



# Feast of Trumpets

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**Awake to Israel**  
**12<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

# I. The Introduction



# Introduction

- **Lev. 23:23-25**

- ***23 And Jehovah spoke unto Moses, saying, 24 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, on the first day of the month, shall be a solemn rest unto you, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, a holy convocation. 25 You shall do no servile work; and you shall offer an offering made by fire unto Jehovah***



# Introduction

## Rosh Hashanah

- **Not a biblical name – most commonly used Jewish name**
- **The Head of the Year**
- **The beginning of the Jewish civil year**
- **The day that God created the heavens and the earth**



# Biblical Names

## Yom Truah

- **The Day of the Blowing of the Trumpets – Numbers 29:1**
- **Biblical designation**
- **Modern Judaism – A call to Jews to remember their sins**



# Biblical Names

## Zicharon Teruah

- **'Memorial of Blowing'** a remembrance of blowing – Lev 23:24
- **'Shouting for Joy'** based on Job 38:7



# Biblical Practice

## Date

- **The first day of the seventh month – Tishrei**
- **One day festival**
- **A day of rest**
- **Special sacrifices**
- **Celebrated by Blowing Trumpets**



# The Introduction

# The Jewish Practice

# Jewish Practice

## Blowing of the Shofar

### Three Purposes

- Call to repentance – A call to Jews to return to Judaism for on this day all Jews pass under judgment
- Reminder of Israel's covenant relationship with God
- To confuse Satan on the day he accuses Israel



# Jewish Practice

## Meaning of the Blowing of the Shofar

- A symbol of the regathering of Israel
- A symbol of the resurrection of the dead
- Three books are opened on this day in Heaven
  - Book of the Righteous
  - Book of the Wicked
  - Book of the In-Between



# Jewish Practice

## The Trumpet Blasts

- **Tekiah** – Long single blast – A straight plain smooth continuous note – Expresses joy and contentment
- **Shevarim** – Three short blasts – Combination of three broken notes – Symbol of sobbing
- **Teruah** – Extremely short blasts – Nine staccato notes – A quick succession of short trills – Indicates trepidation and sorrow



# Jewish Practice

## The Trumpet Blasts

- **Tekiah Gedolah, the great Tekiah** – one long continuous note ending when trumpeter runs out of breath
- **Last of one hundred trumpet blasts**
- **Known as the last trump, the great trump**
- **Symbol of the final redemption, resurrection, and regathering of Israel**



# Jewish Practice

## Tashlich

- **Based on Micah 7:19**
- **Afternoon of the first day**
- **Always near a body of water**
- **Pockets are symbolically emptied**



# **Jewish Practice**

## **Legends of Rosh Hashanah**

- **Creation of the world and Adam**
- **Fall of Adam**
- **Birth of Cain and Abel each having a twin sister**
- **Cain killed Abel**
- **Flood dried up**
- **Birth and death of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob**
- **Israel's slavery ended**



# The Introduction

**Use of Trumpets in  
Old and New  
Testaments**

# Use of Trumpet in Old Testament

- A shofar was used at the time that the Mosaic Law was given
- Blowing the shofars, the people shouted, the walls fell down at Jericho
- The shofar was blown as a call to war or as a warning of war, and this is one of its more common usages
- It was blown to announce the anointing of a king
- The shofar was sounded as a way to praise God
- It was blown as a call to repentance



# Use of Trumpet in New Testament

- **Matthew 6:2** – it was used to make an announcement
- **I Corinthians 14:8** – it was used as a call to war.
- **Heb. 12:19** – it was used as a reminder of the sound of the trumpet at the time of the giving of the Law
- **Rev 1:10; 4:1** – it was used as a symbol for the voice of God



## II. The Prophetic and Messianic Significance



# **The Prophetic and Messianic Significance**

**The Old Testament  
&  
The New Testament**

# The Prophetic and Messianic Significance Old Testament

- **Isaiah 27:13 – *And it shall come to pass in that day, that a great trumpet shall be blown; and they shall come that were ready to perish in the land of Assyria, and they that were outcasts in the land of Egypt; and they shall worship Jehovah in the holy mountain at Jerusalem***
- ***a great trumpet shall be blown*** – signals final return of Israel to worship God in Messianic Kingdom
- Final return takes place after blowing of the shofar



# The Prophetic and Messianic Significance New Testament

- **Matthew 24:31 – *And he shall send forth his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other***
- God uses angels to bring the Jewish people back into the Promised Land
- Regathering will happen with a great sound of a trumpet
- Those who are going to be regathered are his elect
- A great worldwide regathering of the Jewish people – after blowing of the trumpet



# The Prophetic and Messianic Significance New Testament

- Trumpets will again be used to announce judgments – especially the specific judgments of the Great Tribulation
- Revelation 8:2 – ***And I saw the seven angels that stand before God; and there were given unto them seven trumpets***
- Revelation 8:6 – ***And the seven angels that had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound***
- Blowing of trumpets were often used as a warning of coming judgment in both Old and New Testament



