

TORAH, GOD'S INSTRUCTIONS
LEVITICUS 23 – GOD'S HOLY DAYS – DAYS OF UNLEAVENED BREAD

Say - Welcome to Sabbath School class. Let's bow our head and ask God for understanding as we continue our study of the book of Leviticus. This lesson will focus on The Days of Unleavened Bread.

Leviticus 23

Say – On the evening of the fourteenth was the Passover; on the fifteenth day begins the Season of The Days of Unleavened Bread.

Say - ⁶And on the fifteenth day of the same month (Abib) is the feast (Appointed time or fixed time or season) of unleavened bread unto the LORD (bread without leaven such as yeast, baking soda, baking powder, etc.): seven days ye must eat unleavened bread.

⁷In the first day ye shall have an holy convocation (a calling together an assembly, an annual Sabbath): ye shall do no servile (labor) work therein.

⁸But ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD seven days (burnt offering): in the seventh day is an holy convocation (a calling together an assembly, an annual Sabbath): ye shall do no servile (labor) work therein (The annual Sabbaths were not days spent shopping or doing their own thing; they were spent in prayer to God and singing to Him and meditating on the Word of God and the many blessings from Him and that is what God wants of His people today).

⁹And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

¹⁰Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come into the land which I give unto you, and shall reap the harvest thereof (barley harvest), then ye shall bring a sheaf (omer, a handful of grain) of the firstfruits of your harvest unto the priest: (The “sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest” is a type or symbol of Jesus Christ for He is the “firstfruits of them that slept”. The Bible tells us “²⁰But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept” I Corinthians 15:20, 23 and God’s people will follow Him when He returns. ⁹Honour the LORD with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase: ¹⁰So shall thy

barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine” Proverbs 3:9-10.).

Say - The Bible tells us in God's Law, Christ had to ascend to His Father in Heaven on "the morrow after the Sabbath" (weekly Sabbath or what we call Sunday), in order to fulfill the "Wave Sheaf offering". The most important part of Passover was the resurrection of Jesus Christ, the Wave Sheaf Offering, who rose from the dead on Saturday (3 days, 3 nights) and on Sunday Christ was "the Wave Sheaf offering" which is the day the first fruits were offered.

The Bible tells us “²⁹For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he (Christ) might be the firstborn among many brethren” Romans 8:29. God created all of us to be a part of His Family and that is our destiny and God tells us how through His holy days. Christ went through the process, first He was spirit and became human as a baby and paved the way for us by laying down His life for us so that we can become a part of the Family of God.

“¹⁰For it became him, for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings. ¹¹For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one (one Father, one spirit): for which cause he is not ashamed to call them brethren” (God’s people can become Elohim) Hebrews 2:10-11. “²As newborn babes, desire (not resent it) the sincere (pure and holy) milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby: ³If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious” (we are to hunger and thirst after Him, “eat His flesh (unleavened bread) and blood (wine at Passover)”).

On the first day of the week (Sunday, John 20:1) Jesus revealed Himself to Mary Magdalene “¹⁶Jesus saith unto her, Mary. She turned herself, and saith unto him, Rabboni; which is to say, Master. ¹⁷Jesus saith unto her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I (am ascending) ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and to my God, and your God (Christ had not been “waved as the firstfruit” until He left the earth and He had to be accepted by God on our behalf.). ¹⁸Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the LORD, and that he had spoken these things unto her. Christ went back to spirit as the “Wave Sheaf Offering” on the “morrow after the (weekly) Sabbath”.

The Bible tells us ¹⁵Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature; ¹⁸And he (Christ) is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence. (Christ is the first one brought back to life and is still alive and sits on the right hand of God on His Throne.) Colossians 1:15, 18.

¹⁶For if the firstfruit be holy (God's people), the lump is also holy: and if the root be holy (the "root" is God), so are the branches (those grafted in which make up the bride of Christ)" Romans 11:16.

¹⁸Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits (those attached to the vine forever or filled with God's spirit for all time) of his creatures (creation)" James 1:18.

God's firstfruits are ⁴These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins (not mixed up with the false church). These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb." Revelation 14:4.

Say - What did the Law say? The Law said, ¹¹And he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted for you: on the morrow after the Sabbath (the weekly Sabbath) the priest shall wave it" Leviticus 23:11.

Say - What is the "Wave Sheaf" offering? The Law of God will tell us.

