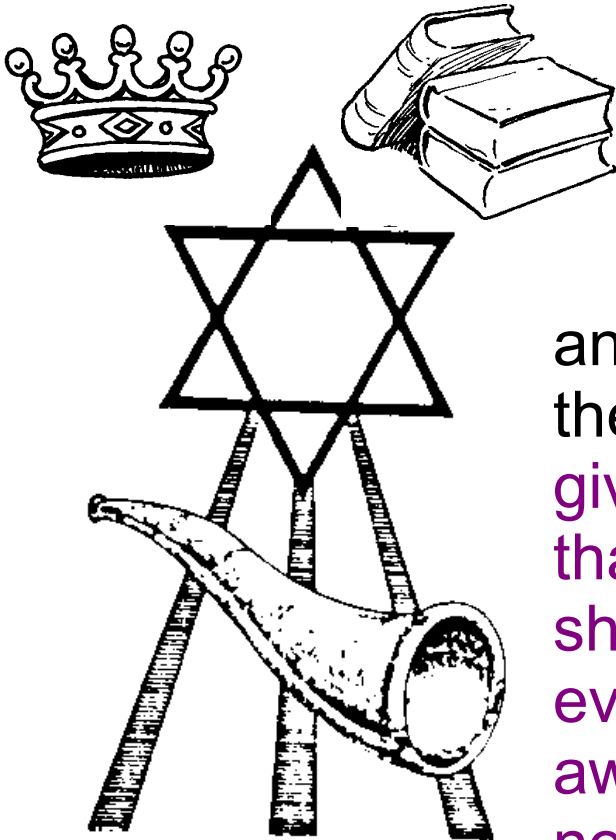
# Resurrection of dead; then Rapture

1 Thessalonians 4:13-17 “<sup>13</sup>But I would not have you to be ignorant, brothers, concerning them which are asleep, that you sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. <sup>14</sup>For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. <sup>15</sup>For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain to the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. <sup>16</sup>For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: <sup>17</sup>Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.”

Matthew 24:30-31 “<sup>30</sup>And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. <sup>31</sup>And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.”

Zechariah 9:14 “And the LORD shall be seen over them, and his arrow shall go forth as the lightning: and the LORD God shall blow the trumpet,”

# (*Yom Melech*) Coronation of the King (*Yom HaDin*) Day of Judgment



Daniel 7:10b, 13-14 “the judgment was set, and the books were opened. <sup>13</sup>I saw in the night-visions, and, behold, there came with the clouds of the sky one like a son of man,

and he came even to the ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. <sup>14</sup>There was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all the peoples, nations, and languages should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.

Revelation 4:1-2 “<sup>1</sup>After these things I looked and saw a **door** opened in heaven, and the first voice that I heard, like a **trumpet** speaking with me, was one saying, “Come up here, and I will show you the things which must happen after this.” <sup>2</sup>Immediately I was in the Spirit. Behold, there was a throne set in heaven, and one sitting on the throne”

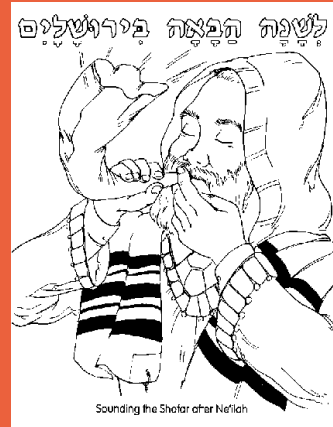
# The WEDDING of the BRIDE

- Covenant
- “Bride price”
- Glass of wine
- Betrothed
- Returns to his father's house to build a room



- 'Steal' her away at unknown hour
- They marry under a canopy
- Privacy 7 days
- Couple emerges to share in feast

Revelation 19:7-9a “<sup>7</sup>Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honor to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife has made herself ready. <sup>8</sup>And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints. <sup>9</sup>And he said to me, Write, Blessed are they which are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb.”



# Day of Atonement

- *Yom Kippur*
- Day of Judgment
- Sabbath of Sabbaths
- Day of Redemption
- *Neilah*
- The Great *Shofar*
- The Great Day
- The Fast

Leviticus 23:27-32 “ <sup>27</sup>Also on the tenth day of this seventh month there shall be a day of atonement: it shall be an holy convocation to you; and you shall afflict your souls, and offer an offering made by fire to the LORD. <sup>28</sup>And you shall do no work in that same day: for it is a day of atonement, to make an atonement for you before the LORD your God. <sup>29</sup>For whatever soul it be that shall not be afflicted in that same day, he shall be cut off from among his people. <sup>30</sup>And whatever soul it be that does any work in that same day, the same soul will I destroy from among his people. <sup>31</sup>You shall do no manner of work: it shall be a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings. <sup>32</sup>It shall be to you a sabbath of rest, and you shall afflict your souls: in the ninth day of the month at even, from even to even, shall you celebrate your sabbath.”



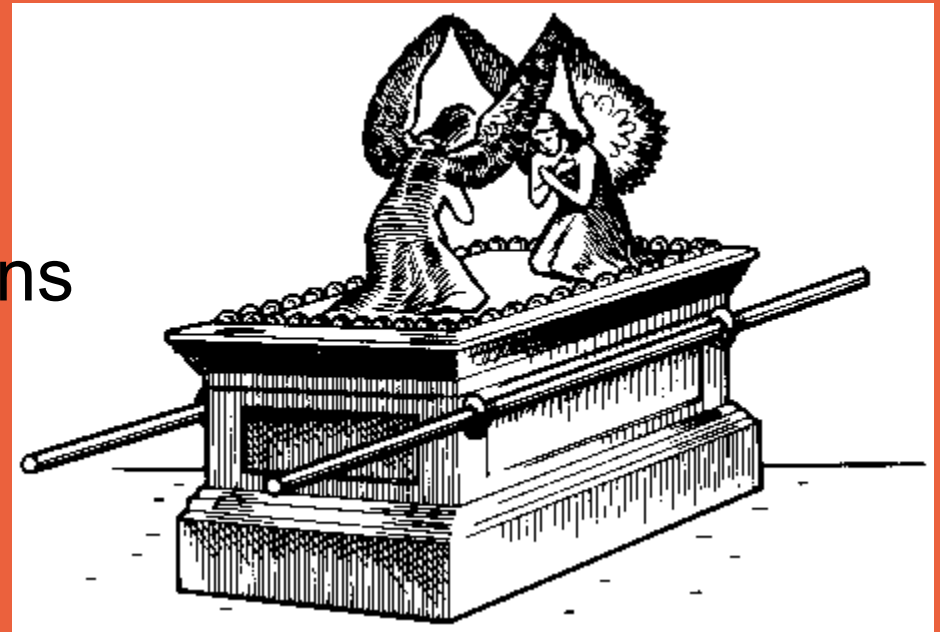
# The High Priest

- Sacrificed animals
- Sprinkled blood
- Immersed 5 times
- Entered Holy of Holies 3 times
- Spoke *YHWH* once

Hebrews 10:19-25 “<sup>19</sup>Having therefore, brothers, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup>By a new and living way, which he has consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh; <sup>21</sup>And having an high priest over the house of God; <sup>22</sup>Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. <sup>23</sup>Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;) <sup>24</sup>And let us consider one another to provoke to love and to good works: <sup>25</sup>Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as you see the day approaching.”

