



## The Feast of Dedication

### The Importance of Biblically Teaching Holy Days

Making the decision to repent and keep the laws of God is a huge step. Huge not only in the sense of doing what is pleasing to The Most High but huge in the transition of moving away from the traditions of men to the traditions of your biblical heritage. We have many high holy days and feast days to learn of and how to observe properly. The majority of which are not shown or acknowledged in mainstream media. The Feast of Dedication, or Hanukkah, is one feast most people are already familiar with, if only by name.

**Proverbs 22:6** *Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.*

In training up our children, as the scriptures command, we must ensure that we are doing so biblically and not only using “Google” and “Pinterest” to guide us. If you search the internet for info on the feast and the traditions surrounding Hanukkah, you will get a host of answers. The majority of the answers you will find are incorrect. Some more prevalent misconceptions are..... playing with a dreidel, decorating using a 6 pointed star, calling it “the festival of lights”, the story of there not being enough oil in the temple, using a 9 branch menorah. The list is a long one. Oddly enough, NONE of the things I have mentioned are actually in the bible! Not one! And so, we must now ask ourselves a serious question. If we have made the conscious decision to come out of the world, are we going to allow the world to dictate how we celebrate our holy feast days? The answer should be a firm NO.

**Titus 1:14** *Not giving heed to Jewish fables, and commandments of men, that turn from the truth.*

**2 Corinthians 6:17-18** *Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you. And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.*

So how does one navigate through false narratives and manmade traditions? What do you tell your children? That is where studying and applying are essential and how you will know how and what to teach your children. Having access to righteous teachings and various forums, like this website, are necessary in these days and times. Do not be afraid to use the actual words written in the bible to teach your children about our heritage. Point out the distinct differences between what is advertised and what is biblical. Use your imagination when it comes to decoration and gifts. Create true lasting memories and righteous traditions for your family. Your children will be better off for it and will only thrive in the truth of who they truly are. We are not to indulge in the things that the masses in the world partake in. We are a set apart and holy nation. Acknowledgment of those facts will boost your child’s faith while also doing the same for yours.

**Deuteronomy 7:6** *For thou art a holy people unto the Lord thy God: the Lord thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth.*