

Feasts of the Bible



Leviticus 23:1–2

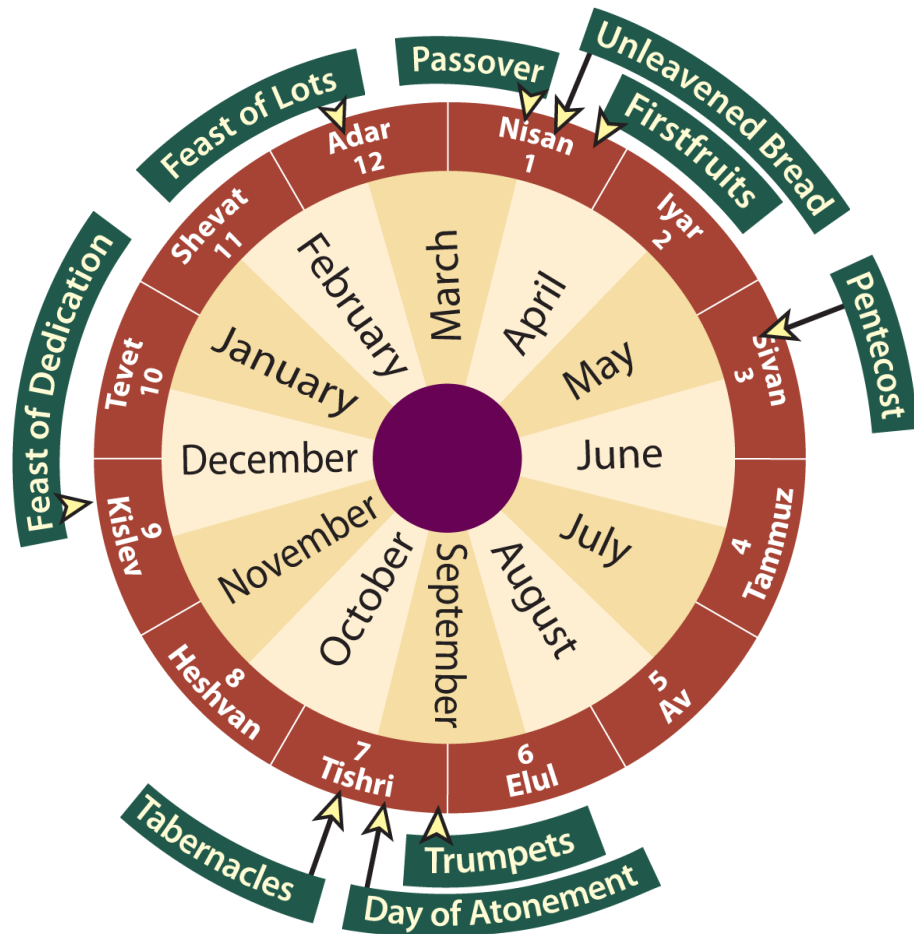
- “Speak to the Israelites and say to them: These are my appointed feasts, the appointed feasts of the Lord, which you are to proclaim as sacred assemblies.”

Sabbath

- ***Lev 23:3.***
 - Not linked to a season e.g. Spring or Autumn
 - Observed weekly – the 7th day
 - A gift from God to the children of Israel
 - A time of Joy and not a burden
 - Rest is essential to our wellbeing
- ***Heb 4:9-11.***

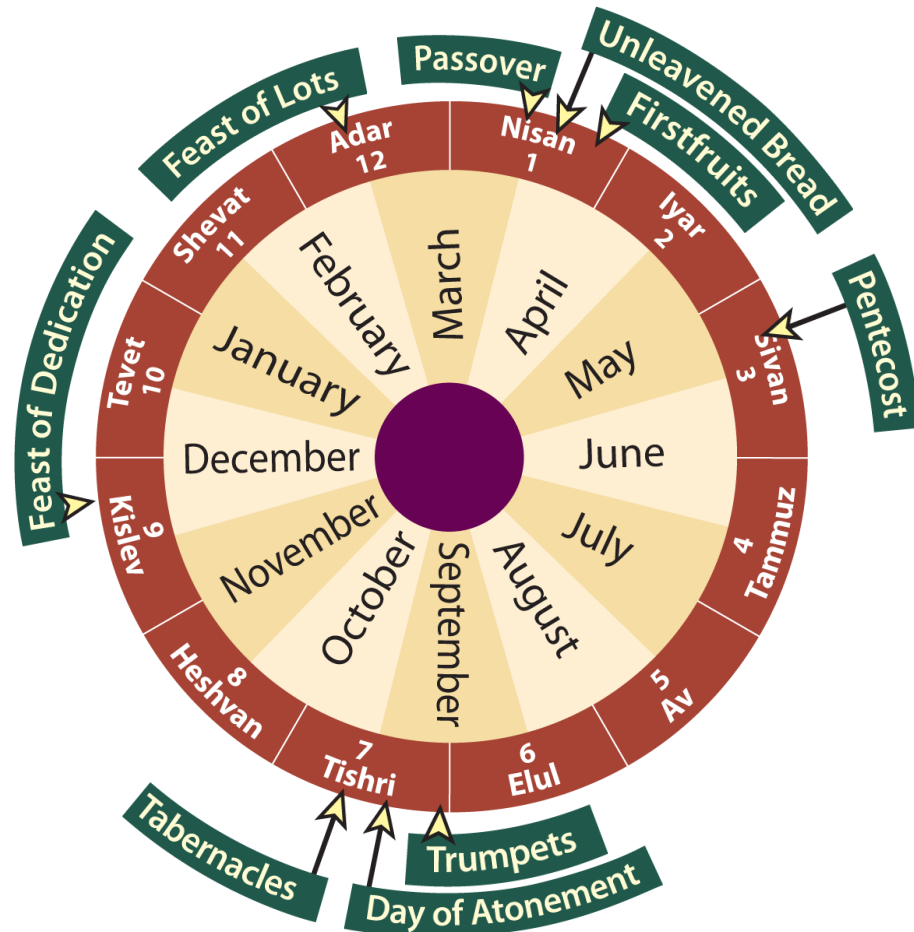
Overview

- In Exodus 12, God established the order of the months.
- This was the first Jewish calendar used to determine the holidays.
- Nisan was to be the first month and mark the redemption of Israel from Egypt with Passover.



