

THE LAW OF GOD IS PROPHETIC PT. 3 THE AUTUMN FEASTS

Pictures of Jesus in the Mosaic Law concerning the feasts:

1. Passover
 - a. Unblemished Lamb
 - b. Matzah or unleavened bread (Afikomen)
Christ's body which is broken for you
 - c. Cup of wine (Cup 3 - Cup of Redemption)
Christ's blood which is shed for you
2. Unleavened Bread
Purged for our sanctification
3. First Fruits
Christ the firstfruits
4. Feast of Weeks
Birth of the church - harvest of souls
5. Hope in Christ
6. Rapture

The Feast of Trumpets

Leviticus 23 NKJV

23 Then the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, 24 "Speak to the children of Israel, saying: 'In the seventh month, on the first day of the month, you shall have a sabbath-rest, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, a holy convocation. 25 You shall do no customary work on it; and you shall offer an offering made by fire to the Lord.' "

Numbers 29 NKJV

1 'And in the seventh month, on the first day of the month, you shall have a holy convocation. You shall do no customary work. For you it is a day of blowing the trumpets. 2 You shall offer a burnt offering as a sweet aroma to the Lord: one young bull, one ram, and seven lambs in their first year, without blemish. 3 Their grain offering shall be fine flour mixed with oil: three-tenths of an ephah for the bull, two-tenths for the ram, 4 and one-tenth for each of the seven lambs; 5 also one kid of the goats as a sin offering, to make atonement for you; 6 besides the burnt offering with its grain offering for the New Moon, the regular burnt offering with its grain offering, and their drink offerings, according to their ordinance, as a sweet aroma, an offering made by fire to the Lord.

Psalms 81:3 NKJV

Blow the trumpet at the time of the New Moon, at the full moon, on our solemn feast day.

Shofar - ram's horn

Teruah - a shout or a blowing

Hazozerah - priestly silver horns

The Feast of Trumpets may refer to the future regathering of the Jews. For now they are scattered throughout the world, but will someday be united in their own land.

Isaiah 27 NKJV

12 And it shall come to pass in that day that the Lord will thresh, from the channel of the River to the Brook of Egypt; and you will be gathered one by one, O you children of Israel. 13 so it shall be in that day: the great trumpet will be blown; they will come, who are about to perish in the land of Assyria, and they who are outcasts in the land of Egypt, And shall worship the Lord in the holy mount at Jerusalem.

Jeremiah 24:7 NKJV

Then I will give them a heart to know Me, that I am the LORD; and they shall be My people, and I will be their God, for they shall return to me with their whole heart.

The prophets linked the blowing of trumpets to the future day of judgment:

Joel 2:1 NKJV

Blow 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 is coming, for it is at hand:

Zephaniah 1 NKJV

14 The great day of the Lord is near; it is near and hastens quickly. The noise of the day of the Lord is bitter; there the mighty men shall cry out. 15 That day is a day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress, a day of devastation and desolation, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness, 16 a day of trumpet and alarm against the fortified cities and against the high towers.

Then of course there are the seven trumpet judgments in the 8th, 9th and 11th chapters of the book of Revelation.

We saw last week that wedding feasts are accompanied by the sound of trumpets which pictures the Rapture of the church which will be accompanied by the sound of trumpets as well.

1 Corinthians 15:52 NKJV

in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

1 Thessalonians 4:17 NKJV

For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first.

The Day of Atonement

26 And the Lord spoke to Moses, saying: 27 "Also the tenth day of this seventh month shall be the Day of Atonement. It shall be a holy convocation for you; you shall afflict your souls, and offer an offering made by fire to the Lord. 28 And you shall do no work on that same day, for it is the Day of Atonement, to make atonement for you before the Lord your God. 29 For any person who is not afflicted in soul on that same day shall be cut off from his people. 30 And any person who does any work on that same day, that person I will destroy from among his people. 31 You shall do no manner of work; it shall be a statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwellings. 32 It shall be to you a sabbath of solemn rest, and you shall afflict your souls; on the ninth day of the month at evening, from evening to evening, you shall celebrate your sabbath."

Hebrews 9:22 NKJV

And according to the law almost all things are purified with blood, and without shedding of blood there is no remission.

Hebrews 9 NKJV

11 But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation. 12 Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption. 13 For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, 14 how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? 15 And for this reason He is the Mediator of the new covenant, by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions under the first covenant, that those who are called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance.

The blood sacrificed each year merely atoned or covered up sin. God requires a more complete payment for sin.

Romans 6:23 NKJV

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Jesus became the propitiation for our sins. He is the appeasement or reparation to God for our sins.

Romans 3:25a NKJV

whom God set forth as a propitiation by His blood, through faith, to demonstrate His righteousness

1 John 2 NKJV

1 My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. 2 And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world.

Christ's shed blood on the cross was complete.

Hebrews 10:14 NKJV

For by one offering, He has perfected forever those who are sanctified.

Every sin we ever have or will commit was placed on Him.

2 Corinthians 5:21 NKJV

For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

Instead of seeing our sinful nature, God sees His own righteousness in us through Jesus Christ.

Isaiah 45:20 NKJV

"The Redeemer will come to Zion, and to those who turn from transgression in Jacob," Says the Lord.

Joel 2 NKJV

12 "Now, therefore," says the Lord, "Turn to Me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning." 13 So rend your heart, and not your garments; return to the Lord your God, for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness; and He relents from doing harm.