# The Fast

- Relief from the burden of sin
- Acknowledge the transgressions
- Repent (turn away from them)
- Confess your sins verbally
- Receive atonement and forgiveness from God



Isaiah 58:1-8 “<sup>1</sup>Cry aloud, spare not, lift up your voice like a **trumpet**, and show my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins. <sup>2</sup>Yet they seek me daily, and delight to know my ways, as a nation that did righteousness, and forsook not the ordinance of their God: they ask of me the ordinances of justice; they take delight in approaching to God. <sup>3</sup>Why have we fasted, say they, and you see not? why have we afflicted our soul, and you take no knowledge? Behold, in the day of your fast you find pleasure . . . <sup>6</sup>Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that you break every yoke? <sup>7</sup>Is it not to deal your bread to the hungry, and that you bring the poor that are cast out to your house? when you see the naked, that you cover him; and that you hide not yourself from your own flesh? <sup>8</sup>Then shall your light break forth as the morning, and your health shall spring forth speedily: and your righteousness shall go before you; the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.”



# 5 days later is Feast of Tabernacles

Leviticus 23:33-36,39-43 “ <sup>33</sup>And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, <sup>34</sup>Speak to the children of Israel, saying, The fifteenth day of this seventh month shall be the feast of tabernacles for seven days to the LORD. <sup>35</sup>On the first day shall be an holy convocation: you shall do no servile work therein. <sup>36</sup>Seven days you shall offer an offering made by fire to the LORD: on the eighth day shall be an holy convocation to you; and you shall offer an offering made by fire to the LORD: it is a solemn assembly; and you shall do no servile work therein. . . .<sup>39</sup>Also in the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when you have gathered in the fruit of the land, you shall keep a feast to the LORD seven days: on the first day shall be a sabbath, and on the eighth day shall be a sabbath. <sup>40</sup>And you shall take you on the first day the boughs of goodly trees, branches of palm trees, and the boughs of thick trees, and willows of the brook; and you shall rejoice before the LORD your God seven days. <sup>41</sup>And you shall keep it a feast to the LORD seven days in the year. It shall be a statute for ever in your generations: you shall celebrate it in the seventh month. <sup>42</sup>You shall dwell in booths seven days; all that are Israelites born shall dwell in booths: <sup>43</sup>That your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God.”

# (*Sukkot*) Feast of Tabernacles/Booths

- Season of our Joy
- Feast of the Nations
- Festival of Ingathering
- Celebration of Water





# Festival of Nations

“Micah 4:1ff “<sup>1</sup>But in the **last days** it shall come to pass, that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow to it. <sup>2</sup>And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. <sup>3</sup>And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. <sup>4</sup>But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree; and none shall make them afraid: for the mouth of the LORD of hosts has spoken it. <sup>5</sup>For all people will walk every one in the name of his god, and we will walk in the name of the LORD our God for ever and ever. <sup>11</sup>Now also many nations are gathered against you, that say, Let her be defiled, and let our eye look on Zion. <sup>12</sup>But they know not the thoughts of the LORD, neither understand they his counsel: for he shall gather them as the sheaves into the floor. <sup>13</sup>Arise and thresh, O daughter of Zion: for I will make your horn iron, and I will make your hoofs brass: and you shall beat in pieces many people: and I will consecrate their gain to the LORD, and their substance to the Lord of the whole earth.”

# The Ingathering (Fall Harvest)

Exodus 23:16b “the **feast of ingathering**, which is in the end of the year, when you have gathered in your labors out of the field.”



Psalms 27:5-6 “<sup>5</sup>For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his **tabernacle** shall he hide me; he shall set me up on a rock. <sup>6</sup>And now shall my head be lifted up above my enemies round about me: therefore will I offer in his **tabernacle** sacrifices of joy; I will sing, yes, I will sing praises to the LORD.”

Zechariah 14:6-9 “<sup>6</sup>And it shall come to pass in that day, that the light shall not be clear, nor dark: <sup>7</sup>But it shall be one day which shall be known to the LORD, not day, nor night: but it shall come to pass, that at evening time it shall be light. <sup>8</sup>And it shall be in that day, that living waters shall go out from Jerusalem; half of them toward the former sea, and half of them toward the hinder sea: in summer and in winter shall it be. <sup>9</sup>And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one.”

# The Celebration of Water Pouring

- High priest drew water with a golden vase.
- Silver vase with wine
- Flute player leads
- High priest, Is. 12:2  
“Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD JEHOVAH is my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation.”
- People sing Isaiah 12:3  
“Therefore with joy shall you draw water out of the wells of salvation.”

## **John 7:37-39**

**“<sup>37</sup>In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come to me, and drink. <sup>38</sup>He that believes on me, as the scripture has said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. <sup>39</sup>(But this spoke he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)”**

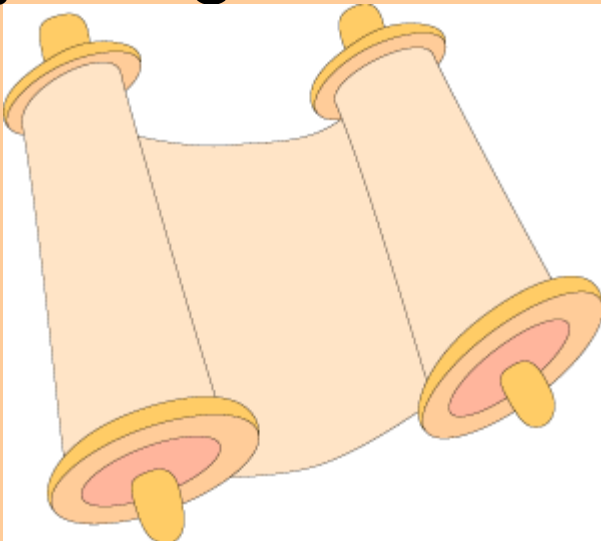
# 8<sup>th</sup> Day

Numbers 29:35-36a “<sup>35</sup>On the eighth day you shall have a solemn assembly: you shall do no servile work therein: <sup>36</sup>But you shall offer a burnt offering, a sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet smell to the LORD:”

*Atzeret* – 'to hold back'  
or to tarry

A solemn assembly

*Simchat Torah* –  
'rejoicing in teaching'



## NEHEMIAH 8

Families gathered as one  
by the water gate

Ezra read Torah from a  
'tower' for six hours

Other teachers helped  
explain it to the people

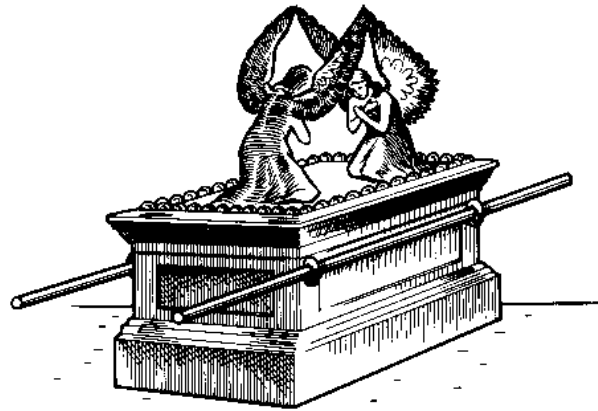
People wept, worshiped,  
celebrated, and made  
booths -1<sup>st</sup> time in 1000yr



