

National Lost Dog Awareness Day
National Cherry Cheesecake Day
National Take a Chance Day
National Picnic Day

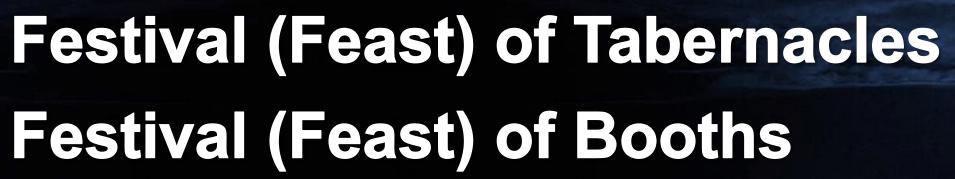


National Talk Like
Shakespeare Day









Scriptural Importance





What were they celebrating?

From a physical perspective this would have been a celebration of the final harvest before winter sets in

From a Historical perspective they are commemorating they days in the wilderness (Numbers 32:13)





From a Godly perspective they were acknowledging that while this lived in the land, they were not of this land.



#### **A God Ordained Camping Trip**

For seven days they were required leave behind their comforts and live in tents.

God Made NO Exemptions.

All native-born Israelites are to live in such shelters.



# THE FEAST OF TENTS How Else Did They Celebrate

A sacred assembly and a day of rest from work

**Daily sacrifices** 

For seven days present food offerings to the Lord

**A Closing Ceremony** 

**Daily Praise and Worship** 



## THE FEAST OF TENTS How does this connect to Jesus?

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 1:14



## THE FEAST OF TENTS Jesus was the fulfillment of this festival

That phrase "made his dwelling" is from the Greek word "skenoo"

It doesn't mean: to live, with permanence. It's a word that denotes temporary or short-term residency.

It means: to dwell in a tent or tabernacle; to encamp; or (properly) to pitch or live in a tent.



## THE FEAST OF TENTS He Knew it was not His Permanent Address

Jesus said, "My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place."

John 18:36



What does is say about faith in Jesus?

God is our shelter (Revelation 7:15)

Therefore, "they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

God's Instructions are Rarely Comfortable or Convenient



#### **Not Convenient or Comfortable**

Jesus replied, "Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head."

Matthew 8:20

When Jesus heard this, he said to him, "You still lack one thing. Sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."



**Luke 18:22** 

#### Not Convenient or Comfortable

Then he said to them all: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me.

John 17:14-16



#### In the World but Not of the World

I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world. My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. They are not of the world, even as I am not of it.

John 17:14-16



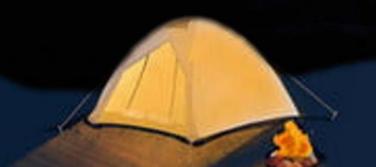


#### FOW SELEBRATE



Our celebrations usually cause us to add to our schedule leaving less time for God

Our celebrations mean spending money on ourselves not sacrificing to God



## GOD DESIGNED CELEBRATION How they were commanded to Celebrate

It was on God's Timing

It was ALL about God not just the traditions

It was *Days* not *Timeslots* 

It was *Costly*: Workdays, Time, Travel, Resources, and even Comfort

It was Messy, Sweaty, Smelly, Bloody, and at times Loud

It was Priority

It was NOT Optional



It was Interactive NOBODY just showed up

