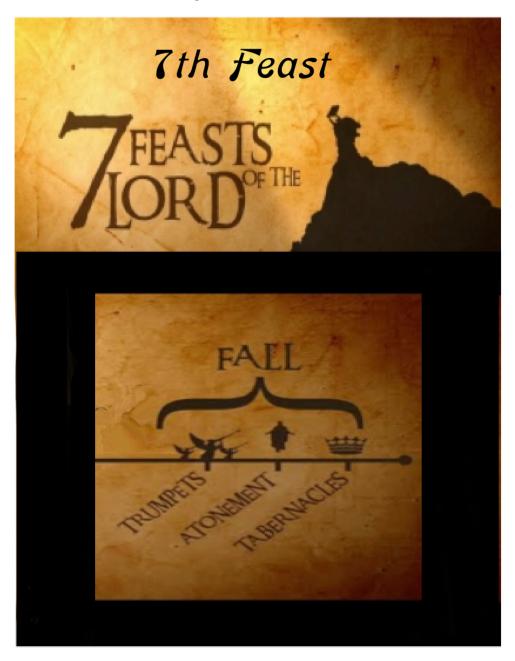
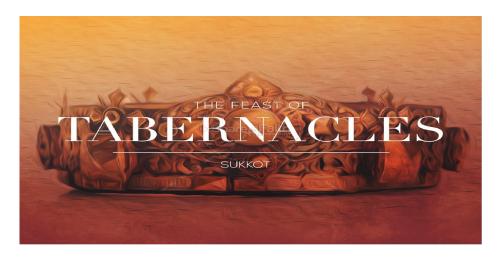
Feast of Tabernacles



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Feasts of the Lord 7th Feast of Tabernacles - Millenial Reign Sukkot Tishrei 15-21 (7 days)



Is Known As... Messiah's Millenial Reign, Feast of Ingathering, Feast of Booths

Leviticus 23:34: Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, The <u>15th day of this seventh month</u> shall be the feast of tabernacles **for seven days** unto the LORD. **TISHREI 15**

Leviticus 23:35: [7 Days of Tabernacles] On the first day shall be an holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work therein.

36 Seven days ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD: **on the 8th day shall be an holy convocation unto you**; and ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD: it is a solemn assembly; and ye shall do no servile work therein.

1st and 8th, the first and last day is a Sabbath. The Feast of Tabernacles is surrounded by REST!

In Prov. 7:19,20 Is a prophecy where we see a Harlot speaking about Jesus...

'day appointed' (means) Festival of the Full Moon

Strongs 3677 kece' keh'-seh or keceh {keh'-seh}; apparently from 3680; properly, fullness or the full moon, i.e. its festival:--(time) appointed.

TISHREI 15 IS SUKKOT – THE FESTIVAL OF THE FULL MOON

Leviticus 23:41-43: And you shall keep it a feast to the LORD seven days in the year. It shall be a statute for ever in your generations: you shall celebrate it in the seventh month. 42 You shall dwell in booths seven days; all that are Israelites born shall dwell in booths: That your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God.

'Sukka'h (means) a hut, a tabernacle, a tent

Genesis 33:17: And Jacob journeyed to Succoth, and built him an house, and made booths for his cattle: therefore the name of the place is called Succoth.

And sukkahs are made for cattle as well.

- **Leviticus 23:2:** Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them, Concerning the feasts of the LORD, which you shall proclaim to be holy convocations, even these are my feasts.
- **Deuteronomy 16:16:** Three times in a year shall all your males appear before the LORD your God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles: and they shall not appear before the LORD empty:

They have to be in Jerusalem 3 times a year for the Feasts of Passover, Pentecost, and Tabernacles.

- Exodus 23:14: Three times you shall keep a feast to me in the year.
- **Exodus 34:22**: And you shall observe the feast of weeks, of the first fruits of wheat harvest, and the feast of ingathering at the year's end.

