

The Comings of the Lord

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“...his going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as **the latter and former rain** unto the earth”-Hosea 6:3

The feast days of the Lord were given to the nation of Israel (not to the Church!) to show the comings of the Lord. In Leviticus 23:2 and 4, God says “*Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, Concerning the **feasts** of the LORD, which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations, even these are my **feasts**... These are the **feasts** of the LORD, even holy convocations, which ye shall proclaim in their seasons.*”

The First Coming of Jesus Christ was fulfilled by the Spring feasts of the Lord, the “*latter rain*”. The Spring feasts are Passover, First Fruits, Unleavened Bread, and Pentecost. Christ was our Passover Lamb.

The Second Coming of Jesus Christ is said to be as the “*former rain*” in Hosea. The Fall feasts of the Lord will see the fulfillment of His Second Coming. The Fall feasts are Rosh Hashanah (the Feast of Trumpets), Yom Kippur (the Day of Atonement), and Tabernacles (the Feast of Booths).

The Feast of Trumpets (Rosh Hashanah) is the date of the Second Coming itself. This is the day that the Lord Jesus Christ will enter Jerusalem and be crowned the King of Israel by the Sanhedrin (“*For I say unto you, Ye shall not see me henceforth, till ye shall say, Blessed is he **that cometh in the name** of the Lord*”-Matthew 23:39).

Yom Kippur is ten days after Rosh Hashanah. Yom Kippur (the Day of Atonement) will be fulfilled by the judgment of the nations found in Matthew 25:31-46 (“*When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats*”.

The Feast of Tabernacles will be fulfilled by the Marriage Supper of the Lamb in the Kingdom of Heaven on earth (“*Blessed are they which are called unto the **marriage supper** of the Lamb*”-Revelation 19:9). This is when Jesus Himself will eat the Marriage Supper on earth with the saved saints (“*Blessed are those servants, whom the lord when he cometh shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth **and serve them***”-Luke 12:37). Jesus told His disciples “*But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this **fruit of the vine**, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom*”-Matthew 26:29.