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Lev 23:1,2 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, Speak to the sons of Israel and say to them, The feasts of the LORD, which you shall proclaim, holy convocations, even these are My appointed feasts.

Feast: (Mem-Vav-Ayin-Dalet) Moed

#4150 an appointment, i.e. a fixed time or season; also a signal (as appointed beforehand):--appointed (sign, time),

Gen 1:14 And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night and let them be for signs <owth>, and for seasons <mow`ed>, and for days, and years:

#226. (Aleph-Vav-Tav) 'owth, (in the sense of appearing); a signal

Convocation: (Mem-Koph-Resh-Aleph) miqra'

#4744 from 7121; something called out, i.e. a public meeting, also a rehearsal:

Proclaim: (Koph-Resh-Aleph) qara'

#7121 Root word (the idea of accosting a person met); to call out to (address by name), them that are bidden, invite, mention, publish, read,

Mt 22:3,4 And sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding: and they would not come.

Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner: my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come unto the marriage.

Lev 23:5,6 In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the LORD'S Passover.

And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD: seven days ye must eat unleavened bread.

Lev 23:10,11 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come into the land which I give unto you, and shall reap the harvest thereof, then ye shall bring a sheaf of the

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firstfruits of your harvest unto the priest:

And he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted for you: on the morrow after the sabbath the priest shall wave it.

Lev 23:15,16,17 And ye shall count unto you from the morrow after the sabbath, from the day that ye brought the sheaf of the wave offering; seven Sabbaths shall be complete: Even unto the morrow after the seventh sabbath shall ye number fifty days; Ye shall bring out of your habitations two wave loaves of two tenth deals: they shall be of fine flour; they shall be baked with leaven; they are the firstfruits unto the LORD.

Deut 16:16 Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles: and they shall not appear before the LORD empty:

Num 9:2,3 Let the children of Israel also keep the Passover at his appointed season. In the fourteenth day of this month, at even, ye shall keep it in his appointed season: according to all the rites of it, and according to all the ceremonies thereof, shall ye keep it.

Ex 12:15 Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread; even the first day ye shall put away leaven out of your houses: for whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul shall be cut off from Israel.

Ex 13:7 Unleavened bread shall be eaten seven days; and there shall no leavened bread be seen with thee, neither shall there be leaven seen with thee in all thy quarters.

The candle: Ps 119:105 Your word is a lamp to my feet, and a light to my path.

The feather: Ps 91:4 He shall cover you with His feathers, and under His wings you shall trust.

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The wooden spoon: Deut 21:22,23 if he is put to death and you hang him on a tree, his body shall not remain

all night on the tree. But you shall surely bury him that day (for he that is hanged is accursed of God)

Leaven: 2Cor 5:21 For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

The linen cloth: Mrk 15:46 And he bought a linen cloth, and took Him down, and wrapped Him in the linen, and laid Him in a tomb

Taken outside: Heb 13:13 Let us go forth therefore unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach.

John 2:13-15 Now the Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. And He found in the temple those who sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the moneychangers doing business. When He had made a whip of cords, He drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and the oxen, and poured out the changers' money and overturned the tables.

What do we see: The search for leaven begins in His Father's House! He's helping Dad clean His house before the days of Unleavened Bread!

We are the House of God!

1 Peter 2:5 Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

1 Cor 3:16-17 Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are.

There was leaven in the Church at Corinth:

1 Cor 5:1-2, It is reported commonly that there is fornication among you, and such

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fornication as is not so much as
named among the *Gentiles*, that one should have his father's wife. And ye are
puffed up, and have not rather
mourned, that he that hath done this deed might be taken away from among you.
Your glorying is not good. Know
ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump?

1 Cor 5:7,8 Therefore purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, since
you truly are unleavened
(*Matzah*). For indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us. Therefore let us
keep the feast, not with old leaven,
nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of
sincerity and truth.