## Trumpets

Awakening Blast  
Resurrection  
Rapture  
Wedding  
Jacob's trouble  
Open gates/books  
Crowning king  
Remembrance  
Judgment

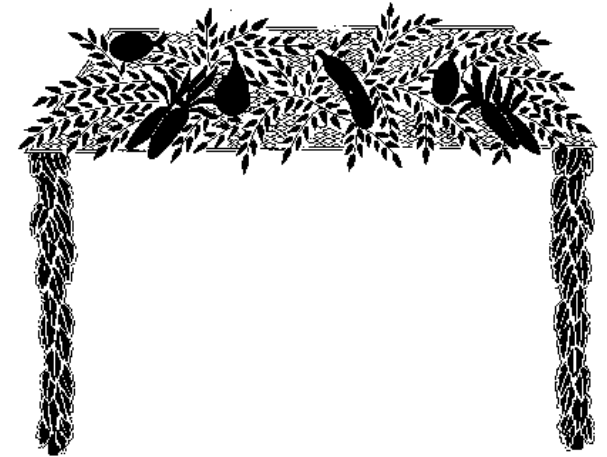
**The Blessed Hope**  
**Great & Terrible**  
**Day of the Lord**



## Atonement

Great *Shofar*  
Redemption  
Fast  
White  
High Sabbath  
Close gates  
God's NAME  
Holy of Holies  
Judgment

**Rewards and**  
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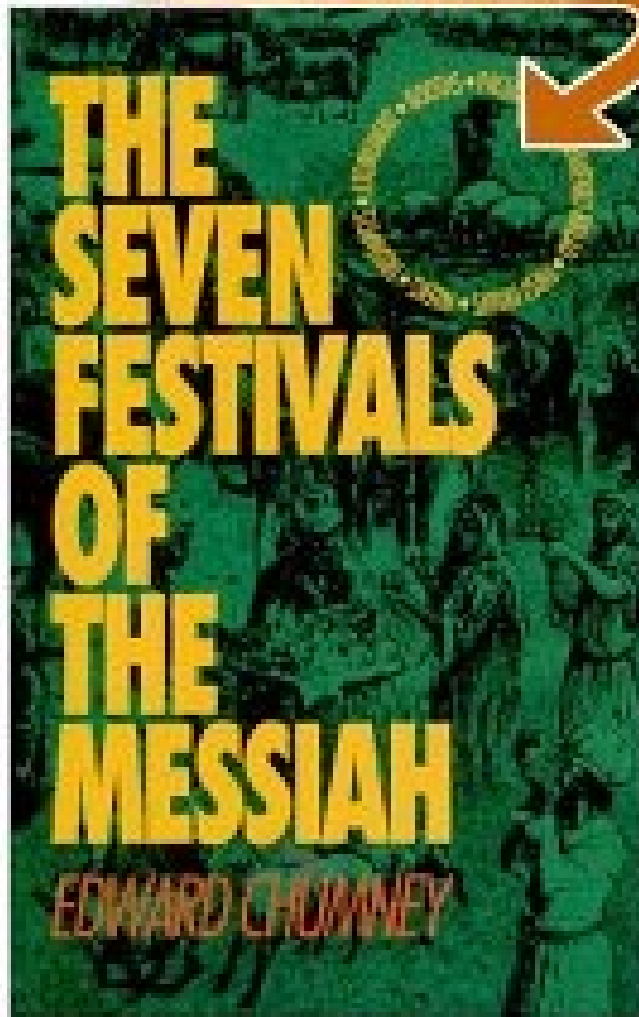


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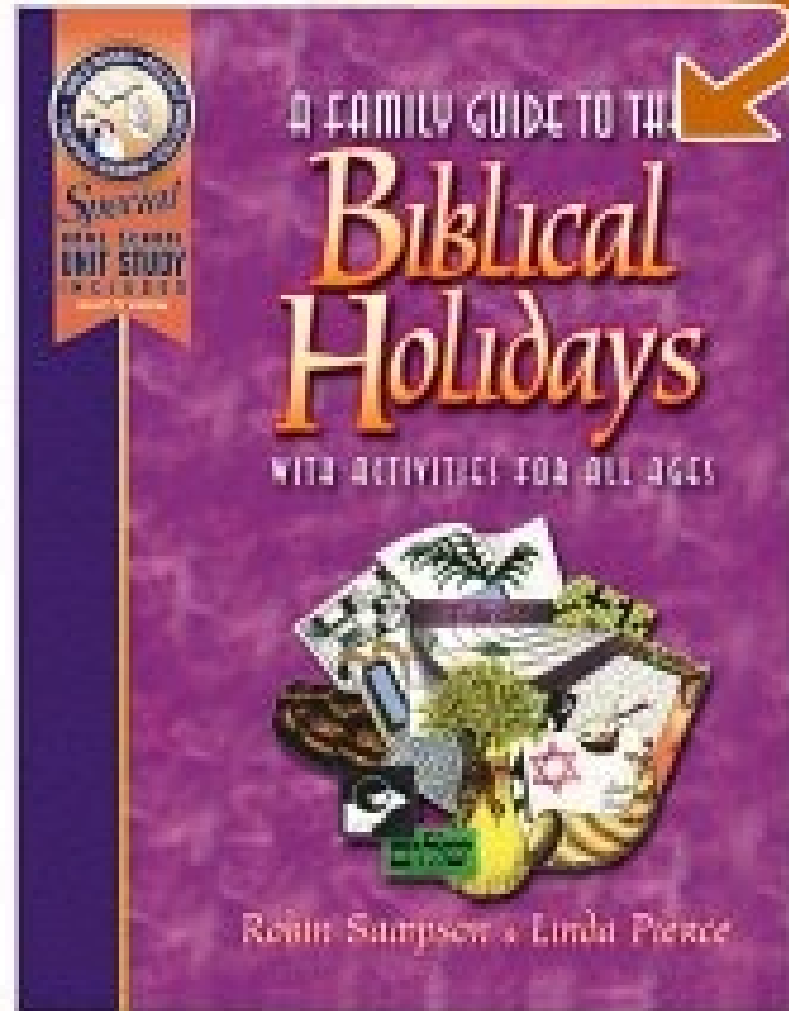
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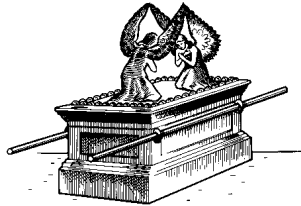
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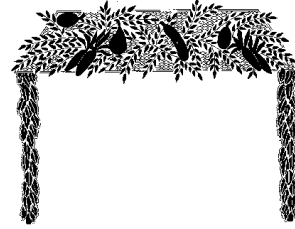
# Fall Feasts and Jesus' Return



