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Parsha: Shavuos 1 – חג השבועות אי

1. It seems that holiday are never when they're supposed to be!

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3. At first Jewish communities were notified by fires on mountaintops and later by messengers sent out all over.



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2. Checking dates of the holidays nowadays is as simple as looking at any calendar. Years ago, Jews had to wait until the bet din would announce the new month before making plans.



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4. Because the messengers couldn't reach the very far communities, the exiles started celebrating two days, to be safe. We outside Israel still do so nowadays.



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5. Why did G-d need to make things so complicated? Why couldn't He have had Moshe set up a calendar when G-d first commanded us about the months?



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6. Just as in a marriage has to be kept fresh and exciting, by keeping the dates of the "vacations" He has planned a surprise till the last minute G-d keeps our marriage exciting.



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7. We must not respond to the holidays as if they're inconvenient. Rather, we must see them for what they are; surprise vacations presented to us by our loving husband. We must rejoice in them.



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