Overview

- The Gregorian calendar used by most Western nations today is a solar calendar.
- The Jewish calendar uses both lunar and solar movements; the months are determined by the moon, and the year by the sun.





Spring Feasts

Passover



Also Known As

Pesach (“to pass over”)

Observed

14 Nisan

March or April

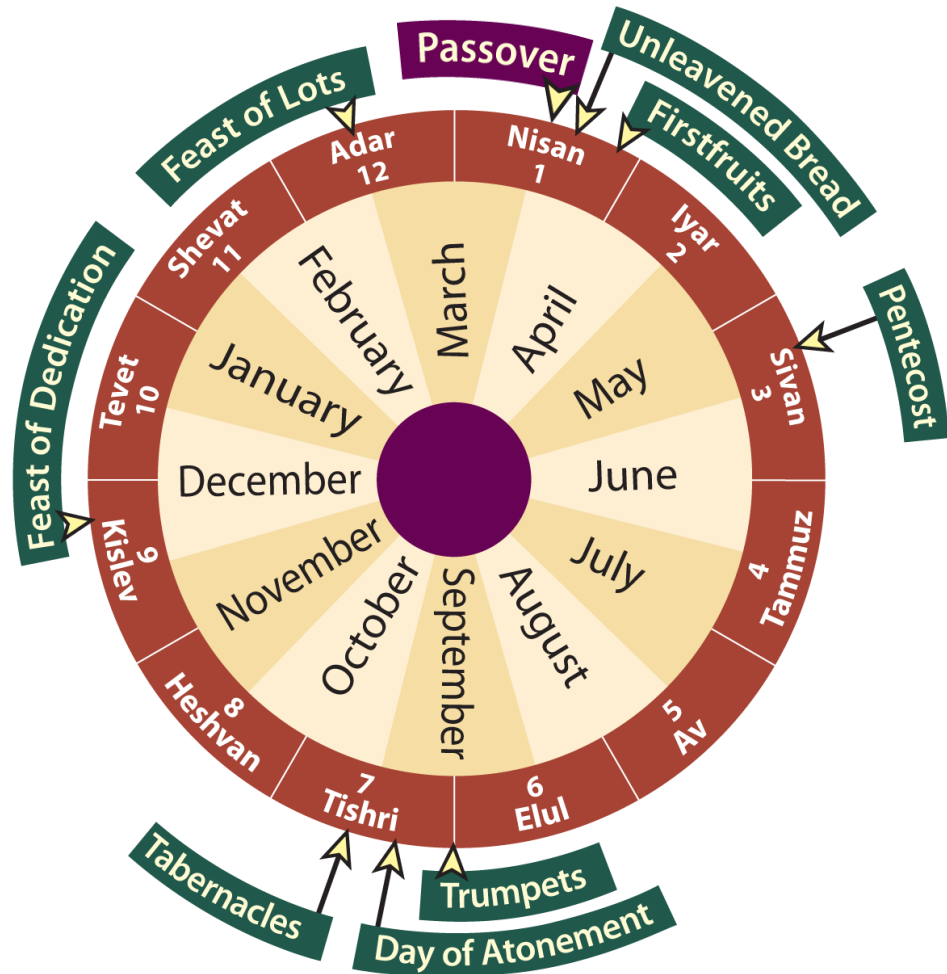
Scripture

Leviticus 23:4–5

Exodus 12:1–4

Hebrew

פֶּסַח



Passover



- Exodus 6:6-8
- Six “I will” statements
- 1 Cor 5:7
*“.... for indeed Christ,
our Passover, was
sacrificed for us”.*



