Deuteronomy 16:16  Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy 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:

There are seven colors in the rainbow (ROY G BIV) but only three primary colors (red, yellow, blue) and there are seven Old Testament feasts, but they are grouped in only three major annual feasts. Notice that the first two feasts are connected (Pentecost is 50 days from Sheaf of Firstfruits) but there is an interval of three months until Tabernacles.

Consistency of interpretation demands that we must interpret all three feasts in the same manner. If Pentecost and Passover have a literal fulfillment in Israel, a typical fulfillment in Christ, and a spiritual fulfillment in the church, then the same must be true for the Feast of Tabernacles!

There were 3 major annual feasts in Israel:
1. Passover in Egypt in the First Month
   - Lev. 23:4-5
   - 14th day
2. Unleavened Bread in Sinai in the Third Month
   - Lev. 23:6-8
   - 15th day to 21st day
3. Sheaf of Firstfruits in Canaan in the Seventh Month
   - Lev. 23:9-14
   - 18th day

There are 3 major divisions in the history of Christ and His Church:
1. Christ’s Sacrifice in the Gospels
   - Leviticus 23:33-34
   - And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, The fifteenth day of this seventh month shall be the feast of tabernacles for seven days unto the LORD.
   - Leviticus 23:39-41
   - Also in the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when ye have gathered in the fruit of the land, ye shall keep a feast unto the LORD seven days: on the first day shall be a sabbath, and on the eighth day shall be a sabbath. And ye 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 ye shall rejoice before the LORD your God seven days. And ye shall keep it a feast unto the LORD seven days in the year. It shall be a statute for ever in your generations: ye shall celebrate it in the seventh month.
2. The Birthday of the Church in the Book of Acts
   - Lev. 23:23-25
   - Trumpets in the Third Month
   - 1st day
   - Day of Atonement in the Third Month
   - Lev. 23:26-32
   - 10th day
   - Tabernacles in the Seventh Month
   - Lev. 23:33-44
   - 15th day to 21st day
3. The Endtime Apostolic Church

The Feasts of Israel

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The feasts always point to “more to come.” Passover (barley harvest) and Pentecost (wheat harvest) pointed to Tabernacles (fruit harvest) which was at the end of the year. Tabernacles is the final feast of prophecy, a prophetic picture of the greatest ingathering ever, which comes after the “dry season” (dark ages) when the “latter rain” comes again at the end of the church age. We are living in that time of the outpouring of the spirit and the ingathering of souls!

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The Feast of Tabernacles is alluded to in the Major and Minor Prophets more than all the other Feasts combined, yet we know very little about it compared to Passover and Pentecost.

For Israel, it was the consummation of the sacred year and “the Feast of all Feasts.” It comprised three Feast Days: Feast of Trumpets, Day of Atonement, Feast of Tabernacles. It stood alone at the end of the sacred year, separated from the other feasts by the dry months.

Almost all expositors recognize the significance of this time lapse and recognize Tabernacles as the Feast of Prophecy, a feast which has yet to find fulfillment - the only major unfulfilled OT type!

It is inconsistent to apply Passover and Pentecost spiritually to the church and apply Tabernacles only to Israel physically! Until a person (Jew or Gentile) experiences Christ as their Passover Lamb and receives their personal Pentecost, they cannot experience Tabernacles. The Feasts must be experienced in the order God gave them!

The Feast of Tabernacles will find its physical fulfillment in Israel, but it will find its greatest spiritual fulfillment in the Apostolic Church of the last days, just BEFORE the Rapture. After 2000 years of “spiritual drought” will be the “Feast of all Feasts!” THIS IS OUR DAY!
THE FEAST OF TRUMPETS (LEVITICUS 23:23-25)

The three-fold Feast of Tabernacles began with the Feast of Trumpets on the first day of the month. Trumpets sounding throughout the nation called the people to prepare for the coming Day of Atonement. It was New Year's Day on the civil calendar of Israel – NEW BEGINNINGS!

There were two kinds of trumpets used in Israel:
- **Trumpets of Ram's Horns**, which came from the sacrifices. They were used in the Year of Jubilee and at the fall of the walls of Jericho, and represent deliverance and liberty.
- **Trumpets of Silver**, which came from the atonement money (silver) offered to God. Two trumpets were used to give distinctive calls to Israel. Two is the number of witness or testimony in the Bible.

Numbers 10:8 And the sons of Aaron, the priests, shall blow with the trumpets; and they shall be to you for an ordinance for ever throughout your generations.

