

The Feast of Passover (Day 9 of 10)

Biblical Prophecy Fulfilled Timeline of Events

The Passover Overview He Is Alive

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“Speak to the sons of Israel, and say to them, ‘When you enter the land which I am going to give to you and reap its harvest, then you shall bring in the sheaf of the first fruits of your harvest to the priest. And he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD for you to be accepted; on the day after the Sabbath the priest shall wave it.’”

Leviticus 23:10-11

On the ninth day:

Wednesday Nighttime (Abib/Nisan 15th) – 5th day of the week

- The first day of Feast of Unleavened Bread begins (Passover of the Jews).
- The Passover lambs are eaten.
- The Sabbath day begins.
- Jesus spends His **first night** in the grave.

Thursday Daytime (Abib/Nisan 15th) – 5th day of the week

- The first day of the feast of Unleavened Bread continues.
- It is still the Sabbath day.
- Jesus spends His **first day** in the grave.

Thursday Nighttime (Abib/Nisan 16th) – 6th day of the week

- Jesus spends His **second night** in the grave.

Friday Daytime (Abib/Nisan 16th) – 6th day of the week

- The women prepare the spices **after** the Sabbath. (Mark 16:1)
- Jesus spends His **second day** in the grave.

Friday Nighttime (Abib/Nisan 17th) – 7th day of the week – Sabbath

- The weekly Sabbath begins.
- Jesus spends His **third night** in the grave.

Reflection Reading ninth day:

“For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life that I may take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father.”

John 10:17-19

Prayer on the ninth day:

Daily Exercise - Lectio Divina

Lectio Divina is a Latin term that means “divine reading.” It is a way or method of reading the Scriptures in such a manner that facilitates the reader in receiving a “specific word” from God. The practice was developed early in the church’s history with Origen first expressing its principles around 220 AD. The system consists of four parts: reading, meditation, prayer and contemplation. It may be practiced privately or in a small group setting. There are four elements to be considered in preparing for this exercise:

1. Set aside enough time to complete the exercise so that you don’t have to rush through it. Usually thirty minutes is adequate.
2. Find a quiet place free of distractions.
3. Read the Selected Passage Above of Scripture.

4. Transition from what you have been doing by calming you mind and body. This can be done by taking a few slow, deep breaths and inviting the Lord to speak to you through His word.

Reading

1. Read the passage aloud slowly a couple of times.
2. Be silent for one-to-two minutes.
3. Is there a word or phrase that is meaningful to you?
4. Repeat the word or phrase several times silently as if to memorize it.

* If in a group, share it in turn. Do not elaborate simply state what it is.

Meditation

1. Read the passage again.
2. Be silent for two to three minutes.
3. Think about how the reading applies or touches your life today.

* If in a group, share it in turn. Briefly state "I hear, I see, I feel ..."

Prayer

1. Talk with God about what he is showing you.

* If in a group, pray quietly.

Contemplation

1. Read the passage again.
2. Be silent for two to three minutes.
3. Reflect on "I believe God wants me to _____ today/this week/etc."

* If in a group, share in turn. At this point you can elaborate somewhat on what you believe God is telling you to do.

Study on the ninth day:

Behold the Man with Nail Pierced Hands

"They said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?' And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed!'"

Luke 24:33

