

Year One

Another year has gone by and we bring to a close the last of the fall Holy Days in celebrating The Last Great Day. When we left our homes to come to the Feast of Tabernacles, did we pray and come expecting God to speak to our hearts? Did we learn something new and with greater understanding? Are we going home changed? When we pray to God, we can expect an answer. It may not be an immediate response, but an answer will come. We may not always get the result or answer we'd hoped for but it will be the best answer in God's perfect will (**1 Kings 9:3, Psa. 17:1, 143:1, Prov. 15:29, Matt. 21:22, James 5:16**). I hope prayers will be answered this week.

We were told to "rejoice" this week in celebrating God's Feast. "And you shall eat there before the LORD your God, and you *shall* rejoice, you and your household."- **Deut. 14:26**. He tells us "You *shall* rejoice" two times in **Deuteronomy 16:14-15**. I surely hope everyone kept His words and instructions as it has been such an enjoyable week of learning and fellowship. Definitely a lot of smiles this week.

In our daily studies, we gained more insight to our roles in the coming Kingdom of God. Throughout God's Word we are given His instructions on how to conduct our lives that we may become part of His first fruits and members of His family (**Rom. 8:29, Col. 3:10**). We have been chosen and set apart to fulfill the most important

and greatest responsibilities we could ever imagine, kings and priests (**Rev. 1:6, 5:10**)!

Imagine if you will, the plan of God has unfolded. The last trumpet has sounded. We have been resurrected to our glorified spirit bodies; we have met with our Lord Jesus on the Sea of Glass. We have celebrated the marriage supper of the Lamb (**Rev. 19:9**). We returned to Earth in triumph and have ended the conflict. The Beast and the false prophet have been cast into the lake of fire (**Rev. 19:20**) and Satan is bound up for the next 1000 years (**Rev. 20:2-3**). The dust has settled on the Earth as we begin year one of the Millennial Reign of our Lord Jesus Christ. He is beginning to set up His government. The government that was foretold in prophecy. “For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulder; and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and over His kingdom, to order it and establish it with judgement and with righteousness from henceforth, even forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.”- **Isa. 9:6-7**. For ages the earth has groaned for the Lord to return and it has finally come to pass. The earth will no more *forever* be a world ruled by sin.

The Divine logistics will now begin to unfold and our work will begin. (**Read Isa. 61, Luke 4:18-19**). It is difficult to imagine what will be involved in the transformation of the earth and all of mankind. But we will do so with the ultimate backing of our Creator and the King of Kings. “And may the God of peace, Who raised our Lord Jesus from among the dead- that great Shepherd of the sheep- through the blood of the everlasting covenant, Perfect you in every good work in order that you may do His will; accomplish in you that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to Whom be the glory into the ages of eternity. Amen.”- **Heb. 13:20-21**. Someday, this brief scenario will take place for real. It may take the 1000 years to get everything in order but it will be accomplished and we will be a part of it.

The Feast of Tabernacles is a prelude of the things to come and we can only imagine what He has in store for us! “But according as it is written, “The eye has not seen, not the ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God has prepared for those who love Him.”- **1 Cor. 2:9**. There is so much more to look forward to and the hope we have that the world doesn’t understand. So, between now and Passover, we can commence anew, refreshed and recharged with greater understanding of the plan of God through His Holy Days. Be blessed and may God be with us all as we head home! Amen!