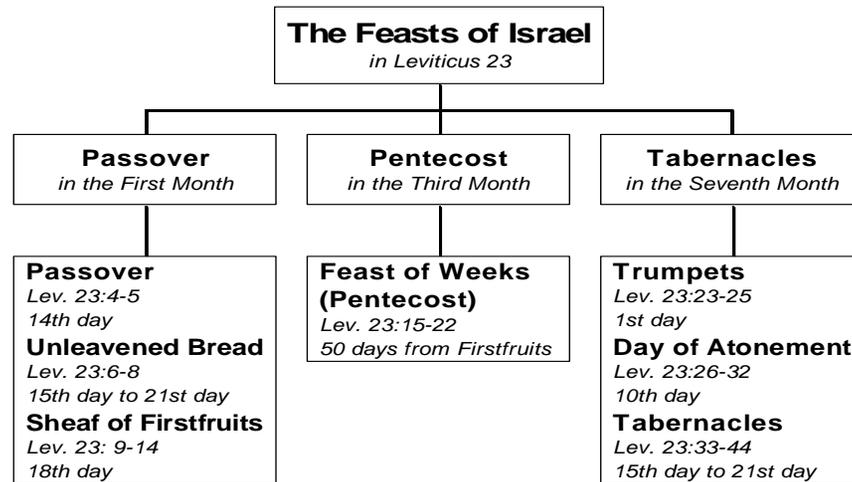


## PARTY TIME, PART 3 - TABERNACLES

**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:

### BRING A GIFT – IT’S PARTY TIME!

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.



### There were 3 major annual feasts in Israel:

1. Passover in Egypt in the First Month
2. Pentecost in Sinai in the Third Month  
(*INTERVAL: THE WILDERNESS WANDERINGS FOR 40 YEARS*)
3. Tabernacles in Canaan in the Seventh Month

### There are 3 major divisions in the history of Christ and His Church:

1. Christ’s Sacrifice in the Gospels
2. The Birthday of the Church in the Book of Acts  
(*INTERVAL: DARK AGES FOR 40 JUBILEES - 2000 YEARS*)
3. The Endtime Apostolic Church

Each of the feasts has a literal fulfillment in Israel, a typical fulfillment in Christ, and a spiritual fulfillment in the church.

The word “feast” comes from the Hebrew “chagag” which means “to dance” (joy and gladness); by implication, it means “to be giddy.”

“Therefore let us keep the feast!” (1 Corinthians 5:8)

## TABERNACLES: THE FINAL FEAST OF PROPHECY

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!

**Leviticus 23:34, 40** 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 ... 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.

The Feast of Tabernacles is alluded to in the Major and Minor Prophets more than all the other Feasts combined. For Israel, it was the consummation of the sacred year and “the Feast of all Feasts.” Like Passover, it actually 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 long 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 – it is the only major unfulfilled OT type! Tabernacles is a prophetic picture of Israel’s regathering as a nation after their “dry season” when they were scattered among the nations for 2000 years. But is it also a prophetic picture of the ingathering of the harvest by the endtime church (after a 2000 year “dry season”) just before the rapture!

## TABERNACLES: 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!

- **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.

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.

### TABERNACLES: 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.

THE TWO GOATS	CHRIST AND HIS CHURCH
Both goats were to be without spot or blemish	Christ was without blemish (1 Peter 1:19); the church must also be holy (Eph. 5:27)
Both goats shared in ministry of reconciliation	Both Christ and the church have the ministry of reconciliation (2 Cor. 5:18)
The Scapegoat was taken outside the camp	The church bears the reproach of Christ - it's what "scapegoat" means! (Heb 13:13)
Lord's Goat DIED to reconcile; Scapegoat LIVED to reconcile	Jesus died to save us, but the church lives to preach salvation to others (2 Cor. 5:20)

### TABERNACLES: 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.

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, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month.

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** Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that soweth seed; and the mountains shall drop sweet wine, and all the hills shall melt.
- **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.

### CHURCH HISTORY TELLS US THAT PEOPLE USUALLY STOP AT THE FIRST OR SECOND FEAST!

Israel experienced their "repentance" at Passover (Exodus 12) and their "water baptism" in the Red Sea and the Cloud during Unleavened Bread (Exodus 13-15). (Firstfruits was not celebrated until they were permanent residents of Canaan and had their own fields.) They experienced their "Holy Ghost baptism" at Mount Sinai when their nation was born at Pentecost in the third month. God wanted them to move right on into Canaan and experience the Feast of Tabernacles. (Canaan is not Heaven, but our overcoming spiritual life here on earth!) Instead, they doubted God and wandered in the wilderness for forty years!

Denominations have been built around the truths of Passover (repentance) and 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 (endtime revival)! **Which feast will YOU stop at? IT WAS DURING THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES THAT THE GLORY FILLED THE HOUSE!**

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!

- **Haggai 2:6-9** For thus saith the LORD of hosts; Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land; And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the LORD of hosts. The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the LORD of hosts. The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the LORD of hosts: and in this place will I give peace, saith the LORD of hosts.