Unleavened Bread



Also Known As

Hag HaMatzot

Observed

15–21 Nisan

March or April

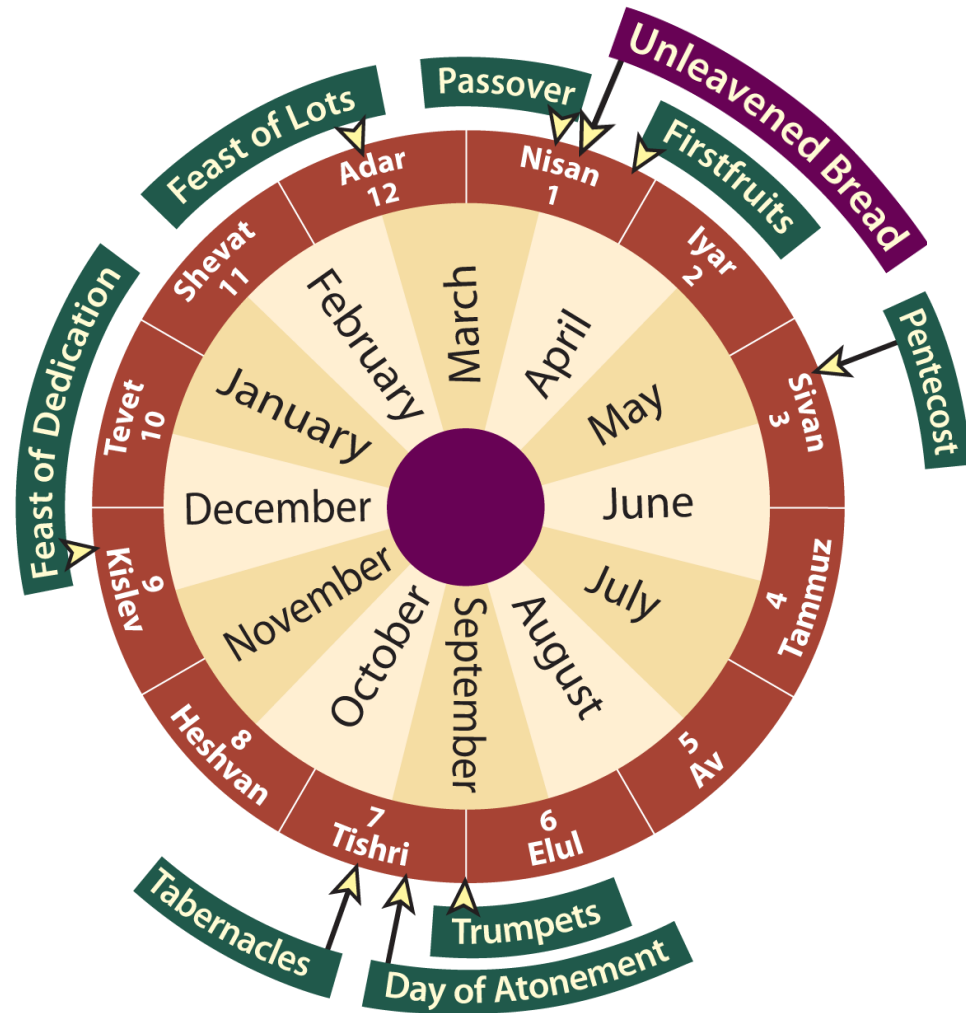
Scripture

Leviticus 23:6–8

Exodus 12:15–20

Hebrew

חַג הַמַּצּוֹת



Firstfruits



Also Known As

Reishit

Observed

16 Nisan

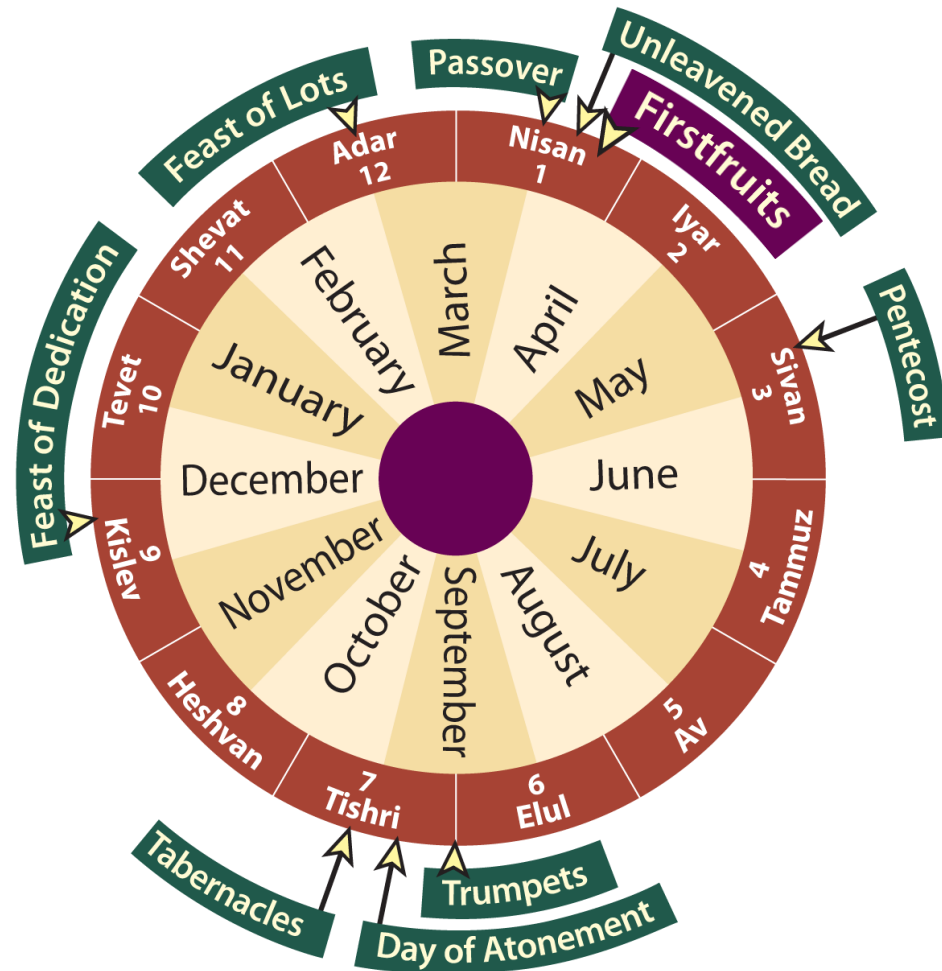
March or April

