

**THE LAST THREE FEASTS
YET TO BE FULFILLED
(PART 2)
(THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES)**



The Feast of Tabernacles points to the future restoration of the Jewish nation. The meaning of the Feast of Tabernacle is of great importance in its fulfillments. According to A.E. Ware, the Lord YAHSHUA was born on the first day of the Feast of Tabernacles, which was on the 29th of October (The Restored Vision). One might doubt the date and disregard the point on that occasion, but YAHWEH established His feasts with a future in His mind. It was as if He was indirectly telling the world through Israel that those feasts were a shadow of what were to come in His prophetic plans for the world. They were not just ordinances to be observed, they were pictures of the true fulfillment embed in YAHWEH'S future. When YAHSHUA was born on the first day of this feast, Israel was unaware of the Light being shone that day through Him as the incarnate God. This was the most important feast of that year, signaling God's faithfulness and love for all mankind. That feast would have been fulfilled completely if the Jewish nation had accepted

YAHSHUA as their Messiah. However, they didn't and therefore, the Feast of Tabernacle's fulfillment was set for another time in history.

Tabernacle means a dwelling place or tent. It has two significant meanings embed in the noun and in a verb. As a noun it is a tent, bringing to remembrance the years Israel wandered through the desert. As a verb it means to dwell. We see the future meaning of the Feast of Tabernacles in YAHSHUA'S dwelling among us. John, the disciple, so expresses in John 1: 14: And the Word (YAHSHUA) became flesh and tabernacled among us; and we saw His glory, such glory as an only begotten son receives from his father, full of grace and truth. Our Lord entered the earth at the third hour of 8-9 A.M, the usual time for the Morning Sacrifice (The Restored Vision).

The Feast of Tabernacles is a feast of "Season of Joy" because it is the ingathering at the end of the harvest season. You shall keep of Feast of Ingathering [Booth or Tabernacles] at the end of the year, when you gather in the fruit of your labors from the field (Ex. 23:16b). After months of hard labor, the Israelites were to set aside eight days to celebrate God's blessings of plenty through the harvest. It was a remembrance of YAHWEH'S faithfulness toward them. It is celebrated at the end of the year between September-October, that is, in YAHWEH'S calendar.

It is the appointed feast that closes YAHWEH'S festive calendar. It points to the climax of the earth future. It closes the door and opens another, when YAHWEH'S prophetic plans will be established on the earth at His second return to earth to establish His kingdom. This feast will take place after the last week of Daniel is fulfilled. It will be the time when YAHSHUA will again dwell among men. This time, He will reign over all the earth. And shall be in that day that the Root of Jesse shall stand as a signal for the peoples; of Him shall the nations inquire and seek knowledge, and His dwelling shall be glory. And in that day the Lord shall again lift up His hand a second time to recover the remnant of His people which is left... and He will raise up a signal for the nations and will assemble the outcasts of Israel and will gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corner of the earth (Isaiah 11:10,-11,12).

At the time of the second coming of Messiah, Jerusalem will experience tremendous geographical and topographical changes. The Bible says that the land of Israel will rise above all other mountains; it will be the highest mountain of the world. On the top of the mountain there will be the millennium temple and the

millennial Jerusalem. Isaiah prophesied this in chapter 2:2: and it shall come to pass in the latter days, that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established on the top of the mountain and it shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it. Israel will be gathered from the nations and returned to their land. And they shall bring all your brethren out of all the nations for an oblation unto Jehovah, upon horses and in chariots and in litter, and upon mules and upon dromedaries, to my holy mountain Jerusalem, says Jehovah, as the children of Israel bring their oblation in a clean vessel unto the house of the Lord (Isaiah 66:20).

It will be a time for God's plan to prosper in the lives of the Jewish nation. His plan of old will take place when Israel will serve the Lord as priests. With righteousness and justice shall He judge the poor and decide with fairness for the meek, the poor, and the downtrodden of the earth; and He shall smite the earth and the oppressor with the rod of His mouth, and with the breath of His lips He shall slay the wicked. And righteousness shall be the girdle of His waist and faithfulness the girdle of His loins. The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid, and the calf and the young lion and the fatted domestic animal together; and a little child shall lead them. The sucking child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den. They shall not hurt or destroy in all My holy mountain, for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea (Isaiah 11:4-9). At that time, Satan will be bound for a thousand years. He will be overpowered by an angel who will bind him and secure him into the abyss (the bottomless pit). The angel will close it and seal it above him, so that he should no longer lead astray and deceive and seduce the nations until the thousand years are at an end (Rev. 20:1-3).

There is much to be said about the Feast of Tabernacles. It is a feast prophetically directed to the Jewish nation- a time of peace and restoration. Israel will finally be to the nations what has been intended for her to be. The Lord will be their God; and they will be God's people in every sense of the word. The Feast of Tabernacles will still be celebrated at that time. And everyone who 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 or Booths (Zech. 14:16). It will be mandatory with consequences for those who will not observe the feast.

The marriage supper of the Lamb will open the millennium after His wedding with His bride- the church which will happen in heaven. Blessed are those who are summoned to the marriage supper of the Lamb (Rev. 19:9a). Those invited to the marriage supper will be the Old Testament saints and the tribulation saints.

We are now waiting for the Feast of Trumpets to take its fulfillment in the rapture of the church, when the Lord will descend from heaven with a loud cry of summons, with the shout of an archangel, and with the blast of the trumpet of God (I Thess. 4:16a). Following will be the great tribulation- Jacob's trouble and then the Feast of Tabernacles will consummate the feasts when the Lord YAHSHUA will come to restore His people Israel and establish His millennium kingdom. Comfort one another with these promises if you are in Christ. If not, know that His invitation is also for you: "Let anyone who is thirsty come to Me and drink" drink of Him, the Living Water, the only One Who can satisfy your spiritual thirst.