Say - The "Wave Sheaf" is the "firstfruits" of the harvest. ¹⁹The first of the firstfruits of thy land shalt thou bring into the house of the LORD thy God" Exodus 23:19. ¹⁰Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come into the land which I give unto you, and shall reap the harvest thereof, then ye shall bring a sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest unto the priest: ¹¹And he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted for you: on the morrow after the sabbath (the weekly Sabbath) the priest shall wave it.

Say - How do we know Christ represented the "Wave Sheaf" offering? ²³But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming" I Corinthians 15:23.

Say - Please understand in God's Holy Days which picture the plan for all people, the first "harvest" in Israel in the early spring was a small barley "harvest". However the spiritual lesson for God's people is this "small harvest" is symbolic of those God calls now and upon repentance, baptism and receiving God's spirit will also be a small "harvest" of His "firstfruits". This small harvest is symbolic of the "first resurrection" at His return for His people which the Spring Holy Days of Passover, Days of Unleavened Bread and Pentecost picture, Revelation 20:6, with Christ being the "first of the firstfruits" resurrected, I Corinthians 15:23. The Fall Holy Day of the Last Great Day pictures a much greater "harvest" as the Bible tells us "But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished" John 7:37, 38; Revelation 20:6.

¹¹And he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted for you: on the morrow after the sabbath the priest shall wave it (A sheaf or handful of grain was brought to the priest who would wave it before God in thanksgiving to God.).

⁹And the LORD said unto Joshua, This day have I rolled away the reproach of Egypt from off you. Wherefore the name of the place is called Gilgal unto this day (In verse 15 of Joshua 5, it says "¹⁵And the captain of the LORD's host said unto Joshua, Loose thy shoe from off thy foot; for the place whereon thou standest is holy. And Joshua did so". Gilgal was the first place pronounced holy in the Holy Land).

¹⁰And the children of Israel encamped in Gilgal, and kept the passover on the fourteenth day of the month at even in the plains of Jericho (Kept the Passover by the fixed time by the law of God, Exodus 12:18, Leviticus 23:5 and Numbers 28:16).

¹¹And they did eat of the old corn of the land on the morrow after the passover, unleavened cakes, and parched corn (grain) in the selfsame day.

¹²And the manna ceased on the morrow after they had eaten of the old corn of the land; neither had the children of Israel manna any more; but they did eat of the fruit of the land of Canaan that year (New grain, Leviticus 23:10. The old bread ended and they ate new bread as we should; the bread of Jesus

Christ; His teachings, His way of life, His law of Love,
Romans 13:10.) Joshua 5:9-12.

¹²And ye shall offer that day when ye wave the sheaf an he lamb without blemish of the first year for a burnt offering unto the LORD (Christ was the Passover “lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world” was without blemish and without sin, Hebrews 4:15, John 1:29.).

¹³And the meat offering thereof shall be two tenth deals of fine flour mingled with oil, an offering made by fire unto the LORD for a sweet savour: and the drink offering thereof shall be of wine, the fourth part of an hin (a “hin” is about 5 quarts).

¹⁴And ye shall eat neither bread, nor parched corn (grains of barley roasted in the ears), nor green ears, until the selfsame day that ye have brought an offering unto your God: it shall be a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings (We are to begin our day and life with God and every meal for these are where our blessings come from “But seek first the Kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you” Matthew 6:33.).

Say – **The Days of Unleavened Bread are divinely appointed by God** as we have just read above, not by man; let’s see what the law of God had to say. The Law of God says “¹⁵Seven days shall ye eat unleavened bread; even the first day ye shall put away leaven out of your houses: for whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul (individual) shall be cut off from Israel.”

¹⁶And in the first day there shall be an holy convocation (annual Sabbath, commanded holy day by God beginning on the 15th at sundown), and in the seventh day there shall be an holy convocation (annual Sabbath, commanded holy day by God beginning on the 15th at sundown) to you; no manner of work shall be done in them, save that which every man must eat, that only may be done of you.

¹⁷And ye shall observe the feast of unleavened bread; for in this selfsame day have I brought your armies out of the land of Egypt (and God’s people today out of the world of sin or Babylon): therefore shall ye observe this day in your generations by an ordinance for ever.

¹⁸In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at even, ye shall eat unleavened bread, until the one and twentieth day of the month at even.

¹⁹Seven days shall there be no leaven found in your houses: for whosoever eateth that which is leavened, even that soul shall be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he be a stranger, or born in the land (one law for all people).

