

## **Why We Feast: Appointments with the Almighty**

*Leviticus 23:1-2:* "These are the appointed feasts of the Lord that you shall proclaim as holy convocations; they are \_\_\_\_\_."

**Tent of Meeting:** "Everyone who \_\_\_\_\_ would go out to the tent of meeting ... the pillar of cloud would descend ... and the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ with Moses ... \_\_\_\_\_, as a man speaks to his \_\_\_\_\_" (*Exodus 33:7-11*).

**Make it a Point not to Miss Your Appointment:** "[Paul] was \_\_\_\_\_ to be at Jerusalem, if possible, \_\_\_\_\_ of Pentecost" (*Acts 20:16*).

### **I. God Arrests Our Attention: The Feast of Trumpets (Lev 23:23-25)**

"In the \_\_\_\_\_ month, on the first day of the month, you shall observe a day of solemn rest, a memorial proclaimed with \_\_\_\_\_, a holy convocation."

- *Exodus 19:13-19:* "On the morning of the third day there were thunders and lightnings and a thick cloud on the mountain and \_\_\_\_\_ trumpet blast, so that all the people in the camp trembled ... And as the sound of the trumpet grew \_\_\_\_\_, Moses spoke, and God answered him in thunder."
- *Joel 2:1-2:* "Blow a trumpet in Zion; \_\_\_\_\_ on my holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble, for the day of the Lord is coming; it is near, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness!"
- *Matthew 24:29-31:* "The sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken ... And [the Son of Man] will send out his angels with \_\_\_\_\_, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other."
- *1 Thessalonians 4:16-17:* "For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with \_\_\_\_\_ of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first."

❖ **Therefore:** Attune Your \_\_\_\_\_ to His Alarms

### **II. God Applies Our Atonement: The Day of Atonement (Lev 23:26-32)**

"Now on the tenth day of this seventh month ... you shall \_\_\_\_\_ yourselves – and you shall not do any work on that very day, for it is a Day of Atonement, to make atonement for you before the Lord your God. For whoever is not \_\_\_\_\_ on that very day shall be cut off from his people ... and you shall \_\_\_\_\_ yourselves."

- **Leviticus 17:11:** "For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it for you on the altar to make atonement for your souls, for it is the blood, \_\_\_\_\_, that makes atonement."
- **Isaiah 53:5-12:** "We esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and \_\_\_\_\_. But he was pierced for our transgressions... He was oppressed, and he was \_\_\_\_\_, yet ... like a lamb that is led to the slaughter ... he opened not his mouth"
- **Hebrews 9:7-10:22:** "[Into the Most Holy Place] the high priest goes, and he but \_\_\_\_\_... But when Christ appeared as a high priest ... he entered \_\_\_\_\_ into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption."

#### ***Affliction: Physical + Spiritual:***

- **Psalms 35:13:** Prayer, fasting, sackcloth
- **Daniel 9:3-4 + 10:12:** Pleas for mercy, confession
- **2 Corinthians 7:10:** Godly grief produces repentance
- **Romans 9:1-3 + 10:1, 14:** Burden for unsaved Israel → prayer + preaching!
- ❖ **Therefore:** Afflict Your \_\_\_\_\_ Unto Intercession

### **III. God Awards Our Adherence: The Feast of Booths (Lev 23:33-43)**

"On the fifteenth day of this seventh month and for seven days is the Feast of Booths to the Lord ... All native Israelites shall dwell in booths, that your generations may know that \_\_\_\_\_ in booths when \_\_\_\_\_ of the land of Egypt."

- **Zechariah 14:1-17:** "Behold, a day is coming for the Lord, when ... I will gather \_\_\_\_\_ against Jerusalem to battle... Then the Lord will go out and fight against those nations ... his feet shall stand on the Mount of Olives – and [it] shall be split in two... On that day \_\_\_\_\_ shall flow out from Jerusalem ... Then everyone who survives of all the nations – shall go up \_\_\_\_\_ to worship the King – and to keep the Feast of Booths. And if any of the families of the earth do not go up to Jerusalem to worship the King – there will be no rain on them."
- **John 7:37-39:** "On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of \_\_\_\_\_...' When they heard these words, some of the people said, 'This really is the Prophet.'"
- **Revelation 21:2-3:** "And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God ... And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'Behold, \_\_\_\_\_ of God is with man. He will dwell with them.'"

❖ **Therefore:** Align Your \_\_\_\_\_ with His Agenda

