

Three Harvests of God

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This document is taken from scripture and is related to prophecy and to its fulfillment. It is based upon our best understanding given to us by scripture, and by our coming to know the truth of God and His design for mankind and the world. We must always be careful when attempting to understand prophecy before it has taken place. What we think will happen, may unfold differently than what we came to think, so we must study scripture continually, we must watch and pray always and recognize activities that take place in the world as time goes forward. Having said this, the following is our best understanding based solely on study of scripture and how we see the moadim taking place in working with prophecy.

The Holy Days defined for us in Leviticus 23 are God's Holy days, not man's, not the Israelites, they are God's. There are eight special Holy days and these are stated as being forever. The Holy days are tied into future fulfillment and are given to us as a means of understanding God's overall plan for man. They are tied to prophecy and if we can understand them, then we can watch for their fulfillment. There are three Holy days for which we are told by God to come before Him three times a year. This indicates that there is something very special with respect to these three Holy days. God has given us information in the scriptures, it is up to us to study and identify this information, then to reflect and use reason applied to these specific scriptures in order to come to an understanding of what they mean not only to us but also to God Himself. God set them for a specific purpose and gave us information in the Holy Bible and an ability to think and reason. If you do this correctly with an open mind using prayer, study and logic one can come to an understanding.

Exo 23:14 Three times thou shalt keep a feast unto me in the year.

Exo 23:15 Thou shalt keep the feast of unleavened bread: (thou shalt eat unleavened bread seven days, as I commanded thee, in the time appointed of the month Abib; for in it thou camest out from Egypt: and none shall appear before me empty:)

Exo 23:16 And the feast of harvest, the firstfruits of thy labours, which thou hast sown in the field: and the feast of ingathering, *which is* in the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in thy labours out of the field.

Exo 23:17 Three times in the year all thy males shall appear before the Lord GOD.

Deu 16:16 Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles: and they shall not appear before the LORD empty:

There is a parallel theme that God gives us, with respect to the three Moadim that He requires us to come before Him (*shelosh regalim*). These from our perspective are our celebration on these specified days of the gifts from God, in giving us our bountiful harvests. It is to us is a celebration of recognizing and thanking God for taking care of us, as we acknowledge that everything is His and comes from Him. God's perspective is that these three Moadim are His collection of those people that belong to Him. From God's perspective the first two Holy Days we are specified to come before Him each year are the collection of the Saints and the third required Holy day is the large collection of all others that are His. Scripture that follows is clear on showing this.

The first moed is that of the sheave wave or the first fruits of the spring harvest. This is a small harvest basically of the barley and possibly some early fruit. The first is actually three together, *Pesach*, *Matzot* and *Bikkurim*, Passover, Unleavened Bread and First Fruits. These have multiple meanings to us and extra fulfillment in Christ's death, resurrection and waving before the Father the first fruits of the resurrection by Jesus Himself who now is also our Chief Priest. The spring harvest from God's perspective is the resurrection of Christ and the Saints that came out of the graves at that time as described in Matthew. In addition the 144,000 were also resurrected at that time as described in Revelations. This is the first harvest of souls that belong to the Father and the Son. It is a small harvest, the first harvest, a spring harvest. This Holy day has been fulfilled by Christ and the initial gathering of Saints.

The second Moed is that of *Shavuot*, Pentecost or Feast of Weeks. It is the summer harvest of first fruits. It is the wheat harvest as well as most likely other produce. To us it again represents God taking care of us, it would also represent the bread from heaven given to the Israelites during the trek in the wilderness. It again is a celebration before God in thankfulness to his gifts to us by our bringing to Him the first fruits He has provided to us. After Christ, it also was the time the *Ruach Hakodesh*, Holy Spirit, was given. It is the start of Christ's *Ekklesia*, congregations on earth. The summer harvest from God's perspective is the gathering of the mature and faithful Saints or set-apart-ones that are His. These are His *Ekklesia* to this future point according to His time. This is a medium harvest, the second harvest, the summer harvest. It is larger than the spring harvest but smaller than the fall harvest. This has only been partly fulfilled to date. The gathering of the Saints by Yeshua has not yet been fulfilled.

