



The Feast of Ingathering



Three Required Feasts

- Exodus 23:14-17
- Three times a year you are to keep a feast to me. Celebrate the Feast of Unleavened Bread; for seven days eat bread made without yeast, as I commanded you, . Do this at the appointed time in the month of Abib, for in that month you came out of Egypt.
- Fulfilled in the Death of Christ



Three Required Feasts

- 15b - No one is to appear before me empty-handed. 16 Keep the Feast of Harvest with the first fruits of the crops you sow in your field. – Fulfilled in the Resurrection of Christ
- Celebrate the Feast of Ingathering at the end of the year, (Fall) when you gather in your crops from the field.
- 17- Three times a year all the men are to appear before the Sovereign LORD.



Names Of The Feast

- The Fall Feast is called by 3 names in the Bible
- Feast of Ingathering – Ex.23:16
- Feast of Booths – Neh.8:14-17
- Feast of Tabernacles – Lev.23:24; John 7:1
- Jewish name is Sukkot
- This year, Sukkot is celebrated from sunset Sept.29-Oct.6th sunset. 1 week
- Other than Passover, this is the only feast scripture says Jesus attended Jn.7:1-5,8-11,14



Themes Of The Feast

- Joyful celebration before God has always been the underlying theme of the fall feast, their Thanksgiving
- Assembly before God – Ex.23
- Celebrating the harvest – Deut.16:13
- During the Sabbath Year, the cancelling of debt – Deut.31:10
- Israel lived in “booths” when God brought them out of Egypt. – Lev.23:43
- The pouring out of water was later addition



Theme Of The Booths

- Egypt has been compared to the world – Heb.4:1-3
- Israel left Egypt on the promise of entering a new land
- Because of unbelief, God destroyed a generation by wandering for 40 years
- Entering the promised land takes faith



Theme Of The Booths

- The booths are reminders of the time in the wilderness
- They remind us God's faithful supply
- They remind us of where we have come from
- They remind us that we are not yet there
 - Scripture calls us strangers in this land
 - Don't put down roots. This isn't home
 - These bodies are called "tents of flesh"



Theme Of The Ingathering

This is the celebration of the harvest.

Matt.24:30-31 - "At that time the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and all the nations of the earth will mourn. They will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky, with power and great glory. And he will send his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will **gather his elect** from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other."



Theme Of The Ingathering

Rev.14:14-20 - The Harvest of the Earth
 Joel 2:28 – 3:16 – The Valley of Decision
 Matt.13:24-30; 36-43 – Parable of the Weeds
 He answered, "The one who sowed the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world, and the good seed stands for the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, and the enemy who sows them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels."



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40"As the weeds are pulled up and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the age. 41The Son of Man will send out his angels, and they will weed out of his kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil. 42They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. 43Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear."



Theme Of The Overflowing Spirit

- The Jewish Feast of Sukkot or Tabernacles had taken on some traditions that were verbally passed on from Moses to Joshua and Elders.
- The pouring out of Water was one of these.
- A joyful procession to pool of Siloam
- The procession returned to the temple and the ½ ltr water was poured out on the brazen altar



Theme Of The Overflowing Spirit

- The water is symbolic of the Spirit
- The scripture tells us we are cracked pots, can't hold water
- Daily we need to stand under the moving waterfall of the Holy Spirit and be filled.
- Jesus promises over abundant rivers of Living Water – John 7:37-39



Theme Of The Overflowing Spirit

- On the last and greatest day of the Feast, the water came back to the temple and the procession marched around the alter 7 times before the water was taken up and poured on the Alter.
- This was the climax of the week, and it was at this moment Jesus called out Jhn.7:37-38



Living The Feast of Tabernacles

1. Be joyful God has taken you out of Egypt
2. Remember you are not home yet
3. Let the truth of Christ's soon return fill you with Joy
4. Everyday, seek out the moving of the Spirit for a refilling of Joy