

| THE FEAST OF PENTECOST – Leviticus 23 |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |          |
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|                                       | Day 1                      | Day 2                      | Day 3                      | Day 4                      | Day 5                      | Day 6                      | Day 7                      |          |
| Month                                 | Sunday                     | Monday                     | Tuesday                    | Wed.                       | Thur.                      | Friday                     | Satur.                     | Week     |
|                                       | <b>10</b>                  | <b>11</b>                  | <b>12</b>                  | <b>13</b>                  | <b>14</b>                  | <b>15</b>                  | <b>16</b>                  |          |
|                                       | <sup>1</sup><br><b>17</b>  | <sup>2</sup><br><b>18</b>  | <sup>3</sup><br><b>19</b>  | <sup>4</sup><br><b>20</b>  | <sup>5</sup><br><b>21</b>  | <sup>6</sup><br><b>22</b>  | <sup>7</sup><br><b>23</b>  | <b>1</b> |
| First Month (Abib)                    | <sup>8</sup><br><b>24</b>  | <sup>9</sup><br><b>25</b>  | <sup>10</sup><br><b>26</b> | <sup>11</sup><br><b>27</b> | <sup>12</sup><br><b>28</b> | <sup>13</sup><br><b>29</b> | <sup>14</sup><br><b>30</b> | <b>2</b> |
|                                       | <sup>15</sup><br><b>1</b>  | <sup>16</sup><br><b>2</b>  | <sup>17</sup><br><b>3</b>  | <sup>18</sup><br><b>4</b>  | <sup>19</sup><br><b>5</b>  | <sup>20</sup><br><b>6</b>  | <sup>21</sup><br><b>7</b>  | <b>3</b> |
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| Second Month (Zif)                    | <sup>29</sup><br><b>15</b> | <sup>30</sup><br><b>16</b> | <sup>31</sup><br><b>17</b> | <sup>32</sup><br><b>18</b> | <sup>33</sup><br><b>19</b> | <sup>34</sup><br><b>20</b> | <sup>35</sup><br><b>21</b> | <b>5</b> |
|                                       | <sup>36</sup><br><b>22</b> | <sup>37</sup><br><b>23</b> | <sup>38</sup><br><b>24</b> | <sup>39</sup><br><b>25</b> | <sup>40</sup><br><b>26</b> | <sup>41</sup><br><b>27</b> | <sup>42</sup><br><b>28</b> | <b>6</b> |
|                                       | <sup>43</sup><br><b>29</b> | <sup>44</sup><br><b>1</b>  | <sup>45</sup><br><b>2</b>  | <sup>46</sup><br><b>3</b>  | <sup>47</sup><br><b>4</b>  | <sup>48</sup><br><b>5</b>  | <sup>49</sup><br><b>6</b>  | <b>7</b> |
| Third Month (Sivan)                   | <sup>50</sup><br><b>7</b>  |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |          |

The children of Israel came to Sinai in the 3rd month “the same day” (Exo. 19:1), which means the 3rd day of the 3rd month. Moses “went up” on Mt. Sinai “unto God” the following day, which was the 4th of Sivan (Exo. 19:3). The people were to come back to the Mount 3 days after this (Exo. 19:9–19 where verse 10 speaks of *today* – the 5th day of the 3rd month, and *tomorrow* – the 6th day). Thus, they came back for the oral giving of the Law on the 7th day of the 3rd month (Sivan), 1491 BC.

Because the Feast of Firstfruits took place on the day after the regular weekly Sabbath following Passover, this day is permanently fixed as a Sunday (Lev. 23:4–22). As Pentecost or the “Feasts of Weeks” was 50 days later (7 weeks plus 1 day), then it will also take place on the first day of the week (i.e., Sunday, see graph above). As a result, the Law was first given on what was later observed as the Day of Pentecost.

Since the Feasts were connected to the various harvests, none were to be observed until the Jews entered the Land of Promise (on Abib 10, 1451 BC, Josh. 4:19) *and* began to till it (in 1444 BC, after a 7-year war – Lev. 23:10: “when ye are come into the land” and “reap the harvest”). As the Amalekite attack was prior to this, Moses was 80 and Aaron 83 years old at the time (Exo. 7:7).

The Jews state that the Law was given on the 6th of Sivan and say it was a Sabbath (*Seder Olam Rabbah*, Guggenheimer, 2005, p. 68). But Leviticus 23:15-16 demands Pentecost to be a Sunday (see graph above). Abib 14 in AD 30 astronomically calculates as Thursday, April 4 (Gregorian), and Pentecost of that year was Sivan 7 (May 26) – which was a Sunday! Floyd Nolen Jones, Th.D., Ph.D.