

# The Spring Holidays

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Passover is coming up again. Most of you probably know the story of Passover (it is the first twelve chapters of Exodus). Israel put the lamb's blood on their door posts so that the angel of death would pass over them. This is an excellent picture of what Messiah did for us. Messiah's blood covers our hearts so that judgment will pass over us. But the story doesn't stop there.

Next comes the Week of Unleavened Bread. During this week, we take all of the leaven out of our house. This is a picture of how we are to take sin out of our lives. I encourage you to try this. Get all of the leaven out of your house before the Week of Unleavened Bread starts and keep it out for one week. Also, don't eat anything with leaven in it during that week. You will probably find that you forgot to get something leavened out or you will unknowingly eat something leavened. This has happened to our family year after year of doing this. This shows how sin hides and that you can only get it out when God shows you that it is there. But the story doesn't end there.

First Fruits comes the day after the Sabbath. Israel probably passed through the Red Sea on First Fruits. The passing through the Red Sea is a picture of baptism. When Israel passed through that sea, they were leaving Egypt behind and coming out a new nation. First Fruits is probably when Yeshua was resurrected. Scripture says that He is the First Fruits of the resurrection (1 Corinthians 15:20).

These are the spring holidays. They show a picture of the beginning of our walk with Messiah. But remember, the story doesn't end here. It is only the beginning. We must continue to grow closer to Yeshua everyday.

The following is an interesting teaching on Passover:

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