Feast of Trumpets



Day of Atonement



Feast of Booths

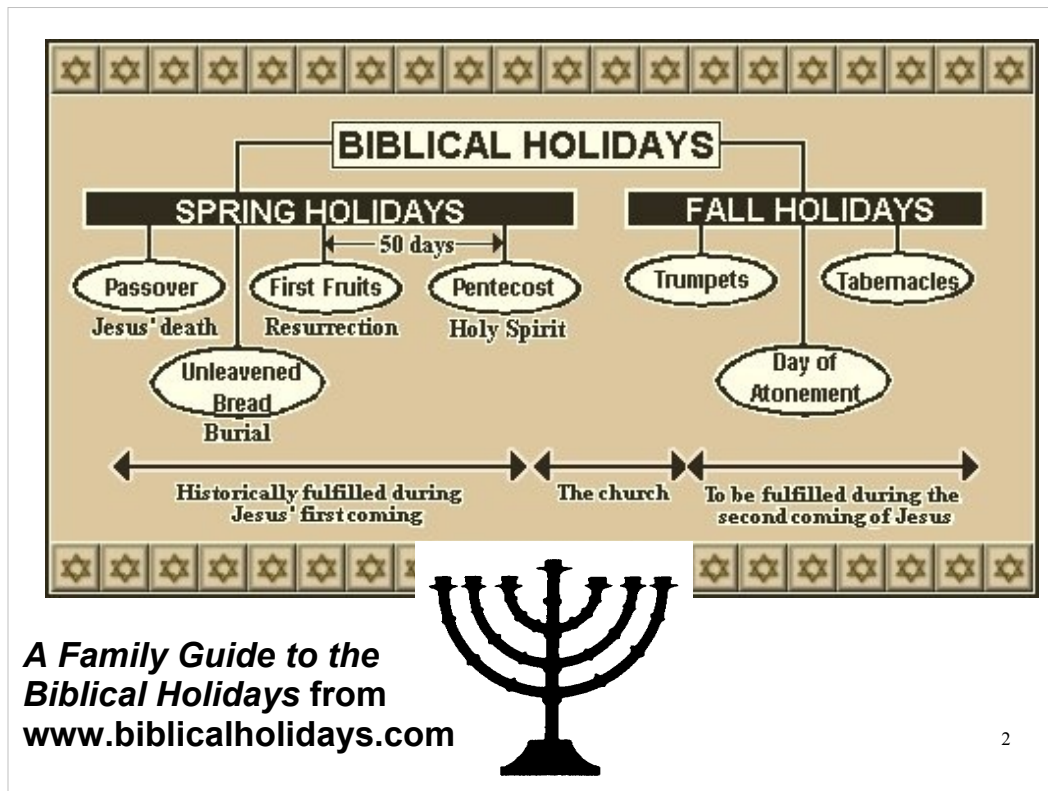
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In Hebrew, feasts can also be translated “appointed times”.

Jesus fulfilled the Spring Feasts and Pentecost at His first coming; it is reasonable to assume Jesus will fulfill the Fall Feasts at His second coming.





One of my favorite research books has been *the Guide to Biblical Holidays* by two home-school moms, Robin Sampson and Linda Pierce. You can purchase it at this website.\*

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Tonight I will teach on the likelihood of Jesus fulfilling the Fall Feasts during His Second Coming.

Pointing at Menorah: These are the First Days, and these are the Last Days.

Since most of us are Gentiles, we first need to lay a lot of groundwork about cultural norms commonly understood in ancient Israel.

I would like to point out that it was reasonable for the Jews to think Messiah was going to be a redeemer-King, because several prophecies place both aspects together.



## Prophetic Scripture



Isaiah 61:1-2 “<sup>1</sup>The Spirit of the Lord GOD is on me; because the LORD has anointed me to preach good tidings to the meek; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; <sup>2</sup>To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn;”

(inserted by Jesus from Isaiah 42:7 and stopped prior to when quoted by Jesus in Luke 4:18-19)

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Just as Jews had difficulty separating prophecies regarding Jesus' first and second comings as Redeemer then King, so we have difficulty compartmentalizing prophecies into

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Great Tribulation

First and Second Resurrection

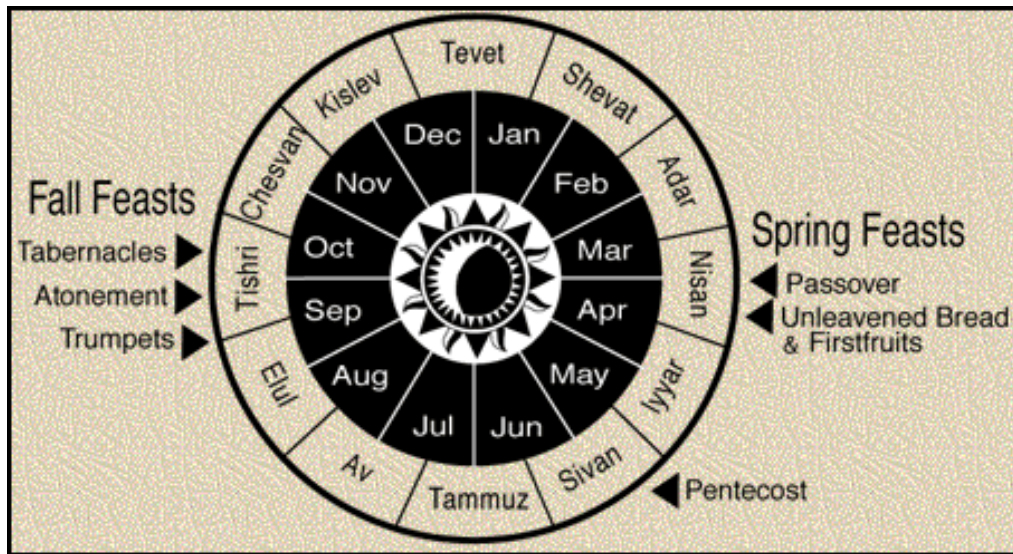
Millennial Reign

and the New Heavens and New Earth.

2 Peter 1:20-21 “<sup>20</sup>Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. <sup>21</sup>For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Ghost. “



There are several theories, but I will present the customs of the feasts to you to help you put the puzzle together.



*A Family Guide to the Biblical Holidays from [www.biblicaltholidays.com](http://www.biblicaltholidays.com)*

Preparation for the Fall Feasts begins a month ahead on the first of Elul.

That way people can fast and pray for 40 days which comes to the Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur). *[It is likely Jesus' 40 day fast and Moses' 2<sup>nd</sup> fast of 40 days for the second set of stone commands was during Elul]* Psalm 27 is read and the shofar is blown every morning calling on the people to repent. They call this 40 day season Teshuvah, which means repentance. They hope people will repent before Rosh Hoshanah (Trumpets), or they will find themselves in the ten "Days of Awe" between Trumpets and the Day of Atonement. 5 days after the Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur) is the Feast of Booths or Tabernacles, called Sukkoth.

## Jesus' 40 day fast in the desert

Satan attacks Jesus' identity as God's Son by tempting Him

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1) to use His power to provide for Himself instead of relying on His Father's provision,

2) to prove God's protection of Him by imperiling His life, and

3) to obtain His destiny through Satan without His personal sacrifice on the cross in complete obedience to His Father.



“Examine yourselves, whether you be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know you not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except you be reprobates?”<sup>6</sup>  
2 Corinthians 13:5

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But Jesus resisted the devil and countered him with truth from Deuteronomy. He didn't take the easy way out, but

2 Corinthians 13:4 “<sup>4</sup>For though he was crucified through weakness, yet he lives by the power of God. For we also are weak in him, but we shall live with him by the power of God toward you. “ \*

Before Christ comes there will be a great “falling away” of saints, who once having tasted the goodness of God's Spirit will divorce themselves from Jesus and become reprobates.

This period of fasting is to “make your calling and election sure”

2 Peter 1:11 “<sup>11</sup>For so an entrance shall be ministered to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.”

