

Study Guide

Leviticus | Rest and Remember

1. Read Leviticus 23:1-3. Discuss why it could be important to have appointed times to rest and remember Christ. In what ways do you, or could you build these times into your year?

2. Discuss this list of feasts. Try to imagine yourself practicing these. Discuss their various meanings. Which one would be your favorite? How could these times have helped Israel to rest and remember God?

Feast	Timing	Practice	Meaning
Sabbath	Saturday	Rest from work	Remember God
1. Passover	1 st Month, 14 th day	Feast, Commemorate	Justification
2. Unleavened Bread	1 st Month, 15-22 nd days	Unleavened Bread	Deliverance
3. First Fruits	1 st Month, 22 nd day	Offer First Harvest	New Life
4. Feast of Weeks	50 days later	Abundant Offering	Celebrate Provision
5. Feast of Trumpets	7 th Month, 1 st day	Memorial Trumpets	End of Harvest
6. Day of Atonement	7 th Month, 10 th day	Sacrifices & Mercy Seat	Confession
7. Feast of Tabernacles	7 th Month, 15-22 nd days	Make Booths	Celebrate Dwelling

3. Discuss the NT meaning of these feasts. How does being deeply loved by God impact my heart when I remember these various aspects of what Christ has done for me? Which one is most meaningful to you right now?

Feast	OT Meaning	Christ	Love for me
Sabbath	Rest and Remember	Jesus (Heb. 4:9-10)	Rest and Remember
1. Passover	Justification	Crucifixion (Matt. 26:26)	Welcomed
2. Unleavened Bread	Deliverance	Burial (1 Cor. 5:7-8)	Purged
3. First Fruits	New Life	Resurrection (1 Cor. 15:20)	Encouraged
4. Feast of Weeks	Celebrate Provision	Holy Spirit (Acts 2:1-4)	Empowered
5. Feast of Trumpets	End of Harvest	Return (1 Cor. 15:51-52)	Awakened
6. Day of Atonement	Confession	Mercy Seat (Heb. 9:27)	Freed
7. Feast of Tabernacles	Celebrate Dwelling	Dwelling (Rev. 21:1-4)	Unified

4. Has God ever led you into a "desert" to experience His Presence? Discuss. If God's presence really transforms us, then why don't we access this gift more often?

5. Close your time together by reading Psalm 63:1, Psalm 42:1-2, and Philippians 3:8. First read these verses out loud as a group and then read them silently several times considering their full meaning. What might God be telling you?

Message Slides

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Key Verse- "You shall be holy to me, for I the Lord am holy and have separated you from the people, that you should be mine." Lev. 20:26

5 Sacrifices- loving God (ACCESS)
Laws- loving others (WELLNESS)

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Laws- loving others (WELLNESS)
Feasts- loving myself (REST)

Appointed Times

Lev. 23:1-2

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying, "Speak to the people of Israel and say to them, 'These are the appointed feasts of the Lord that you shall proclaim as holy convocations; they are my appointed feasts.'"

Spring Moedim

Passover (Pesach)
Unleavened Bread (Chag HaMatzot)
First Fruits (Reishit Katzir)
Pentecost (Shavuot)

Fall Moedim

Trumpets (Yom Teruah- Rosh Hashana)
Atonement (Yom Kippur)
Tabernacles (Sukkot)

Sabbath

Lev. 23:3

"Six days shall work be done, but on the seventh day is a Sabbath of solemn rest, a holy convocation. You shall do no work. It is a Sabbath to the Lord in all your dwelling places."

Leviticus 23:4-8

"These are the appointed feasts of the Lord, the holy convocations, which you shall proclaim at the time appointed for them. 'In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at twilight, is the Lord's Passover. 'And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the Feast of Unleavened Bread

to the Lord; for seven days you shall eat unleavened bread. 7On the first day you shall have a holy convocation; you shall not do any ordinary work. 8But you shall present a food offering to the Lord for seven days. On the seventh day is a holy convocation; you shall not do any ordinary work."

The Seven Feasts to REST and REMEMBER

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The Fullest Meaning in Christ

Col. 2:16-17

"Therefore let no one pass judgment on you in questions of food and drink, or with regard to a **festival or a new moon or a Sabbath**. 17These are a **shadow of the things to come**, but the **substance** belongs to **Christ**."

Sabbath

OT Meaning- Rest and Remember

NT Reference- Heb. 4:9-10

"So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, 10for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his."

Today- I have ceased striving for my own salvation.

1. Passover

OT Meaning- Justified

NT Reference- Matt. 26:26

"Jesus took the bread and ...broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, 'Take eat; this is my body.'"

Today- Crucifixion of Christ

2. Unleavened Bread

OT Meaning- an act of humility for deliverance from slavery

NT Reference- 1 Cor. 5:7-8

“Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed.”

Today- Burial of Christ

3. First Fruits

OT meaning- Harvest and new life

NT Reference- 1 Cor. 15:20

“But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who are asleep.”

Today- Resurrection of Christ

4. Feast of Weeks

OT Meaning- Celebration of God’s provision

NT Reference- Acts 2:1-4

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.²And suddenly there came from heaven a noise like a violent rushing wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³And there appeared to them tongues as of fire distributing themselves, and they rested on each one of them. ⁴And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit was giving them utterance.

Today- The Holy Spirit

5. Feast of Trumpets

OT Meaning- God came to Covenant with His people.

NT Reference- 1 Cor. 15:51-52

“Behold, I tell you a mystery; we will not all sleep, but we will all be changed, ⁵²in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet; for the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed.”

Today- The Second Coming of Christ!

6. The Day of Atonement

OT Meaning- Sin atoned at the mercy seat.

NT Reference- Heb. 9:27

“And it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment.”

Today- The judgment seat of Christ.

7. The Feast of Tabernacles

OT Meaning- Celebrate dwelling with God

NT Reference- Rev. 21:1-4

"Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; ...³And I heard a loud voice from the throne, saying, 'Behold, the tabernacle of God is among men, and He will dwell among them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself will be among them, 'and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be *any* death; there will no longer be *any* mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away.'"

Today- We dwell with Christ

I am deeply loved by God, therefore I will rest and remember.

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For Reflection

Psalm 63:1

O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you;
 my soul thirsts for you;
 my flesh longs for you,
 as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

Psalm 42:1-2

As a deer pants for living water,
 so my soul longs for you, O God.
 My soul thirsts for God,
 for the living God.

Phil. 3:8

Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ

