

## Christ in the Old Covenant

### The Feast of Harvest

	<i>Hebrew Name</i>		<i>Approx. Season</i>	<i>Calendar</i>
10	Tebeth	Dec/Jan		
11	Shebat	Jan/Feb	almonds	
12	Adar	Feb/Mar		
<b>1</b>	<b>Abib/Nisan</b>	<b>Mar/Apr</b>	last rains; harvest barley	Passover; <b>Feast of Unleavened Bread</b>
2	Ziv/Iyyar	Apr/May		
<b>3</b>	<b>Sivan</b>	<b>May/Jun</b>	harvest wheat	<b>Feast of Harvest</b>
4	Tammuz	Jun/Jul		
5	Ab	Jul/Aug	grapes	
6	Elul	Aug/Sep	figs	
<b>7</b>	<b>Ethanim/Tishri</b>	<b>Sep/Oct</b>	olives	Trumpets; Day of Atonement; <b>Feast of Booths</b>
8	Bul/Marchesvan	Oct/Nov	first rains	
9	Kislev	Nov/Dec	plant wheat/barley	

#### What?

Exodus 23:14-16

Exodus 34:22

Numbers 28:26-31

Deut. 16:10-12

Feast of Harvest, Feast of Weeks, Day of the First-Fruits:

- one day at the beginning of wheat harvest in early summer
- travel to Jerusalem
- bring offerings from the first fruits of the wheat harvest to give to the Lord
- no work
- gather together to rejoice in the Lord
- feast in thankfulness to Him
- offer sacrifices to the Lord
- give to provide for the Levites and the needy

## When?

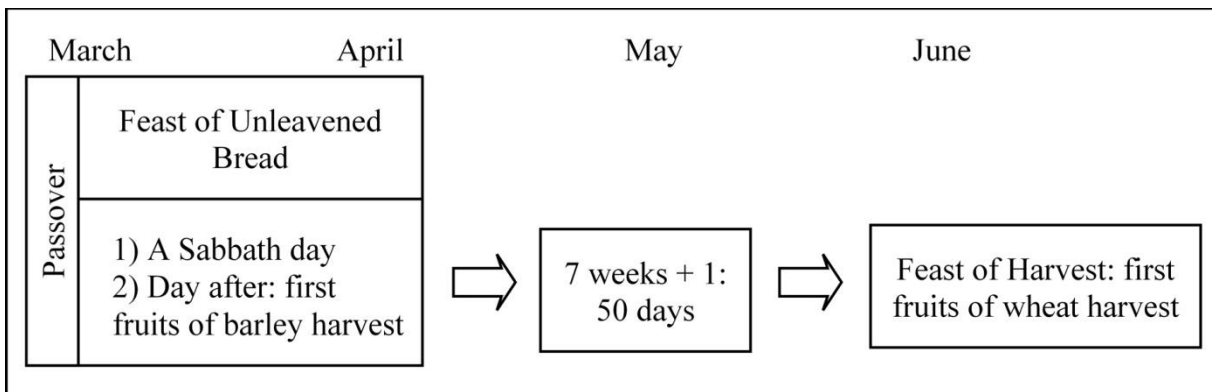
Deut. 16:9

Leviticus 23:9-16

50 days after the day after a Sabbath during the Feast of Unleavened Bread

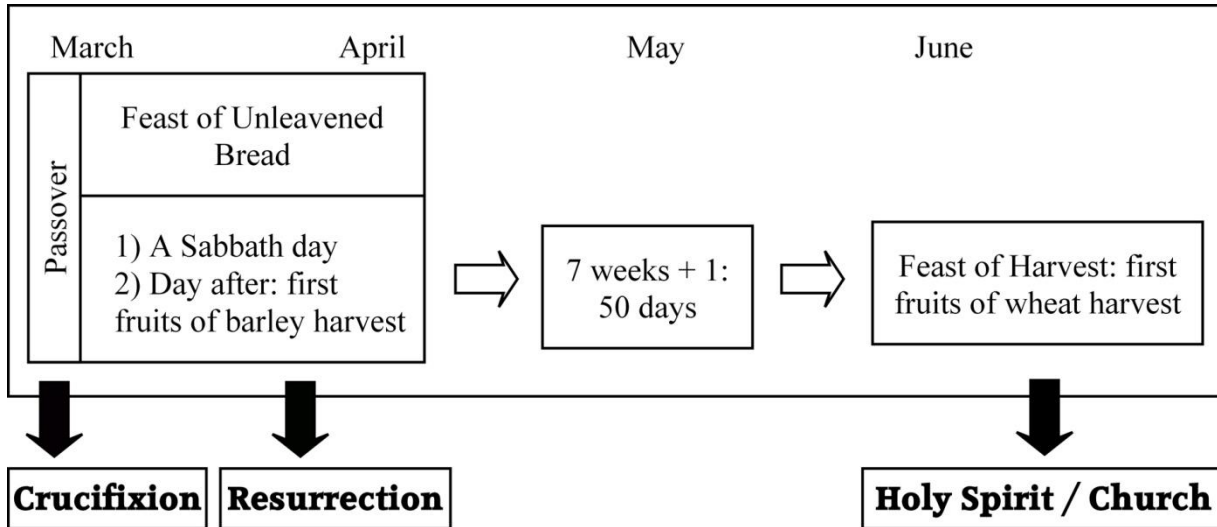
Preparation				Feast of Unleavened Bread							
Choose Lamb				<b>Pass- over</b>	Special Sacrifices						
					Sabbath/ Convocation					Sabbath/ Convocation	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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- The Feast of Unleavened Bread starts on the 15th day of the 1st month.
- Somewhere during that week you have a normal Saturday Sabbath.
- On the day after that Sabbath, they would bring in the first sheaf from the barley harvest to present to the Lord.
- The Feast of Weeks was 50 days after that day: the first fruits from the wheat harvest presented to the Lord.



## The Feast & Christ

1. Jesus was crucified at the time of the Passover.
2. Jesus rose from the dead at the time of the offering of the first fruits described in Leviticus 23.
3. Jesus sent the Holy Spirit and His church was born on the exact day of the Festival of Harvest.



**We live in the daily blessings of the fulfillment of the festival:**

1. **Christ the first-fruit of the resurrection: the promise of resurrection to come**

I Corinthians 15:12-23

2. **The first-fruits of the church: the Holy Spirit (the first fruit of our salvation) and the first converts in the church (the first fruit of all new covenant believers)**

Acts 2:1

Romans 8:23 *Also we ourselves, having the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting eagerly for our adoption as sons, the redemption of our body.*

Romans 16:5 *Epaenetus, my beloved, who is the first convert [Gk. first fruit] to Christ from Asia.*

I Cor. 16:15 *the household of Stephanas, that they were the first fruits of Achaia.*

James 1:18 *In the exercise of His will He brought us forth by the word of truth, so that we would be a kind of first fruits among His creatures.*

