

Shavuot

FEAST OF FIRSTFRUITS – PENTECOST:

After Israel was freed from slavery under the Egyptian sons of Ham (Ps 78:51), God brought them first to Mount Sinai and gave them his royal laws on the day of Pentecost, which made their freedom complete (Ex 19 & 20). This royal law for the free was also later to be written on men's hearts by God's Holy Spirit on the same day of Pentecost (Acts 2, Jer 31:31-34, Heb 10:16-17)! As we begin obeying God, He gives us His Holy Spirit (Acts 5:32). With the help of God's Spirit, we can begin to obey God more fully and to grow in understanding (2 Tim 1:6-7, 1 Cor 2:10-13). As we follow God's Spirit, we become His sons (Rom 8:14). This is the same Holy Spirit or Holy Seed that impregnated Mary and filled the life of our Savior. Pentecost is so rich and abundant with meaning that this brief summary does not do it justice. But suffice to say here, Pentecost is truly a fitting reflection of our Lord's Body and like a bar of truly refined gold, its' worth is immense. To learn more about the beauty and depth of this Holy Feast, obtain a copy of the book, ***PENTECOST: A Countdown to Freedom***, by Don E. Haney.