# Trumpet prepares us for His coming

Joel 2:1-2a, 10-13, 15 “<sup>1</sup>Blow you the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: **for the day of the LORD comes, for it is near at hand; <sup>2</sup>A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and of thick darkness, . . . <sup>10</sup>The earth shall quake before them; the heavens shall tremble: the sun and the moon shall be dark, and the stars shall withdraw their shining: <sup>11</sup>And the LORD shall utter his voice before his army: for his camp is very great: for he is strong that executes his word: for the day of the LORD is great and very terrible; and who can abide it? <sup>12</sup>Therefore also now, said the LORD, turn you even to me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning: <sup>13</sup>And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn to the LORD your God: . . .**  
<sup>15</sup>Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly.”

# Trumpet prepares us for His coming



Joel 2:28-32 “<sup>28</sup>And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions: <sup>29</sup>And also on the servants and on the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit. <sup>30</sup>And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke. <sup>31</sup>The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and terrible day of the LORD come. <sup>32</sup>And it shall come to pass, that whoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered: for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD has said, and in the remnant whom the LORD shall call.”

## Teshuvah (repentance) before Teruah

Psalm 81:1-7

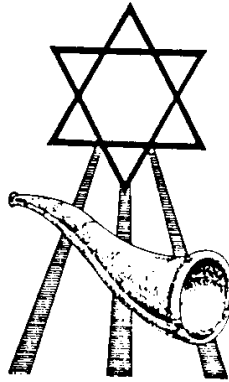
Isaiah 26:19

Isaiah 51:9+17

Romans 13:11

1 Cor. 15:34

1 Cor. 15:49-54



Eph. 5:14

1 Thess. 4:13-18

Job 19:25-26

**REPENT!!!**

Ezekiel 33:4-5 <sup>4</sup>Then whoever hears the sound of the **trumpet**, and takes not warning; if the sword come, and take him away, his blood shall be on his own head. <sup>5</sup>He heard the sound of the **trumpet**, and took not warning; his blood shall be on him. But he that takes warning shall deliver his soul.” 9

The people would have heard broken staccato blasts each day to help remind the people to break with evil by repenting. Then the day of silence prior to Rosh Hashanah.

Teruah is a wave-like blowing of the shofar which rallied the people around their banner for war. But for the month of Elul it's blown to prepare people to meet Jesus, except for the last day of Elul when it remains silent (Rev. 8:1-2 <sup>1</sup>And when he had opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the seven angels which stood before God; and to them were given seven trumpets.)

All these passages refer to Rosh Hashanah.

We will look at two of them.

## (*Yom Teruah*) Day of the Awakening Blast Resurrection of the Dead; Rapture (*Natzal*)

Revelation 10:7 “But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as he has declared to his servants the prophets.”

Revelation 11:15,18-19 <sup>15</sup>And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever. <sup>18</sup>And the nations were angry, and your wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that you should give reward to your servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear your name, small and great; and should destroy them which destroy the earth. <sup>19</sup>And the temple of God was opened in heaven, and there was seen in his temple the ark of his testament: and there were lightning, and voices, and thunder, and an earthquake, and great hail.”

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In celebration on New Year, the shofar sounds 100 notes.

*Eigiro* means both “wake up” and “rise up” from a root to collect one's faculties.

Ephesians 5:14-16 “<sup>14</sup>Why he said, Awake you that sleep, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give you light. <sup>15</sup>See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, <sup>16</sup>Redeeming the time, because the days are evil. <sup>17</sup>Why be you not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is.”

Romans 13:11-14 “<sup>11</sup>And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. <sup>12</sup>The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. <sup>13</sup>Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. <sup>14</sup>But put you on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfill the lusts thereof.”



## Blow the trumpet, for “Joseph” is now King

Genesis 41:46-47,50a “<sup>46</sup>And Joseph was thirty years old when he stood before Pharaoh king of Egypt. And Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh, and [went throughout all the land of Egypt](#). <sup>47</sup>And in the seven plenteous years the earth brought forth by handfuls. <sup>50</sup>And to Joseph were born two sons before the years of famine came,”

Psalm 81:3-5a “<sup>3</sup>**Blow up the trumpet in the new moon**, in the time appointed, on our solemn feast day. <sup>4</sup>For this was a statute for Israel, and a law of the God of Jacob. <sup>5</sup>This he ordained in Joseph for a testimony, when he [went out through the land of Egypt](#).”

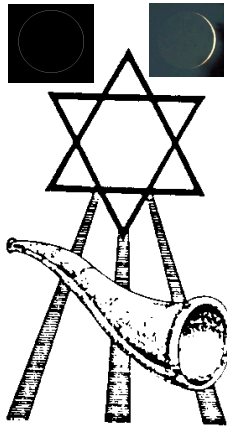
Revelation 11:8,15 “<sup>8</sup>And their [two witnesses] dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified. <sup>15</sup>And **the seventh angel sounded**; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, [The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.](#)” 11

This was commanded in Leviticus 23:24-25 “<sup>24</sup>Speak to the children of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, in the first day of the month, shall you have a sabbath, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, an holy convocation. <sup>25</sup>You shall do no servile work therein: but you shall offer an offering made by fire to the LORD.”

It is a memorial of Joseph ruling Egypt (the world leader at that time). Traditionally, Joseph was freed from prison and made second to Pharaoh on Rosh HaShanah. It is from Rosh HaShanah the reigns of Israel's kings are determined, and often coronated. It is fitting Christ should return on this day of His birth and to receive His Kingdom. But much more Hebrew history is associated with Rosh Hashanah.

## (New Year) *Rosh Hashanah* (Tishri 1)

- Head of the Year
- Shout (Job 38:7)
- Adam & Eve created
- Enoch taken by God (Gen. 5:24)
- Flood waters dried



- Joseph freed from prison
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Adam-Jesus born
- Celebrated 2 days (Neh. 8:2-3+13)
- Ezra (3:1) altar

“Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, whose word created the heavens, whose breath created all that they contain. Statutes and seasons He set for them, that they should not deviate from their assigned task. Happily, gladly they do the will of their Creator; whose work is dependable. To the moon He spoke: renew yourself, crown of glory for those who were borne in the womb, who also are destined to be renewed and to extol their Creator for His glorious sovereignty. Blessed are You, Lord who renews the months.” (Hebrew prayer) <sup>12</sup>

According to tradition these various things occurred. And they greet each other with “May you be inscribed in the Book of Life.”

The Hebrews used 12 lunar months of 30 days each, leaving it short of the solar year; so every 6<sup>th</sup> year they added a 13<sup>th</sup> month for 36 years, and then again on the 40<sup>th</sup> year to equal 40 years of 365.25 days.

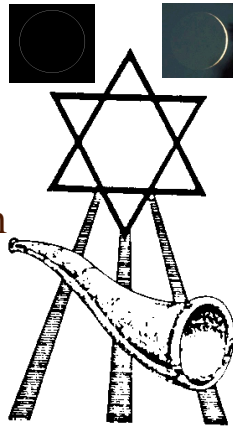
If the passage of the twelve new moons was still short of the spring equinox, the rabbis could add another month, making another 'pregnant' 13-month year.

A new moon began each month (no moon seen). The day before and after show a tiniest sliver of moon. Two Witnesses came to the Sanhedrin when they saw the first waxing sliver. Then the Pres. declared it sanctified, and only by his authority were signal fires lit to let all know the celebration of the New Moon could begin that evening.