Scripture

Leviticus 23:9–14

Hebrew

ראשית



Pentecost



Also Known As

Shavuot

Feast of Weeks

Observed

6 Sivan

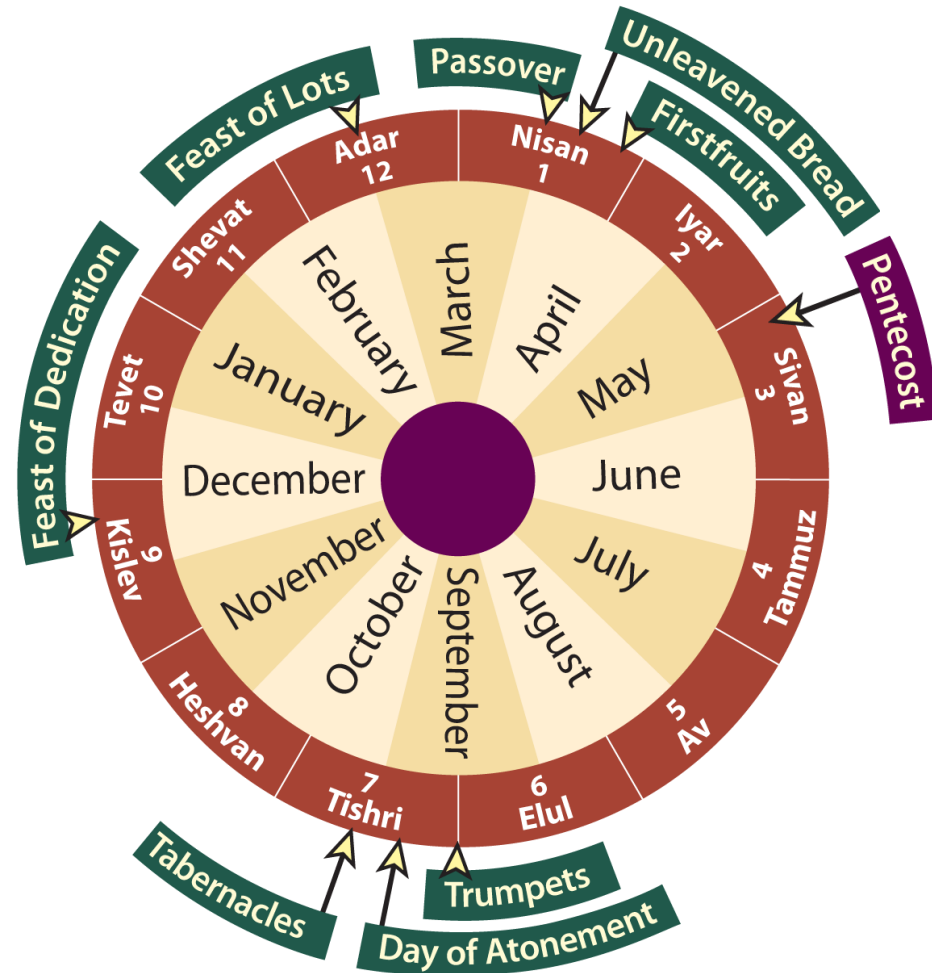
May or June

Scripture

Leviticus 23:15–22

Hebrew

שבועות





The Feasts of Israel

The Autumn Feasts

Feast of Trumpets



Also Known As

Yom HaTeruah