Zechariah 12 NKJV

10 "And I will pour on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem the Spirit of grace and supplication; then they will look on Me whom they pierced. Yes, they will mourn for Him as one mourns for his only son, and grieve for Him as one grieves for a firstborn. 11 In that day there shall be a great mourning in Jerusalem..."

Zechariah 13 NKJV

8 And it shall come to pass in all the land," says the Lord, "That two-thirds in it shall be cut off and die, but one-third shall be left in it: 9 I will bring the one-third through the fire, will refine them as silver is refined, and test them as gold is tested. They will call on My name, and I will answer them. I will say, 'This is My people'; and each one will say, 'The Lord is my God.'"

The Feast of Tabernacles

33 Then the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, 34 "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. 35 On the first day there shall be a holy convocation. You shall do no customary work on it. 36 For seven days you shall offer an offering made by fire to the Lord. On the eighth day you shall have a holy convocation, and you shall offer an offering made by fire to the Lord. It is a sacred assembly, and you shall do no customary work on it.

37 'These are the feasts of the Lord which you shall proclaim to be holy convocations, to offer an offering made by fire to the Lord, a burnt offering and a grain offering, a sacrifice and drink offerings, everything on its day— 38 besides the Sabbaths of the Lord, besides your gifts, besides all your vows, and besides all your freewill offerings which you give to the Lord.

39 'Also on the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when you have gathered in the fruit of the land, you shall keep the feast of the Lord for seven days; on the first day there shall be a sabbath-rest, and on the eighth day a sabbath-rest. 40 And you shall take for yourselves on the first day the fruit of beautiful trees, branches of palm trees, the boughs of leafy trees, and willows of the brook; and you shall rejoice before the Lord your God for seven days. 41 You shall keep it as a feast to the Lord for seven days in the year. It shall be a statute forever in your generations. You shall celebrate it in the seventh month. 42 You shall dwell in booths for seven days. All who are native Israelites shall dwell in booths, 43 that your generations may know that I made the children of Israel dwell in booths when I brought them out of the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God.'

John 7 NKJV

37 On the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. 38 He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water." 39 But this He spoke concerning the Spirit, whom those believing in Him would receive; for the Holy Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

John 4:14 NKJV

“...but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life.”

Zechariah 14 NKJV

9 And the Lord shall be King over all the earth. In that day it shall be— “The Lord is one,” and His name one.

11 The people shall dwell in it; and no longer shall there be utter destruction, but Jerusalem shall be safely inhabited.

In it will be the river of life

Zechariah 14:8 NKJV

And in that day it shall be that living waters shall flow from Jerusalem, half of them toward the eastern sea and half of them toward the western sea; in both summer and winter it shall occur.

Ezekiel 47 NKJV

7 When I returned, there, along the bank of the river, were very many trees on one side and the other. 8 Then he said to me: “This water flows toward the eastern region, goes down into the valley, and enters the sea. When it reaches the sea, its waters are healed. 9 And it shall be that every living thing that moves, wherever the rivers go, will live. There will be a very great multitude of fish, because these waters go there; for they will be healed, and everything will live wherever the river goes. 10 It shall be that fishermen will stand by it from En Gedi to En Eglaim; they will be places for spreading their nets. Their fish will be of the same kinds as the fish of the Great Sea, exceedingly many. 11 But its swamps and marshes will not be healed; they will be given over to salt. 12 Along the bank of the river, on this side and that, will grow all kinds of trees used for food; their leaves will not wither, and their fruit will not fail. They will bear fruit every month, because their water flows from the sanctuary. Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for healing.”

All nations will gather to worship God

Zechariah 14 NKJV

16 And it shall come to pass that everyone who is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall go up from year to year to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, and to keep the Feast of Tabernacles. 17 And it shall be that whichever of the families of the earth do not come up to Jerusalem to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, on them there will be no rain. 18 If the family of Egypt will not come up and enter in, they shall have no rain; they shall receive the plague with which the Lord strikes the nations who do not come up to keep the Feast of Tabernacles. 19 This shall be the punishment of Egypt and the punishment of all the nations that do not come up to keep the Feast of Tabernacles.

and we will all be with Him

Revelation 20:4 NKJV

And I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was committed to them. Then I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God, who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received his mark on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.

Spring Feasts

- Passover — Death of Christ
- Unleavened Bread — Purging of our sins
- First Fruits — Resurrection of Jesus
- Pentecost — Birth of the church
- 1st Advent of Christ

Fall Feasts

- Trumpets — Gathering
- Day of Atonement — Tribulation
- Tabernacles — Millennial Kingdom
- 2nd Advent of Christ

Spring Feasts

- Passover — Death of Christ
- Unleavened Bread — Purging of our sins
- First Fruits — Resurrection of Jesus
- Pentecost — Birth of the church
- 1st Advent of Christ

Fall Feasts

- Trumpets — 2nd Coming
- Day of Atonement — Millennial Temple
- Tabernacles — Millennial Kingdom
- 2nd Advent of Christ

Spring Feasts

Passover — Death of Christ
Unleavened Bread — Purging of our sins
First Fruits — Resurrection of Jesus
Pentecost — Birth of the church
1st Advent of Christ

Fall Feasts

Trumpets — ???
Day of Atonement — ???
Tabernacles — ???
2nd Advent of Christ