

Why We Celebrate Sukkot

- **RESPOND** To Jehovah's Command
- **REMEMBER** God's Faithfulness
- **REFLECT** On Being Sojourners
- **REHEARSE** The Final Harvest ,
Return & Reign of Christ
- **REJOICE** In the Lord In All Things

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Feast of Booths

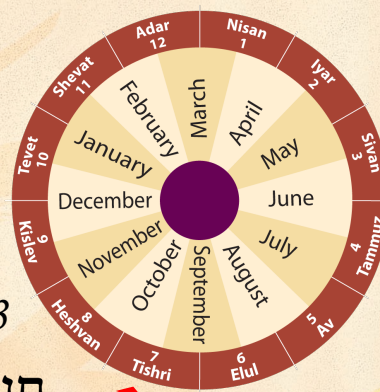


Also Known As: *Sukkot or Tabernacles*

Observed:
15-21 Tishri
September or
October

Scripture:
Leviticus 23:33-43

Hebrew: חג הסוכות



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Feast of Tabernacles

- Yearly Feast To remember God's faithfulness and protection during the wilderness journey
- During the Israelites' 40-year wilderness journey, they dwelt in temporary shelters, or booths.
- On this holiday, the Israelites were to build and dwell in booths for seven days to remember how they had lived under God's care in the wilderness.

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Feast of Booths

Fascinating Facts

- The *sukkah*, or booth, is a temporary structure built of wood, or wood and canvas.
- The sukkah is decorated with fall flowers, leaves, fruits, and vegetables.



Modern Day Sukkah

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Purpose of Booths

To remember that this earth and our bodies are only temporary dwelling places.

2 Cor 5:1 KJV

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.

Ps 103:15-16 NIV

15 As for man, his days are like grass, he flourishes like a flower of the field; 16 the wind blows over it and it is gone, and its place remembers it no more. NIV

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Remember God's Faithfulness

Leading them with Pillar of Cloud and Fire

Ex 13:17-22

Provided water in the desert Ex 15

Provided manna and quail Ex 16

Provided protection from their enemies Ex 17:8ff

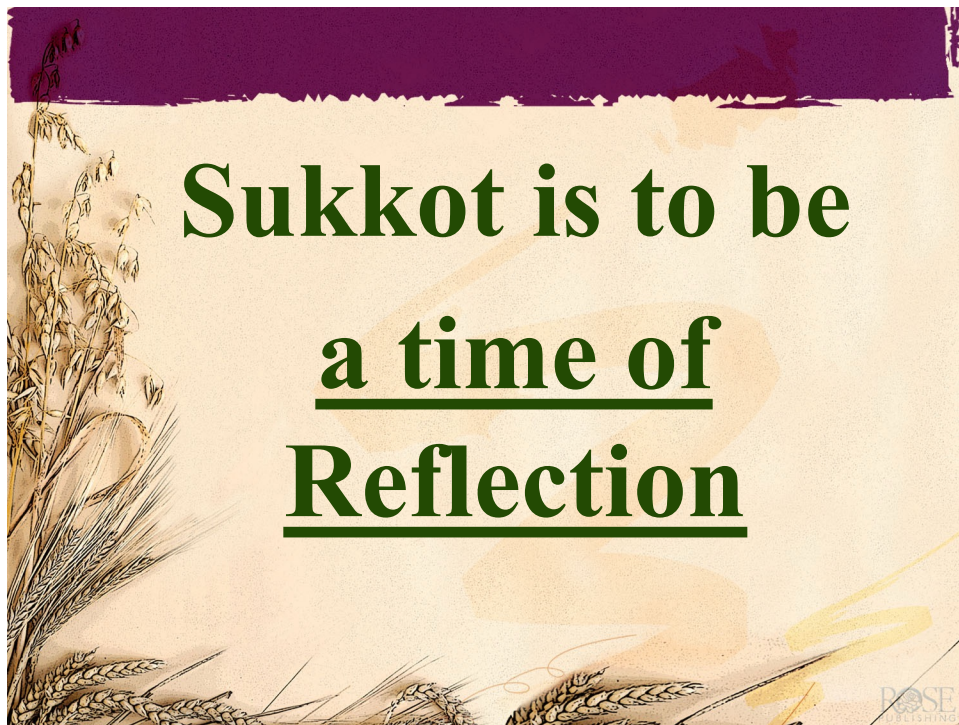
Provides so clothes/shoes never wore out Dt 29:5

