

Feast of Trumpets 2017

Day of shouting and blasts (Yom Teruah)

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All scriptures are NKJV unless noted otherwise.

Summary:

This year's Feast of Trumpets falls on Sept 21 or 22, 2017, depending on which calendar you're using. I am reposting the notes and audio from 2016, and everything applies except the dates I cite in the 2016 audio. This is a time of great joy and jubilation – as well as alarm – depending on the side you're on. Sound the alarm, blow the trumpet, listen to the shofar blasts. But why is it called a day of clouds and gloominess? Why don't we call it Rosh Hashanah and what is the Bible name for this day? Does the first resurrection happen on this day – or earlier in the spring, picturing those being called out now? When does Yeshua/Jesus land on the Mt of Olives? WHY is this day called a "memorial"? A day of remembrance of what?

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Shalom and “chag Sameach”* as they say in Hebrew – happy Feast! Welcome to light on the rock, where our messages are free and the focus is on our Yeshua, the son of God, the Prince of Peace, the coming King of kings... as well as on our heavenly Abba.

And welcome to the start of ***the final four fall holydays*** of Yehovah – and especially today the Feast of Trumpets. Jews call it Rosh Hashanah – never the name given to it in scripture. **The scriptural name is Yom Teruah** – the day of Shouts and blasts. This day actually has about the LEAST said about it.

On this day and *every* holyday, the silver trumpets were blown, but on this day the SHOFAR – the ram's horn was also blown 100 times among the Jews. They call this day **Rosh Hashanah, meaning “the Head of the year”**. ***We don't call it that*** because Yehovah said that the start of the year, the first month of the year, was to be in the spring. “THIS Month- ABIB – is to be the beginning of months” (**Exodus 12:1-2**).

ALL FOUR final holydays fall in this 7th Hebrew month. The plans of God are coming to a head! Rapidly. 7th month. Seven = perfect completion. (Interestingly, our month of September *used to be* considered the 7th month – Sept = 7; Oct = 8; Dec = 10th.)

So with that in mind, this starts the MOST EXCITING month – 7th Hebrew month of Tishrei – when we'll all be able to shout someday – “YEHOVAH (THE LORD) REIGNS!” That's really what this feast and the next 3 are all about – we finally have the one true God back on earth in charge of things directly, visibly and personally! And you and I can have a big part in that, and that is SO exciting! (**Prayer of blessing** over the sermon and hearing)

These holydays are called by two words in Hebrew:

- **CHAG (HAG) = feasts.** Food and drink. Celebration. Jews say “Chag sameach” – or “joyous festival”, “Happy feast”.
- **Moed or Moedim** = appointed times, or appointments.

We miss so much just in the English. But think of the Feast days as appointments HE set down 3500 years ago or more. Since we hope to marry the Creator’s son – Yeshua, also called The Word who spoke all things into existence – I like to think of these holydays, these divine appointments, **as a “date” with my king of kings!**

So today is a very, very exciting day – and it thrills me to know these fall holydays picture the final events in God’s plan. And as we will discuss more as we go along, it also is heavy on my heart as I ponder those who wish to fight the King of Kings. They will suffer mightily for their rebellion and hundreds of millions will die by the plagues, earthquakes, hailstones and other punishments he will send.

Leviticus 23:23-25

‘Then YHWH spoke to Moses, saying, ‘Speak to the children of Israel, saying: ‘In the seventh month, on the first day of the month, you shall have a sabbath-rest, **a memorial of blowing of trumpets**, a holy convocation. 25 You shall do no customary work on it; and you shall offer an offering made by fire to YHVH .”

In the original Hebrew the words “of trumpets” is NOT actually in the original. But it’s understood that blowing, or blasts – *teruah* – is referring to shouts, blasts of the silver trumpets and blasts from the rams horns called the shofar. Though ALL holydays had the trumpets blown, that blowing of trumpets is particularly high-lighted on this day.

So we’re told:

- The date – the 1st of the 7th month (a new moon, and not before or after but ON the new moon).
- That it’s a *sabbaton* rest –not just a shabbat rest – and to do no regular work
- It’s a memorial of blowing
- A holy convocation
- And in the old covenant, they had an offering.

Sound of the SHOFAR -- Control-click;

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DJwfsYxDgJ4>

FOR 2017 – TRUMPETS FALLS ON Sept 21, Thurs for the traditional calendar; and probably Sept 22 for those looking for the new moon sighting in Jerusalem. I say probably, because we won’t know for sure until it is sighted!

