

# 9<sup>th</sup> MONTH: "KISLEV"

(mid-Nov thru mid-Dec)



**Purpose:** Feast of Dedication celebrates the **cleansing after desecration** of the 2nd Temple in Jerusalem following the revolt of the Maccabees (a Levites/ Priestly family). The ruling Hellenistic empire tried through, killing and intimidation, to force assimilate all Israelites into pagan-culture practices. The empire desecrated the Temple with the sacrificing pigs and idol gods worship on its Holy Altar. The father and leader of the Maccabees, Mattithyahu was zealous for **YAHUAH'S** Torah and dedicated to keeping the Covenant; therefore, because of the Maccabees dedication and refusal to assimilate with pagan-culture, **YAHUAH** strengthen their hands like a "hammer" to fight and win against the heathens in battle. The zeal and dedication to **YAHUAH'S** Torah and Covenant requires sacrifice.

**Coming Glory of the future Temple:** During the **rebuilding of the Temple (2nd Temple)**, Haggai prophesied of a future temple that would surpass Solomon's in glory and splendor and would be the place where **YAHUAH** would give Israel peace (see **Haggai 2:9**). This prophecy will be fulfilled in the coming **New Jerusalem temple of YAHUAH**

What/Who are our lives dedicated to? Daily we need to war against this Babylon system that attack our minds, and break down strongholds by living and walking out Torah.

## Feast: ISRAEL'S FEAST OF DEDICATION (Also Known as Hanukkah)

**Number of days** Feast of Dedication is observed: **8**  
(This Feast of Dedication is the act of consecrating our temple within (mind, body, soul) on the altar of our set-apart/sanctified heart to **YAHUAH'S** Renewed Covenant)

### How to Celebrate: Remembrance



### New Testament

**1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians. 6:19-20**

**John. 10:22-23**

**John. 2:19-21 / 4:21-24**

**Romans. 12:1-2**

1<sup>st</sup> Dedication of the Temple:  
(2<sup>nd</sup> Chronicles chapters 6 & 7)  
**Cepher-2<sup>nd</sup> Chronicle 6:12-42**  
**Solomon's Prayer of Dedication**

**Cepher-2<sup>nd</sup> Chronicle 7:1-3**  
**Fire from Heaven**

**Cepher-2<sup>nd</sup> Chronicle 7:4-10**  
**Dedication of the Temple**

Rebuilding **YAHUAH'S** Temple  
**"within"** requires sacrifice

We are to continually examine our temple "within", so that we may remain pure and Set-Apart

## Feast of Dedication/ Hanukkah (symbolically & physically)

Feast of Dedication is a re-dedication of our lives to **YAHUAH'S** Renewed Covenant. The feast; therefore, is a time of joyful, cry of faith praise with songs of worship because of, and for our future deliverance by **YAHUAH** hand, **His Future Heavenly Temple, destruction of the wicked** (our enemies), and a **return** to our culture/faith in **YAHUAH'S** Covenant, Statues and Laws. (**ref 2<sup>nd</sup> Maccabees 10:6-8**)

*"And they kept the eight days with gladness, as in the Feast of Cukkoth, remembering that not long afore they had held the Feast of Cukkoth, when as they wandered in the mountains and dens like beasts. Therefore they bore branches, and fair boughs, and palms also, and sang psalms unto him that had given them good success in cleansing his place. They ordained also by a common statute and decree, That every year those days should be kept of the whole nation of the Yahudiym."*  
Symbolically, we are to have the **Menorah in our hearts filled with oil and lite** always, as this signifies **Yahusha Hamashiach's** light that Sanctify/Set-Apart & dwells in us.

### Old Testament

**Maccabees. (Books: 1/2/3/4)**

**Psalms. 27 / 30:1-12**

**Haggai. 2:16-23**

Know that this Babylon system is after our soul using witchcraft, spiritual wickedness, and physiological warfare. What then is our **Ruach Battle-Cry of Emunah/Faith, Praise /Worship** for **YAHUAH**? Similar to the Maccabees, who knew they were in a spiritual and a physiological war with the wicked; they guarded the Covenant/ Torah, they fasted, praised/worshiped and when tested stood firm in righteousness to the **WORD** of **YAHUAH Tseva'oth, Israel's Redeemer, Avenger and King.**