Provides safety and healing from diseases

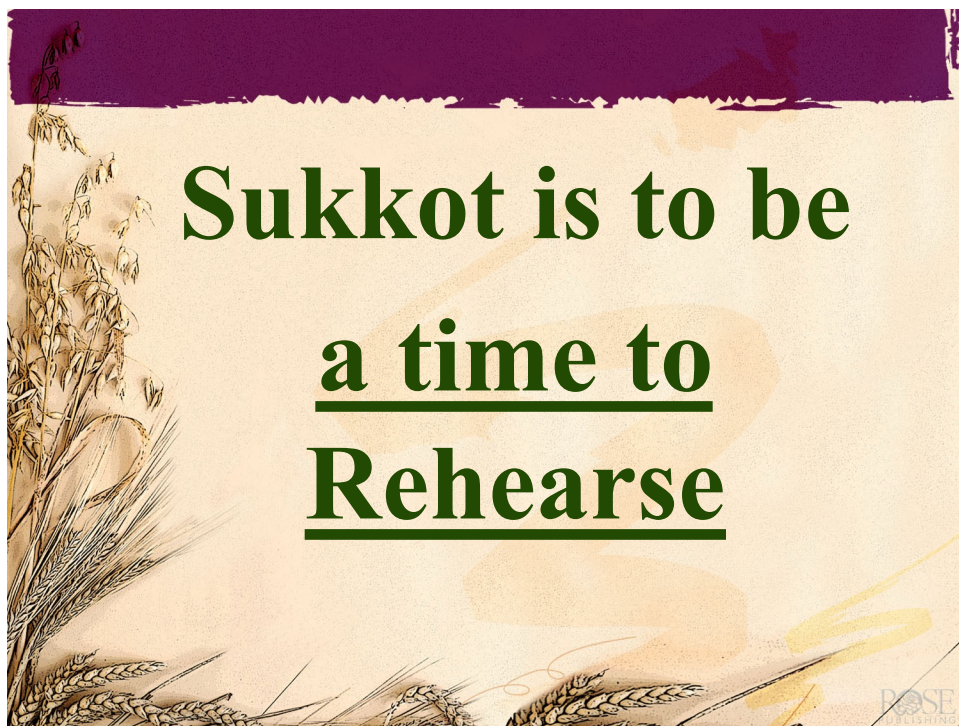
Ex 15:26

GOD DWELLED WITH THEM Ex 25:8

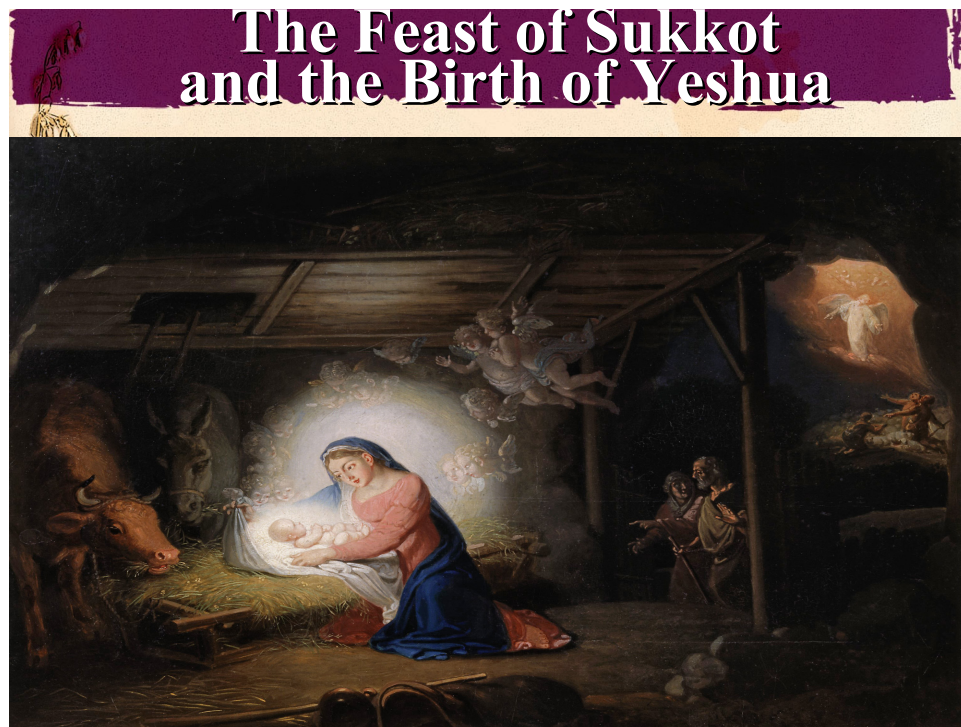
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Sukkot/Feast of All Nations

Sacrifices during FAN:

Day #1 --- 13 bulls ---- Numbers 29:13
 Day #2 --- 12 bulls ---- Numbers 29:17
 Day #3 --- 11 bulls ---- Numbers 29:20
 Day #4 --- 10 bulls ---- Numbers 29:23
