Leviticus 23:1-44 **FEASTS of YEHOWAH**

¹ And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ² "Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: The feasts of the LORD, which you shall proclaim to be holy convocations, these are My feasts.

Sabbath

- ³ 'Six days shall work be done, but the seventh day is a Sabbath of solemn rest, a holy convocation. You shall do no work on it; it is the Sabbath of the LORD in all your dwellings.
- ⁴ These are the feasts of the LORD, holy convocations which you shall proclaim at their appointed times.

Passover – Pesach

5 On the fourteenth day of the first month at twilight is the LORD's Passover.

Feast of Unleavened Bread

6 And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the Feast of Unleavened Bread to the LORD; seven days you must eat unleavened bread. 7 On the first day you shall have a holy convocation; you shall do no customary work on it. 8 But you shall offer an offering made by fire to the LORD for seven days. The seventh day shall be a holy convocation; you shall do no customary work on it.' "
9 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying,

Feast of First Fruits

10 "Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: 'When you come into the land which I give to you, and reap its harvest, then you shall bring a sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest to the priest.

11 He shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted on your behalf; on the day after the Sabbath the priest shall wave it. 12 And you shall offer on that day, when you wave the sheaf, a male lamb of the first year, without blemish, as a burnt offering to the LORD. 13 Its grain offering shall be two-tenths of an ephah of fine flour mixed with oil, an offering made by fire to the LORD, for a sweet aroma; and its drink offering shall be of wine, one-fourth of a hin. 14 You shall eat neither bread nor parched grain nor fresh grain until the same day that you have brought an offering to your God; it shall be a statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.

Feast of Weeks – Pentecost – First Fruits to Yehowah – Shavuot

15 'And you shall count for yourselves from the day after the Sabbath, from the day that you brought the sheaf of the wave offering: seven Sabbaths shall be completed. 16 Count fifty days to the day after the seventh Sabbath; then you shall offer a new grain offering to the LORD. 17 You shall bring from your dwellings two wave loaves of two-tenths of an ephah. They shall be of fine flour; they shall be baked with leaven. They are the **firstfruits to the LORD**. 18 And you shall offer with the bread seven lambs of the first year, without blemish, one young bull, and two rams. They shall be as a burnt offering to the LORD, with their grain offering and their drink offerings, an offering made by fire for a sweet aroma to the LORD. 19 Then you shall sacrifice one kid of the goats as a sin offering, and two male lambs of the first year as a sacrifice of a peace offering. 20 The priest shall wave them with the bread of the firstfruits as a wave offering before the LORD, with the two lambs. They shall be holy to the LORD for the priest. 21 And you shall proclaim on the same day that it is a holy convocation to you. You shall do no customary work on it. It shall be a statute forever in all your dwellings throughout your generations.

Gleanings

²² 'When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not wholly reap the corners of your field when you reap, nor shall you gather any gleaning from your harvest. You shall leave them for the poor and for the stranger: I am the LORD your God.' "

Feast of Trumpets

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.' "

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."

Feast of Tabernacles - Succoth

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.

These are the Feasts of Yehowah

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 —

Sabbaths, Gifts, Vows, Freewill Offerings

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.

Feast of Tabernacles – Succoth

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.' "

44 So Moses declared to the children of Israel the feasts of the LORD. NKJV

Facts Revealed:

- ★ The Feast Days you are to proclaim to the Children of Israel are to be holy convocations, (summoned Sacred Assemblies).
 - ♦ All the Feast Days of Yehowah are considered as Sabbath Days and require the person to make it a day of solemn rest, a holy convocation (sacred assembly), to honor God.
 - ♦ When the feast lasts more than one day, the first and last days are to be Sabbath days to rest and to honor God with sacred assembly.
 - ♦ All Sabbath Days are considered as Feasts of Yehowah

♥ Weekly Sabbath days

♦ The very first mention of Sabbath was to make the seventh day of the week a holy day of rest. [Exodus 16:23, Leviticus 23:3-4]

The Fourth of the Ten Commandments was Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy. [Exodus 20:8]

In this commandment God goes back to the original days of creation [Genesis 2:1-3] and reminds us that in the precedent He established by resting on the seventh day when He made that day holy, He intended for man to follow His example and make the seventh day a day of rest to honor God throughout all time.

This commandment applies to everyone, Jew and Gentile alike. It was established from the very beginning and given to the Gentiles long before it was stated as a commandment for Israel at Mount Sinai (Mount Horeb).

Passover − Pesach [Exodus 12:1-20, Leviticus 23:5]

- ♦ The fourteenth day of the first month at twilight, a Sabbath day to remember the Lord's Passover when the angel of death passed over the homes of the Children of Israel in Egypt in the last plague against Egypt that set the Children of Israel free from bondage.
- ♦ It could fall on any day of the week and still be a Sabbath Day of rest to honor God.

Feast of Unleavened Bread [Exodus 12:15-20, Leviticus 23:6-9]

- ♦ Begins the fifteenth day of the first month and continues for seven days.
- ❖ The first day is a Sabbath Day of rest and holy assembly, on whatever day of the week it falls.
- ♦ The seventh day is a Sabbath Day of rest and a holy assembly, (on whatever day of the week it falls)..