WHY THIS HOLYDAY IS so UNIQUE

But this holyday is so unique compared to other holydays in a few significant ways too. First, it’s not unique for having trumpets blown. ALL the holydays and even all the new moon had the trumpets blown as I’ll show you in Numbers 10. But this day was different in other way:

- **It's a holyday without a name. The other days have names – Passover, days of unleavened bread, Feast of Weeks, Feast of Tabernacles, and so on. But no name for this holyday.** WE call it “feast of Trumpets” – but the word “trumpets” is actually not even actually in the verse in Lev 23! **Where it says “blowing of trumpets” – that whole phrase is the one Hebrew word “teruah”,** usually translated as shouts, or blasts or noise and sometimes trumpet blast. So trumpets are implied – whether the silver trumpets or the shofars.
- **It's the only holyday that falls on the NEW MOON.** So it's so important we not CHANGE the date. The NEW MOON is very symbolic: the new, visible LIGHT of Christ is starting and will grow and grow and grow.
- **This holyday is NOT EXPLAINED. WHY do we have this holyday?** The reason or function of the other holy days are explained. Passover and coming out of Egypt; Pentecost and the early wheat harvest; Atonement - and removing our sins; Feast of tabernacles hearkening back to living in booths when they left Egypt. THIS one – really has no explanation. WE come up with explanations, but scripture does not directly. Actually the 8th day – the last holyday – also has scant information given about it too.
- Therefore it's been called **the “unknowable day”, the day of mystery.** Perhaps partly because it was a new moon, nobody could even know for certain the exact date the moon would be seen.

IS THIS HOLYDAY ABOUT Christ's RETURN?

So many are so sure this is about the DAY our Savior returns. But remember what Yeshua clearly told us: “NOBODY – not even the angels in heaven – know the hour or the day of the 2nd coming. Nobody – except my Father in heaven” (paraphrased – Matthew 24:36).

So if we knew that on this day he would be seen in the clouds, or on this day we would be landing on the Mt of Olives with him, then we'd know the day, right? So let me say from the beginning, I'm much more cautious about being so bombastic or bold about events of prophecy - unless or until an angel of God tells me clearly. And that hasn't happened to me, and not likely to the other speakers on this subject.

Yeshua clearly told us there would be false Christ's and false prophets – and many will say Yeshua is here or there, but we are not to believe it. (**Matthew 24:18-27**). He tells us when he does come back, it will be like lightning flashing from one side of the sky to the other. You can't miss it! (Matthew 24:27).

So although I'll speak of the coming of Messiah and our joy with that – when it comes to prophecy, we must ride loosely in the saddle.

But we do believe that by keeping God's feasts we get in tune with the general plan of God.

And YES, I believe this holyday is all about the fact that the Son of God is returning, and this time as King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

The CONTRAST between the SPRING AND FALL HOLYDAYS

SPRING holydays:

- Focus on the FIRST coming of the Messiah as the Lamb of God who came to die for our sins. The Lamb of God.
- It's about those being called right now, the early harvest, the first fruits, the elect, the Ekklesia.
- Passover – the crucifixion;
 - Wavesheaf Day – picturing offering the first of the firstfruits, pointing to Christ, who was accepted for the rest of the harvest
- Days of Unleavened Bread as we live a life now in Christ, with sin OUT of our lives
- Pentecost – When God gave his Torah/law to Israel and married them at Mt Sinai.
- SPRING HOLYDAYS focus on things past – with Pentecost being a PIVOTAL TRANSITION holyday.

EVERYTHING they pictured happened on the very DAY. Christ was crucified ON Passover. He went to heaven to be received of his father on Wavesheaf day. He gave the earnest of the Holy Spirit, like an engagement ring, on Pentecost. ON THE VERY DAY. I don't see that pattern changing.

Some of us feel Pentecost could still be the wedding day of the Bride and the Son of God in Heaven. Those of us being called now are part of the meaning of the SPRING holydays. Does it make sense for the 1st resurrection of those being called now to happen in the FALL – OR IN THE SPRING/summer? Does the wedding take place in the FALL – picturing those being called later, or on Pentecost, when God married Israel in the past?

Just ponder that. So Pentecost is a transition holyday and I'll explain how it connect to this day today as we go along.