Rosh HaShanah

Observed

1 Tishri

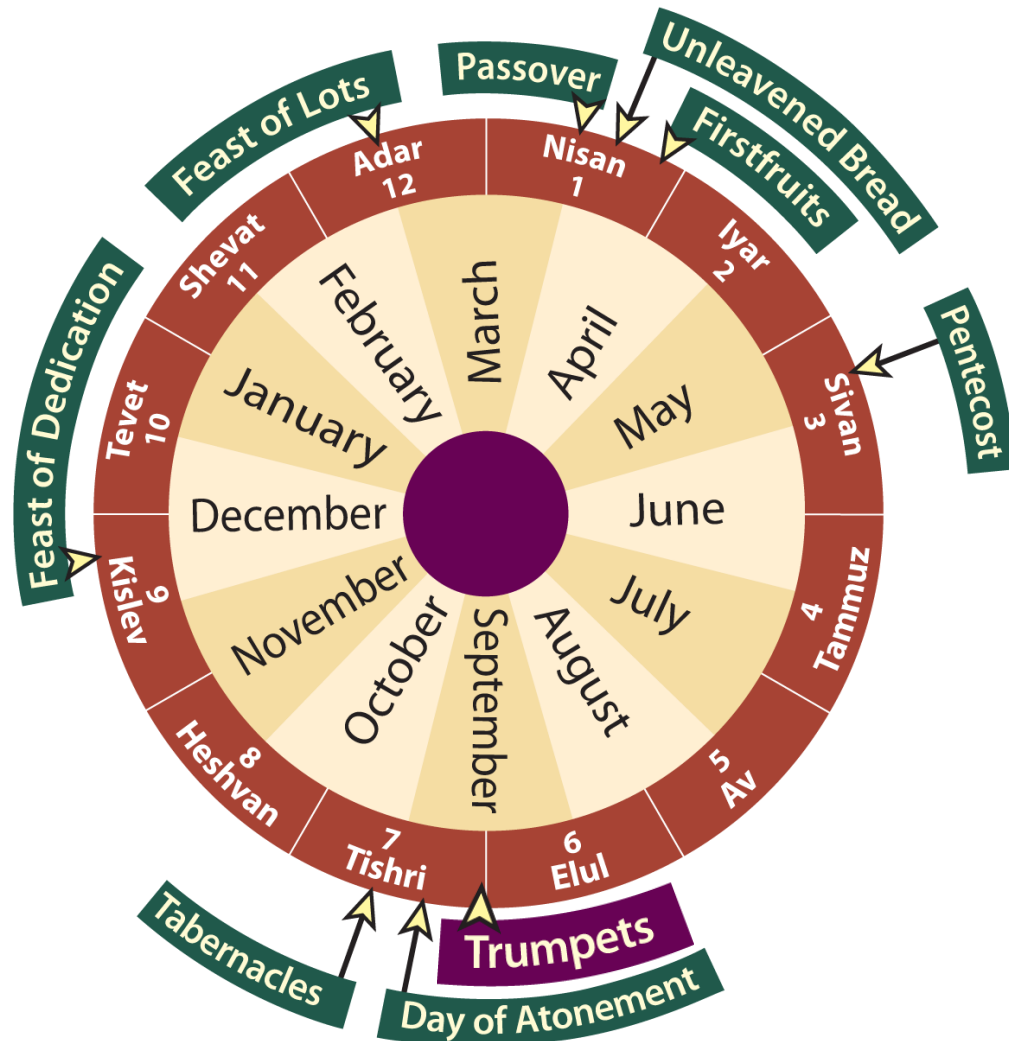
Sept. or October

Scripture

Leviticus 23:23–25

Hebrew

לְאֵשׁ הַשָּׁנָה



Day of Atonement



Also Known As

Yom Kippur

Observed

10 Tishri

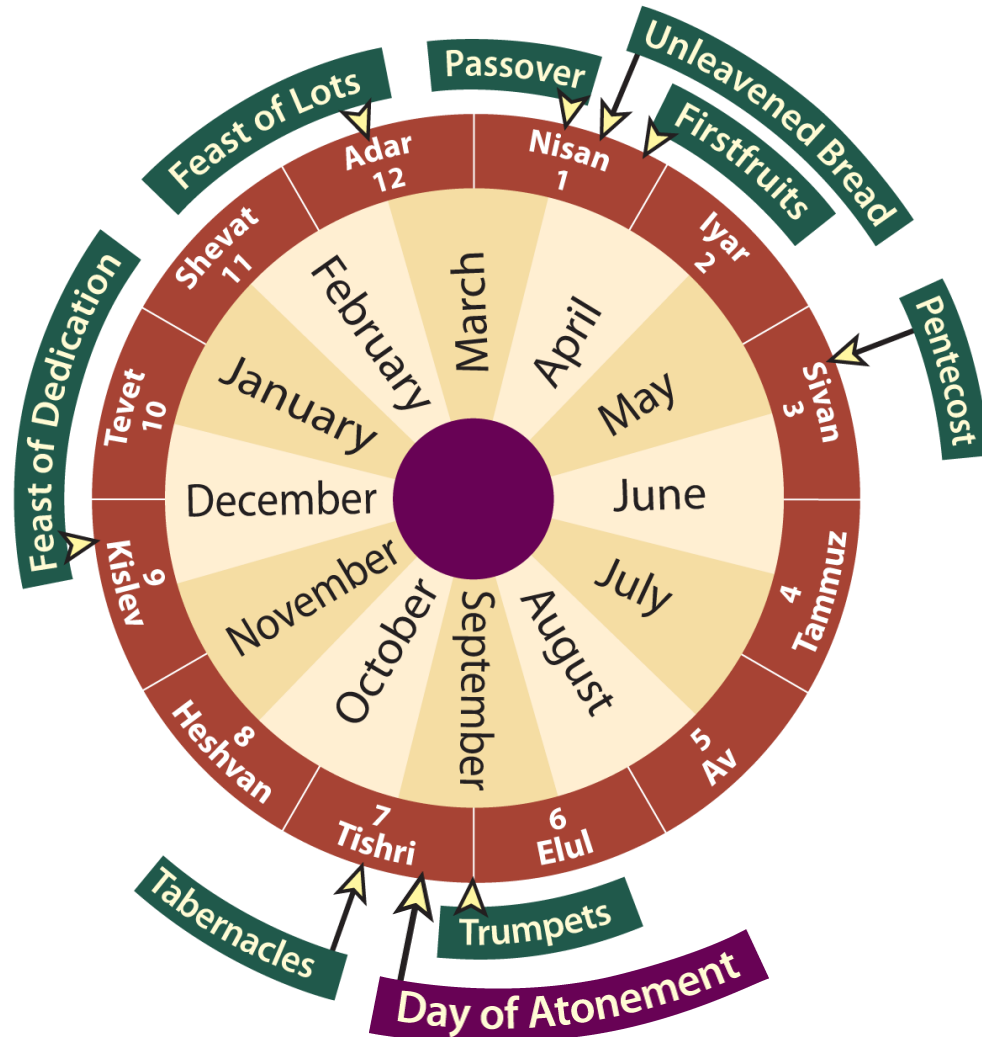
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Scripture