²⁰Ye shall eat nothing leavened; in all your habitations shall ye eat unleavened bread (This is the foundation for worshipping God for Jesus Christ is unleavened.) Exodus 12:15-20.

⁵And it shall be when the LORD shall bring thee into the land of the Canaanites (Entire land is called Israel not Palestine), and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, which he swore unto thy fathers to give thee, a land flowing with milk and honey, that thou shalt keep this service in this month (service of the passover).

⁶Seven days thou shalt eat unleavened bread, and in the seventh day shall be a feast to the LORD (Not if I feel like it but this is a command by God; this is how we learn the lessons of the Holy days of God.).

⁷Unleavened bread shall be eaten seven days; and there shall no leavened bread be seen with thee, neither shall there be leaven seen with thee in all thy quarters (How many in our land are willing to do as God says. The entirety of the land was to do this and should be today but will be someday in God's Kingdom.).

⁸And thou shalt shew thy son in that day, saying, This is done because of that which the LORD did unto me when I came forth out of Egypt (This is the night to be much observed and we are to pass it on to our families. We should tell the story as a personal relationship how God brought us out of the world of sin or Babylon. We are to engrave in on our mind and tell our children of the blessings God gives to His people when we follow and obey Him.).

⁹And it shall be for a sign unto thee upon thine hand, and for a memorial between thine eyes, that the LORD's law may be in thy mouth:

for with a strong hand hath the LORD brought thee out of Egypt. (What we do shows we are a servant of God as we go about our life as we follow God and do as He wants of us just like He did for His Father.)

¹⁰Thou shalt therefore keep this ordinance in his season from year to year (there is no change for today) Exodus 13:5-10.

¹⁶Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose (“all thy males” is the head of household but all should attend if possible); in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks (Called “feast of weeks” because we count 7 weeks not 50 days as Pentecost.), and in the feast of tabernacles; and they shall not appear before the LORD empty: ¹⁷Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD thy God which he hath given thee” Deuteronomy 16-16-17.

Say – Let’s look at a New Testament church and see if they kept the Days of Unleavened Bread. This church was still keeping the Days of Unleavened Bread 30 years after Christ died. Paul was teaching them in Corinth for he had founded the church.

¹It is reported commonly that there is fornication (sexual immorality) among you, and such fornication as is not so much as named among the Gentiles, that one should have his father's wife (Paul is preaching the Law of God here, see Leviticus 18:7-8.).

²And ye are puffed up (and think you are above the Law of God), and have not rather mourned, that he that hath done this deed might be taken away from among you (Paul is saying don’t fellowship with him or he will lead you astray.).

(Paul is saying “I will tell you what is right and wrong.”) ³For I verily, as absent in body, but present in spirit, have judged already, as though I were present, concerning him that hath so done this deed,

⁴In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, when ye are gathered together, and my spirit, with the power of our Lord Jesus Christ,

⁵To deliver such an one unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh (not protected by God, not a part of the congregation), that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.

⁶Your glorying is not good. Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump (Paul is saying one sin leads to another and another.)?

⁷Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened (Paul is comparing the spiritual to the physical; they had taken the leavening out physically but they were still leavened or sinful spiritually. How did Paul know they were unleavened; because Paul had founded the church and had taught them. Can't tolerate open rebellion against God or the entire church will do it. In verses 10-13 below Paul tells more about the "old leaven"). For even Christ our passover (not Easter) is sacrificed for us:

⁸Therefore let us keep the feast (of Unleavened Bread), not with old (sinful) leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth (pure and truthful).

⁹I wrote unto you in an epistle not to company with fornicators (Why? Because it is contrary to the law of God.):

¹⁰Yet not altogether with the fornicators of this world, or with the covetous, or extortioners, or with idolaters; for then must ye needs go out of the world (Paul is talking about the church not the world or would have to live like a hermit.).

¹¹But now I have written unto you not to keep company, if any man that is called a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolator, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; with such an one no not to eat (They must come to understand they must change and it doesn't mean God's people are to hate them.).

¹²For what have I to do to judge them also that are without? do not ye judge them that are within (We each have to choose between right and wrong.)?

¹³But them that are without God judgeth. Therefore put away from among yourselves that wicked person (Don't hang around this person or persons or God's people will become like them.) I Corinthians 5:1-13.