 Day #5 --- 9 bulls ---- Numbers 29:26
 Day #6 --- 8 bulls ---- Numbers 29:29
 Day #7 ---- 7 bulls ---- Numbers 29:32

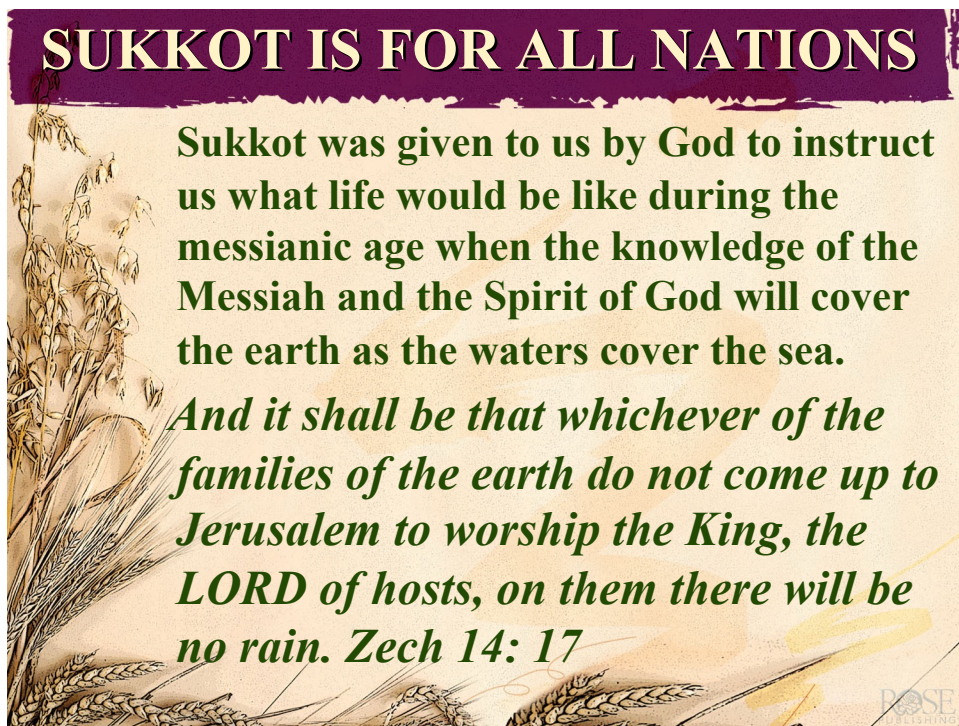
70 Total

(one for every nation God divided the
 earth into [Deu 32])

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Water Libation Ceremony

According to Talmud, Sukkot is time of year in which God judges the world for rainfall. Ceremony invokes God's blessing for rain in proper time.

