

Study Hints for Discussion and Thinking Further ***International Bible Lessons***

Leviticus 2:14 & 23:9-22

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Some Bible study groups or classes can further discussion by asking some or all of the **Questions for Discussion and Thinking Further** below. Others may want to send the bulletin size *International Bible Lesson* home with their students for further study in the coming week to encourage continuing Bible study. The *Study Hints for Discussion and Thinking Further* below are not actually intended to be *the answers* to the discussion questions. These indeed are “hints” a teacher may use to help students think through and discuss the questions in class. The *Class Preparation Guide* includes the questions below, and it can be given to students at the end of the previous class so they can pray, read, and think ahead to prepare for the next week’s Bible class.

Questions for Discussion and Thinking Further

1. When they harvested, what kind of grain were the Israelites to offer?

The firstfruits (the first barley or the first wheat harvested) with crushed grains and roasted.

2. When were the Israelites to begin making offerings of barley and wheat?

After they entered the Promised Land and began to reap a harvest.

3. Where did they take their sheaf offering?

To the priest.

4. What was done with the sheaf of firstfruits?

The priest waved it before the LORD on the day after the Sabbath.

5. When could the Israelites eat the grain they harvested?

Only after they made the offering of firstfruits.

Bonus Questions

1. What major feast followed the Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread? When did it occur? What did the Christians name the feast in the Book of Acts?

The Feast of Weeks. Fifty days later. Pentecost.

2. What could be used for wave offerings according to Leviticus 23:15-22?

A sheaf of barley or wheat. Loaves of bread. Lambs.

3. What kind of bread was used for Passover? What kind of bread was used for the feast in Leviticus 23:15-22?

Unleavened. Leavened.

4. How might you compare the work of yeast in bread and the work of the Holy Spirit in believers?

Leaven completely fills and has an expanding effect on the bread dough, which makes the loaf of bread rise and become larger and more satisfying to eat. The Holy Spirit completely fills believers and makes them more effective in living and in showing and telling others about Jesus. The Holy Spirit satisfies the spiritual needs of believers and helps them help others.

5. How were the poor and foreigners in the land to be cared for by farmers?

They were allowed to reap the edges of a field and glean from the harvest.

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