## The New Moon of the Long Hidden Day

Psalm 27:5

“For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the **secret** of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up on a rock.”



Col. 2:16-17

“Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holy day, or of the **new moon**, or of the sabbath days: Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body is of Christ.”

Isaiah 26:18a-22 “<sup>18</sup>We have been with child, we have been in pain, <sup>19</sup>Your dead men shall live, together with my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, you that dwell in dust: for your dew is as the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead. <sup>20</sup>Come, my people, enter you into your chambers, and shut your doors about you: hide yourself as it were for a little moment, until the indignation be over. <sup>21</sup>For, behold, the LORD comes out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their <sup>13</sup>iniquity: the earth also shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain.”

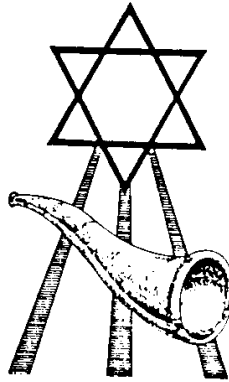
Since they had to wait for the signal fires to begin the celebration, they “did not know the day or hour”; so it was determined to celebrate for two days which were considered one long day. To “not know the day or hour” was a tip to Hebrews who celebrate Rosh Hashanah, 'cause it's the only feast on a new moon. Before Jesus returns He will hide a remnant of His people during the Great Tribulation.

**Matthew 24:36ff** “<sup>36</sup>But of that day and hour knows no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only. <sup>37</sup>But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. . . . <sup>42</sup>Watch therefore: for you know not what hour your Lord does come. <sup>43</sup>But know this, that if the manager of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up. <sup>44</sup>Therefore be you also ready: for in such an hour as you think not the Son of man comes.”

**Matthew 25:13** “<sup>13</sup>Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man comes.”

## Feast of Trumpets

- *Rosh HaShanah*
- *Yom Teruah*
- *Yom HaDin*
- *HaMelech*
- *Yom Hazikkaron*
- Jacob's trouble



- Opening Gates
- Resurrection of the dead
- *Natzal* (Rapture)
- The Wedding
- Hidden day

Leviticus 23:23-25 "And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, <sup>24</sup>Speak to the children of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, in the first day of the month, shall you have a sabbath a memorial of blowing of trumpets, an holy convocation. <sup>25</sup>You shall do no servile work therein: but you shall offer an offering made by fire to the LORD." <sup>14</sup>

In the Bible this feast is not actually given a name, but is known for the trumpet (shofar). Yet it is called by many prophetic names. This year, 2008, it goes from dusk on September 29<sup>th</sup> to dusk Oct. 1st.

Rosh means Head in Hebrew, so Rosh HaShannah means Head of the Year or New Year. .

Yom means Day in Hebrew, so Yom Teruah means Day of the Awakening Blast.

Yom HaDin means Day of Judgment.

HaMelech means Coronation of the Messiah.

Yom Hazikkaron means Day of Remembrance.

"Jacob's Trouble" is synonymous to the Tribulation.

## Resurrection of the dead & Rapture

1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 33-34 “<sup>20</sup>But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become **the first fruits of them that slept.** <sup>21</sup>For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. <sup>22</sup>For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. <sup>23</sup>But **every man in his own order:** Christ **the first fruits;** **afterward they that are Christ's at his coming.** <sup>24</sup>Then comes the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power. <sup>25</sup>For he must reign, till he has put all enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup>**The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death. . . .** <sup>33</sup>Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners. <sup>34</sup>Awake to righteousness, and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God: I speak this to your shame.”

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The order of resurrection was Christ, the First Fruits of those saints that died before Christ whose graves were opened at His crucifixion, and who rose on the Feast of First Fruits as He did (likely 144,000); and the next resurrection isn't until Christ's second coming. At that time, those saints who have died since Christ's crucifixion will rise up or stand up with Jesus at His appearing, since they have been with Him.

Col. 3:4 “<sup>4</sup>When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall you also appear with him in glory.”

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1 Corinthians 15:42-44a, 50-58 “<sup>42</sup>So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: <sup>43</sup>It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: <sup>44</sup>It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. <sup>50</sup>Now this I say, brothers, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither does corruption inherit incorruption. <sup>51</sup>Behold, I show you a mystery; **We shall not all sleep, but we** shall all be changed, <sup>52</sup>**In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.** <sup>53</sup>For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. <sup>54</sup>So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, **Death is swallowed up in victory.** <sup>55</sup>O death, where is your sting? O grave, where is your victory? <sup>56</sup>The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. <sup>57</sup>But thanks be to God, which gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>58</sup>Therefore, my beloved brothers, be you steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, <sup>6</sup>for as much as you know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.”

Job 19:25-27,29 “<sup>25</sup>For I know that my redeemer lives, and that he shall stand at the latter day on the earth: <sup>26</sup>And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God: <sup>27</sup>Whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another; though my reins be consumed within me. <sup>29</sup>Be you afraid of the sword: for wrath brings the punishments of the sword, that you may know there is a judgment.”

## Resurrection of dead; then Rapture

1 Thessalonians 4:13-17 “<sup>13</sup>But I would not have you to be ignorant, brothers, concerning them which are asleep, that you sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. <sup>14</sup>For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. <sup>15</sup>For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain to the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. <sup>16</sup>For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: <sup>17</sup>Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.”

Matthew 24:30-31 “<sup>30</sup>And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. <sup>31</sup>And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.”

Zechariah 9:14 “And the LORD shall be seen over them, and his arrow shall go forth as the lightning: and the LORD God shall blow the trumpet,”

2 Tim. 2:11 “<sup>11</sup>It is a faithful saying: For if we be dead with him, we shall also live with him:”

## (Yom Melech) Coronation of the King (Yom HaDin) Day of Judgment



Daniel 7:10b, 13-14 “the judgment was set, and the books were opened. <sup>13</sup>I saw in the night-visions, and, behold, there came with the clouds of the sky one like a son of man, and he came even to the ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. <sup>14</sup>There was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all the peoples, nations, and languages should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.

Revelation 4:1-2 “<sup>1</sup>After these things I looked and saw a **door** opened in heaven, and the first voice that I heard, like a **trumpet** speaking with me, was one saying, “Come up here, and I will show you the things which must happen after this.” <sup>2</sup>Immediately I was in the Spirit. Behold, there was a throne set in heaven, and one sitting on the throne” 18

1 Kings 1:34 “And let Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet anoint him there king over Israel: and blow you with the trumpet, and say, God save king Solomon.”

Psalms 47 and 98 are celebrations with shouting and trumpets for the LORD our King.

The Tanach refers to the books as the book of the righteous (Book of Life to us), book of the wicked, and the book of remembrance. And that the Jews have the ten days of awe to make sure they're in the book of the righteous (zikkaron)



## The WEDDING of the BRIDE

- Covenant
- “Bride price”
- Glass of wine
- Betrothed
- Returns to his father's house to build a room



- 'Steal' her away at unknown hour
- They marry under a canopy
- Privacy 7 days
- Couple emerges to share in feast

Revelation 19:7-9a “7Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honor to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife has made herself ready. 8And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints. 9And he said to me, Write, 19 Blessed are they which are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb.”