They were harvesting at Passover, barley; at Pentecost, wheat, and at Tabernacles, is the Fruit Harvest of grapes, pomegranates, olives and nuts. The harvest represents the saints. When you start at Passover, salvation you are the first level, barley, a grain for the poor or animals. But at Pentecost as you continue your walk into the Provision of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit you have now matured into a wheat grain. A grain that is has substance for yourself and for others to draw from. But at Tabernacles all kinds of harvest will be coming in. We will be feasting on the variety of God's Glory all around us.

- Matthew 13:38-41: The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked one;
 - 39 The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels.
 - **40** As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world.
 - 41 The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity;

The harvest is the end of the age. He is likening the festivals to the different harvests.

- **Revelation of John 14:15-19:** And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud, Thrust in your sickle, and reap: for the time is come for you to reap; for the harvest of the earth is ripe.
 - 16 And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle on the earth; and the earth was reaped.
 - 17 And another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle.
 - 18 And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in your sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe.
 - 19 And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast it into the great wine press of the wrath of God.

God has always had a heart to tabernacle with us. At the 1st Passover, blood is put on the doorposts. Go across the Red Sea. At the 1st Pentecost, they received the Torah, the Law on two tablets of stone. But Moses found a golden calf waiting for him when he came down. Went back up for another 40 days on Elul 1. Total 80 days. Next, he comes down a 2nd time, letting the people know that he had made atonement for the people, Yom Kippur, Feast of Atonement. He also came down with the plans for the Tabernacle. And 5 days later from Yom Kippur is Tabernacles.

So on the very first day of Tabernacles, they will begin the building of the Tabernacle, the House of God.

- **Exodus 35:20-22:** And all the congregation of the children of Israel departed from the presence of Moses.
 - 21 And they came, every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing, and they brought the LORD's offering to the work of the tabernacle of the congregation, and for all his service, and for the holy garments.
 - 22 And they came, both men and women, as many as were willing hearted, and brought bracelets, and earrings, and rings, and tablets, all jewels of gold: and every man that offered offered an offering of gold to the LORD.

They did it with joy. It is a time of rejoicing. God wanted to tabernacle with them.

- **Zechariah 14:3-4:** Then shall the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle.
 - 4 And his feet shall stand in that day on the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall split in the middle
 - thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south.
- **Zechariah 14:16-19:** And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles.
 - 17 And it shall be, that whoever will not come up of all the families of the earth to Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, even on them shall be no rain.
 - 18 And if the family of Egypt go not up, and come not, that have no rain; there shall be the plague, with which the LORD will smite the heathen that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.
 - 19 This shall be the punishment of Egypt, and the punishment of all nations that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.
- **Revelation of John 21:3**: And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.

Jesus returns on the Mount of Olives, and he begins his millennial reign on the feast of tabernacles.

- **Revelation of John 21:16-17:** And the city lies foursquare, and the length is as large as the breadth: and he measured the city with the reed, twelve thousand furlongs. The length and the breadth and the height of it are equal.
 - 17: And he measured the wall thereof, an hundred and forty and four cubits, according to the measure of a man, that is, of the angel.

'twelve thousand furlongs' - 1,500 miles

New Jerusalem is 33,750,000 cubic miles. The Northwest to Kansas, square. And 1,500 miles up into the air.

This earth and our bodies are only temporary places. God has allotted man 7,000 years. Then you are going to get the new heaven and the new earth.

Isaiah 51:6: Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look on the earth beneath: for the heavens shall vanish away like smoke, and the earth shall wax old like a garment, and they that dwell therein

shall die in like manner: but my salvation shall be for ever, and my righteousness shall not be abolished.

II Corinthians 5:1: For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

So we see the similarity between our bodies being temporal and a tabernacle and THE Tabernacle.

John 2:19: Jesus answered and said to them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.

II Peter 1:13-14: Yes, I think it meet, as long as I am in this tabernacle, to stir you up by putting you in remembrance; Knowing that shortly I must put off this my tabernacle, even as our Lord Jesus Christ has showed me.

