

# Christ's Last Week

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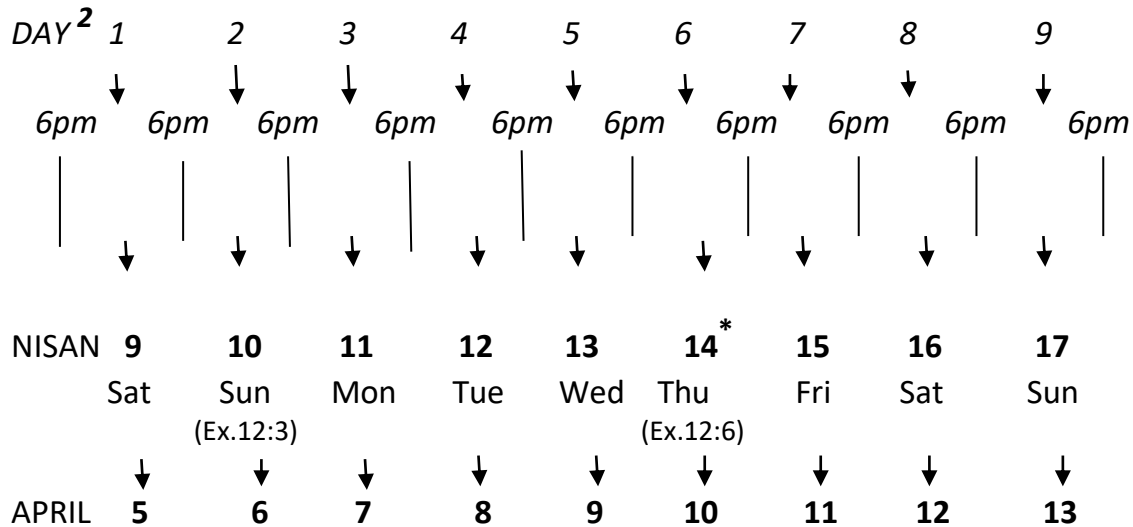
## Luke 22:7

The Feast of Passover must always occur on 14 NISAN (Leviticus 23:5). It was astronomically verified in the nineteenth century by Sir Robert Anderson (former Chief Inspector of Scotland Yard) that Passover (14 NISAN) occurred on Thursday April 10, 32 AD. (6pm to 6pm) – the day that Christ was crucified. He also affirmed that the 69 weeks of Daniel were fulfilled on Sunday April 6, 32 AD (today known as “Palm Sunday”). Four days later was the Passover (Exodus 12:6). Anderson used 116 extra days to account for leap years that transpired between 445 BC and 32 AD. This was later found to be 119 days, rather than 116. Thursday April 10 became the terminal point, when Messiah was cut off on Passover (14 NISAN) 32 AD. This reckoning is advanced by many theologians, chronologists and Christian astronomers. <sup>1</sup>

He was not crucified on “good Friday.” Neither was He crucified on Wednesday April 9. That would have been four nights in the grave, with Jesus being crucified the day before Passover. Jesus said as Jonah was **three** days and **three** nights in the belly of the fish, so shall He be three nights in the grave. If He was crucified on Wednesday, He would have risen on Saturday (Wednesday night, Thursday night and Friday night = three nights). As our eternal Passover lamb, He was required to be offered on the day of Passover which is always on 14 NISAN. Three nights later, in A.D. 32, was early Sunday morning.

According to scripture, there was a “high sabbath” on Friday, April 11 in A.D. 32 (John 19:31). The Jewish day started at sundown each day. Jesus’ body was placed on the cross at 9 am Thursday morning (Mark 15:25) and removed from the cross at the end of Thursday April 10 at approximately 6 pm. This nullifies the supposition that Jesus died on so-called “good Friday.” IF it were true, He would have been in the grave for two nights only (Friday night and Saturday night, which is just 36 hours, not 72 as prescribed). Jesus clearly stated that, like Jonah, He would be in the grave for three days and three nights. Only a Thursday crucifixion could fulfill this prophecy. He partook of His “last supper” with His apostles on Wednesday toward the end of the day and was slain along with all the Passover lambs in Jerusalem at 3 pm in celebration of Passover 24 hours later, on Thursday afternoon. John 18:28 reveals Jesus was still alive on 14 NISAN (Thursday). In addition, He was required to rise on the Feast of Firstfruits,

which was the day after the Saturday Sabbath (Leviticus 23:11). The following chart depicts the events and time frames which occurred over a nine day period, concluding with the resurrection of Christ on the first day of the week (Mark 9:31):



*\*Astronomically verified that 14 NISAN/10 April A.D. 32 fell on Thursday<sup>3</sup>*

That year (A.D. 32) there was a High Sabbath on Friday (John 19:31), recognizing the seven day feast of Unleavened Bread. Much confusion has arisen from this fact, causing people to believe that the Sabbath referred to was the normal Saturday Sabbath, when it actually was on Friday (6pm Thursday to 6pm Friday), thus corroborating the Thursday crucifixion.