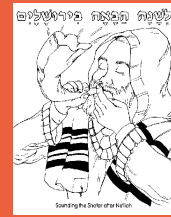
The covenant is a written agreement, or contract, which has set the “bride price” the groom will pay the father of the bride. The contract was made at Mt. Sinai. Jesus' Bride price was His own blood by which we are 'redeemed', bought back.

Then the prospective groom would pour a glass of wine. If the intended bride drank it, that sealed the covenant, and they were considered 'betrothed'.

Then the groom returns to his father's house to build on a bridal chamber. When his father determines the room to be ready, he allows his son to retrieve his bride; often arriving in the night to “steal her away”.

When we take communion we are reaffirming our devotion to Christ and do it in remembrance of Him with joy as we await His return for us. Meanwhile the bride would make a bedspread and other “good works” to prepare for married life. Wife hidden 7 days

# Day of Atonement



- *Yom Kippur*
- Day of Judgment
- Sabbath of Sabbaths
- Day of Redemption
- *Neilah*
- The Great *Shofar*
- The Great Day
- The Fast

Leviticus 23:27-32 “<sup>27</sup>Also on the tenth day of this seventh month there shall be a day of atonement: it shall be an holy convocation to you; and you shall afflict your souls, and offer an offering made by fire to the LORD. <sup>28</sup>And you shall do no work in that same day: for it is a day of atonement, to make an atonement for you before the LORD your God. <sup>29</sup>For whatever soul it be that shall not be afflicted in that same day, he shall be cut off from among his people. <sup>30</sup>And whatever soul it be that does any work in that same day, the same soul will I destroy from among his people. <sup>31</sup>You shall do no manner of work: it shall be a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings. <sup>32</sup>It shall be to you a sabbath of rest, and you shall afflict your souls: in the ninth day of the month at even, from <sup>20</sup> even to even, shall you celebrate your sabbath.”

Yom HaKippurim meaning the day of covering, canceling, pardon, and reconciling.

This year it's from dusk Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> to dusk Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>.

Neilah means the closing of the gates, which is signaled by the sound of the Great Shofar.

The Hebrews refer to 3 main shofars during the year: the First Trump at Pentecost, the Last Trump at New Year, and the Great Trump on Day of Atonement.

Leviticus 25:9-12a “<sup>9</sup>Then shall you cause the trumpet of the jubilee to sound on the tenth day of the seventh month, in the day of atonement shall you make the trumpet sound throughout all your land. <sup>10</sup>And you shall hallow the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout all the land to all the inhabitants thereof: it shall be a jubilee to you; and you shall return every man to his possession, and you shall return every man to his family. <sup>11</sup>A jubilee shall that fiftieth year be to you:”



## The High Priest

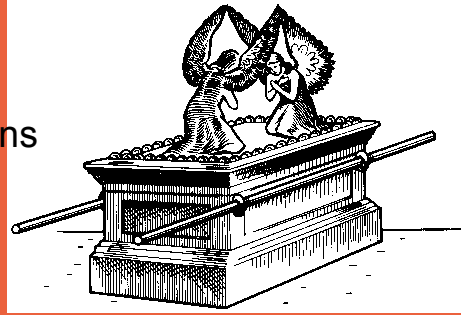
- Sacrificed animals
- Sprinkled blood
- Immersed 5 times
- Entered Holy of Holies 3 times
- Spoke *YHWH* once

Hebrews 10:19-25 “<sup>19</sup>Having therefore, brothers, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup>By a new and living way, which he has consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh; <sup>21</sup>And having an high priest over the house of God; <sup>22</sup>Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. <sup>23</sup>Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;) <sup>24</sup>And let us consider one another to provoke to love and to good works: <sup>25</sup>Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as you see <sup>21</sup> the day approaching.”

Only the High Priest was allowed in the Holy of Holies, and only on this day. Also, this was the only day the Name of God YHWH was pronounced.

## The Fast

- Relief from the burden of sin
- Acknowledge the transgressions
- Repent (turn away from them)
- Confess your sins verbally
- Receive atonement and forgiveness from God



Isaiah 58:1-8 “<sup>1</sup>Cry aloud, spare not, lift up your voice like a **trumpet**, and show my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins. <sup>2</sup>Yet they seek me daily, and delight to know my ways, as a nation that did righteousness, and forsook not the ordinance of their God: they ask of me the ordinances of justice; they take delight in approaching to God. <sup>3</sup>Why have we fasted, say they, and you see not? why have we afflicted our soul, and you take no knowledge? Behold, in the day of your fast you find pleasure . . . <sup>6</sup>Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that you break every yoke? <sup>7</sup>Is it not to deal your bread to the hungry, and that you bring the poor that are cast out to your house? when you see the naked, that you cover him; and that you hide not yourself from your own flesh? <sup>8</sup>Then shall your light break forth as the morning, and your health shall spring forth speedily: and your righteousness shall go before you; the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.”

Jews traditionally fast from food, drink, and physical pleasures for the entire 24 hours of this holy day. All males over 13 and females over 12 observe it.

Younger children are encouraged to fast one meal.

The sick follow their doctor's orders.

The synagogue is draped in white and the people wear white to symbolize purity.

**Revelation 19:5-9** “<sup>5</sup>And a voice came out of the throne, saying, Praise our God, all you his servants, and you that fear him, both small and great. <sup>6</sup>And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunder, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigns. <sup>7</sup>Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honor to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife has made herself ready. <sup>8</sup>And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints. <sup>9</sup>And he said to me, Write, Blessed are they which are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he said to me, These are the true sayings of God.”

## 5 days later is Feast of Tabernacles

Leviticus 23:33-36,39-43 “<sup>33</sup>And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,  
<sup>34</sup>Speak to the children of Israel, saying, The fifteenth day of this seventh month shall be the feast of tabernacles for seven days to the LORD. <sup>35</sup>On the first day shall be an holy convocation: you shall do no servile work therein. <sup>36</sup>Seven days you shall offer an offering made by fire to the LORD: on the eighth day shall be an holy convocation to you; and you shall offer an offering made by fire to the LORD: it is a solemn assembly; and you shall do no servile work therein. . . .<sup>39</sup>Also in the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when you have gathered in the fruit of the land, you shall keep a feast to the LORD seven days: on the first day shall be a sabbath, and on the eighth day shall be a sabbath. <sup>40</sup>And you shall take you on the first day the boughs of goodly trees, branches of palm trees, and the boughs of thick trees, and willows of the brook; and you shall rejoice before the LORD your God seven days. <sup>41</sup>And you shall keep it a feast to the LORD seven days in the year. It shall be a statute for ever in your generations: you shall celebrate it in the seventh month. <sup>42</sup>You shall dwell in booths seven days; all that are Israelites born shall dwell in booths: <sup>43</sup>That your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God.”

## (*Sukkot*) Feast of Tabernacles/Booths

- Season of our Joy
- Feast of the Nations
- Festival of Ingathering
- Celebration of Water



Moses descended on Yom Kippur after his 2<sup>nd</sup> fast of 40 days for the second set of stone commands, which represented God's forgiveness of the people's idolatry. This brought relief and great joy. The next day Moses gave them instructions to build the tabernacle for God's Presence. The Feast of Tabernacles is 5 days after the Day of Atonement. Solomon dedicated the first temple during Sukkot. The Hebrew word *Sukkot* can also be translated 'stable'. Many theologians believe Jesus was born during Tabernacles. John 1:14a "The Word of God was made flesh and 'tabernacled' among us." Sukkot is celebrated for 7 days. It's like a community camp-out as they party and fellowship together. They march carrying a lulav.\* The 8<sup>th</sup> day they rejoice being back in their homes again.