Our bodies, our tabernacle are temporary.

TABERNACLE OF JESUS

II Peter 1:16: For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty.

When did he see the power of the coming of the Lord?

- Mark 9:1-2: And he said to them, Truly I say to you, That there be some of them that stand here, which shall not taste of death, till they have seen the kingdom of God come with power.

 2 And after six days Jesus takes with him Peter, and James, and John, and leads them up into an high mountain apart by themselves: and he was transfigured before them.
- Mark 9:5: And Peter answered and said to Jesus, Master, it is good for us to be here: and let us make three tabernacles; one for you, and one for Moses, and one for Elias.

Let us build 3 Tabernacles. It was at the feast of tabernacles that Peter saw this.

Leviticus 23:39: Also in the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when you have gathered in the fruit of the land, you shall keep a feast to the LORD seven days: on the first day shall be a sabbath, and on the eighth day shall be a sabbath.

The first day and the 8^{th} day were to be a Sabbath, even if they fell on any day than Saturday. The 8^{th} day is actually a separate feast, but it is attached to the 7^{th} feast.

Leviticus 23:40: You shall take you on the first day the boughs of goodly trees, branches of palm trees, and the boughs of thick trees, and willows of the brook; and you shall rejoice before the LORD your God seven days.

Symbolism of the Trees

- 1. Boughs of goodly trees (myrtle) Praise and rejoicing
- 2. Branches of palm trees (LULSAV) Ps 92:12 His righteousness to save
- 3 Boughs of thick trees (etrog) Lords beauty
- 4 Willows of the brook The suffering servant

Josephus, from the Talmud, says 2,5 million Jews would be at this feast.

Key Events At This Time

- 1. 2nd Coming of Messiah
- 2. Tabernacle is to be built

3. Jesus, Messiah begins His Millennial reign

SOLOMON'S TEMPLE

When was Solomon's temple dedicated.



II Chronicles 5:1: Thus all the work that Solomon made for the house of the LORD was finished: and Solomon brought in all the things that David his father had dedicated; and the silver, and the gold, and all the instruments, put he among the treasures of the house of God.

II Chronicles 5:3: Why all the men of Israel assembled themselves to the king in the feast which was in the seventh month.

II Chronicles 5:11: And it came to pass, when the priests were come out of the holy place: (for all the priests that were present were sanctified, and did not then wait by course:

12 Also the Levites which were the singers, all of them of Asaph, of Heman, of Jeduthun, with their sons and their brothers, being arrayed in white linen, having cymbals and psalteries and harps, stood at the east end of the altar, and with them an hundred and twenty priests sounding with trumpets:)

13 It came even to pass, as the trumpeters and singers were as one, to make one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the LORD; and when they lifted up their voice with the trumpets and cymbals and instruments of music, and praised the LORD, saying, For he is good; for his mercy endures for ever: that then the house was filled with a cloud, even the house of the LORD; 14 So that the priests could not stand to minister by reason of the cloud: for the glory of the LORD had filled the house of God.

7TH MONTH - TISHREI, FEAST OF TABERNACLES

- II Chronicles 7:1: Now when Solomon had made an end of praying, the fire came down from heaven, and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and the glory of the LORD filled the house.
 - **2** And the priests could not enter into the house of the LORD, because the glory of the LORD had filled the LORD's house.
- II Chronicles 7:8: Also at the same time Solomon kept the feast seven days, and all Israel with him, a very great congregation, from the entering in of Hamath to the river of Egypt.
- II Chronicles 7:9: And in the eighth day they made a solemn assembly: for they kept the dedication of the altar seven days, and the feast seven days.

The people were commanded to rejoice. And the rejoicing was around the ceremony of the 'water libation'. They were commanded to rejoice and so they partied.

In the court of the women, there were four enormous lampstands with four golden bowls at the top of each.

They were 75 feet high in the air. What they used for wicks, were the linen garments of the priests that would cut them into strips and these were the wicks. They poured in oil from seven gallon buckets. Young men would go up ladders to fill the bowls. It was so bright that it could be seen for miles.

