

God's Sacred Calendar & God's Holy Days

Part 4



Scriptures

- **Hebrews 4:12**
¹²For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.
- **Leviticus 23:16**
¹⁶You shall count fifty days to the day after the seventh sabbath; then you shall present a new grain offering to the Lord.
- **Exodus 19:18-25**
¹⁸Now Mount Sinai *was* all in smoke because the Lord descended upon it in fire; and its smoke ascended like the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mountain quaked violently. ¹⁹When the sound of the trumpet grew louder and louder, Moses spoke and God answered him with thunder. ²⁰The Lord came down on Mount Sinai, to the top of the mountain; and the Lord called Moses to the top of the mountain, and Moses went up. ²¹Then the Lord spoke to Moses, "Go down, warn the people, so that they do not break through to the Lord to gaze, and many of them perish. ²²Also let the priests who come near to the Lord consecrate themselves, or else the Lord will break out against them." ²³Moses said to the Lord, "The people cannot come up to Mount Sinai, for You warned us, saying, 'Set bounds about the mountain and consecrate it.'" ²⁴Then the Lord said to him, "Go down and come up *again*, you and Aaron with you; but do not let the priests and the people break through to come up to the Lord, or He will break forth upon them." ²⁵So Moses went down to the people and told them.
- **Acts 2:1-4**
¹When 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.
- **Matthew 27:37**
³⁷And above His head they put up the charge against Him which read, "THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS."
- **John 19:19**
¹⁹Pilate also wrote an inscription and put it on the cross. It was written, "JESUS THE NAZARENE, THE KING OF THE JEWS."
- **Revelation 22:16**
¹⁶"I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."
- **John 4:22**
²²You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews.

Other Scriptures

- **Joshua 6:1-27**
- **Romans 11**

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Main Points

- The Feast of Pentecost (Shavuot)
 - Occurs fifty days after the Feast of First Fruits
 - Was the day that God revealed Himself to the Israelites on Mt. Sinai (Exodus 19:18-25).
 - Also an agricultural time of thanksgiving and worship

- It is important to understand the Hebraic perspective of Christianity more than the Greek perspective
 - Much of the Gentile church is still steeped in paganism due to the focus on the Greek perspective
 - Constantine combined pagan ritual with Biblical truth

- Being Christian is a decision of will

- Being Jewish is something you are born into
 - You can't be born into this world already born again!
 - We are born either a Jew or a Gentile

- Regarding the idea that you have to be Jewish or Christian, but can't be both:
 - The New Testament was written by Jewish believers
 - The first church in Jerusalem was comprised of Jews
 - The Apostles were all Jews
 - Jesus was a Jew
 - Salvation is from the Jews! (John 4:22)

Discussion Questions

1. What does it mean to say that being Christian is a decision of will?

2. Discuss the importance of knowing the Hebraic perspective of Christianity.

3. How does knowing the Hebraic perspective of the Christian faith help to make us better witnesses to Jewish people?