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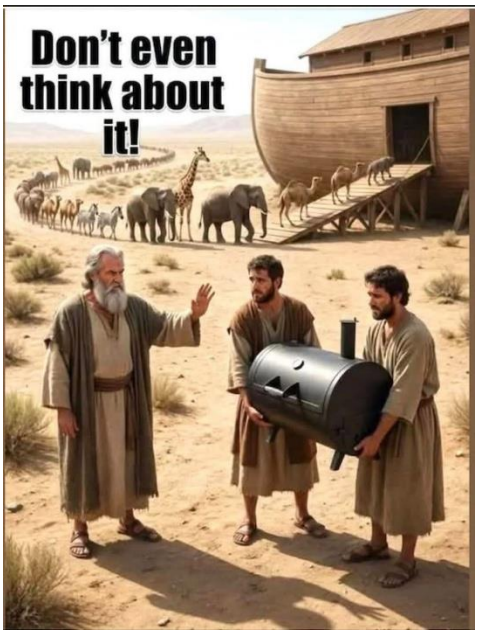
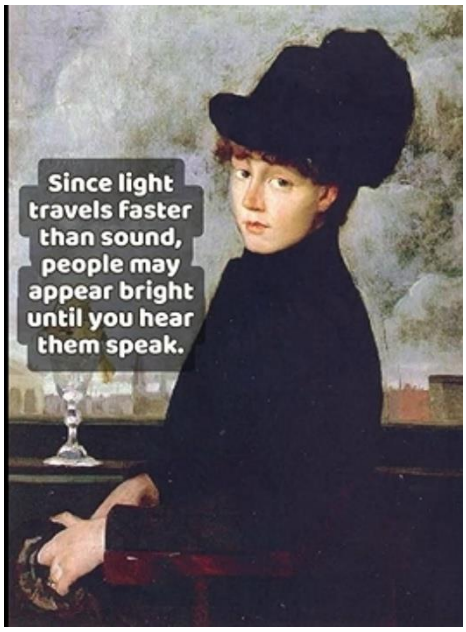
Celebration of Victory





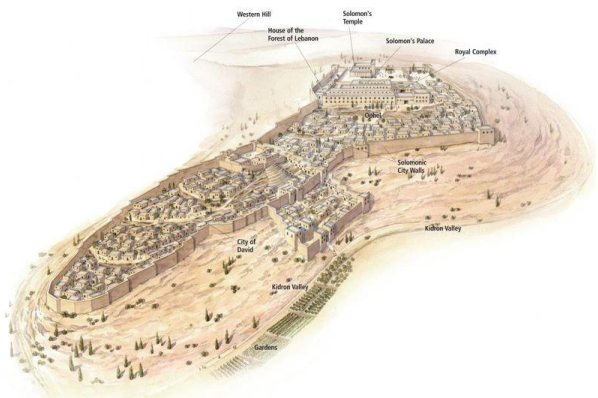
King Shlomo spent seven years building the Temple. [1 K 6.38] It could be considered one of the wonders of the ancient world. The Temple, plus Shlomo's royal regalia, left the Queen of Sh'va breathless. [2 Chron 9.4]

Then, In ~1004 BCE

/https://davidstent.org/tabernacles-egypt-and-the-nations-versus-jerusalem Egyptian arms

Melakhim Aleph (1 Kings) 8:1-5 CJB

אָז יַקְהֵל שְׁלֹמֹה אֶת־זִקְנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל אֶת־כָּל־רָאשֵׁי הַמַּטּוֹת נְשִׂיאֵי הָאָבוֹת לִבְנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל אֶל־הַמֶּלֶךְ שְׁלֹמֹה יְרוּשָׁלִָם לְהַעֲלוֹת אֶת־אֲרוֹן בְּרִית־יְיָ מֵעִיר דָּוִד הִיא צִיּוֹן׃



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Then Shlomo assembled all the leaders of Isra'el, all the heads of the tribes and the chiefs of the paternal clans of the people of Isra'el, to King Shlomo in Yerushalayim, to bring the ark for the covenant of ADONI out of the City of David, also known as Tziyon.

וַיִּקָּהֲלוּ אֶל־הַמֶּלֶךְ שְׁלֹמֹה כָּל־אִישׁ יִשְׂרָאֵל בְּיֶרַח הָאֵתָנִים בֶּחָג הוּא הַחֹדֶשׁ הַשְּׁבִיעִי׃

All the men of Isra'el assembled before King Shlomo at the festival in the month of Etanim, the seventh month.

