

The Profile of a Leader

1. Jewish Feasts - 3 Annual Feasts

Passover (Unleavened Bread):from “pasah”

- Instituted in memory of Israel’s preservation from the last plague visited upon Egypt.

Pentecost (Feast of Weeks/Harvest):

- Celebrated fifty days after Passover. A time to acknowledge God as the giver of the harvest.

Feast of Tabernacle (Booths/Tents):

- Commemorates the journey of the Hebrew people through the wilderness. As they journeyed and lodge in tents.
- This feast is meant to accentuate the care and protection of Jehovah.

2. The Profile of the Leader

A. Sensitive to Timing

- The desire of his brothers (v.4)
- The wisdom of Jesus (v.1)
- The “Kairos” movement (v.6)
- In touch with society and with God

B. Rising Above Opinion Polls

- **Differing opinions**
 - Did not believe (v.5)
 - Good man (v.12)
 - Deceiver (v.12)
 - Demon-possessed (v.20)
 - Prophet (v.40)
 - Christ (v.41)
- **Self-Understanding (vv.28-29)**

C. Focused on the Bigger Cause

- **Jesus focused on the Father (vv.16-18)**

D. Breaks with the Status Quo

- **The timing of Jesus’ declaration**
- **The substance of the invitation**