Ex 12:3-6 Speak ye unto all the congregation of Israel, saying, In the tenth day of
this month they shall take to them
every man a lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for an house:
And if the household be too little for
the lamb, let him and his neighbour next unto his house take it according to the
number of the souls; every man
according to his eating shall make your count for the lamb. Your lamb shall be
without blemish, a male of the first
year: ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats: And ye shall keep it up
until the fourteenth day of the
same month: and the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it in
the evening.

Jn 12:1,2 Then, six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where
Lazarus was (who had died, whom
He raised from the dead). Then they made a supper there for Him. (*Nisan 8/9*)

Jn 12:9,10 Then a great crowd of the Jews learned that He was there. And they
did not come for Jesus' sake only,
but also that they might see Lazarus, whom He had raised from the dead. But the
chief priests consulted that they
might put Lazarus to death also.

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Jn 12:12,13 On the next day, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, a great crowd who had come to the Feast took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him. And they cried, Hosanna! "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! The King of Israel " (Nisan 9/10)

Ps 118:24-26 This is the day which the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it. Save now, I beseech You, O LORD; O LORD, I beseech You, cause us to prosper now. Blessed is He coming in the name of the LORD; we have blessed You out of the house of the LORD.

What do we see: The same day the Passover Lambs brought to temple so is Yeshua!

Mrk 11:9,11-15 And those going before, and those following, cried out, saying, Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! And Jesus entered into Jerusalem and into the temple. And when He had looked around on all things, the hour already being late, He went out to Bethany with the Twelve. And on the next day, they going out of Bethany, He was hungry. And seeing a fig-tree with leaves afar off, He went to it, if perhaps He might find anything on it. And when He came to it, He found nothing but leaves, for it was not the season of figs. And Jesus answered and said to it, No one shall eat fruit of you forever. And His disciples heard. And they came to Jerusalem. And entering into the temple, Jesus began to cast out those who bought and sold in the temple. And He overthrew the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold doves.

It is now the 10th/11th of Nisan and the inspection of the Lamb begins:

Mk 12:13 And they sent unto him certain of the Pharisees and of the Herodians, to catch him in his words.

Matt 26:59,60 Now the chief priests, and elders, and all the council, sought false

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witness against Jesus, to put him to death; But found none: yea, though many false witnesses came, yet found they none.

Lk 23:13-15 And Pilate, when he had called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people, Said unto them, Ye have brought this man unto me, as one that perverts the people: and, behold, I, having examined him before you, have found no fault in this man touching those things whereof ye accuse him: No, nor yet Herod: for I sent you to him;

SEDER SERVICE:

Joh 13:23 Now there was leaning on Jesus' bosom one of his disciples, whom Jesus loved.

THE FOUR QUESTIONS?

Why on all other nights do we eat leavened or unleavened but on this night only unleavened bread?

Why on all other nights do we eat all kinds of herbs but on this night only bitter?

Why on all other nights we never dip but on this night we dip twice?

Why on all other nights we eat sitting but on this night we recline?

Ex 12:7-10 And they shall take of the blood and strike on the two side posts and upon the upper door post of the houses in which they shall eat it. And they shall eat the flesh in that night, roasted with fire, and unleavened bread.

They shall eat it with bitter herbs. Do not eat of it raw, nor boiled at all with water, but roasted with fire, its head with its legs, and with its inward parts. And you shall not let any of it remain until the morning. And that which remains of it until the morning you shall burn with fire.

Why roasted?

Why not boiled in water?

Why unleavened bread?

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Why eaten with bitter herbs?

Why the following morning burned with fire?

Why do they recline at a Seder?

THE FOUR CUPS

Ex 6:6,7 Therefore say to the sons of Israel, I am Jehovah, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will rescue you out of their bondage. And I will redeem you with a stretched-out arm, and with great judgments. And I will take you to Me for a people, and I will be to you a God.

Lk 22:17,20 And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and said, Take this, and divide it among yourselves: Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you.

The 1st cup is the Cup of Sanctification: "I will bring you out from under the burdens" Symbolizing how the Lord has freed us from the yoke of burdens and cares of this world. He wants to take our load.

