

Could this be the week
that Christ returns?

Watch and pray

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Leviticus 23 outlines the seven “Feasts of the Lord.”

The Jewish people still actively celebrate these 7 holidays. We don’t know much about these holidays as we are too busy celebrating holidays that the government has established for us.

This week is a big Jewish holiday.

In fact, along with Yom Kippur it is known not just as a “Holy Day” but as a “High Holy Day.” This High Holy Day is called Rosh Hashanah. In 2011 it occurs on 9/28 and 9/29.

You might be saying, “so what?” Let’s take a quick look at the Feasts of the Lord and see how Jesus Christ was the fulfillment of the Feast.

The feasts can be divided into two groups: The Spring Feasts and the Fall Feasts.

The first four feasts occur during the Spring and have already been fulfilled by Christ on EXACTLY the day of the feast. It is history.

The last three feasts occur during the fall and Christ will fulfill these holidays with the same EXACT precision in which he has fulfilled the others.

As you will see, Christ has literally fulfilled all four of the Spring Feasts.

1. The Feast of Passover – 14th day of Nisan

- Jesus was crucified on Passover.

2. The Feast of Unleavened Bread – 15th of Nisan

- Jesus was placed in the grave on the Feast of Unleavened Bread and His body experienced no decay.

3. The Feast of Firstfruits – 16th day of Nisan

- Jesus was resurrected from the grave on the Feast of Firstfruits.

“The LORD said to Moses, “Speak to the Israelites and say to them: ‘When you enter the land I am going to give you and you reap its harvest, bring to the priest a sheaf of the first grain you harvest. He is to wave the sheaf before the LORD so it will be accepted on your behalf; the priest is to wave it on the day after the Sabbath.’” Lev 23:9-11

“But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.” 1 Cor 15:20

4. The Feast of Weeks – 6th day of Sivan

- Jesus ascended to His Father and ten days later sent the Holy Spirit on Pentecost on the Feast of Weeks.

“From the day after the Sabbath, the day you brought the sheaf of the wave offering, count off seven full weeks. Count off fifty days up to the day after the seventh Sabbath, and then present an offering of new grain to the LORD. From wherever you live, bring two loaves made of two-tenths of an ephah of the finest flour, baked with yeast, as a wave offering of firstfruits to the LORD.” Lev 23:15-17

Two Loaves: Jew and Gentile

“For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, by

setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace..." Eph 2:14-15

The first of the of the Fall Feasts

5. The Feasts of Trumpets – 1st of Trihri

- Jesus will return with to this Earth

"The LORD said to Moses, "Say to the Israelites: 'On the first day of the seventh month you are to have a day of sabbath rest, a sacred assembly commemorated with trumpet blasts.'" Lev 23:23-25

Concerning the Trumpets

A. Trumpet made of silver

"The LORD said to Moses: Make two trumpets of hammered silver, and use them for calling the community together and for having the camps set out. When both are sounded, the whole community is to assemble before you at the entrance to the tent of meeting. If only one is sounded, the leaders—the heads of the clans of Israel—are to assemble before you." Numbers 10:1-4

The blast of the silver trumpet was (and is) a call for:

- A royal summons and welcome
 - Spiritual awakening
 - Repentance
 - Judgment
 - The King's enjoyment
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- Purpose of the Silver Trumpet blast: To gather the people together in one place.

"For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first." 1 Thess 4:16

B. Trumpet made of a ram's horn – "shofar"

The trumpet blast of the shofar was a call to battle.

"Again, if the trumpet (shofar) does not sound a clear call, who will get ready for battle?" 1 Cor 14:8

"But immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun shall be darkened, and the moon not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken.

And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven; and then shall all the tribes of the land lament, and they shall see the Son of man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

And he shall send his angels with a great sound of trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds..." Matthew 24:29-31

- Purpose of the Shofar: A call to war.

Now learn this lesson from the fig tree: As soon as its twigs get tender and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. Even so, when you see all these things, you know that it is near, right at the door." Matthew 24:32-33

"But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father." Matthew 24:36

If Christ fulfilled the first four of the feasts, on the exact day of the feast, can we theorize that Christ will fulfill the remaining feasts of exactly the day that God established back in Leviticus 23?

“Be always on the watch, and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen...” Luke 21:36