

# THE GREATEST STORY EVER

**GOD'S plan to save humanity is a story of sacrifice and struggle, an epic tale of good vs. evil. And it has the happiest of endings.**

Though it has been unnoticed by many, God outlined this plan of salvation through seven harvest festivals. The annual agricultural cycle of the Holy Land foreshadowed the wonderful steps God is using to save us from the destructiveness of sin and help us grow to become His own children.

The first spiritual harvest is pictured by the first three festivals, and the larger spiritual harvest is represented by the four fall festivals.

## AS TOLD THROUGH **GOD'S** SEVEN FESTIVALS



Learn more about God's plan in our booklet *From Holidays to Holy Days: God's Plan for You*. Download it today at the [Learning Center on LifeHopeandTruth.com](http://LearningCenteronLifeHopeandTruth.com).

If you would like to know more about how these festivals are celebrated today or to find the locations where Christians are celebrating these days all around the world, check our website at [cogwa.org/congregations](http://cogwa.org/congregations). Our ministers would be happy to answer your questions or arrange for a private appointment if you would like. We look forward to hearing from you!

### 1 PASSOVER

**Christ died for us.**

- The Passover lamb in the Old Testament pointed toward Christ giving His life to pay the death penalty for our sins.
- The New Testament symbols of bread and wine represent Christ's broken body and shed blood.

**Key scriptures: 1 Peter 2:24; 1 Corinthians 5:7.**

### 2 DAYS OF UNLEAVENED BREAD

**We must remove sin and pursue righteousness.**

- For seven days leaven represents sin.
- Removing leaven reminds us to remove sin.
- Eating unleavened bread reminds us to strive to live a life free from sin, putting Christ and His way of sincerity and truth into our lives.

**Key scriptures: 1 Corinthians 5:6-8.**

### 3 FEAST OF PENTECOST

**God gives the Holy Spirit and begins His Church.**

- God gives His Holy Spirit to those who obey Him.
- We must repent and be baptized to receive the Holy Spirit.
- God launched the New Testament Church—the "firstfruits" of His plan.
- We must continue to allow God's Spirit to lead us.

**Key scriptures: Acts 2:38, 5:32; Romans 8:8-9; James 1:18; Revelation 14:4.**

### 4 FEAST OF TRUMPETS

**Christ will return and resurrect the saints.**

Trumpets will announce:

- End-time plagues and war.
- Christ's return to earth to establish the Kingdom of God.
- The resurrection of the saints.

**Key scriptures: 1 Corinthians 15:51-52; 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17; Revelation 8:6-13; 11:15.**

### 5 DAY OF ATONEMENT

**God will remove Satan and reconcile humanity.**

- God will bind Satan so he can't deceive humans.
- Christ's sacrifice makes it possible to reconcile man to God.
- Fasting helps us to learn humility and become at one with God.

**Key scriptures: Leviticus 16:3-34; Revelation 20:1-3.**

### 6 FEAST OF TABERNACLES

**Christ's government will produce 1,000 years of peace.**

- The saints will serve as kings and priests assisting Christ on earth.
- People will be healed of diseases.
- The earth will become peaceful and abundantly productive.

**Key scriptures: Isaiah 35:1-2, 5-6; Zechariah 14:16; Revelation 5:10.**

### 7 LAST GREAT DAY

**God will offer eternal life to all!**

After the Millennium:

- All humans who have ever lived without full knowledge of God's way of life will be resurrected to physical life.
- They will be taught God's way and given a chance to respond.
- In the end, every human will have had a full chance to accept God's calling to become His children!

**Key scriptures: Ezekiel 37:14; Matthew 12:41-42; Revelation 20:11-12.**