

Pentecost

Shavuot

Three times a year all your men must appear before the Lord your God at the place he will choose: at the Festival of Unleavened Bread, the Festival of Weeks and the Festival of Tabernacles. No one should appear before the Lord empty-handed: Each of you must bring a gift in proportion to the way the Lord your God has blessed you.

Deuteronomy 16.16-17

The 3 key Jewish Festivals

*Where all Jewish men had to go to
Jerusalem*

- *Feast of Unleavened Bread - Passover – Pesach – in the spring*
- *Feast of Weeks – Shavuot – in the early summer*
- *Feast of Tabernacles – Sukkoth - in the Autumn*

Feast of Weeks - Shavuot

- *50 days after Passover (hence 'Pentecost')*
- *just after the harvest had been taken in*
- *each person should bring a gift to the Lord*
- *two loaves baked with yeast and animals for sacrifice*



Feast of Weeks - Shavuot

- *Reaches back to past redemption*
- *Thanks God for blessing in the here and now – above all it's about harvest*
- *Requires a heart response in giving away what you have received from the Lord*
- *Everyone is involved*

*When you reap the harvest of your land,
do not reap to the very edges of your field
or gather the gleanings of your harvest.
Leave them for the poor and for the
foreigner residing among you. I am the
Lord your God.*

Leviticus 23.22

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God is light and in him there is no darkness at all.

1 John 1.5

'Be filled with the Spirit'

Ephesians 5.18

'Keep on being filled with the Spirit'

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"The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

Luke 10.2

*"The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!"
And let the one who hears say, "Come!"
Let the one who is thirsty come; and let
the one who wishes take the free gift of
the water of life."*

Revelation 22.17