

## Jewish Festivals and New Testament References

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<b>FESTIVAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>BIBLE</b>
Passover(Pesach)	The festival of Unleavened Bread - a festival of redemption and deliverance. Celebrates the escape of the Hebrew slaves from Pharaoh in Egypt under the leadership of Moses and Miriam	John 12:1
Pentecost (Shavu'ot)	Also called the Festival of Weeks, or First Fruits. A spring festival of thanksgiving and covenant renewal.	Acts 2:1
Tabernacles (Sukkot)	Also called the Festival of Ingathering or Booths. Celebrates the autumn harvest with thanks and merry-making.	John 7:2
Trumpets (Rosh Hashanah)	The day of Awe. The Jewish New year. A time of contrition, it begins the most solemn month of the Jewish calendar.	
Atonement (Yom Kippur)	The Great Day of the year. A Day of fast and repentance.	Acts 27:9
Festival of Lights (Hanukkah)	Also, Dedications. Commemorates the revolt and victory of the Maccabees. A celebration of religious liberty and patriotism.	John 10:22
Purim	Also known as Lots. Celebrates Jewish deliverance, conducted with pageantry and satire, commemorating the deliverance of Jews from death by the bravery of the Persian queen, Esther	John 5:1