Passover Unleavened (Pesach) First Fruits Adar Nisan 12 lyar Shevat Mar Feb Apr Weeks Jan May Sivan Tevet (Pentecos Hanukkah 10 Dec Jun Kislev ammuz Nov Jul Oct Aug Sep Heshvan Tishri Elul Trumpets (Rosh HaShanah) Tabernacles Day of Atonemen (Sukkot) (Yom Kippur)

God has an annual calendar that points to redemptive things both in the past and yet to come

1 YHWH said to Moses, 2"Give the following instructions to the people of Israel. These are YHWH's appointed festivals, which you are to proclaim as official days for holy assembly. Leviticus 23:1-2

God's Annual Calendar

God has a calendar which He invites His people to participate in. This is a topic that many of us are familiar with although I think it important on a regular basis to remind ourselves of the overarching theme of these days.

Many Believers neglect or are ignorant of these days and the importance of them. While traditional Believers have thematic substitutions for the heart of the spring festivals, the neglect of the fall festivals (and their themes related to the return of Yeshua) is especially prevalent...with subsequent predictable deficiencies.

It is interesting to note that if you count Hanukkah and Purim that God has three times during the year when the topic of focus is the return of Yeshua and the events that surround that time. It seems to be important to Him that we are soberly watching and praying related to that coming day. As we take part in these "dress rehearsals" (see Colossians 2:16-17) we mark our heart and ready ourself a little more for that coming Day. In returning to YHWH's calendar, we have a consistent focus on this crucial coming Day which is the capstone of our faith and the fruition of God's redemptive story.

So this year, if you've celebrated these festivals for many years, I pray that there is a renewed excitement to enter Yah's festivals and to look at these themes with fresh eyes once again. And for those who may have never celebrated the fall festivals, it's not too late to start. As we do, I believe YHWH want to give us fresh and living understanding of that which is important to Him and that which will help better prepare us for what is on the horizon.