Leviticus 23:26–32

Hebrew

יום כִּפּוּר



Feast of Tabernacles



Also Known As

Sukkot or Booths

Observed

15–22 Tishri

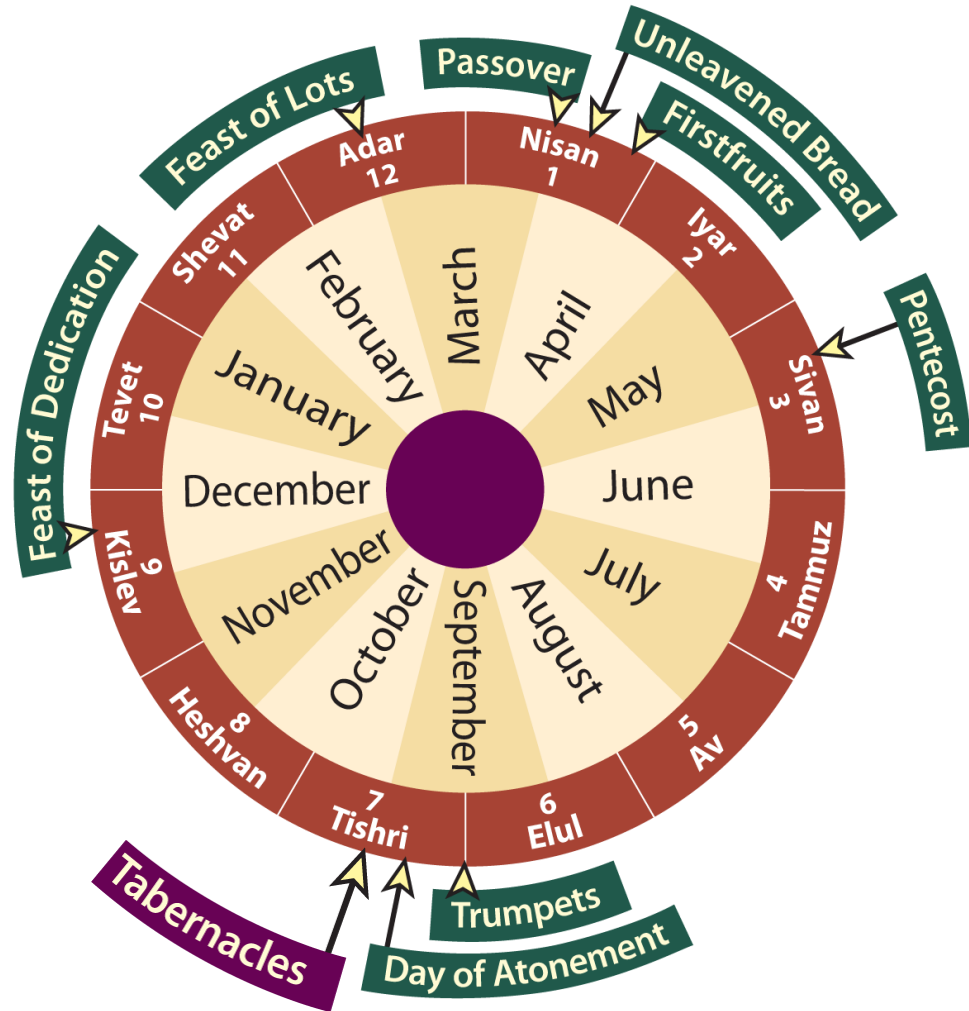
Sept. or October

Scripture

Leviticus 23:33–43

Hebrew

חַג הַסֻּכּוֹת



Historical Feasts

Hanukkah



Purim

Feast of Dedication



Also Known As

Hanukkah

Observed

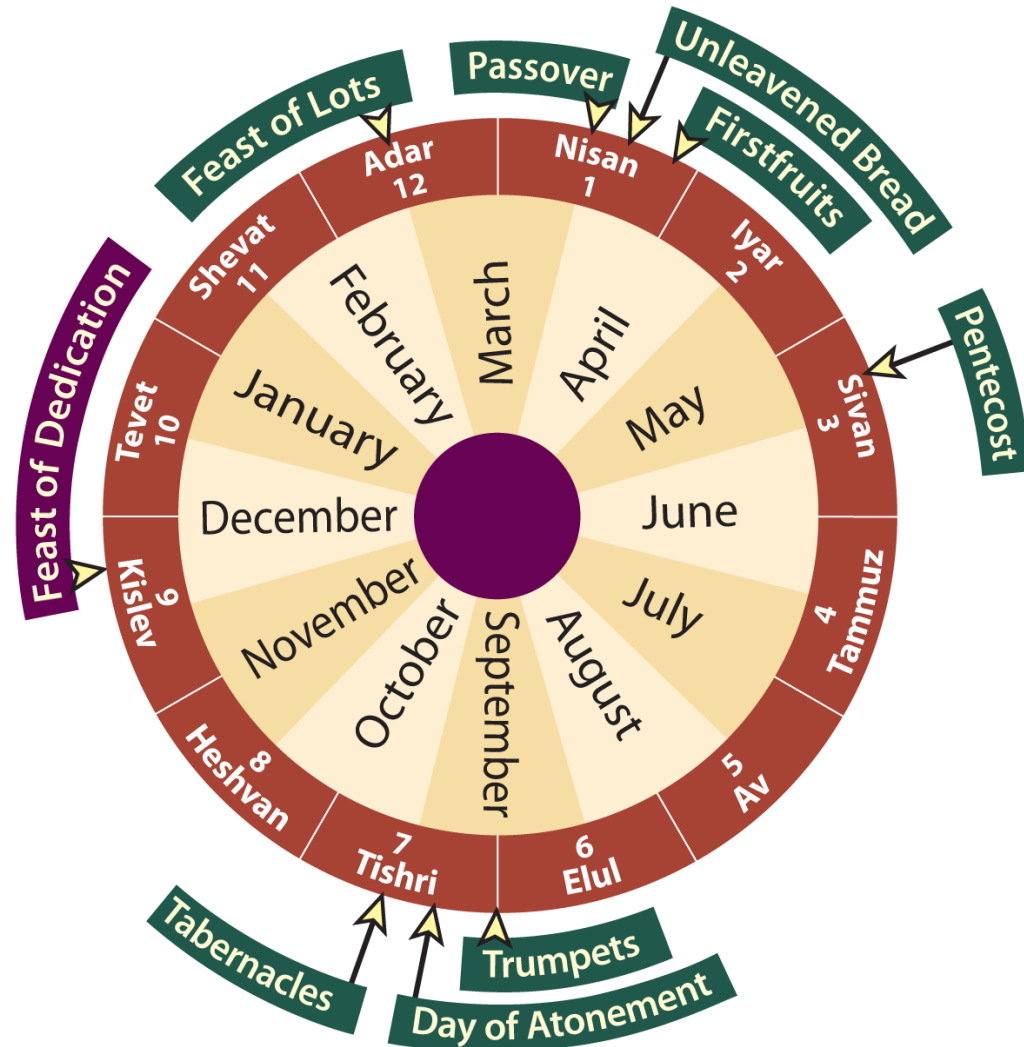
25 Kislev–2 Tevet
Nov. or Dec.