The third Moed is that of *Sukkot*, Feast of Tabernacles. It is the fall harvest, the great gathering and bringing in of all the crops. To us it represents again God's gift in taking care of us. It also points to the Millennium kingdom on earth which is yet to come. The fall harvest from God's perspective is a cummulation of *Sukkot* on the Last Day. This is the Son's harvest of all those that belong to Him and the Father, taking place at the end of the Millennium, the large numbers of souls. This is the large harvest, this is where the tares are separated from the wheat, where only those that are worthy and righteous are gathered and given eternal life with the Father and the Son. This has not as yet been fulfilled at all.

On the first two Moadim both man's and God's harvest coincided on the same Holy Convocation Day. However for the third Moed, man's harvest was on the first seven days, while God's is on the Last Day, the eighth day or a new beginning.

The following scriptures in Matthew are Christ's words explaining the harvest at the end of the world, which follows the end of the Tribulation or the beginning of the Millennium. It is the summer first fruit harvest. Yeshua brings His reward with Him for the Saints. Those in the world with good hearts are welcomed into the kingdom of God that is now starting. The Evil people that remain at the start of the Millennium are destroyed. Life starts over with a purging of the evil in the world and Satan is locked up.

Mat 13:38 The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked *one*;

Mat 13:39 The enemy that sowed them is the devil; **the harvest is the end of the world**; and the reapers are the angels.

Mat 13:40 As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the **end of this world**.

Scripture is clear from the following on the definition of the Last Day. The verses are telling us that Christ will raise up His on the Last Day and that He will not lose any. Note John 7:37 clearly identifying the Last Day by Jesus Himself.

Joh 6:39 And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the **last day**.

Joh 6:40 And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the **last day**.

Joh 6:44 No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the **last day**.

Joh 6:54 Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the **last day**.

Joh 7:37 In the **last day, that great day of the feast**, Jesus stood and cried, saying, **If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink**.

The following verse shows that those that were with Yeshua during His time of preaching, even before His death and resurrection, before Yeshua was with His disciples during the 40 days after His resurrection, before the Holy Spirit was given to the disciples, these people knew about the resurrection on the Last Day, Martha is clear about this. They knew this resurrection would occur for the righteous and not just for the damned, taking place on the Last Day. Recognize the New Testament was not available until quite a number of years later.

Joh 11:24 Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the **last day**.

We are told in Revelations that on the Last Day the books are opened and one of the books is the **book of life**. This tells us that both the righteous and the damned are resurrected on the last day and judged by their works as they walked the path of their life in the present world. We know that the word Yeshua spoke and is written in the Bible for us, is what will judge us.

Joh 12:48 He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the **last day**.

Rev 20:12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is *the* **book of life**: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

After the Judgement, then the end comes, Jesus lays down His authority and this is followed by the burning up of the existing heavens and earth along with the creation of new heavens and earth.

1Co 15:24 Then *cometh* **the end**, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power.

1Co 15:25 For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet.

1Co 15:26 The last enemy *that* shall be destroyed *is* death.

1Co 15:27 For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith all things are put under *him*, *it is* manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him.

1Co 15:28 And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all.

Rev 21:1 And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

2Pe 3:10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, **the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up**.

2Pe 3:11 *Seeing* then *that* all these things shall be dissolved, what manner *of persons* ought ye to be in *all* holy conversation and godliness,

2Pe 3:12 Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?

2Pe 3:13 Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness

The following verses are just another reinforcement of following scripture found in the Holy Bible, both the Old and New Testament. We are to keep the sayings of the Bible and to Worship

God.

Rev 22:8 And I John saw these things, and heard *them*. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel which shewed me these things.

Rev 22:9 Then saith he unto me, See *thou do it* not: for I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which **keep the sayings of this book: worship God.**

From a fulfillment of the three moadim where God gathers the souls that are His, ask yourself two questions, first who are the saints and second who are the large group of souls gathered at the end of the Millennium on the Last Day? The Bible clearly defines who the Saints are, what is required to qualify as a Saint. To determine this one needs to clear their mind of all preconceived ideas and conduct a very thorough study of scripture. The Saints are not what nearly all preach or think. At the Last Day **all are resurrected** that have not made the grade of Saint, the great number of Billions of people, both the **righteous and the unrighteous**. The righteous to eternal life with the Father and the Son, the unrighteous to eternal damnation in the lake of fire.

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