Water is drawn from Pool of Siloam and carried to Temple. Great joy accompanied this procedure. *"And you shall draw waters with joy from the wells of salvation" (Isa. 12:3).*

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Water Libation Ceremony

The water was poured over the altar as an offering to the God of Israel for Him to provide rain.

A greater meaning is attached to the water libations, as water also represents the *Ruach HaKodesh (Holy Spirit)*. *The rabbis taught that one day God would pour His Holy Spirit on Israel (Joel 2:28).*

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Yeshua fulfills ceremony

Yeshua (Jesus)

 When Jesus attended this feast, on the last day, he said, “If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me ...streams of living water will flow from within him” (John 7:37-38).





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The Latter Rain of Sukkot

Biblical writers used these terms to describe the visitation of the Holy Spirit upon the church in a dispensational sense. The “early rain” came at Pentecost to give power to the witness of the gospel. Another outpouring of rain, the latter rain, is coming at earth’s final soul harvest before the second coming of Christ. -from BibleAsk




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Sukkot- The Feast of Ingathering

**The final harvest of year- the fruit harvest
forshadows final harvest of souls at end of
age**

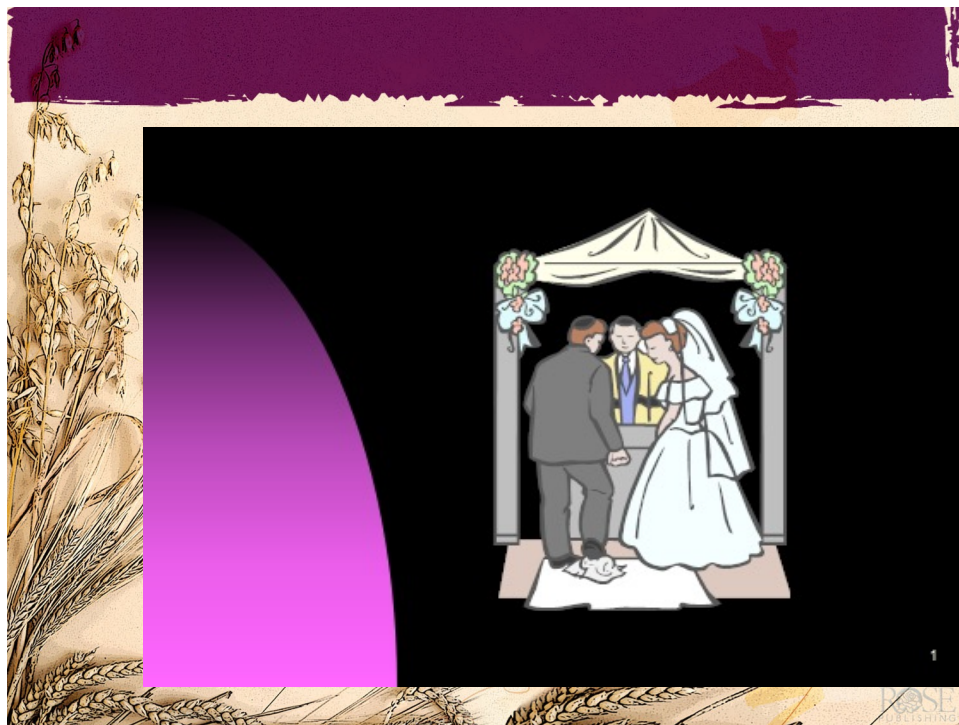


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**Sukkot is to be
a time to
Rejoice**