Scripture

John 10:22

Book of Maccabees
(Apocrypha)

Hebrew חֲנֻכָּה



Feast of Lots



Also Known As

Purim

Observed

14 or 15 Adar

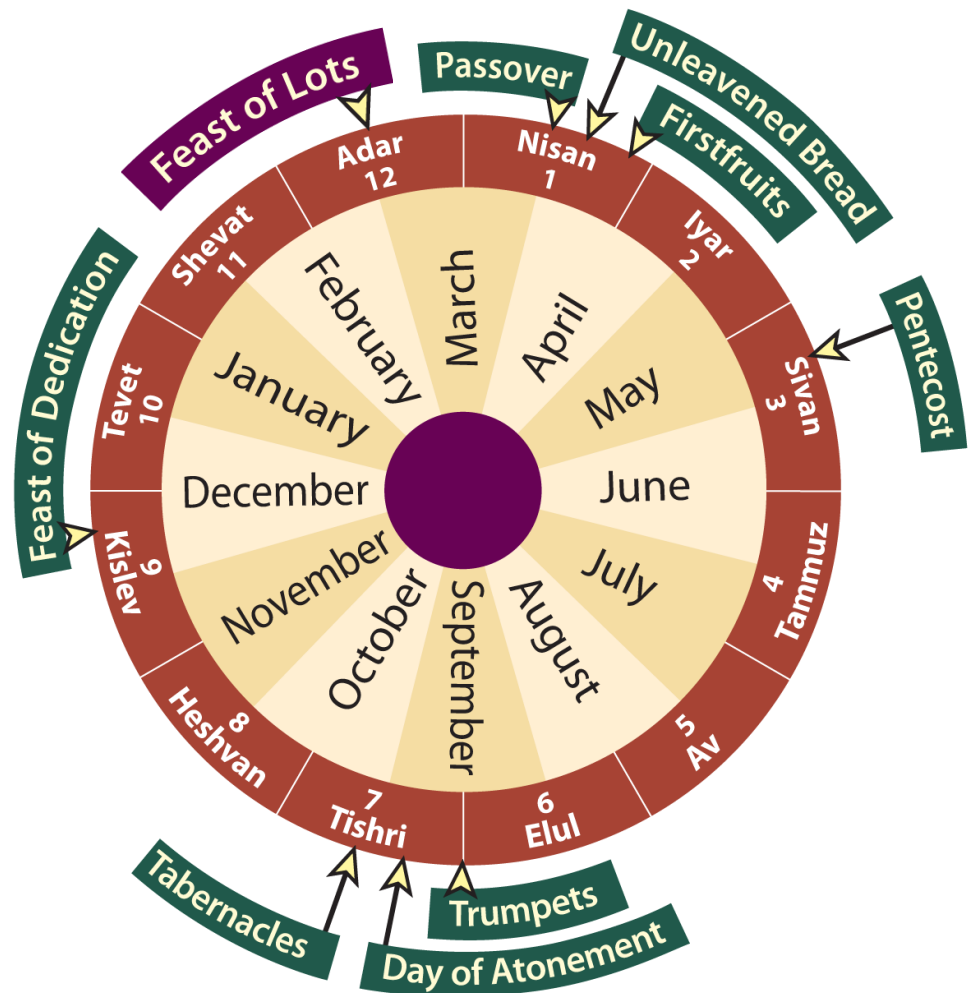
February or March

Scripture

Book of Esther

Hebrew

פּוּרִים



Summary

THE SEVEN JEWISH FEASTS

Appointed Feasts and Holy Convocations of Leviticus 23

Exodus 6:6-8 **“I will ...”**

“bring you out, ...rescue you, ...redeem you, ...take you as My people, ...be your God, ...bring you into the land.”

Spring Feasts

Old Testament

Passover	Unleavened Bread	First Fruits	Pentecost
Exodus 12 Lev 23:5	Lev 23:6-8	Lev 23:9-14 Deut 26:1-11	Lev 23:15-22 Deut 16:9-12
Redemption	Separation	Praise	Praise

Autumn Feasts

Old Testament

Trumpets	Day of Atonement	Tabernacles
Lev 23:23-25 Num 29:1-6	Num 29:7-11 Lev 23:26-32 Zeph 1:14-18 Zech 12:10 Zech 13:1	Num 29:12-40 Lev 23:33-44 Isa 65:17-19 Ezek 43:7 Micah 4:1-3 Zech 14:16-18
Re-gathering	Lev 16	Wilderness Provision

Something New

Col 2:17 (NIV)

These are a shadow of the things that were to come; the reality, however, is found in Christ.

- ***After some 1,500 years:***

The “shadows”
started to become
“Reality”

The Starting Point

Once:

The offer of the Kingdom was rejected by leaders of Israel;

After:

Judas had left the Upper Room;

New Doctrine (in seed form):

Regarding the Church is introduced.

