

Feasts for the Road

Exodus 23:14-17

"Three times in the year you shall keep a feast to me." [Exodus 23:17]

"Blessed are those who have set their hearts on pilgrimage" [5, NIV]

I. The three feasts

A. The Feast of _____ Bread

1. This feast is linked to Passover

a. It directly follows the Passover

b. It commemorates the _____ flight from Egypt

c. It celebrates redemption

"Remember this day in which you came out from Egypt, out of the house of _____"

[Exodus 13:3]

2. Leaven (_____) symbolizes growth

A neutral term: usually connected to the spread of _____ and _____

When the Israelites celebrated this feast, they _____ the yeast out of their homes

B. The Feast of _____

1. Also called the Feast of _____

2. Also called the Feast of _____

"The best of the firstfruits of your ground you shall bring into the house of the Lord your God." [Exodus 23:19]

3. Also called the Feast of _____

"The word of the truth, the gospel....is bearing fruit" [Colossians 1:5-6]

C. The Feast of _____

Seven months after Passover, when all the crops were gathered in

Also called the Feast of _____

Kept alive the memory of Israel's _____

II. The theological basis of these feasts

A. _____

Celebration of God's bountiful provision

B. _____

"With the Lord is plenteous redemption" [Psalm 103:7]

"You shall remember that you were a _____ in Egypt...." [Deuteronomy 16:12]

Jesus saved His people out of Egypt! [Jude 5]

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III. The purposes of these feasts

“Doctrine gives us the plot to our lives”

The first and last apologetic: a group of people who love the truth and live it

A. The feasts are oases of _____

B. The feasts are oases of _____

C. The feasts are oases of _____

“Let my people go, that they may hold a feast to me in the wilderness.” [Exodus 5:1]

D. The feasts are oases of _____

They help to keep what matters most on the front burner

E. The feasts are oases of _____

Gratitude _____ us when we have lost our way – it is deliberate memory

The feasts of are like having three _____!

F. The feasts are oases of _____

“None shall appear before me empty-handed” [Exodus 23:15b]

G. The feasts are oases of _____

The joy of creation and redemption – the joy we can know this spring!