Say – When the Israelites were in Egypt they had taken on bondage which is a type of sin or leaven. This is what sin does it puts us in bondage to evilness and wickedness. Jesus told His followers “Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees which is hypocrisy” Luke 12:1. Christ also said “⁸Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world (They did not know about God’s Sabbath, His holy days or Laws of God but paganism or fables.), and not after Christ” Colossians 2:8. If we follow them we will be cheated out of eternal life.

Say – **Who are we to follow?** Christ said, “I am the bread of life”, I am the unleavened bread of “sincerity and truth”; Christ is the ultimate example of sinlessness! He said, ⁴⁷Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath everlasting life. ⁴⁸I am that bread of life. ⁴⁹Your fathers did eat manna (“manna” was a type of Christ) in the wilderness, and are dead. ⁵⁰This is the bread which cometh down from heaven, that a man may eat thereof, and not die (This is what Moses told us about; only this kind of bread will give eternal life. We are to ingest Christ’s personality, His character for it is the only thing which will give us eternal life; we are to eat spiritual food, His law and truth “For we know that the law is spiritual:” Romans 7:14.). ⁵¹I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever: and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world (God’s people are to eat Him and drink in of Him and we will become Him) John 6:47-51.

Say - Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Moses gave you not that bread from heaven; but my Father giveth you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world (this is spiritual food). Then said they unto him, Lord, evermore give us this bread. And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst” John 6:31-35.

Say – God wants us to develop a “foot-washing” attitude to all people. God wants us to become humble with the absence of greed, lust and selfishness or sin. We are to “love our enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you” Matthew 5:44.

Say – In Psalm 89:15-19 are some wonderful verses about God’s Holy Days.

¹⁵Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound (God is talking about the “trumpet blast” which announced the holy days to His people “¹⁰Also in the day of your gladness, and in your solemn days, and in the beginnings of your months, ye shall blow with the trumpets over your burnt offerings, and over the sacrifices of your peace offerings; that they may be to you for a memorial before your God: I am the LORD your God” Numbers 10:10, Psalm 81:3. God is saying “Blessed is the people” of God; God’s people appreciate the plan for all people through His “appointed times or seasons”.): they shall walk, O LORD, in the light of thy countenance (In His favor). (This is what we hear through God’s words of truth; we HEARD and KNOW the “joyful sound” of the trumpet or God’s voice and will follow His voice to meet with Him on His appointed day. We ignore all other sounds around us bidding us to come their way and followed His call. Christ tells us “²⁷My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: ²⁸And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand” John 10:27-28. “⁵And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers” John 10:5.

Say - **God tells His people** (“⁴Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still. Selah. ⁵Offer the sacrifices of righteousness, and put your trust in the LORD. ⁶There be many that say, Who will shew us any good (Many will say “what good is it to go to a Jewish Holy day.)? LORD, lift thou up the light of thy countenance (favor) upon us. ⁷Thou hast put gladness in my heart, more than in the time that their corn and their wine increased. ⁸I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, LORD, only makest me dwell in safety” Psalm 4:4-8.)

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Say – What other blessing will we have when we follow God to His Holy Days?

¹⁶In thy name shall they rejoice all the day: and in thy righteousness shall they be exalted (“in thy righteousness shall they be exalted” God is promising we will be under His just ruler ship, His fair

and perfect rules of God's laws. Isn't that what the world wants? They could not hear the "joyful sound of the trumpet blast" for they are spiritually deaf.)

¹⁷For thou art the glory of their strength: and in thy favour our horn shall be exalted. (God is promising His people not only will they be adorned but we will have His protection. The word "horn" means a powerful ray of light/truth projecting out or shooting out as in a means of power or His strength in protection (Strong's 7160, 7161). "Exalted" means we will be set on high as in Kings and Priests in His Kingdom. When we have sin in us we are weak and powerless spiritually speaking and we can't understand or hear or see spiritually. But when sin or leavening is removed and Christ's spirit moves in we can think, hear and see spiritually from His point of view "For the LORD is our judge, the LORD is our lawgiver, the LORD is our king; he will save us" Isaiah 33:22.).

¹⁸For the LORD is our defence; and the Holy One of Israel is our king.

¹⁹Then thou spakest in vision to thy holy one, and saidst, I have laid help upon one that is mighty; I have exalted one chosen out of the people Psalm 89:15-19 (Aren't you delighted you've been chosen to follow God and His way and that you heard "the joyful sound" of the trumpet and to be with Him on His holy day and in His presence is divine.).