Ex 4:22,23 And thou shalt say unto Pharaoh, Thus saith the LORD, Israel is my son, even my firstborn: And I say unto thee, Let my son go, that he may serve me: and if thou refuse to let him go, behold, I will slay thy son, even thy firstborn.

We can't serve two masters.

Serve: (Ayin-Beit-Dalet) abad
#5647 a primitive root; to work, to serve, husbandman, worshipper,

More than just responding to their woes, God wanted their worship.
God choose them, separated them while they were still in Egypt.

The 2nd cup is the Cup of Deliverance: "I will rescue you out of their bondage"

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The Lord not only lifted off the yoke but also broke the chains that tie us to the world.

Bondage: (Ayin-Beit-Dalet-Hey) abodah
#5656 `abodah, from 5647; work of any kind:

Ro 6:16 Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey;
whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

Their loads been removed. Their ankle chains are broken. But they are not free till God pays their redemption price.

The 3rd cup is the Cup of Redemption "I will redeem you with an outstretched arm"

Jer 32:17 Ah Lord GOD! behold, thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and stretched out arm,

What price was paid for the creation of the universe?
Redemption took the same extension of God's power but at a much greater cost!!

The 4th cup is the Cup of Acceptance: "I will take you to me"
The fact that God paid a great price for you should let you know He treasures you.

Eph 1:4-7 According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love: Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved. In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;

Mr 14:26 And when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives.

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Ps 118:21-23 I will praise thee: for thou hast heard me, and art become my salvation. The stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner. This is the LORD'S doing; it is marvellous in our eyes.

Ps 118:27 God is the LORD, which hath shewed us light: bind the sacrifice with cords, even unto the horns of the altar.

Mk 15:21,25 And they compelled one Simon a Cyrenian, who passed by, coming out of the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to bear his cross. And it was the third hour, and they crucified him.

Matt 27:45-47 Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? Some of them that stood there, when they heard that, said, This man calleth for Elias

Ac 3:1 Now Peter and John went up together into the temple at the hour of prayer, being the ninth hour.

Jn 19:30 When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.

Ps 118:14-16 The LORD is my strength and song, and He is my salvation. The voice of rejoicing and salvation is in the tents of the righteous; the right hand of the LORD does mighty things. The right hand of the LORD is lifted up; the right hand of the LORD does mighty things.

John 6:35 And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.

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Matt 2:1 Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem,

OT:1035 Bethlehem

Beit Lechem (bait leh'-khem; from OT:1004 and OT:3899; house of bread;

Lev 23:5-6 In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the LORD's passover. And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD: seven days ye must eat unleavened bread.

Messiah was unleavened or without sin:

Heb 4:15 For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.

Ps 16:10 For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

The same day God buried His Firstborn Son! The Feast of Unleavened Bread!

Why is the Feast of Unleavened Bread 7 days and immediately follows the 1 day Feast of Passover?

Rev 13:8-9 And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him (Antichrist), whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. If any man have an ear, let him hear.

Gen 2:2-3 And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made. And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made.

Num 33:3,4 And they departed from Rameses in the first month, on the fifteenth

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day of the first month; on the morrow after the Passover the children of Israel went out with an high hand in the sight of all the Egyptians. For the Egyptians buried all their firstborn, which the LORD had smitten among them: upon their gods also the LORD executed judgments.

Matt 28:1 In the end of the sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre.

Lev 23:10,11 When ye be come into the land which I give unto you, and shall reap the harvest thereof, then ye shall bring a sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest unto the priest: And he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted for you: on the morrow after the sabbath the priest shall wave it.

OT:6016 `omer (o'-mer) Sheaf; from OT:6014; properly, a heap, i.e. a sheaf; A Sheaf represents a person and sheaves, people:

Ps 126:6 He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.

1 Corinthians 15:20 But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

Ac 26:23 That Christ should suffer, and that he should be the first that should rise from the dead, and should show light unto the people, and to the Gentiles.

Firstfruits/Firstborn has always been a major theme throughout the Bible, the choicest / the best.