FALL holydays:

- Focus on the **2nd coming** of Christ and what happens when he does return.
- The King REIGNS – is the message! The LION OF JUDAH has come back to save his people, and really the whole world.
- Atonement/Yom Kippur – he reconciles the world to himself and takes away their sin when they repent. That's HIS role, HIS job. HIS atonement.
- Feast of Tabernacles – the 1000 year rule of peace and plenty
- 8th Day – what happens after the thousand year rule. 8 = NEW beginnings.

But the FOCUS of the Fall holydays is – “YEHOVAH REIGNS!”

This month pictures the final rapid series of events leading up to the earth-shaking return – and beyond – of ben David – the Son of David, the Messiah, the King of Kings, Yeshua of Nazareth, born of the house of David in Bethlehem – your SAVIOR!

I'm focusing on the JOY of this day in this sermon. We believe it pictures the return of our King – to come with his armies in heaven and his Bride – to land on the Mt. of Olives.

Luke 21:26-28

“...men's hearts failing them from fear and the expectation of those things which are coming on the earth, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. 27 Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. 28 Now when these things begin to happen, **look up and lift up your heads, because your redemption draws near.**”

Teruah – and THE MEMORIAL OF BLOWING

We’ve already read how there was to be a memorial of blowing (of trumpets) on this day. In scripture, the blowing of trumpets is associated with many things. SIGNALLING people to assemble; calling in the leaders, or used in war. Watchmen were to blow the trumpet to WARN people if they saw the enemy coming.

Usually the trumpet blown was the SHOFAR - the ram’s horn. But on the holydays they ALSO blew the silver trumpets.

But for us, the shofar blast is the MEMORIAL of God taking charge in the final battles before setting up His kingdom.

Numbers 10:1-2

And YHVH spoke to Moses, saying: 2 "Make two silver trumpets for yourself; you shall make them of hammered work; you shall use them for calling the congregation and for directing the movement of the camps.

Numbers 10:9-10

9 "**When you go to war** in your land against the enemy who oppresses you, then you shall **sound an alarm with the trumpets, and you will be remembered before the Lord your God,** and you will be saved from your enemies. 10 Also in **the day of your gladness**, in your appointed feasts, and at the beginning of your months, you shall blow the trumpets over your burnt offerings and over the sacrifices of your peace offerings; ***and they shall be a memorial for you before your God: I am the Lord your God.***"

We ARE at war, though many times many of us act like we’re unaware of that. That war – against Satan and the world he controls – will get more and more intense. We are to shout out to God, blow the shofar, call upon his promises we just read – and we will be remembered.

Leviticus 23:24 also calls it a “memorial of blowing”. So apparently the trumpet blasts wake us up, helps us remember to call on God – but it’s also something that triggers memories for our great God.

WHY a memorial? And a memorial of what?

It’s the reminder of the first story related to the horns of a ram – Abraham, about to sacrifice his only true son Isaac (by God’s description in **Genesis 22:1-2**) -- and then God fulfilled the word He had given Abraham, “God will provide HIMSELF the lamb for the burnt offering” (v. 7). Remember what happened? Just as Abraham was about to sacrifice full-grown Isaac, the Angel of Yehovah said “STOP! Now I know...” – and what happened? There was a RAM CAUGHT by his horns – the shofar -- in a thorn bush. That ram pictured

Yeshua. But in Yeshua's case, the thorn bush was rammed on his head when he provided our redemption.

So to Jews everywhere, the shofar blast reminds them of how God provided for Abraham and Isaac, and because of his promises to Abraham – he will provide the same for all those in Christ, who become children of God and heirs of the promises to Abraham – whether male or female, Gentile or Jew (Gal 3:26-29)

So Feast of Trumpets is a remembrance, a memorial, of that – and that God will be there to help us when we have to fight, and will take care of us. It also POINTS US to the time when trumpet blasts will signal the final battles before King Jesus becomes king of all!

And you and I can be among those shouting, in a future year around and in Jerusalem – “Our Lord, King Yeshua, REIGNS – forever and ever and ever!”

Can you be excited about that? (Easy to shout and go nuts at a baseball or football game – but can we in thinking of Christ's return? And how we'll all be shouting for joy and making a lot of noise when it all finally does happen. Compare to the jubilation when World War II ended in Europe and in Japan – the joy at home; the joy in Paris and London and New York! It will be much, much greater when King Yeshua wins the war!)