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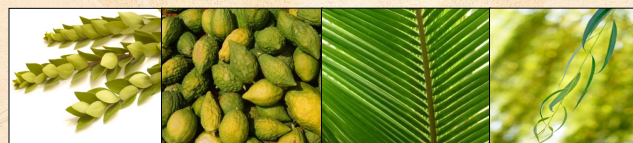
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Four Species



Background

- The four special plants used to cover the booths are myrtle, citron, palm, and willow. (Lev 23:40)

*Myrtle**Citrons**Palm**Willow*

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Feast of Booths



Fascinating Facts

- The *lulav* is waved in all four directions (north, south, east, and west) and up and down to symbolize that God's presence is everywhere.



*Lulav made of
palm, willow, and myrtle*

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The Lulav in the White House



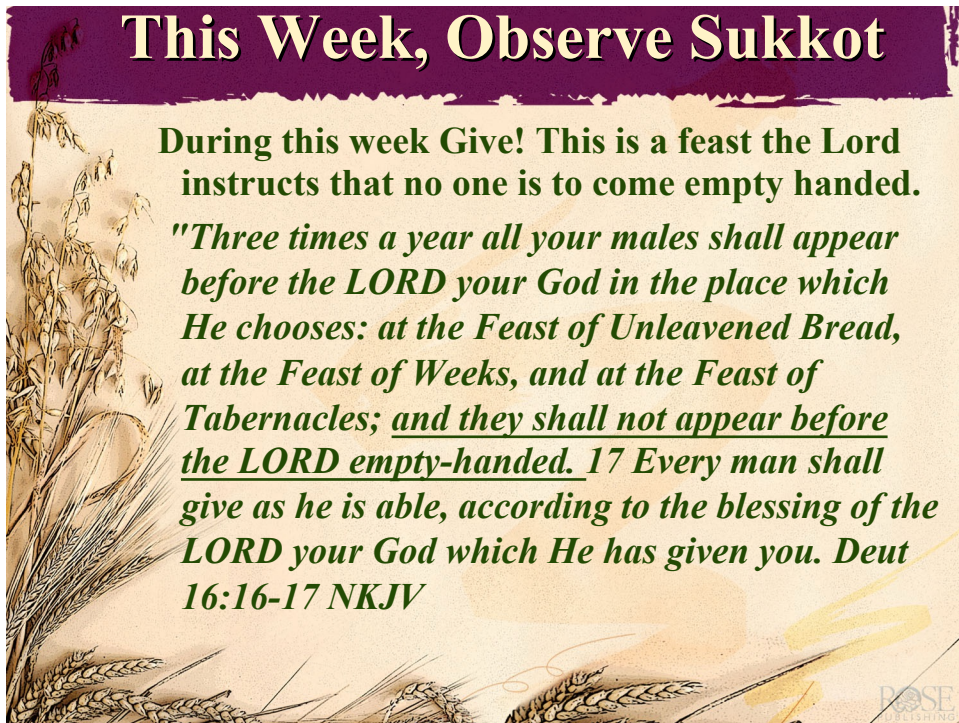
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This Week, Observe Sukkot

- ✓ **Respond to the Lord's command**
- ✓ **Remember/Recall His Faithfulness**
- ✓ **Reflect on the Brevity of Life**
 - ✓ Perhaps put up a sukkah or tent
- ✓ **Rehearse the Lord's future reign**
 - ✓ Gather, Fellowship, Eat, Play, Laugh
 - ✓ Reflect on his 1st coming by singing nativity songs. Rehearse 2nd coming by singing prophetic songs

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This Week, Observe Sukkot

During this week Give! This is a feast the Lord instructs that no one is to come empty handed.

"Three times a year all your males shall appear before the LORD your God in the place which He chooses: at the Feast of Unleavened Bread, at the Feast of Weeks, and at the Feast of Tabernacles; and they shall not appear before the LORD empty-handed. 17 Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD your God which He has given you. Deut 16:16-17 NKJV

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