

## Easter

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There was no such holiday as Easter in the day when the book of Acts was written, much less in the day of the history of Acts 12.4. This holiday came about by a series of religious/pagan mergences in the early church. It was reasoned that since the Israelites had this holiday season of seven days, and being the Lord's Supper is (supposedly) an extension of this festival we should do the same. Easter was substituted for Passover. By doing this there was a conflation of Judaeian and Christian doctrines, especially as it relates to the application of the Law. Thus early, heretical churches began to incorporate *Holy Days*, holidays into their services. Once this holiday becomes established practice among them, the next issue to resolve is the disagreement about when they should all observe it. That was accomplished at the council of Nice, June 14th – July 25th, A.D. 325. Easter had become so thoroughly accepted that after centuries it even found its way into the Scriptures.

John Wycliffe, translator of the 1380 A.D. English version of the Bible, did not employ the term Easter in his version, but other versions certainly did. By the 1500's versions by William Tyndale, Matthew Rogers, Miles Coverdale, and Bishop Cranmer all included the term Easter, as well as the editions of Geneva Bibles. It can be found in them as many as 27 times. By the time of the 1611 King James Bible it was all but once removed. Though it is in Acts 12.3, it is clear to tell us what it is: it is the days of unleavened bread. The use of the term Easter in the Bible no more commends the holiday to Christian's any more than the use of the term Feast of Unleavened bread does. It simply points out the time of the proposed execution of the apostle Peter.

Easter is full of lies and deceit. In the Bible it covers up the Israelites observance of Passover. Bunnies, chicks, eggs, spring themes, sunrise observances, baskets, are all points related to the worship of pagan gods. Even the so-called Christian element to Easter promotes error. The Friday crucifixion and burial of our Lord Jesus are lies. The first day of the week resurrection is false. Anyone, EVEN AN UNBELIEVER, can take a pencil and paper, read the Biblical accounts of the crucifixion and resurrection accounts in the gospels and know that Easter doesn't agree with the Bible. Jesus was crucified and died on Wednesday. He rose from the dead sometime on our Saturday evening. The first day of the week was when the dear saints living then *discovered* that he was already risen! (Lk.24.6) Leave this, and every other Christianized pagan holiday for the false religions to observe. Let us be lights of the truth of Christ.

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