Say – How do we make that "joyful sound" so others will hear. By doing our part we are setting an example for the rest of the world. God's people are a powerful ray of light that cannot be hidden and the "joyful sound of the trumpet" will be an invitation to all who will listen and come. God's people must treat others now with the same justice and mercy and humility and truth that God shows on us. What do we have to be afraid of with God as our power, strength and protection?

Say – Another lesson to learn from the Days of Unleavened Bread is that when God's people were called of God and we began to know the truth of God and learned what sin was for "Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the **law**: for sin is the **transgression** (disobedience) of the **law**. I John 3:4, we also learned we had to repent of sin before God's people could be baptized. BUT if we come out of the water and go and go back into sin; the baptism does no good.

Say - God's people must take on the unleavened bread of Jesus Christ
"22But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, 23Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law" Galatians 5:22-23. Also judgment (justice), mercy (kindness towards the maimed and afflicted, homeless, widows, orphans) and faith (belief in the Truth of God) which are "the weightier matters of the law" Matthew 23:23.

Say - The process of being baptized was a process whereby it was symbolic of burying the old man sin or the old way of life or the sinful life. It is a time to get close to God and Christ and when we obey Him and act like Him we will become Him. Christ gives us good instructions through Paul on how to move on from baptism. He said "12Put on therefore, as the elect of God (It was God who called us.), holy and beloved, bowels of mercies (put them deep inside), kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;

13Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye.

14And above all these things put on charity (Love is the fulfilling of God's Law" Romans 13:10), which is the bond of perfectness (God's laws are perfect and will keep us free from sin.).

15And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.

16Let the word (God's law) of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

17And whatsoever ye do in word or deed (talk it and walk it), do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him (All of God's people live by the same law; not different religions.) Colossians 3:12 -17.

Say - When we were ready to repent and begin to follow Christ and His teachings, we were baptized or "buried in water". The Bible tells us "4Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life (by the way of obedience to God to eternal life)"

⁵For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection (will be resurrected a spirit being just like Christ, spiritual Elohim):

⁶Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin (God's people should no longer be a slave to sin for that is what we left behind in the waters of baptism.).

⁷For he that is dead is freed from sin (God's people were cleared from the penalty of the 2nd death and not going to die anymore.).

⁸Now if we be dead with Christ (at baptism we died with Him, Romans 6:4), we believe that we shall also live with him:

⁹Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him.

¹⁰For in that he died, he died unto sin once (for all): but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God (His laws, teachings, statutes and judgments.).

¹¹Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin (The death penalty has no more power over God's people.), but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

¹²Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body (because sin would be in charge of us and sin is what the Bible says it is "...the transgression of the law", I John 3:4, not what the churches say it is), that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof.

¹³Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God (His teachings, laws of love and the liberty we have in them "But whoso looketh into the perfect law of **liberty**, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed" James 1:25.), as those that are alive from the dead (no 2nd death), and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God ("...present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. ²And be not conformed to this world: but be ye

transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. Romans 12:1-2).

¹⁴For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law (not under the death penalty of the law), but under grace (The freedom of God's people is within the law; liberties are kept by keeping the law of God not breaking it as in disobedience.).

¹⁵What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law (not under the death penalty of the law), but under grace? God forbid (certainly not).

¹⁶Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness (God's people either obey Satan or God but when we were baptized we chose God's way of life.)?

¹⁷But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you (the truth of God that we can be resurrected in the first resurrection and reign with Christ as kings and priests, Revelation 5:10).

¹⁸Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness. (The Bible tells us, "²²For he that is called in the Lord, being a servant, is the Lord's freeman(free of the death penalty or 2nd death): likewise also he that is called, being free, is Christ's servant" (God's called are either a slave to the world or to God and if we love God we are the "Lord's freeman" and a servant to Him.) I corinthians 7:22. "¹Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free (free from the 2nd death and when we sin we repent to God and God shows us grace and forgives us), and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage (of the world) Galatians 5:1).

¹⁹I speak after the manner of men (I speak in human terms.)because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness (impurities contrary to God) and to iniquity unto iniquity (wickedness); even so now yield your members servants (slaves) to righteousness unto holiness (Cannot serve God and evil or be double minded "²⁴No man can serve two masters: for either he

will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon (material things) Matthew 6:24).

²⁰For when ye were the servants of sin, ye were free from righteousness (God's laws) (⁷What shall we say then? Is the law sin? God forbid. Nay, I had not known sin, but by the law: for I had not known lust, except the law had said, Thou shalt not covet. Romans 7:7)

²¹What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of those things is death (See vs. 23 below.).