וַיָּבֹאוּ כֹּל זִקְנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל וַיִּשְׂאוּ הַכֹּהֲנִים אֶת־הָאָרוֹן׃

All the leaders of Isra'el came. The cohanim took the ark

וַיַּעֲלוּ אֶת־אֲרוֹן יְיָ וְאֶת־אֹהֶל מוֹעֵד וְאֶת־כָּל־כְּלֵי הַקֹּדֶשׁ אֲשֶׁר בָּאֹהֶל וַיַּעֲלוּ אֹתָם הַכֹּהֲנִים וְהַלְוִיִּם׃

and brought up the ark of Adoni, the tent of meeting and all the holy utensils that were in the tent; these are what the cohanim and L'vi'im brought up.

וְהַמֶּלֶךְ שְׁלֹמֹה וְכָל־עֲדַת יִשְׂרָאֵל הַנּוֹעָדִים עָלָיו אִתּוֹ לִפְנֵי הָאָרוֹן מְזַבְּחִים צֹאן וּבָקָר אֲשֶׁר לֹא־יִסָּפְרוּ וְלֹא יִמָּנוּ מֵרֹב׃

King Shlomo and the whole community of Isra'el assembled in his presence were with him in front of the ark, sacrificing sheep and oxen in numbers beyond counting or recording.

Divre Hayyamim Bet (2 Chronicles) 7:8-10

וַיַּעַשׂ שְׁלֹמֹה אֶת־הֶחָג בָּעֵת הַהִיא שִׁבְעַת יָמִים וְכָל־יִשְׂרָאֵל עִמּוֹ קָהָל גָּדוֹל מְאֹד מִלְבוֹא חֲמָת עַד־נַחַל מִצְרָיִם׃

So Shlomo celebrated the festival at that time for seven days, together with all Isra'el, an enormous gathering; [they had come all the way] from the entrance of Hamat to the Vadi [of Egypt].

וַיַּעֲשׂוּ בַּיּוֹם הַשְּׁמִינִי עֲצֶרֶת כִּי חֲנֻכַּת הַמִּזְבֵּחַ עָשׂוּ שִׁבְעַת יָמִים וְהֶחָג שִׁבְעַת יָמִים׃

On the eighth day they held a solemn assembly, having observed the dedication of the altar for seven days and the festival for seven days.

וּבְיוֹם עֶשְׂרִים וּשְׁלֹשָׁה לַחֹדֶשׁ הַשְּׁבִיעִי שִׁלַּח אֶת־הָעָם לְאָהֳלֵיהֶם שְׂמֵחִים וְטוֹבֵי לֵב עַל־הַטּוֹבָה אֲשֶׁר עָשָׂה יְיָ לְדָוִיד וְלִשְׁלֹמֹה וּלְיִשְׂרָאֵל עַמּוֹ׃

Then, on the twenty-third day of the seventh month, he sent the people away to their tents full of joy and glad of heart for all the goodness Adoni had shown to David, to Shlomo and to Isra'el his people.

Context

Vayikra / Lev 23.33-36 ADONI said to Moshe, "Tell the people of Isra'el, 'On the fifteenth day of this seventh month is the feast of Sukkot for seven days to ADONI. On the first day [today] there is to be a holy convocation; do not do any kind of ordinary work. For seven days you are to bring an offering made by fire to ADONI; [bonfire camping] on the eighth [שְׁמִינִי Shemini] day you are to have a holy convocation [עֲצֶרֶת Atseret] and bring an offering made by fire to ADONI; it is a day of public assembly; do not do any kind of ordinary work.

Next Saturday, Oct 3, 2026 is that eighth day. Shemni Atseret שְׁמִינִי עֲצֶרֶת

This is the heart of the Sukkot legacy:

1 Melakhim Kings 8.10-11 Now when the kohanim came out of the Holy Place, the cloud filled the House of ADONI, so that the kohanim could not stand to minister because of the cloud, for the glory of ADONI filled the House of ADONI.

Dwelling in the Sukkah is about dwelling in the glory cloud!

