"Fight In The Spiritual Realm"

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There is a realm where spiritual battles take place many Believers do not even consider—The spiritual realm.

"It's a spiritual battle." some may say, "do not insult us by telling us most do not consider that spiritual battles are in the realm of the spirit.!"

Hold on a minute, I by no means want to insult anyone, but sometimes it is easy to forget that the neighbor who berates you daily, or the child that suddenly stopped obeying you, may be a pawn of the enemy. I am not insulting these people either, because often those people used by demonic forces have no idea they are being used to hinder your (and their) walk with the Lord.

Yelling at the neighbor, or the child, only pleases the demonic forces, (and frustrates the people). Binding the demonic forces that are influencing and/or deceiving the them, and praying for the the people's souls wins the spiritual battle, and eventually bring peace to the neighborhood and home. Ephesians reminds us:

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12For we are not wrestling with flesh and blood [contending only with physi-

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Matt. 5:45

cal opponents], but against the despotisms, against the

powers, against [the master spirits who are] the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spirit forces of wickedness in the heavenly (supernatural) sphere. 13Therefore put on God's complete armor, that you may be able to resist and stand your ground on the evil day [of danger], and, having done all [the crisis demands], to stand [firmly in your place. Eph. 6:12-13(AMP) Please consider, next time you are confronted by a challenging situation, make sure your spiritual armor is on, and go to the Lord, praying for discernment to know if the people and/or circumstances are being used by the enemy, then fight the fight in the spiritual realm with the weapons given you through Christ's victory.

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Leviticus 23:33-44

The scriptures are clear, God had and has expectations and requirements of his people so they can "tabernacle" with him. When the Holy Spirit fell at Pentecost God "tabernacled" (to coin a word) with mankind and again dwelt with His wonderful creation called man.

The Tabernacle

The tabernacle in the wilderness was the place where the Arc of the Covenant was kept and the glory of God dwelt. The tribes set up camp, when they would stop in their wanderings, in a specific order around the Tabernacle and if it could have been observed from above, it would have looked like a cross.

The Feast

was the last of the annual feasts.[1] It was to be celebrated starting the 15th^[2] of the seventh^[3] month. The first day of the feast no one could work, it was to be kept as a Sabbath.

> ³⁶ For seven days present offerings made to the LORD by fire, and on the eighth day hold a sacred assembly and present an offering made to the LORD by fire. It is the closing assembly; do no regular work.

The eight^[4] day was also a special day to close out the Feast of Tabernacles and with every closing comes a new beginning.

The people had spent these

fection. days being reminded of the completetime they spent in the wilderness living in temporary shelters and then entering 8 = newinto the Promise Land. They beginwere to actually live outside their homes in temporary shelters during this feast as a time of remembrance of

God's promise and deliver-

The Feast of Tabernacles

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Scripture:

Leviticus 23:33-44 NIV

Feast of Tabernacles

³³ The LORD said to Moses, ³⁴ "Say to the Israelites: 'On the fifteenth day of the seventh month the LORD's Feast of Tabernacles begins, and it lasts for seven days. ³⁵ The first day is a sacred assembly; do no regular work. ³⁶ For seven days present offerings made to the LORD by fire, and on the eighth day hold a sacred assembly and present an offering made to the LORD by fire. It is the closing assembly; do no regular work. ³⁷ (" 'These are the LORD's appointed feasts, which you are to proclaim as sacred assemblies for bringing offerings made to the LORD by fire—the burnt offerings and grain offerings, sacrifices and drink offerings required for each day. 38 These offerings are in addition to those for the LORD's Sabbaths and [a] in addition to your gifts and whatever vou have vowed and all

Notes: [a] Or These feasts are in addition to LORD 's Sabbaths. and these offerings

the freewill offerings you give to the LORD.) ³⁹ " 'So beginning with the fifteenth day of the seventh month, after you have gathered the crops of the land, celebrate the festival to the LORD for seven days; the first day is a day of rest, and the eighth day also is a day of rest. 40 On the first day you are to take choice fruit from the trees, and palm fronds, leafy branches and poplars, and rejoice before the LORD your God for seven days. 41 Celebrate this as a festival to the LORD for seven days each year. This is to be a lasting ordinance for the generations to come: celebrate it in the seventh month. 42 Live in booths for seven days: All native-born Israelites are to live in booths ⁴³ so your descendants will know that I had the Israelites live in booths when I brought them out of Egypt. I am the LORD your God.' " ⁴⁴ So Moses announced to the Israelites the appointed feasts of the LORD.

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Leviticus 23:33-44

ance. They would never forget if they spent this time each year giving offerings of first fruits and sacrificial offerings during this feast. Today, people often say offerings are not important because God knows the hearts, but offerings reveal the heart of the person making the offering and God knew that to be true.

Remember!

It is important we remember God expects us to serve him at times he has appointed and in ways he has appointed—not to do so is sin!

We who are Believers in Jesus Christ are only the masters of our own destiny by our choice of following God or Satan! When following our decision to accept Jesus as both our Lord and our Savior we must remain true to our Lord. We will in fact remain true to the lord we serve be it Christ or Satan. Following God's word in time, place, and service is the verification of whose we claim to be. Tabernacle with Jesus Christ!

Just so you'll know:

Our service is informal. We look to the Holy Spirit of God to guide us corporately and individually.

Our service usually follows this general pattern:

- **Informal sharing** of what we have seen the Lord do in, through, and around us since we last met.
 - Testimonies are often a part of the conversation.
- **Opening Prayer**
- **Praise & Worship**
- Words of Prophecy or **Knowledge** if they have been given during "Praise & Worship" (other times as the Spirit moves).
- **The Pastoral Message**
- **Prayer Requests**
 - Ministry to those present & intercession.
- The Blessing