Another Perspective

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New Testament				C H U R C H A G E	New Testament		
Matt 26:17-29 John 1:29 John 18:28 1 Cor 5:7	John 6:35, 47-51 1 Cor 5:8	Acts 2:29-32 1 Cor 15:20-23 James 1:18	Acts 1 and 2		Matt 24:31 1 Cor 15:51-53 Phil 3:20-21 1 Thes 4:13-18 Rev 4:1-6	Matt 24:29-31 Luke 21:25-28 Rom 11:25-27 2 Thes 1:5-10 Rev 19:11-21	John 14:1-6 Rev 20:1-6 Rev 21:1-27 Rev 22:1-5
Crucifixion	Burial	Resurrection	Holy Spirit		Rapture	2nd Coming	Millennium/ Heaven
Feasts Fulfilled at Christ's 1st Coming					Feasts Fulfilled at Christ's 2nd Coming		
Priestly role – Suffering Servant					Kingly role – Coming King		

1 - Substitution for the Lamb

Redemption comes at a cost.

Blood needed to be shed.

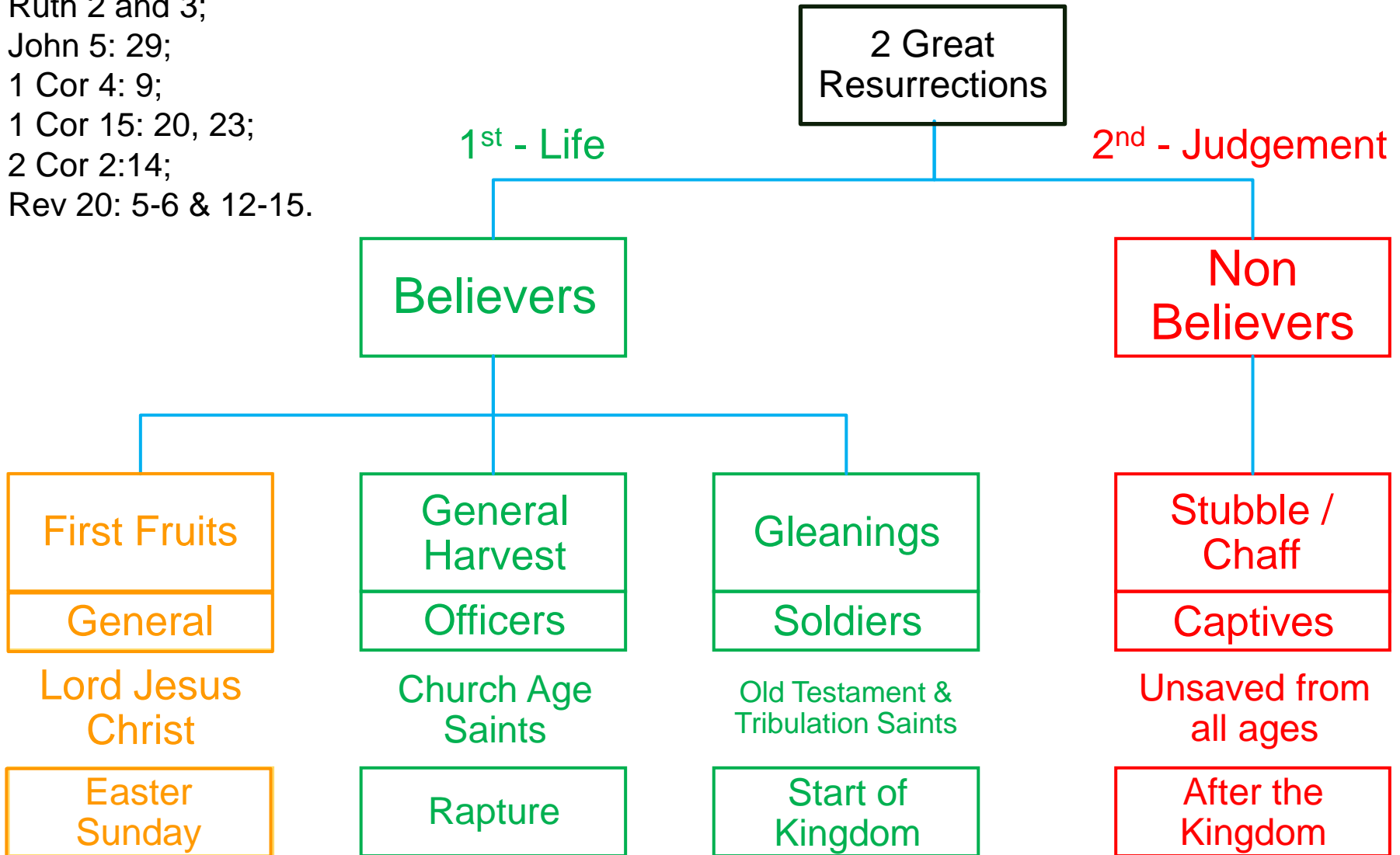
In every house a lamb was slain to secure their freedom.



All of these lambs were pointers looking forward to the one true **“Lamb of God”**.

2 - The Great Resurrections

Ruth 2 and 3;
John 5: 29;
1 Cor 4: 9;
1 Cor 15: 20, 23;
2 Cor 2:14;
Rev 20: 5-6 & 12-15.



3 - Sanctification

Giving of the Law	Giving of the Spirit
Exodus 19:1–20:20; 32	Acts 2
Spiritual birthday of Israel	Spiritual birthday of the body of Messiah
Traditionally believed to have happened about 50 days after the Israelites left Egypt (Ex. 19:1).	Believers in Jesus were gathered together on the day of Pentecost, 50 days after they celebrated Passover.
Fire and noise as God descended Mt. Sinai (Ex. 19:16–18).	A violent, rushing wind and tongues as fire descended upon the believers.
3,000 people died because of their idolatry (Ex. 32:28).	3,000 people were made spiritually alive because they believed in Jesus.
Law given to instruct the Israelites.	Spirit given to empower and guide the body of Messiah—including both Jews and Gentiles.