²²But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life (This is our destiny to have "everlasting life").

(In contrast) ²³For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord (If we are obedient to God and His teachings, we will have eternal life.) Romans 6:4-23

MEMORY VERSE

Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound
they shall walk, O LORD, in the light of thy countenance.

Psalm 89:15

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BELOW IS THE SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON FOR YOUTH AND TOTS

DAYS OF UNLEAVENED BREAD

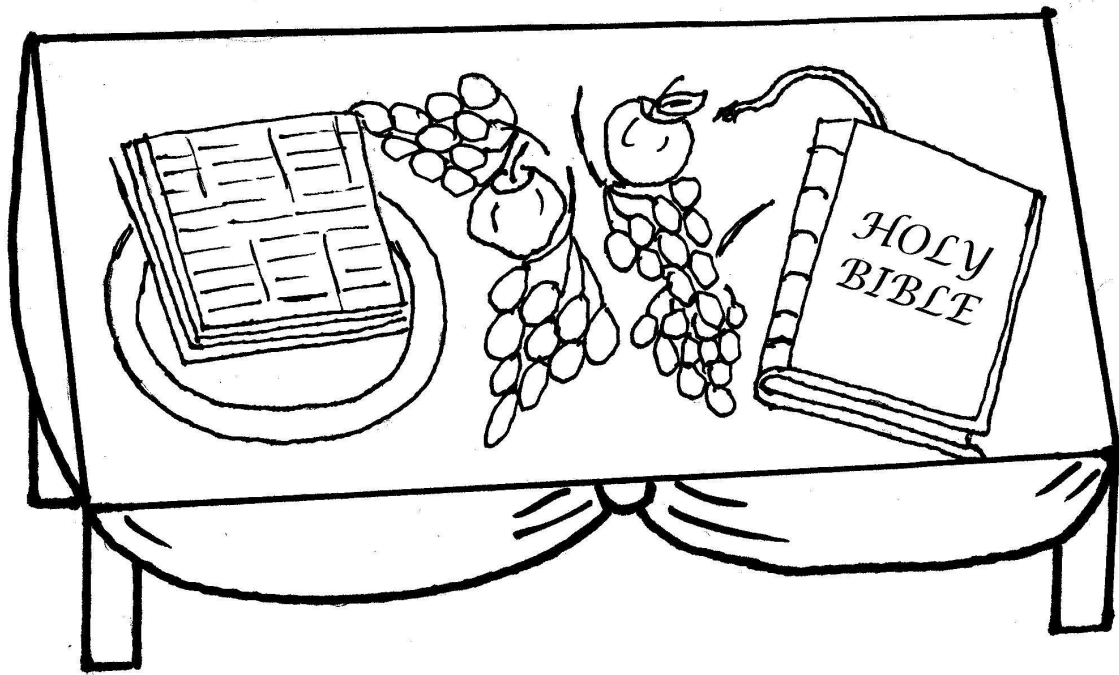
AFTER BAPTISM, WHEN WE HAVE BURIED THE
OLD SINFUL WAY OF LIFE, GOD'S PEOPLE
MUST TAKE ON THE UNLEAVENED
BREAD OF JESUS CHRIST.
THROUGH PAUL, CHRIST SAID, "PUT ON
KINDNESS, MEEKNESS AND LONG
SUFFERING AND BE FORGIVING OF
ONE ANOTHER EVEN AS CHRIST
FORGAVE YOU.

AND ABOVE ALL THINGS PUT ON CHARITY OR
LOVE WHICH IS THE BOND OF
PERFECTNESS.
LET THE PEACE OF GOD RULE IN YOUR HEARTS
AND BE THANKFUL;
LET THE WORD OF CHRIST DWELL IN YOU
RICHLY, HIS TEACHINGS AND HIS LAWS.

AND WHATEVER YOU DO IN WORD OR DEED,
DO ALL IN THE NAME OF
THE LORD JESUS GIVING THANKS TO GOD

COLOSSIANS 3:12-17

*IN THE FIRST MONTH,
ON THE FOURTEENTH DAY OF
THE MONTH AT EVEN,...*



*YE SHALL EAT UNLEAVENED
BREAD, UNTIL THE ONE AND TWENTIETH DAY
OF THE MONTH AT EVEN.*

EXODUS 12:18