

My Eyes Have Seen Your Salvation (Yeshua)

"For my eyes have seen Your salvation (yeshuatecha), which You have prepared in the presence of all peoples: A light for revelation to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel" (Simeon in Lk. 2:30-32)

² And I saw something like a sea of glass mixed with fire, and those who had overcome the beast and his image and the number of his name standing by the sea of glass, holding the harps of God. ³ And they are singing the song of Moses the servant of God and the song of the Lamb, saying, "Great and wonderful are Your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty. Just and true are Your ways, O King of the nations. ⁴ Who shall not fear and glorify Your name, O Lord? For You alone are Holy. All the nations shall come and worship before You, for Your righteous acts have been revealed!" (Revelation 15:2-4)

"Behold, the dwelling (Strong's 4633, i.e., sukkah) of God is among men, and He shall tabernacle (Strong's 4637, encamp, i.e., dwell in a sukkah, same Greek word as John 1:14) among them. They shall be His people, and God Himself shall be among them and be their God (Rev 21:3 TLV, cf. Lev. 26:11; Ezek. 37:27; Jer. 31:33(38:33 LXX); Zech. 8:8)

This week's Torah Portion is *Ha'azinu* (Deut. 32), which means, "Let us give ear." Tomorrow night starts *Sukkot*. This is the song that Adonai gave Moses in Deut. 31:30 to sing to our people as Moses' last words and testament. Do you know the Song of Moses? Have you been teaching it to the Children of Israel? Are you an overcomer (Revelation 12:10,11)? Are you practicing "*standing by the sea of glass, holding the harps of God?*" I must admit that I have not been memorizing the entire Song of Moses, shouldn't I? In 1997 I challenged *Kol Simcha* to do this, and one person, Cynthia Padilla took it to heart and wrote the song "El Cántico de Moisés" {The Song of Moses} using the verses of Deuteronomy 32:1-4, and 7. I memorized that one and taught it to my children. I'd like to share it with you today...

♪ And they sing the Song of Moses, the servant of God, and the Song of the Lamb. Saying great, great and marvelous are your works, Lord God Almighty. Just and true are your ways, Lord, O King of the saints, who shall not fear you O Lord? Hallelujah, Oh Hallelujah ♪ (Up to Zion, Paul Wilbur, Integrity, 1991)

♪ Great and wonderful are Thy wondrous deeds, O Lord God the Almighty. Just and true are, all Thy ways O Lord, King of the Ages art Thou. Who Shall not, fear and glorify, Thy Name O Lord? For thou alone art holy, thou alone. All the nations shall, come & worship Thee for Thy glory shall be revealed. Hallelujah (x2), Hallelujah, Amen! La... La ♪ (Rabbi Stuart Dauermann, 1975)

♪ Escuchad, cielos y hablaré; y oiga la tierra los dichos de mi boca. Goteará como la lluvia mi enseñanza; destilará como el rocío mi razonamiento; como la llovizna sobre la grama, y como las gotas sobre la hierba: Porque el nombre de Adonai proclamaré. Proclamaré el nombre de Adonai, engrandeced conmigo a nuestro Dios. El es la Roca cuya obra es perfecta, todos sus caminos son rectitud. Dios de verdad y sin ninguna iniquidad en él, es justo y recto el nombre de Adonai. Acuérdate de los tiempos antiguos, considera a las generaciones; Pregúntale a tu padre, y él te declarará; a tus ancianos, y ellos te dirán: Proclamaré... ♪

The Feast of Tabernacles (*sukkot*) is the *season of our joy* (*z'man simchateinu*) and is also known Scripturally as 'The Feast'. In Lev. 23:34 Adonai commanded Moses to observe *Sukkot* (the Feast of Harvest/Ingathering), starting on the 15th day of the seventh month (*Tishrei*) in the Hebrew Holy year forever. This feast is also known as the Feast of Joy (Hebrew, *simcha*). This day begins an eight-day period from the 15th to the 22nd of *Tishrei*, followed by the day of rejoicing in the Torah (*Simchat Torah*). These eight days are known collectively as the days of our rejoicing or the days of gladness.

It is certainly more than coincidence that it was in the Feast of Tabernacles that the Word of God became flesh and tabernacled with men. Throughout their history *Sukkot* has been a time when our Jewish people dwelt in *sukkahs* (booths) that face the east and searched the eastern skies for the sign of the coming of the Messiah. He is coming back to Israel! *Shabbat Shalom!*