

# Sukkot Joy

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When a person cheers himself with the joy of mitzvah, and the joy is so great that it reaches down to his feet—i.e., he dances for joy—this concept is called “we will bring home a heart of wisdom” (Psalms 90:12).

The feet are *Netzach* and *Hod*, the prophets. They ascend to the concept of the heart through the heart’s joy, because the joy elevates them. This is dancing—that one “picks up” his feet.

So when one studies Torah or performs a mitzvah with such great joy that the joy reaches down to his feet and he raises them up—this lifts up all who support Torah, who are called “supporters of truth.”

Evil speech is called *ReGeL* (foot), as in (Psalms 15:2), “He that did not *RaGaL* (slander) with his mouth.” It, too, is raised up. A person can also be raised by money, which is called “foot,” as it is written, “and all the subsistence at their feet” (Deuteronomy 11:6).

Faith, too, is called “foot.” As our Sages, of blessed memory, taught: Chabakkuk came and stood them on one... (*Makkot* 24a).

And you thought being *b'simcha* (happy) was just a nice idea.

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