

## LEVITICUS 23

### THE FEASTS OF THE LORD

This chapter presents in chronological order a list of the Lord's appointed feasts. It is like a calendar or yearly planner. It begins with the weekly Sabbath and then follows seven festivals which were to be celebrated on different months throughout the year. Although the shape of each feast was different, they were observed by the holding of a sacred assembly (holy convocation), when the people would come together to engage in collective worship and, for part of the time at least, abstain from work.

#### Structure of the chapter

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V 4-14 Spring festivals March/April

V5 Passover  
V6-8 Unleavened bread  
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V 23-44 Autumn festivals Sept/Oct

V23-25 Feast of trumpets  
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V33-44 Tabernacles