So you see, this day is not just a doctrine. It's not just a Bible study. It's not just a holyday. It's what you've been called to be a part of: returning to earth with the MARRIED King Yeshua – as the Wedding Supper has happened in Heaven. SO you can be returning with our King with his new BRIDE! Maybe you're part of the Bride! And with the angelic hosts of heaven, holy angels, holy ones—and we all come down together to show this world the way one world government really should work. **And you'll be a SPIRIT BEING, full of power** and vigor and capabilities – and full of the love of God and His Spirit. You will be – incorruptible. Can you shout about that?*

Oh but I get ahead of myself.

Though there are the 2 silver trumpets, realize that most of the time the Bible speaks of a trumpet – it is referring to the ram's horn shofar. Even in Exodus 19 at Mt Sinai, when the “trumpet” blew long and loud – the word there is Shofar. When circling Jericho- it was a ram's horn that each priest was blowing. Gideon's 300 men – blew their ram's horn. That was the trumpet.

THE DAY OF THE LORD (YHVH)

What an EXCITING MONTH we're in! No, I don't mean October. I mean Tishrei, the 7th month of the Hebrew calendar that has FOUR holydays. What an exciting DAY this should be – IF you have the *RELATIONSHIP** with our King. My heart thumps rapidly inside me as I think of the MEANING of this day.

FOR BELIEVERS this is a GREAT AND JOYFUL DAY. For those who refuse Christ and persecute his followers, this is the day HE will take vengeance on them, as we'll read shortly.

This day pictures the time when

- Satan's rule ENDS. And Christ's rule begins.

- When Yeshua and his bride land on the Mt of Olives after they have been married in heaven.
- This is a GLORIOUS, WONDERFUL day. An incredibly glad and happy day.

Jews see this day as the start of 10 days of repentance to Yom Kippur, and the 10 days of Awe. They see it as their New Year and are wishing for another good year ahead.

We believers in Yeshua the Messiah see this day in the light of HIM.

Though trumpets are blown on ALL the holydays, this particular one emphasizes the BLASTS of a trumpet. Many scriptures link the blowing of trumpet blasts with the 2nd coming of Messiah to land on the Mt of Olives. Jewish believers actually blow the shofar – ram's horn trumpets – 100 times – in this day.

There's a focus on shouting, blasts, trumpet blasts – and we see it as pointing to the prophesied “**Day of the LORD**” – which really lasts one year.

Isaiah 34:8 – It's the day of the LORD's vengeance, the YEAR of recompense...

This day pictures the year – and finally the DAY – that CREATOR is coming back! And he's not pleased. The earth is destroyed. People are all at war with one another. His chosen people have been martyred or killed or persecuted. He's upset! So dozens of verses refer to the “Day of LORD” as a FIERCE AND cruel day, a DARK day – literally—when the sun and moon won't shine properly.

Amos 5:18-20 says woe to him who desires the Day of the Lord. But that's because the Creator is coming to avenge the blood of all his people, and to punish the millions of evil doers.

But FOR God's children – this day is the day we finally see everything from this evil world wrap up! This is the day God Almighty through the Son of God returns to land on the Mt of Olives and take charge. But a lot has to happen before that. **But this is the day we should all be DREAMING of! I'll speak much more of that in a few minutes.**

But I also feel heavy in my heart today*, as this day pictures the beginning and end of the “Day of the LORD” mentioned so often by the prophets. No, that's not Sunday. The Day of the Lord is **a one year period** when FINALLY*! – Our KING says “ENOUGH” – and intervenes in world affairs, described in detail in the prophets, in Matthew 24, in the book of Revelation. If you hear Jeff Niccum's sermon from 2011, he details the list of events that are very serious for our country and really for the whole world. It's a rough time.

<http://www.lightontherock.org/index.php/message/feast-of-trumpets-2011-and-the-day-of-the-lord> Here's Jeff's sermon to listen to when you can.

The Day of the Lord will include plagues and earthquakes and devastation like we've never seen. There's an earthquake, for example, that scripture says is greater than this planet has EVER experienced (**Revelation 16:17-21**). **100-lb hailstones** are mentioned also in verse 21. You and I definitely want to be on the right side. Those on Yeshua's side, will be celebrating his return to finally stop the mess!

“Day of Blowing” – or Teruah – could refer to shouts of JOY* or shouts of alarm (depending on which side you’re on), a battle cry. It can refer to shouts of victory and joy (**1 Sam 4:5-6**) or war cries (**Amos 1:14**).

But as Joel 2 says – BLOW THE TRUMPET (Shofar) for the day of the Lord is at hand.

Joel 2:1-2

“Blow the trumpet (shofar) in Zion,

And sound an alarm (*teruah*) in My holy mountain!

Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble;

For the day of the Lord is coming, For it is at hand:

2 A day of darkness and gloominess, A day of clouds and thick darkness,

Like the morning clouds spread over the mountains.

A people come, great and strong, The like of whom has never been;

Nor will there ever be any such after them, Even for many successive generations.

The sound of the shofar! The ram’s horn! If you were on the winning side – it was a great and wonderful sound of VICTORY. If you were on the losing side, it was death, destruction and everything that goes with losing a major war. Jeremiah spoke of pangs in his belly as he heard the sounds of alarm, the shofar of war (Jeremiah 4:19).

Jeremiah 4:19

O my soul, my soul! I am pained in my very heart!

My heart makes a noise in me; I cannot hold my peace,

Because you have heard, O my soul, The sound of the trumpet,

The alarm (Teruah) of war.

Control-click; hear the shofar: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DJwfsYxDgJ4>

TODAY is a memorial of blowing, strong blasts – so be sure you hear the shofar or blow your own shofar if you have one.

So it’s a mixed day:

- **a TERRIBLE day, at least in the short-term, for those who do not know Yeshua.**
- **But what a GLORIOUS day it will be for those of us who DO know our Savior.** For a little bit before we land on the Mt of Olives, we will have been changed to spirit, we will have put on immortality (**1 Cor. 15:50-52**) IN THE twinkling of an eye, and we’ll be powerful spirit beings --- being **gathered by angels as we’re changed to spirit** – and then taken to the wedding supper in Heaven – and then on a future Feast of Trumpets landing with thousands of you – and my King, my Beloved King – on to the Mt of Olives.**

It’s SO exciting. And the mountain will quake mightily and split in two and King Yeshua/Jesus’ feet touch the mountain. ... but again, I’m getting ahead of myself. It’s so exciting.

DAY OF GLADNESS for God’s children

The feasts are called “the day of your GLADNESS, in your appointed feasts, and at the beginning of months [new moon] you shall blow your trumpets....” (**Numbers 10:10**. KJV says “in your solemn days” – for “appointed feasts (moed)”. They weren’t solemn – but joyous, as you shall see. Even in Numbers 10:10- KJV makes it almost a contradiction – day of gladness” they follow with “in your solemn days” – NO, it was as NKJV and others have it: “in your day of gladness in your appointed feasts”... blow the silver trumpets (and the shofars as well were blown).

We see this gladness – in the days of Nehemiah. As the returned exiles heard the reading of the Torah, they mourned, became very sad. On this day! But notice what they were told.

Nehemiah 8:1-3

“Now all the people gathered together as one man in the open square that was in front of the Water Gate; and they told Ezra the scribe to bring the Book of the Law of Moses, which YHWH had commanded Israel. 2 So Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly of men and women and all who could hear with understanding **on the first day of the seventh month. [that’s the Feast of Trumpets, Yom Teruah]** 3 Then he read from it in the open square that was in front of the Water Gate from morning until midday, before the men and women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the Book of the Law.”

Now apparently the people were pricked in their hearts as they heard God’s law explained. They began to be sad. But notice what Nehemiah their governor said – and this is for God’s people even today:

Nehemiah 8:9-12

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, Ezra the priest and scribe, and the **Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to YHWH your God; do NOT mourn nor weep."** For all the people wept, when they heard the words of the Law.

10 Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat, drink the sweet, and send portions to those for whom nothing is prepared; for this day is holy to our Lord (Adon). ***Do not sorrow, for the joy of YHWH is your strength.***"

11 So the Levites quieted all the people, saying, "Be still, for the day is holy; do not be grieved." ***12 And all the people went their way to eat and drink, to send portions AND REJOICE GREATLY, because they understood the words that were declared to them.***

Now as we go along in this sermon, it will become more and more clear WHY we should be so joyous on this day. And I hope wherever you attend services for Trumpets – that you heard a joyous sermon and shofars were blown and people were given a sermon full of joy.

So this day in the Bible is called Yom Teruah – DAY OF BLASTS, trumpets, shouts, noise. *MAKE NOISE on this day. JOYFUL noise. BLOW your shofar. SHOUT for joy for all this day means.* It will also be a day of SHOUTS OF ALARM if you’re on the other side, the evil side.

WHY we have so much JOY on this Day

As I've explained in detail in sermons before, Christ sends his servants the angels to escort his bride back to him, – and then like the servant who got the Bride for Isaac – they return to the Father's House.

