Timeline of Truth – INTRODUCTION to 2 Sabbaths and 3 Feasts (Exodus 23:10-19)

¹⁰ "Six years you shall sow your land and gather in its produce,

¹¹ "but the seventh *year* you shall let it rest and lie fallow, that the poor of your people may eat; and what they leave, the beasts of the field may eat. In like manner you shall do with your vineyard *and* your olive grove.

Lev 25

1-7 - Sabbath of Years

8-22 – Year of Jubilee Sabbath

23-34 – Redemption of Property

35-38 – Lending to the Poor

39-55 - Servanthood & Slavery

Lev 26:33-35 - Warning of Forced Sabbath

Lev 26:40-43 - Possibility of Return

2 Chron 36:17-21 – Babylon Invades Judah

¹² "Six days you shall do your work, and on the seventh day you shall rest, that your ox and your donkey may rest, and the son of your female servant and the stranger may be refreshed.

¹³ "And in all that I have said to you, be circumspect and make no mention of the name of other gods, nor let it be heard from your mouth.

- ¹⁴ "Three times you shall keep a feast to Me in the year:
- ¹⁵ "You shall keep the Feast of Unleavened Bread (you shall eat unleavened bread seven days, as I commanded you, at the time appointed in the month of Abib, for in it you came out of Egypt; none shall appear before Me empty);
- $^{\rm 16}$ "and the Feast of Harvest, the firstfruits of your labors which you have sown in the field;

and the Feast of Ingathering at the end of the year, when you have gathered in *the fruit of* your labors from the field.

- ¹⁷ "Three times in the year all your males shall appear before the Lord GOD.
- ¹⁸ "You shall not offer the blood of My sacrifice with leavened bread; nor shall the fat of My sacrifice remain until morning.
- ¹⁹ "The first of the firstfruits of your land you shall bring into the house of the LORD your God. You shall not boil a young goat in its mother's milk.

Sabbath of Years – Let Land Rest Every 7th Year

WHAT:

- Six years sow and gather
- Seventh year eat from the field (& previous produce)

WHY (Ideas?):

- Rest the Land
- Rest the People
- Rest the Animals

POSSIBLE BENEFITS:

- Rest
- Renewal of people
- Renewal of land
- Focus
- Trust

GREAT SUGGESTION, OR A BIG DEAL?

Sabbath of <u>Days</u> – Let <u>Beings</u> Rest Every 7th Day

Six days → WORK

Seventh day → REST (people and animals alike)

Reason → REFRESHMENT (more given in Ex 20)

[Prohibition: Make No Mention of Other Gods]

Three Annual Feasts to God

Feast of <u>Unleavened Bread</u>

- WHAT? 7 days of eating unleavened bread after Passover
- WHY? To remember "what the LORD did for me"
- Ex 13:4-10
- Ex 34:18
- Deut 16:1-8

Feast of the <u>Harvest</u> (<u>Firstfruits</u> / <u>Weeks</u>)

- When the <u>first</u> of the harvest is gathered
- Deut 16:9-12

Feast of Ingathering (Tabernacles)

- When the <u>last</u> of the harvest has been gathered
- Deut 16:13-15

Additional Details of the Feasts

- Deut 16:16 All males gather
- Deut 16:16b-17 Free will offering each time

Additional Details of Feasting

- Blood with unleavened bread
- What to do with leftovers
- Where to bring firstfruits
- Consideration for goats