The city of Jerusalem sits very high on a hill. Jerusalem during the feast of tabernacles was known for being the light of the world.

John 8: Jesus said "I am the light of the world" and this was said on the feast of Tabernacles.

John 8:12: Then spoke Jesus again to them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that follows me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

DAILY CEREMONY

David divided the Levitical priests into groups of 24 called 'divisions'. Tabernacles took 7 days + 1 day = 8 days. So 24 divided into 8 days is 3 groups a day.

1ST GROUP IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SACRIFICES

2ND GROUP WATER LIBATION



They would go out of the 'Water Gate' on the south side with the High Priest to the pool of shilom (which had 'living water') and get a pitcher full of this water and bring it back into the Temple. The water was poured into a golden cup – speaks of royalty. Used for the Water libation.

There would also be 200,000 people who would be watching this. They would also have a silver (speaks of redemption), a pitcher filled with wine meaning the **blood** of the grapes. Shalom (means gently flowing waters). Together, two priests would pour into a silver cup,

one the living water and one the blood of the grapes on the altar of sacrifice. Now remember what pour out of Jesus on the cross, the blood and the water.

Exodus 15:1-2 After the defeat at the Red Sea of Egyptian Army...they sang...

Exodus 15:2: The LORD is my strength and song, and he is become my salvation: he is my God, and I will prepare him an habitation; my father's God, and I will exalt him.

'salvation' Yeshua & 'habitation' a Sukkah

EXODUS PRAISE - Psalms 118:14: The LORD is my strength and song, and is become my salvation.

And...Psalms 118:15: The voice of rejoicing and <u>salvation is in the tabernacles</u> of the righteous: the right hand of the LORD does valiantly.

You see rejoicing and salvation (Yeshua, Jesus) is IN THE TABERNACLE. Feast of Tabernacles, 1,000 year reign of Jesus on the earth with his people.

TABERNACLE SONG: Isaiah 12:2-3: Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD JEHOVAH is my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation.

Therefore with joy shall you draw water out of the wells of salvation.

And...John 7:37-38: In the last day, that great day of the feast [Tabernacles], Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come to me, and drink. He that believes on me, as the scripture has said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

They just got through singing, you draw wells from the river of Yeshua, and at that moment, Yeshua stood up and said, Draw waters from me, Yeshua.

3RD GROUP CUT WILLOW BRANCHES

They went out of the eastern gate, known as the 'Beautiful Gate' down to the valley and they cut willow branches 25-30 feet in length. There would be rows and rows of priests with large willow branches to wave. They would take a step and wave it. Take a step and wave. There would be a sound of willow branches. The Hebrew word for 'wind' is 'RUACH'. Which is translated spirit, breath, and wind.

Summary:

So at the same time group 2 water and group 3 would be moving up towards the temple. Signifying the spirit coming upon Jerusalem. As they arrived there would be a flutiest playing as they arrived. He had a flute that was pierced, called the pierced flute. So the pierced one would be calling the wind and the water into the temple.

Feasts of the Lord 8th Day - Shemini Atzeret - the Eighth Day New Heaven and New Earth



Lev 23 7 days for Tabernacles, Tishrei 15-21, and then there is the 8th day, Tishrei 22.

Leviticus 23:36: Seven days you shall offer an offering made by fire to the LORD: on the <u>eighth</u> day shall be an holy convocation to you; and you shall offer an offering made by fire to the LORD: it is a solemn <u>assembly</u>; and you shall do no servile work therein.

Shemini is the number 8. It's the 8th day. Atzeret (means) assembly

Thus, Assembly on the 8th day.

The number 7 represents a perfect number. 7th day ending on a 'Shabbat'.

But the 8th day also becomes the 1st day. (Do Re Mi Fa Sol La Ti, Do)

8 in typology speaks of 'new beginnings'. Your starting over again. New heavens and new earth, and new beginnings.

