

The world was created when the wisdom of God (Pr. 8:22ff) gave the word of His Essence (John 1:1-3) to meaninglessness (Gen. 1:2) by giving it a share of His life (John 1:4) so it might have light (Gen 1:3) to know the potential of His glory. The creature (the earth), in order to receive the revelation, must have been created originally without the knowledge; this is the source of evil on earth – the lack of the glory of God (Rom 8:18-22). Since the receiver is compromised by lack, it chooses not to receive the glory all at once, but first to rest, and then partition the glory into pieces; God creates light, evening (and night) come before day (Gen. 1:5). The cycle – day and night – the revolution is established. Atoms spin, planets spin, the heart beats a rhythm and the blood circulates, and the rhythm of the rotation of matter creates a song that fills creation (Job 38:7). The imperfection of the earth engenders the cycle.

Day in Hebrew, yom, comes from the word yam that means heat; it is the opportunity for the passion of God's love for us to well up in our hearts; Water in Hebrew is mayim, the causes of opportunities. In Gen. 6:7, we learn that God has been contending with the earth through man, and cannot remain forever, but that the days (yom - opportunities) of his years (shanah - cycles) is 120 years, the measure of fulfilled wisdom. Ps. 68:17 tells us that the chariots of God (that's us doing our jobs, which bring God to the earth) are myriads (not of angels, a mistranslation) of shanah – cycles. We grow, we change, we gain wisdom, as we go from glory to glory (2Cor. 3:18), as we let the glory of God enter first our bodies, and then, the groaning earth, revelation by revelation, cycle by cycle, and thus He is “new every morning”.

The earth needs cycles since it cannot accept the full revelation of the glory of God without rest between. Our body needs cycles, since it is made of earth. We need to understand the cycles to be effective in our job of ministering, and also to understand ourselves.

The cycles were created by earth's need, but applied by God in a simple system, so we might learn and use them. When we were still just a thought in God's mind, He created a visible rhythm of heaven, to let us know the cycles, and then arranged life so that they would call us to gather. Gen. 1:14 *And God said, Let there be*

*lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years.* The word “seasons” is “mo'ed”, or, “that which causes people to assemble themselves.” The fabric of space and time in which we minister in God's name, is composed of successive revelations, successive cycles of rest to receive from Him, and work to bring about His Kingdom, and we are to ASSEMBLE OURSELVES at key points to make this happen. From the first, the church is project oriented, and ONE, though many filling the earth, directed from the lights of heaven to celebrate the Light of Man (John 1:4). First the sign, then the gathering, then the day of accomplishment, then the cycle is recognized. Days and years to gain wisdom of the heart that pumps the blood of life to renew our bodies.

We are not under the Law, for Jesus has set us free. But to understand the answer, it is best to first understand the question. To see this aspect of life which Jesus gave us, it is best to see the prescription of the law, and determine why God laid it out that way.

Under the law: De 16:16 *Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles: and they shall not appear before the LORD empty.* The feast of unleavened bread is the feast of seed planted, the feast of weeks is the feast of covenant established, and the feast of tabernacles is the harvest. The fulfillment is: Ro 8:23 *And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.* Ro 12:2 *And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.* The Spirit is the firstfruits, the redemption of the body is the harvest, and the renewing of the mind is the appropriation of the promise (covenant) that goes between the two.

More specifically:

The feast of unleavened bread, Passover, Easter, is the seed of:  
The call from slavery to freedom.  
The call to a desert with only God to guide.  
New yeast to raise the bread of ourselves we will serve the world.  
The bitter herbs of others' lack of acceptance of God's call in us.  
Jesus, planted in the ground, dead, who will rise.  
A new kingdom in which we walk.  
A new call to a new revelation of glory.  
A lettuce plant in the garden out back of the house.  
For to God, it is all one.

The Feast of Weeks, Shavuot (meaning promise, covenant, seven),  
Pentecost, is the revelation of:  
The wisdom of God written in heaven before creation.  
The covenant to Noah.  
The covenant of Sinai.  
The new covenant of the Holy Spirit.  
(which tradition says all happened on this date)  
The first fruits of our ministry of this cycle.  
The first cutting from the lettuce plant in the garden.

The Feast of Tabernacles, Sukkot, is the time of:  
The harvest of the garden.  
The feast of the garden.  
The harvest of glory in this cycle of ministry.  
The harvest of the protection of each other's sheltering arms.  
The harvest of joy in all of the above.  
The harvest of living water, light, and hope.  
The prefigure of the final harvest.  
The prayer for the world's salvation.  
The great forever feast of the bridegroom's return.  
The beginning of the winter rest, waiting for the next revelation.

The first two are well established in Christianity, but sukkot was  
lost to Halloween long ago, and our expectation of glory revealed

to the earth went with it. We don't need the moon's phases to call  
us; we have the Light of God, but we need to follow the call.