

THE THREE GREAT JEWISH FEASTS

Read Exodus 11-12; Deuteronomy 16:10-15;

Also read an article (Bible dictionary, online) on each of the feasts:

Passover, Pentecost and Tabernacles

1. List as many parallels as you can between the Jewish observance of Passover and the Christian observance of the Lord's Supper. Explain the significance of each.
2. God instructed the Israelites to "paint" the two doorposts and the lintel with the blood of the sacrificial lamb. This was surely not for His benefit, as if he didn't know where His people lived. So what is the reason or significance of this instruction?
3. By what other name or designation was the Passover known? (Exodus 12:17; Luke 22:1; Deuteronomy 16:16)
4. The Israelites were to remove leaven from their houses for this feast (Exodus 12:15). What is the parallel or lesson Paul draws to this with respect to the church? See 1 Corinthians 5.
5. By what other names or designations was the Feast of Pentecost known? See Exodus 23:16; 34:22 and Numbers 23:16; 28:26.
6. What was the purpose of/for the feast of Pentecost?
7. What did the feast of Tabernacles commemorate? Hint: This feast is sometime called the Feast of Booths (Leviticus 23:40-43).
8. What was one purpose of/for the Feast of Tabernacles? Read Deuteronomy 16:13-15. Knowing another name/designation for this feast gives you a clue (see Exodus 23:16).
9. Why would the "stranger, the fatherless and the widow" rejoice in these two feasts (Pentecost and Tabernacles)? See Leviticus 23:22.
10. We do not observe these feasts in New Testament worship. But there is a feast we are to observe and which we are to attend. On the reverse side write a paragraph or more that explains the Christian's feast, following the examples in the Old Testament descriptions (frequency, intended participants, meaning and significance, etc.).