

# FEAST OF PURIM CELEBRATION

- Purim is celebrated annually on the 14th day of the Hebrew month of Adar.
- The Feast of Purim was not established by the Mosaic Law. It was commanded by Mordecai (Es.9:20-28) and by Esther (Es.9:29-32).
- The term “*pur*” comes from Esther 3:6-7 describing the choice for the date to exterminate the Jews.



<b>DAY 1</b>	<b>DAY 2</b>	<b>MODERN</b>
<p align="center"><b><u>13th of Adar, 473BC</u></b> <b>(February-March)</b> <b>Empire-Wide</b></p>	<p align="center"><b><u>14th of Adar, 473BC</u></b> <b>(February-March)</b> <b>Shushan (Susa)</b></p>	<p align="center"><b><u>14th of Adar</u></b> <b><u>15th of Adar</u></b> <b>(in Jerusalem and all ancient walled cities)</b></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The outlying provinces killed 75,000 enemies in one day (9:16).</li> <li>• killed in Susa 500 plus Haman’s 10 sons, 510 total (9:6,12).</li> <li>• Only one day of killing the enemies.</li> <li>• They would remember God’s deliverance of His people from extinction.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To continue their search for enemies who had escaped on the 13th and to put them to death.</li> <li>• They killed an additional 300 men (9:15).</li> <li>• Hanging of Haman’s 10 sons in public. They were already dead, but sends a message.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jews in Susa celebrated on the 15th of Adar (after the slaughters on the 13th and 14th).</li> <li>• The two days of slaughter is why they celebrate for two days rather than one.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exchanging gifts</li> <li>• Donating charity to the poor</li> <li>• Eating a celebratory meal</li> <li>• Public recitation of the Scroll of Esther</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



When the book of Esther is read, the audience joins in, cheering when Mordecai’s name is mentioned, and shouting and making noise when Haman’s name is mentioned to drown out his name.