Isaiah 58:1 Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins.

1 Corinthians 14:8 For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battle?

Trumpets represent the call of the ministry to bring deliverance and liberty to God's people.

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Simply put, the church must experience the Feast of Trumpets (yield to the trumpet calls of Scripture given by New Testament ministry) before they will be ready for the Final Trumpet!

Romans 10:14 How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?

Revelation 2:29 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

THE DAY OF ATONEMENT (LEVITICUS 23:26-32)

The Day of Atonement was held on the tenth day of the seventh month. It was the most solemn of all feast days, a day of national and sanctuary cleansing. On this day only, the High Priest entered the Holy of Holies to sprinkle the blood on the Mercy Seat. This offering covered the sins of the people, letting them experience Blood Atonement and reconciliation to God. This was the only feast day that involved fasting, and the only time anyone got to enter the Shekinah presence of God!

On this day, two goats were offered; one was slain and the other was taken into the wilderness, bearing away the sins of the people.

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<td>Both goats shared in ministry of reconciliation</td>
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<td>The Scapegoat was taken outside the camp</td>
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<td>The Lord’s Goat DIED to reconcile; the Scapegoat LIVED to reconcile</td>
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THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES (LEVITICUS 23:33-44)

Once the last harvest of the year (fruit harvest) was gathered in, Israel was to set aside seven days unto the Lord, from the 15th to the 21st of the seventh month. They were to leave their homes and dwell in booths made of various trees and rejoice before the Lord. The whole feast pointed back to the first feast of the year, because Tabernacles was the consummation of what began in Passover.
This was the time of the latter rain, which fell in abundance to ripen the fruit harvest. Because of the dual calendar in Israel (7th month sacred calendar = 1st month civil calendar, and vice versa), Joel spoke of both former and latter rain in the FIRST month. **RAIN EQUALS REVIVAL!**

**Joel 2:23**  
Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the LORD your God: for he hath given you the former rain moderately (TEACHER RAIN), and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month. (DOUBLE PORTION)

The Old Testament prophets promise a DOUBLE PORTION HARVEST to the last days church which will more than compensate for the long dry season of the Dark Ages:

**Joel 2:24-25**  
And the floors shall be full of wheat, and the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpillar, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you.

**Amos 9:13 (KJV)**  
Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that soweth seed (DRAWETH FORTH); and the mountains shall drop sweet wine, and all the hills shall melt.

**Amos 9:13 (NLT)**  
"The time will come," says the Lord, "when the grain and grapes will grow faster than they can be harvested. Then the terraced vineyards on the hills of Israel will drip with sweet wine!"

**Amos 9:13 (MES)**  
"Yes indeed, it won't be long now." God's Decree. "Things are going to happen so fast your head will swim, one thing fast on the heels of the other. You won't be able to keep up. Everything will be happening at once—and everywhere you look, blessings! Blessings like wine pouring off the mountains and hills.

**Romans 9:28**  
For he will finish the work, and cut it short in righteousness: because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth.

The Jews left their homes and rejoiced before the Lord in these booths, which reminded them of their deliverance from Egypt and their time of pilgrimage. Tabernacles was the most joyous feast and the one at which the most sacrifices were offered in appreciation of the harvest.

**2 Chronicles 5:13-14**  
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 musick, and praised the LORD, saying, For he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever: that then the house was filled with a cloud, even the house of the LORD: 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.

**Haggai 2:6-9**  
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CHURCH HISTORY TELLS US THAT PEOPLE USUALLY STOP AT THE FIRST OR SECOND FEAST!

Denominations have been built around the truths of Passover (repentance), Unleavened Bread (water baptism), Pentecost (Holy Ghost baptism) - but they stopped prematurely!

Those who experienced Passover truths have usually opposed those who experienced Pentecost truths; but **history is repeating itself**, with those who experienced Pentecost truths opposing those who seek to follow God in Tabernacle truths!

Which feast will YOU stop at? Passover? Unleavened Bread? Pentecost? or Tabernacles?

IT WAS DURING THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES THAT THE GLORY FILLED THE HOUSE!

The dedication of Solomon’s Temple took place during the Feast of Tabernacles …

**2 Chronicles 5:3**  
Wherefore all the men of Israel assembled themselves unto the king in the feast which was in the seventh month.

The Law (Tabernacle of Moses) was dedicated during Passover; the Early Church was dedicated during Pentecost; the Endtime Church (Temple of Solomon) is dedicated during Tabernacles!

The endtime church will experience God’s glory as never before!

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