Deuteronomy 31:10-12: And Moses commanded them, saying, At the end of every seven years, in the solemnity of the year of release, in the feast of tabernacles,

11 When all Israel is come to appear before the LORD your God in the place which he shall choose, you shall read this law [Torah - teaching] before all Israel in their hearing.

12 Gather the people together, men and women, and children, and your stranger that is within your gates, that they may hear, and that they may learn, and fear the LORD your God, and observe to do all the words of this law:

Only the MEN were required to come up for tabernacles, but on the 7th year men and WOMEN were to come.

'law' a bad translation

Rather it is 'teaching.' Like today we think 'doctrine' is bad, but really doctrine is only teaching. Teaching and not law.

Isaiah 2:1-5: The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

- 2 And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow to it.
- 3 And many people shall go and say, Come you, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,

- to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law [Torah teaching], and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.
- 4 And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.
- 5 O house of Jacob, come you, and let us walk in the <u>light</u> of the LORD.

This is in the year of Jubilee. 7 x 7 is 49. So at the end of that 49th year, the Lord will return, and all nations shall flow to Jerusalem, Tabernacles.

'light' tabernacles

- Micah 4:1-2: But in the last days it shall come to pass, that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow to it.
 - 2 And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for the law [Torah teaching] shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

Book of Nehemiah is 400 years after Solomon's Temple.

- **Nehemiah 8:1:** And all the people gathered themselves together as one man into the street that was before the <u>water gate</u>; and they spoke to Ezra the scribe to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had commanded to Israel.
 - 2 And Ezra the priest brought the law before the congregation both of men and women, and all that could hear with understanding, on the first day of the seventh month. [Feast of Trumpets] (Lev 23)
 - 3 And he read therein before the street that was <u>before the water gate</u> from the morning until midday, before the men and the women, and those that could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law.

Feast of Trumpets was for 2 days. Called one long day. Here we see the 2nd day.

- Nehemiah 8:13-15: And on the second day were gathered together the chief of the fathers of all the people, the priests, and the Levites, to Ezra the scribe, even to understand the words of the law. 14 And they found written in the law which the LORD had commanded by Moses, that the children of Israel should dwell in booths in the feast of the seventh month:
 - 15 And that they should publish and proclaim in all their cities, and in Jerusalem, saying, Go forth to the mount, and fetch olive branches, and pine branches, and myrtle branches, and palm branches, and branches of thick trees, to make booths, as it is written.
- Nehemiah 8:18: Also day by day, from the first day to the last day, he read in the book of the law of God. And they kept the feast seven days; and on the eighth day was a solemn assembly, according to the manner.

My Sources:

- These are my notes that I have created over the years from several sources. They are not intended for publication. They are simply my notes that I am willing to share as I have seen fit to put together.
- I believe that we have experienced the Feast of Passover and the Feast of Pentecost, but, oh but, not the Feast of Tabernacles. This feast as the first two are for all of Israel and I a Gentile, have been grafted into the blood of Jesus, the nation of Israel. I am watching and waiting for the promised third feast, Tabernacles which speaks of His Glory revealed.
- I encourage you to seek the ancient paths and see what God wrote for us to walk in. The revelation of the tribes anchors our faith and releases us to His Calling in Christ Jesus.
 - Jeremiah 18:15: Because my people hath forgotten me, they have burned incense to vanity, and they have caused them to stumble in their ways

from the ancient paths, to walk in paths, in a way not cast up;

Jeremiah 6:16: Thus said the LORD, Stand you in the ways, and see, and <u>ask for the old paths</u>, where is the good way, and walk therein, and you shall find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk therein.

17 Also I set watchmen over you, saying, Listen to the sound of the trumpet. But they said, We will not listen.

Said of George Mueller, 1839 "This wide awake servant of God, watched the signs of the times, and while others slept, followed the Lords signal of advance."

Note taking from sermons and teachers on the subject over the last 50 years, such as Pastor Mark Biltz, and Steve Blanchard, and from some long forgotten.

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