

INTRO TO THE APPOINTED TIMES OF YAHWEH

Part 1 — What are they and who are they for?

- First, we must understand who appointed these times and who they are for
 - **Lev 23:2** – They are Yahweh’s and are for the Children of Yisrael
- Next, we need to know what an appointed time is
 - **Lev 23:2** – They are **appointed times** and **set-apart gatherings**
 - **Moadim / Appointed times** - appointments, i.e. a fixed times, seasons, festivals, assemblies convened for a specific defined purpose
 - The Hebrew word **moad** comes from the word **ya`ad**; to fix upon (by agreement or appointment); by implication, to meet (at a stated time), to summon, to direct, to engage (as for marriage)
 - **Mikra / Gathering** – an announced/proclaimed gathering, public meeting, rehearsal
 - **Mikra Kodesh** – A Kadosh /Holy Mikra – one that serves Yahweh’s purposes

As we approach today’s study let us keep in mind:

- These are the moadim and mikra’im, “Appointed Times” and “Set-apart gatherings” of Yahweh.
 - He set them in a specific order with specific instructions
- Yahweh gave them to the children of Yisrael.
- We as children of Yisrael are to proclaim as set- apart, public gatherings, these “Appointed Times,” and keep (observe) them

Part 2 — The 5 Moadim

Aside from the weekly Shabbat, there are eight moadim:

1. Pesach / Chag HaMatzot — Passover / Days of Unleavened Bread — **Verses 5-8**
 - Bikkurim — Waving the Omer of the First Fruits — **Verses 10-14**
2. Chag HaShavuot — Feast of Weeks or Pentecost — **Verses 15-21**



3. Zichron Teruah/Yom Teruah — Day of The Awakening Blast — **Verses 24-25**
 4. Yom HaKippurim — Day of Atonement(s) — **Verses 27-32**
 5. Chag HaSukkot / Shemini Atzeret — Feast of Booths / 8th Day Assembly
 - **Verses 34-36, 39-43 & John 7:37**
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Part 3 — The 7 High Shabbats

Within the Moadim are 7 High Shabbats – They can fall on any day of the week

1. The 1st Day of Chag HaMatzot — **Verse 7**
 - i. **John 19:31**
 2. The Last Day of Chag HaMatzot — **Verse 8**
 3. Chag HaShavuot — Feast of Weeks — **Verse 21**
 4. Yom Teruah — Day of Trumpets — **Verse 25**
 5. Yom Kippur — Day of Atonement — **Verses 28 & 31**
 6. The 1st Day of Chag HaSukkot — **Verse 35**
 7. Shemini Atzeret – 8th Day Assembly — **Verse 36**
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Part 4 — The 3 Pilgrimage Feasts – Chagim / Shalosh Regalim

Chagim – Festive days, holiday (time away from the world)

Shalosh – The number 3

Regalim – Pilgrimage Feast

Deuteronomy 16:16-17 —

Three times or seasons a year all your males appear before Yahweh your Elohim in the place which He chooses:

1. **Chag HaMatzot** — Feast of Unleavened Bread
2. **Chag HaShavuot** — Feast of Weeks
3. **Chag HaSukkot** — Feast of Booths



Part 5 — Where are they to be observed?

- **Deut 12:11** — the place where Yahweh chooses to make His Name dwell
- **Deut 16:16** — in the place where Yahweh chooses
 - At this point in time Yahweh has chosen for us to be in the diaspora
 - In the future, Yahweh will choose Jerusalem once again
 - **Zech 14:16-19** **Isa 66:22-23**