> **We have a similar legacy:**
> **2 Cor 4.6 For it is the God who once said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has made his light shine in our hearts, the light of the knowledge of God's glory shining in the face of the Messiah Yeshua.**
> **2 Cor 3.18 All of us, with faces unveiled, see as in a mirror the glory of the Lord; and we are being changed into his very image, from one degree of glory to the next, by ADONI the Spirit.**

Conditional glory:

1 Milakhim/ Kings 8.14-16 Then the king turned his face about and blessed the whole congregation of Israel while the whole congregation of Israel was standing. He said: "Blessed be ADONI, the God of Israel, who spoke with His mouth to my father David, and has fulfilled it by His hand, saying: 'Since the day I brought My people Israel out from Egypt, I have not chosen a city out of all the tribes of Israel to build a House where My Name would be there. But I have chosen David to be over My people Israel.'"

1 Milakhim/ Kings 8.22-23 Then Shlomo stood before the altar of ADONI in the presence of the whole community of Isra'el, spread out his hands toward heaven, [kneeled] and said

1. **1 Milakhim/ Kings 8.31-32 "If a person sins against a fellow member of the community, and he is made to swear under oath, and he comes and swears before your altar in this house; then hear in heaven, act, and judge your servants, condemning the wicked,**
2. **1 Milakhim/ Kings 8.33 "When your people Isra'el sin against you and in consequence are defeated by an enemy; then if they turn back to you" [military loss]**
3. **"When they sin against you, and in consequence the sky is shut, so that there is no rain; then, if they pray toward this place, [drought, why we face east → Yerushalayim]**
4. **1 Milakhim/ Kings 8.37 "If there is famine in the land, or blight, windstorm, mildew, locusts or shearer-worms; or if their enemy comes to the land and besieges them in any of their cities [famine]**
5. **1 Milakhim/ Kings 8.41-43 "Also the foreigner who does not belong to your people Isra'el — when he comes from a distant country because of your reputation (for they will hear of your great reputation, your mighty hand and your outstretched arm), when he comes and prays toward this house; then hear in heaven where you live**
6. **1 Milakhim/ Kings 8.46 "If they sin against you — for there is no one who doesn't sin — and you are angry with them and hand them over to the enemy, so that they carry them off captive to the land of their enemy, whether far away or nearby; then, if they come to their senses in the land where they have been carried away captive, [1970s *Jesus Revolution*]**

1 Milakhim/ Kings 8.54-55 When Shlomo had finished praying all this prayer and plea to ADONI, he got up from in front of the altar of ADONI, where he had been kneeling with his hands spread out toward heaven, stood up, and raised his voice to bless the whole community of Isra'el.

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Other reasons to associate Sukkot with the Shekhinah שכינה, the glory cloud

1. **We are also reminded how Yeshua took on a temporary earthly structure (human flesh) and chose to dwell with man: Yn 1:14 "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth"**

2. **Our ancestors, dwelling in sukkot / tents, were led by the cloud of glory. Col 3.14-15 Above all these, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together perfectly; and let the *shalom* which comes from the Messiah be your heart's decision-maker, for this is why you were called to be part of a single Body.**

3. **Most of the miracles in the Midbar / wilderness/ desert were necessary for survival: manna and the water from the rock The Cloud of Glory, however, was a "luxury" — not a necessity for survival. A physical luxury but a spiritual necessity.**

- **Shmot/Ex 33.15-16 Moshe replied, "If your presence doesn't go with us, don't make us go on from here. For how else is it to be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, other than by your going with us? That is what distinguishes us, me and your people, from all the other peoples on earth."**
- **Col 3.1-3 So if you were raised along with the Messiah, then seek the things above, where the Messiah is sitting at the right hand of God. Focus your minds on the things above, not on things here on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with the Messiah in God. 4 When the Messiah, who is our life, appears, then you too will appear with him in glory! 10-10-10 minimum!**

4. **The miracles of the manna and the well had to do with sin. For example, there was a time that the Jewish people complained about the manna, as well as a time that they complained about the water, not to mention that water was the cause of Moses being forbidden from entering the Land of Israel. The Glory cloud was only blessing.**

5. **A traditional explanation, attributed to the Gaon of Vilna, is that the Cloud of Glory departed after the sin of the Golden Calf and returned on the 15th of Tishrei, the first day of Sukkot, when God commanded the building of the Mishkan jewishvues.com. This return symbolized divine forgiveness and the restoration of the covenant.**

6. **In the simplicity of the Sukkah, we can't glory in our house, furniture, and gardens. It's only G-d's presence in Messiah.**

Vayikra / Lev 23.42-43 You are to live in *sukkot* for seven days; every citizen of Isra'el is to live in a *sukkah*, 43 so that generation after generation of you will know that I made the people of Isra'el live in *sukkot* when I brought them out of the land of Egypt; I am *Adonai* your God.'"