

# My Sukkah Is Your Sukkah

*Sukkot and Self-Transcendence*

**Sukkot -- "Time of Our Joy"**

*(Holiday Prayers)*

**"You shall rejoice on your holidays."**

*(Deuteronomy 16:14)*

**"On the fifteenth day of the seventh month [the month of Tishrei], when you gather in the produce of the land, you shall celebrate the festival of the L-rd for a seven day period... and you shall rejoice before the L-rd your G-d for a seven day period... For a seven day period you shall live in booths. Every resident among the Israelites shall live in booths, in order that your [ensuing] generations should know that I had the children of Israel live in booths when I took them out of the land of Egypt"**

*(Leviticus 23:39-43).*

**"For seven days ... all who belong to the people of Israel will live in sukkot' (Lev. 23:42). This teaches that it is fitting for all of Israel to sit in one sukkah."**

*(Talmud, Sukkah 27b)*

**"How [does one fulfill] the mitzvah of dwelling in the sukkah? One should eat, drink and live in the sukkah both day and night as one lives in one's house on the other days of the year. For seven days, a person should turn his home into a temporary dwelling and his sukkah into a permanent dwelling."**

*(Code of Jewish Law, Orach Chaim, ch.639:1)*