

The Feast of Firstfruits I

NKJ Psalm 89:15 Blessed are the people who know **the joyful sound!** They walk, O LORD, in the light of Your countenance.

NLT Psalm 89:15 Happy are those who hear **the joyful call to worship**, for they will walk in the light of your presence, LORD.

“Blessed – happy, fortunate (to be envied) - are the people who know the joyful sound (**who understand and appreciate the spiritual blessings symbolized by the Feasts**); they shall walk, O Lord, in the light and favor of Thy countenance” *Psalm 89:15 Amplified*

I

Consider *Deuteronomy 16:16* and *Leviticus 23:9-14*

The people were to offer the first ripe sheaf of barley to the Lord as an act of **dedication** of the full harvest to him.

The offering was presented at the altar of the Lord in praise and **thanksgiving**.

The people were to keep the Lord first in **everything**.
Exodus 13:11-13 and *Exodus 22:29*

II

The first were always the **choicest**, the **foremost**, the best, and the pre-eminent of all that was to follow.

The firstfruits were an indication of the full harvest.

Firstfruits remind us to give the Lord the first place and rank in our lives.

III

Consider *1 Corinthians 15:20-23*...

By man came death. **Vs 21**

In Adam all died. **Vs 22**

By Christ came the resurrection of the dead. **Vs 21**

In Christ all shall be made **alive**. **Vs 22**

Christ is the firstfruits of those from the dead. **Vs 20**

Because He rose we will raise.

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