## FEAST OF WEEKS

Greg W., on April 10, wrote an impressive piece on the Feast of Weeks/Pentecost, which is known by other biblical names. The Day of Pentecost occurred 50 days after the Feast of Firstfruits, when Jesus rose from the grave (Acts 2:1-4). According to Leviticus 23:11,15 and 16, both feasts (Pentecost and Firstfruits) **must** fall on a Sunday each year. The Rabbis, not the Bible, established Shavuot/Pentecost as being on 6 SIVAN every year. Great scrutiny needs to be exercised when evaluating the comments of the Sadducees and Pharisees concerning God's seven holy feast days. Through the years, they have greatly mangled the times, days and seasons given by God

in His holy Word. For the first time since I've been monitoring the Feast of Weeks (25 years), 2022 is the first time I've seen the true Pentecost/Shavuot occur on the "day after the Sabbath," on 6 SIVAN. There is much evidence that Pentecost will be the day of the Firstfruits Rapture. Enoch, the prototype of all rapture, was born and caught up on the Feast of Pentecost/Weeks. This year, Pentecost is on Sunday June 5. Is it also our day of departure?

## Great Falling Away

Despite Paul's attempt to be clear and chronological in 2 Thessalonians 2:1-8, modern Christianity still insists that there will be some sort of "falling away" from the faith, or notable "rebellion" against something or other. But saints, we must remind ourselves that any such sort of falling away started with Judas Iscariot during the earthly ministry of Jesus Christ. It culminated in the arrest and crucifixion of our Lord and the suicide of Judas. For the past 2,000+ years there have been untold numbers of "falling aways" and "rebellion" both in the secular world and the Christian faith.

A Comparison of 2 Thessalonians 2:3 to 2 Thessalonians 2:7:

*"Let no one deceive you by any means; for that Day will not come unless the departure, or Apostasia comes first (see Wuest and AMPC Bibles), and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition..." - verse 3*

*"For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only He who now restrains will do so, until He is taken out of the way." -verse 7*

In verse 3, Paul says the Day of the Lord cannot come unless the APOSTASIA comes first. Virtually all Bibles written before A.D. 1600 used the word "departure" or "departyne" when translating the word Apostasia. Who's to say it was a spiritual falling away?! The Greek word APOSTASIA is derived from APHISTEMI, which out of its 15 appearances in the N.T., is used 13 times to describe a physical movement from one location to another. In other words, Paul is referring not to a nondescript "falling away," but rather the departure of the church to heaven – the Rapture. It is then followed in verse three by the revealing of the man of sin – proof positive that said departure is pre-tribulational.

To miss this, is to open the door to other related doctrinal error concerning the end times. If you want to know about turning from the Faith once delivered, read 1 Timothy 4, the Book of Jude and other related passages.

2 Thessalonians 2:7 is similar and parallel to verse three of the same chapter. The Restrainer in verse seven CANNOT be the Holy Spirit. Nowhere in Scripture is Holy Spirit referred to in the masculine sense, as Proverbs 8 reveals. Such masculine references are the errors of translators. Holy Spirit in Hebrew is *RUACH*, which is always feminine. Neither is the Restrainer God the Father or Jesus. However, it is the masculine body of Jesus Christ, which is us! Many say that the identity of the Restrainer is a mystery. I say that mystery is revealed in Ephesians 5:32: *“This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the Church.”* Confirming verse three, verse seven states that AFTER the Church is removed, the Tribulation Week will commence. The primary purpose of 2 Thessalonians 2 is to cement the fact that the Rapture is pre-tribulational.

#### ENDNOTES

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<sup>1</sup> <https://ioan17.org/2013/03/30/dave-hunt-scripture-reveals-the-answer-of-crucifixion-week/>

<sup>2</sup> Jesus arrived in Bethany six days before the Passover which occurred on Thursday 14 NISAN: John 12:1,12. Jesus took supper there at the house of Mary and Martha: Matthew 26:2. That supper took place six days before His death on Passover.

<sup>3</sup> The British Royal Observatory verified that Sunday 6 April 32 A.D. fulfilled Daniel’s 69 weeks (Daniel 9). Four days later was 10 April, 14 NISAN when Jesus was “cut off.” This is verified in John 12:1 where it is recorded that six days before the Passover, Jesus arrived (on Saturday) in Bethany at the house of Mary and Martha.