▼ Feast of Firstfruits [Exodus 23:16, Leviticus 23:10-14]

- ♦ When you come into the land and reap its harvest. [Joshua 5:10-11]
- ❖ The day after the Sabbath you shall bring a sheaf of the **Firstfruits** of your harvest to the priest and he shall wave it before Yehowah to be accepted on your behalf.
- ♦ Offerings with the Firstfruits,
 - □ Burnt Offering of an Unblemished Male lamb of the first year to Yehowah.
 - ☐ With its **Grain Offering** of two tenths of an ephah of fine flour mixed with oil, an offering made by fire to Yehowah. [Leviticus 2:1-16]

- With its **Drink Offering** of one fourth hin of wine. [Exodus 29:40, Leviticus 23:13, Numbers 15:5, 7, 10]
- ❖ You shall eat neither bread, parched grain, nor fresh grain until the day you have brought an offering to Elohey (your God).
- ♦ This is a statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.

⇔ Pentecost - Shavuoth

- ♦ The count of fifty days begins on the day they wave the sheaf of Firstfruits the day after the Sabbath, to the day after the seventh Sabbath. [Exodus 23:18, 34:22, Leviticus 23:15-21]
- ♦ Bring offerings to Yehowah;
 - Wave Offering Two wave loaves of two tenths of an ephah of fine flour baked with leavening. They are Firstfruits Wave Offering to Yehowah.
 - ☐ Burnt Offering Seven lambs of the first year without blemish, one young bull, and two rams. They are a Burnt Offering to Yehowah.
 - □ With their Grain Offering
 - ☐ With their **Drink Offering**
 - □ Sin Offering One kid of the goats
 - □ Peace Offering Two male lambs of the first year.
- → The Priest shall wave them with the bread of the Firstfruits as a Wave Offering to Yehowah
- ❖ The bread of the Wave Offering and the two lambs of the Peace Offering shall be holy to Yehowah and they shall be for the priest.
- ♦ You shall proclaim the day to be a Holy Convocation (A Sacred Assembly) to Yehowah.
- ❖ You shall do no customary work on that day, it shall be a statute forever in all your dwellings, throughout all your generations.

⇔ Gleanings [Leviticus 19:9-10, 23:22]

- ♦ When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not fully reap the corners of your field, nor shall you gather any gleaning from your harvest.
- ♦ You shall leave the gleanings for the poor and for the stranger.
- ♦ I am Yehowah Elohey (the Lord your God) The command is from Yehowah and carries all His authority.

☆ Trumpets – Yom Teruah [Leviticus 23:23-25]

- ❖ The First day of the Seventh month shall be a Sabbath of rest (on whatever day of the week it falls).
- ♦ A memorial of blowing the trumpets
- ♦ A holy convocation (A Sacred Assembly)
- ♦ You shall do no customary work.
- ♦ You shall offer an Offering made by fire to Yehowah.

- ♦ The Tenth Day of the Seventh month shall be the Day of Atonement.
- ♦ A Holy Convocation (Sacred Assembly).
- ♦ You shall afflict (grieve, humble, lament) your souls.
- ♦ Offer an offering made by fire to Yehowah.
- ❖ Do no work on that day because it is a Day of Atonement, to make atonement for you before Yehowah Elohey (the Lord your God).

- ♦ Any person who does not humble himself to afflict his soul on that day shall be cut off from his people.
- ♦ Any person who does any work on that day, I will destroy from among his people.
- ♦ You shall do no manner of work.
- ♦ It shall be a statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.
- ♦ It shall be a **Sabbath** of **Solemn Rest** (no matter on what day of the week it falls).
- ❖ From evening of the ninth day to evening of the tenth day you shall afflict (grieve, humble, lament your soul).
- ♦ You shall observe your Sabbath of rest (on whatever day of the week it falls).

Tabernacles — **Succoth** [Leviticus 23:33-36, 39-44]

- ♦ The **Fifteenth Day** of the **Seventh Month** shall be the **Feast of Tabernacles**.
- ♦ This is a Seven Day memorial celebration to honor Yehowah.
- ❖ The First Day shall be a holy convocation (Sacred Assembly) you shall do no customary work.
- ♦ For seven days you shall offer an offering made by fire to Yehowah.
- → The Eighth day you shall have a holy convocation, you shall offer an offering made by fire
 to Yehowah. It shall be a Sacred Assembly, you shall do no customary work on it.

☼ Living in Booths for the seven days of the Feast of Tabernacles — Succoth [Leviticus 23:39-43]

- ♦ On the Fifteenth Day of the Seventh Month, when you have gathered in the fruit of the land, you shall keep the Feast of Yehowah for Seven Days.
- ♦ On the **First Day** and on the **Eighth Day** there shall be a **Sabbath Rest**.
- ❖ You shall take for yourselves on the first day, the fruit of beautiful trees, branches of palm trees, boughs of leafy trees, and willows of the brook.
- ♦ You shall **rejoice** before Yehowah Elohey for seven days.
- ♦ You shall keep it as a Feast to Yehowah for seven days each year.
- ♦ It shall be a statute forever in your generations.
- ♦ You shall celebrate it in the seventh month.
- ♦ You shall dwell in booths for the seven days. All who are native Israelites shall dwell in booths.
- ❖ Purpose is; 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 Yehowah Elohev

These are the Feasts of Yehowah which you shall proclaim to be Holy Convocations (Sacred Assemblies) to offer an offering made by fire to Yehowah. [Leviticus 23:1-8, 21, 33-38, Numbers 28:16-25, 26]

- ♦ It shall include a Burnt Offering, a Grain Offering, a Sacrifice, and Drink Offerings.
- ♦ Everything shall be done on its appointed day.
- ♦ All these are besides the Seventh Day Sabbaths of Yehowah, besides all your gifts, besides all your vows, besides all your freewill offerings which you give to Yehowah.

♦ The command is directly from the mouth of Yehowah, and bears all His authority.

♦ Moses did as Yehowah commanded him, and he declared to the Children of Israel these Feasts of Yehowah. [Leviticus 23:44]