Deut 26:1-2 And it shall be, when thou art come in unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an

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inheritance, and possesseth it, and dwellest therein; That thou shalt take of the first of all the fruit of the earth, which thou shalt bring of thy land that the LORD thy God giveth thee, and shalt put it in a basket, and shalt go unto the place which the LORD thy God shall choose to place his name there.

What do we know of Yeshua?

Firstborn of Mary/ Matt 1:23-25

First Begotten of God/ Heb 1:6

Firstborn of every creature/ Col 1:15

First Begotten of the dead/ Rev 1:5, Acts 26:23

Firstborn of many brethren/ Ro 8:29

First Fruits of the resurrected ones/ 1Cor15:14-23

Beginning of the creation of God/ Rev 3:14

He's the preeminent one/ Col 1:18

We follow:

Matt 27:51-53 And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent; And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose, And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many.

The First & Best Sheaf of Barley was harvested and brought to the Temple as a Thanksgiving offering to the Lord of the harvest. It was representative of the whole harvest serving as a pledge that the rest of the harvest would be realized.

Luke 10:2 Therefore said he unto them, The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest.

COUNTING THE OMER

Lev 23:15,16 And ye shall count unto you from the morrow after the sabbath, from

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the day that ye brought the sheaf of the wave offering; seven Sabbaths shall be complete: Even unto the morrow after the seventh sabbath shall ye number fifty days;

Counting in anticipation of an exciting event is quite understandable.

At one time or another, we've all probably said something like, "Grandma's coming to visit in a week and a half," or "Only 17 more days until my birthday!" But there's one subtle difference: The usual method is to count down toward the big day, whereas in the case of the Omer, we count up -- from one to 50. Why the difference?

The answer is that the Jews were not yet spiritually equipped to receive the Torah. For over 200 years, they had been living in an Egyptian society known to be the world center for immorality and vice. The high-impact adventure of the Exodus -- 10 miraculous plagues and the splitting of the Red Sea -- launched the Jews into physical freedom. Any experience, as powerful as it is, does not permanently change anyone's character. That is only possible through practice and adjustment over time. Why did God wait 50 days after the Jews left Egypt before giving the Torah? Why didn't He simply give it to them in Egypt, or immediately after their departure?

You can take people out of Egypt, but you can't take Egypt out of the people. Think of wealthy people who steal. Or people who attend a seminar all psyched up but no permanent change in their life.

Lev 25:8,9 And thou shalt number seven sabbaths of years unto thee, seven times seven years; and the space of the seven sabbaths of years shall be unto thee forty and nine years. Then shalt thou cause the trumpet of the jubile to sound...

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Why Count the Omer?

Beginning on the day that the first omer of barley was harvested and brought to the Temple, a countdown to the next Biblical Festival began. The Israelites were commanded to count off 49 days and then celebrate the festival of Shavuot (Pentecost) on the 50th day. Traditionally, the period of the Omer count is to be a time of spiritual introspection as the counters prepare themselves for Shavuot. Because it begins during Passover and concludes at Shavuot, it is a remembrance of the journey from Egypt to Mount Sinai. A remembrance of our journey from the world to a life walking in the Spirit. It is an expectation of a coming harvest and asking God to prepare us for it!

The Counting of the Omer is a count down to Shavuot (Pentecost), the time of the giving of the Holy Spirit. It is a journey which is begun with Passover, the symbol of our Salvation in Yeshua, and completed at Pentecost, the symbol of our completion through the Spirit. The distance of days between the two events should be a time of spiritual reflection, growth, purification and preparation.

The Master's resurrection makes the counting of the Omer a season of special significance and joy. For his disciples, it is a time to remember the resurrected Yeshua. All of his post-resurrection appearances and ascension fell within the days of the Omer count.

On the first day of the Omer, Messiah Yeshua appeared to Miriam and to two of our number while they traveled to Emmaus then those gathered together.

Jn 20:18,19 Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken these things unto her. Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst,

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and saith unto them, Peace be unto you.

