

## The RAINBOW of Feasts

### Passover – Red

Nothing symbolizes Passover more than the blood of the lamb. Used by the Israelites to signify their faith in Yahweh during the first Passover and eternally symbolizing our salvation or Passover of the spirit of death in the blood of Jesus, our Passover lamb. The first of the feasts of The LORD is Passover. The first color of the Rainbow is RED

### Unleavened Bread – Orange

The feast of Unleavened Bread is the time when Israel rids their homes of leaven which represents sin in our lives. They also eat unleavened bread to commemorate the first Passover when they did not have time to let the yeast rise in the bread. This is a time of God's judgment on sin and in the Bible sin is often judged with fire. Fire is orange and this is the second Feast of The LORD. The Second color of the Rainbow is ORANGE

### Feast of First Fruits – Yellow

The feast of first fruits is celebrated on the first day of the week after the Sabbath. There is disagreement about whether this is the Sabbath of Commandment (Saturday) or the Sabbath of Commandment (The High Sabbath on the first day of the feast of Unleavened Bread), but regardless it always is on a Sunday. The sun is a sustainer of our lives for without it, we could not live. The Sun is yellow as seen visibly on earth. Jesus is our life giver and as the Bible indicates, it was early on the first day of the week that He presented Himself as resurrected from the dead which gave us new life. He therefore is the Feast Of First Fruits. The third color of the Rainbow is YELLOW

### Feast of Weeks – Green

Also known in the church as Pentecost, this is the day that is fifty days after the Sabbath which started in Passover. Again, a disagreement is had about which Sabbath is counted. Modern day Jews start "counting the omar" or counting the days from the start of the Feast of Unleavened Bread which puts Shavuot or Pentecost on any day. The Church starts counting on the day before the Feast of First Fruits or the Saturday before the resurrection and therefore Pentecost is always on a Sunday. It is the fiftieth day of counting. Why 50? Jesus was in the grave three days and three nights (3) and he walked the earth for forty days (40) and 1 week later (7) days, the Holy Spirit came. Add up the days and you get 50. The Feast of weeks is a celebration of God's provisions agriculturally as it coincides with a harvest, but it also shows God's providing of the Holy Spirit for our lives. Since it is agriculturally based, it's color is Green. The fourth of the feasts and the fourth color of the Rainbow is GREEN

### Feast of Trumpets – Blue

The Feast of Trumpets is a fall feast to celebrate the coming of a new year and a shofar is to be blown. This is a time to celebrate all that God has done for Israel. Since the blowing of a shofar was used to announce the coming of a king, many believe Jesus will return on one of these two unknown days. Since the start of months were determined by the first sight of the new moon, watchers would look for the new moon knowing it would come at an unknown day or hour as it could have been 1 of 2 days each fall. This coincides with Jesus saying He would come on a day and hour no one knows. A play on words, a sense of imminent return or both? Regardless, this feast is often believed to be when Jesus will return with a trumpet blast. Even if it doesn't coincide with the Hebrew calendar some year. Since He will return with the clouds in the sky, and the sky is blue, the Feast of Trumpets is associated with blue. The fifth color of the Rainbow is **BLUE**

### The Day of Atonement – Indigo

The Day of Atonement is ten days after the feast of trumpets. Celebrated as the day that Israel's sins would be atoned for when the scapegoat would be sent into the wilderness. (Lev 16). This is a very solemn day in the Hebrew calendar since this is the day that sins were forgiven for the year. But it is also a very dark day because it is the day God deals with sinfulness. This is judgment day for those who will face the great white throne judgment. This is a very dark day and therefore associated with the darkest color of the Rainbow, Indigo. The sixth color of the Rainbow is **INDIGO**

### The Feast of Booths or Tabernacles – Violet

The feast of tabernacles is the final feast of the Lord and it commemorates the dwelling with God so Israel would build temporary shelters, also known as booths or tabernacles and would dwell in these structures away from their own home for 7 days and have a celebration on the 8<sup>th</sup> day known as the "Last Great Day". It is believed that at the last Great Day or 8<sup>th</sup> day of this celebration is when we will enter into eternity with our Lord. This is when the Kingdom of God has it's physical fulfillment on earth (We are in the spiritual fulfillment now) therefore associated with the color purple or violet which is the symbolic color for royalty. The seventh and final feast and the seventh and final color of the Rainbow is **VIOLET**