## Festival of Nations

“Micah 4:1ff “**1**But in the **last days** it shall come to pass, that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow to it. **2**And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. **3**And he shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. **4**But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree; and none shall make them afraid: for the mouth of the LORD of hosts has spoken it. **5**For all people will walk every one in the name of his god, and we will walk in the name of the LORD our God for ever and ever. **11**Now also many nations are gathered against you, that say, Let her be defiled, and let our eye look on Zion. **12**But they know not the thoughts of the LORD, neither understand they his counsel: for he shall gather them as the sheaves into the floor. **13**Arise and thresh, O daughter of Zion: for I will make your horn iron, and I will make your hoofs brass: and you shall beat in pieces many people: and I will consecrate their gain to the LORD, and their substance to the Lord of the whole earth.” <sup>25</sup>

At the end of Genesis 70 nations are listed in the world; 70 bullocks are sacrificed during Tabernacles. 70 people of Jacob's family met Joseph in Egypt, and multiplied millions came out 430 years later.

During Sukkot Ezekiel 38-39 and Zechariah 14 are read.

Passover and Tabernacles are the only feasts that are mentioned being celebrated during the millennial reign.(Ezek.45:20-25) Those nations who refuse to send representatives to celebrate in Jerusalem will either get no rain (Zech. 14) or too much rain (Ezek 38:22-23)



## The Ingathering (Fall Harvest)

Exodus 23:16b “the **feast of ingathering**, which is in the end of the year, when you have gathered in your labors out of the field.”



Psalms 27:5-6 “<sup>5</sup>For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his **tabernacle** shall he hide me; he shall set me up on a rock. <sup>6</sup>And now shall my head be lifted up above my enemies round about me: therefore will I offer in his **tabernacle** sacrifices of joy; I will sing, yes, I will sing praises to the LORD.”

Zechariah 14:6-9 “<sup>6</sup>And it shall come to pass in that day, that the light shall not be clear, nor dark: <sup>7</sup>But it shall be one day which shall be known to the LORD, not day, nor night: but it shall come to pass, that at evening time it shall be light. <sup>8</sup>And it shall be in that day, that living waters shall go out from Jerusalem; half of them toward the former sea, and half of them toward the hinder sea: in summer and in winter shall it be. <sup>9</sup>And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one.”

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The lulav also included a citrus fruit (like a lemon). In ancient times they would wave their lulavs and march around the altar once each day and seven times on the seventh day, praying Hosanna (Jah save). The 7<sup>th</sup> day, the priests blew trumpets and the people sang Psalms 113-118 (the Great Hallel).

The future temple of the Lord given in Ezekiel 40ff. Was also to have a river flowing from its throne, and so healing water is also celebrated.



## The Celebration of Water Pouring

- High priest drew water with a golden vase.
- Silver vase with wine
- Flute player leads
- High priest, Is. 12:2  
“Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD JEHOVAH is my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation.”
- People sing Isaiah 12:3  
“Therefore with joy shall you draw water out of the wells of salvation.”

### **John 7:37-39**

**“<sup>37</sup>In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come to me, and drink. <sup>38</sup>He that believes on me, as the scripture has said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. <sup>39</sup>(But this spoke he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)”**

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The high priest drew from Siloam, which means “gently flowing waters). Flowing waters are also called living waters because you can safely drink from them. The flute player is called “the pierced one”. Then they prayed for winter rains.

After the other priests have sacrificed the required animals for the day. The high priest would pour the water onto the altar, and the other priest would pour the wine. Just as Christ's pierced heart gushed water and blood together to atone for our sins.

Jesus is a covering or *sukkah* to those who believe.

Hosea 6:3 says “<sup>2</sup>After two days will he revive us: in the third day he will raise us up, and we shall live in his sight. <sup>3</sup>Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the LORD: his going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come to us as the rain, as the latter and former rain to the earth.”

Latter rain is during Fall holidays; former rain is during Spring. Jesus was born during last holiday, and died on the first.

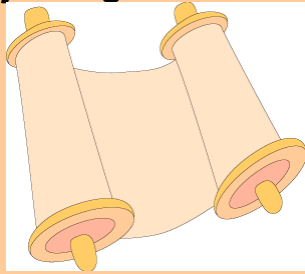
## 8<sup>th</sup> Day

Numbers 29:35-36a “<sup>35</sup>On the eighth day you shall have a solemn assembly: you shall do no servile work therein: <sup>36</sup>But you shall offer a burnt offering, a sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet smell to the LORD:”

*Atzeret* – 'to hold back'  
or to tarry

A solemn assembly

*Simchat Torah* –  
'rejoicing in teaching'



### NEHEMIAH 8

Families gathered as one  
by the water gate

Ezra read Torah from a  
'tower' for six hours

Other teachers helped  
explain it to the people

People wept, worshiped,  
celebrated, and made  
booths -1<sup>st</sup> time in 1000yr <sup>28</sup>

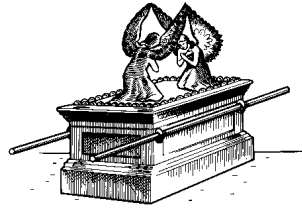
During the long summer, the early morning dew had kept the soil moist, but during the winter Israel depends on the rains to thoroughly soak the soil, so the first prayer of the 8<sup>th</sup> day is for the winter rains.



### Trumpets

Awakening Blast  
 Resurrection  
 Rapture  
 Wedding  
 Jacob's trouble  
 Open gates/books  
 Crowning king  
 Remembrance  
 Judgment

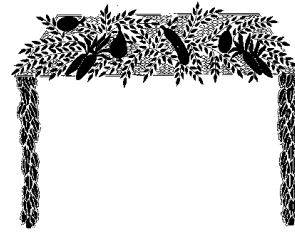
**The Blessed Hope**  
**Great & Terrible**  
**Day of the Lord**



### Atonement

Great *Shofar*  
 Redemption  
 Fast  
 White  
 High Sabbath  
 Close gates  
 God's NAME  
 Holy of Holies  
 Judgment

**Rewards and**  
**Judgments**



### Tabernacles

Singing Psalms  
**Salvation**  
**Harvest**  
 Lights  
 "JAH save us"  
 Living Water  
 "God with us"  
 Remembrance  
 Judgment of

Nations **The Millennium**  
 8<sup>th</sup> day **New Heavens**  
**New Earth** <sup>29</sup>

As you can see, there is a lot more to these feasts. The Sanhedrin would often postpone the Feast of Trumpets so that the day of Atonement would not fall on a Friday or Sunday, creating problems for Sabbath observance.

The word 'rapture' is a transliteration of the Latin 'rapturo' from the phrase "caught up" in Thess, but it is also referred to as "the blessed hope" in Titus 2:13 <sup>1</sup>"Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;"

Christ's judgment of the sheep and goat nations on earth is often confused with His judgment of individuals in heaven. There will be a judgment of the righteous as to their rewards, and later a Great White Throne judgment of those not written in the Lamb's book of life.



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I used *Seven Festivals of the Messiah* extensively for data about Jewish customs in the feasts.

I used two graphics from *Biblical Holidays*, and it is full of reference material as well. They are both available through [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com).

This is the end of my presentation.