# III. The Fulfillment of the Feast of Trumpets

## The Rapture of the Church



# John 14:1-3 – The Promise

- ***Let not your heart be troubled: believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I come again, and will receive you unto myself; that where I am, there you may be also***
- The Lord will return to Heaven: To prepare a place for us
- He will come back for believers: To take them to Heaven
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# The Fulfillment of the Feast of Trumpets

**I Thessalonians  
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The Program**

# I Thessalonians 4:13-18

## The Program

- ***13 But we would not have you ignorant, brethren, concerning them that fall asleep; that you sorrow not, even as the rest, who have no hope. 14 For if we believe that Yeshua died and rose again, even so them also that are fallen asleep in Yeshua will God bring with him. 15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we that are alive, that are left unto the coming of the Lord, shall in no wise precede them that are fallen asleep.***



# I Thessalonians 4:13-18

## The Program

- **13 – Paul doesn't want them to be ignorant of these things**
- **Unlike unbelievers, believers have hope**
- **Sleep – Used of believers only**
  - **A temporary suspension of physical activity**
  - **This is how the Bible views death for the believer**



# I Thessalonians 4:13-18

## The Program

- **14 – Believers of the Gospel, those in Christ will be affected by this event**
- **15 – The dead believer will not miss out on the benefits of the rapture, they will in fact reap the benefits first**



# I Thessalonians 4:13-18

## The Program

- *16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven, with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Messiah shall rise first; 17 then we that are alive, that are left, shall together with them be caught up in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord*
- In the future Yeshua will come out of the Heaven of heavens
- He will descend into the atmospheric heavens



# I Thessalonians 4:13-18

## The Program

- *'with a shout'*
- A military leader coming out of his tent and issuing a command
- One day the Chief Commander will give the command for the resurrection and translation of believers



# I Thessalonians 4:13-18

## The Program

- *‘with the voice of the archangel’*
- Angels are often used to set God’s plan into motion
- This archangel is Michael
- Content is not known but possibly a repetition of what Messiah says



# I Thessalonians 4:13-18

## The Program

- *'with the trump of God'*
- Next the trumpet sounds
- Serves as a summons for the plan to move into motion



# I Thessalonians 4:13-18

## The Program

- *'the dead in Messiah will rise first'*
- Resurrection of the dead saints
- They will enjoy the benefits first
- 'In Messiah' – Only those that were baptized by the Holy Spirit into the Body of Messiah



# I Thessalonians 4:13-18

## The Program

- *'we that are alive ... caught up ...'*
- Translation of the living saints; every believer
- Greek: 'Harpazo' – means 'to be caught up'



# I Thessalonians 4:13-18

## The Program

- *'meet ... in the air ... be with the Lord'*
- All believers, both dead and living will meet the Lord in the air
- Guarantee: Permanently remain with Him
- Fulfils the promise of John 14:1-3



# The Fulfillment of the Feast of Trumpets

**I Cor 15:50-58**

**The Change**

# I Corinthians 15:50-58

## The Change

- **50 – *Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither does corruption inherit incorruption***
- **The Need for Change**
- **Genesis 2:17; 3:17-19; Romans 5:12-14**
- **Man is under the sentence of death**
- **Physical body is subject to corruption and mortality**
- **A change is necessary to enter into the eternal state**



# I Corinthians 15:50-58

## The Change

- 51-53 – The Change
- 52 – *in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye*
- Emphasis on quickness and rapidity of change
- It will be in ‘an atom of time’
- ‘*Twinkling of an eye*’ – Sudden flash of recognition
- The change will happen this quickly



# I Corinthians 15:50-58

## The Change

- *'at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound,'*
- The word trumpet is found twice in verse 52
- Notice the phrase 'the last trump'
- Some interpret this to be the 7th trumpet in the Book of Revelation
- Notice the definite article 'THE last trump'



# I Corinthians 15:50-58

## The Change

- Paul and the Corinthians were familiar with the 'last trump' but they were not familiar with the Book of Revelation
- Paul is referring to the Tekiah Gedolah, the last note to be sounded
- Paul is connecting 'the last trump' with the Feast of Trumpets



# The Fulfillment of the Feast of Trumpets

**The Resurrection  
Body  
I Cor 15:35-50; 53**

# The Resurrection Body

## I Cor 15:35-50; 53

- **42 – The resurrection body is going to be incorruptible (v. 42).**
- **43a – It is going to be a glorified body –same point in Phil 3:21**
- **43b – It is going to be a body resurrected in power – power that our bodies do not have at the present time.**



# **The Resurrection Body**

## **I Cor 15:35-50; 53**

- **44-46 – it is going to be a spiritual body**
- **47-49 – It is going to be a body fit for heaven**
- **53 – It is going to be an immortal body**
- **The resurrected body will no longer be subject to mortality or corruption.**
- **That is why this type of a body will be able to enter into heaven**