On the ninth day of the Omer, he appeared to us again and Thomas was with us.

Jn 20:26 And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you.

1 Cor 15:6a,7 After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; After that, he was seen of James; then of all the apostles.

During the counting, he appeared to seven of our number while they fished on the sea. (ref John 21:1-3)

On the 40th day of the Omer,
Acts 1:3,4 To whom also he showed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God: And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me.

Acts 1:9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.

They waited and counted the days. Forty-one, forty-two, forty-three, forty-four, forty-five, forty-six, forty-seven, forty-eight, forty-nine days of the Omer... "and when the day of Pentecost was fully come we were all together in one place." Let's work together this year as we keep the Counting the Omer. Let's express the resurrected life within us by spreading more joy.

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Num 28:26 Also in the day of the firstfruits, when ye bring a new meat offering unto the LORD, after your weeks be out, ye shall have an holy convocation; ye shall do no servile work:

PENTECOST or SHAVUOT

De 16:16 Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of (matzah) unleavened bread, and in the feast of (Shavuot) weeks, and in the feast of (Sukkot) tabernacles:

Le 23:17 Ye shall bring out of your habitations two wave loaves of two tenth deals: they shall be of fine flour; they shall be baked with leaven; they are the firstfruits unto the LORD.

Lev 23:20,21 And the priest shall wave them with the bread of the firstfruits for a wave offering before the LORD, with the two lambs: they shall be holy to the LORD for the priest. And ye shall proclaim on the selfsame day, that it may be a holy "convocation" unto you:

Acts 2:1,5 And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven.

Acts 2:2,3 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

Acts 2:15 For these are not drunken, as ye suppose, seeing it is but the third hour of the day.

Ex 23:14-16 Three times thou shalt keep a feast unto me in the year. Thou shalt keep the feast of unleavened bread:

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(thou shalt eat unleavened bread seven days, as I commanded thee, in the time appointed of the month Abib; for in it thou camest out from Egypt: and none shall appear before me empty:) And the feast of harvest, the firstfruits of thy labours, which thou hast sown in the field: and the feast of ingathering, which is in the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in thy labours out of the field.

Acts 2:41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.

Ac 4:4 Howbeit many of them which heard the word believed; and the number of the men was about five thousand.

Ac 21:20 And when they heard it, they glorified the Lord, and said unto him, Thou seest, brother, how many (tens of) thousands of Jews there are which believe; and they are all zealous of the law:

Ex 19:16,18 And it came to pass on the third day in the morning, that there were thunders and lightnings, and a thick cloud upon the mount, and the voice of the trumpet exceeding loud; so that all the people that was in the camp trembled. And mount Sinai was altogether on a smoke, because the LORD descended upon it in fire:

Eze 1:4 And I looked, and, behold, a whirlwind came out of the north, a great cloud, and a fire infolding itself, and a brightness was about it, and out of the midst thereof as the color of amber, out of the midst of the fire.

Eze 3:12,13 Then the spirit took me up, and I heard behind me a voice of a great rushing, saying, Blessed be the glory of the LORD from his place. I heard also the noise of the wings of the living creatures that touched one another, and the noise of the wheels over against them, and a noise of a great

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rushing.

Ez 36:26,27 A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them.

Isa 24:5,6 The earth also is defiled under the inhabitants thereof; because they have transgressed the (Torah), changed the ordinance, broken the everlasting covenant. Therefore hath the curse devoured the earth, and they that dwell therein are desolate: therefore the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men left.

Ps 119:53 Horror hath taken hold upon me because of the wicked that forsake thy law.

Ps 119:126 It is time for thee, LORD, to work: for they have made void thy law.

Ru 2:23 So she kept fast by the maidens of Boaz to glean unto the end of barley harvest and of wheat harvest; and dwelt with her mother in law.

Re 14:18 And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe.

Just as the Spring Feasts were the dress rehearsals for Messiah's first coming; the Fall Feasts are the dress rehearsals for His second coming!!

HE'S THE SAME, YESTERDAY, TODAY AND FOREVER!!!