Now let me clarify one thing: Most people seem to think that the Feast of Trumpets is about Christ's return to earth to gather his bride – and then they assume that IN THAT SAME DAY he lands on the Mt of Olives. Please get what I'm saying: I DO believe it will be very likely that Yeshua the Messiah and his bride will land on the Mt of Olives on the Feast of Trumpets.

- **But BEFORE Christ and his elect – the bride – land on Mt of Olives east of Jerusalem, there has to be a wedding between Christ and the Church, the Israel of God.**
- **And after the 7th trumpet of Revelation sounds, there are still 7 last plagues** – all of which take TIME, weeks and MONTHS. We're NOT going to just be hovering over Jerusalem all that time while we wait for the 200-million man army to come from the east and cross the Euphrates, for example (**Revelation 16:**
- **So more and more of us believe Christ comes and collects the Bride and resurrects those who died in the Lord before – in his first phase of his coming -- much earlier than Trumpets.**
- **Think of it: the FALL holydays are about those being called later. The resurrection of the saints is for those called as EARLY harvest – and so it also makes MUCH more sense to have them be resurrected in the Spring – On either Wavesheaf day or Pentecost – which pictures the first fruits and early harvest, NOT in the FALL – which is not about those being called right now.**

THE TWO-PHASED RETURN OF King Yeshua

TO REALLY understand the sequence of events leading to the Mt. of Olives, we have to realize Christ comes back in 2 phases when he comes back. The first time he returns, it's IN THE CLOUDS – and he sends out his angels to collect his Bride.

2nd time – on a big white charger horse.

So Christ comes back the first time in a cloud. Then later he comes on a great white spirit horse – Rev 19. SO obviously there have to be 2 phases to his return. But first he comes in the clouds of heaven. If you want a detailed explanation of this, hear Jeff Niccum's sermon from 2011. Here it is:

<http://www.lightontherock.org/index.php/message/feast-of-trumpets-2011-and-the-day-of-the-lord> (Jeff Niccum's sermon) Let's continue.

1 Thessalonians 4:15-18

"For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. 16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will

rise first. 17 Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. 18 Therefore comfort one another with these words.”

1 Corinthians 15:50-53 adds that we will all be changed into glorious, incorruptible spirit bodies. Paul says we'll be IMMORTAL. We'll never grow old, we'll never get sick or have pain, we'll never die. Ever.

1 Corinthians 15:50-53

Now this I say, brethren, **that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God**; nor does corruption inherit incorruption. 51 Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed — 52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. **For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.** 53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and **this mortal must put on immortality.** 54 So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory." 1 John 3:1-3 says we shall see him, for we shall be JUST LIKE HIM.... Read it.

Matthew 24:29-31

"Immediately **AFTER** the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. 30 **Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.** 31 And He will send His angels with **a great sound of a trumpet**, and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other."

Will that be in the Fall – or in the Spring? Who are WE, the first fruits – are we pictured by the SPRING crop –or the general autumn crop harvest?

WEDDING SUPPER IN HEAVEN

- So He comes in the clouds to collect his bride just before Pentecost, or even on Wavesheaf Day, picturing the ascension to heaven of the Head of the church. Maybe the Body of Christ (the church) will also ascend at that time, and then count the days to the Wedding on Pentecost. **WHERE? IN HEAVEN, of course – as Revelation 19 clearly states.** Or maybe we'll be resurrected on Pentecost and then also get married immediately – on Pentecost – while the final 7 Last Plagues are poured out on the earth (which takes months).

Do you remember **Isaac – who pictured Christ – and Rebecca, who pictures the church? See Genesis 24 for all the details.** Their coming together as husband and wife was a prophetic picture of Christ and the Church.

I have sermons on the parallels to that marriage and the marriage to the Son of God as well. Things like where Rebekah was found – serving and drawing up water at the living waters, the spring, the wells. She was the daughter of Bethuel – which means “Dweller in God”. Think about that. How many times are we told we must be “in Him”, in Christ, In

Jesus, in God to have any standing! The very bride – that pictures the church – was daughter of ‘Dweller in El, in God’.

Rebekah was taken back to Isaac, who was at His Father’s home. The Bride of Christ will be taken to heaven for the marriage of the Lamb and his Bride. Galatians 4:21-31 tells us Sarah pictures Jerusalem above.

For full particulars, read and hear my sermon “I Go Prepare a Place for You” –

When Rebekah met Isaac, he took her into Sarah’s tent to consummate the marriage. Paul likens Sarah to heavenly Jerusalem in **Galatians 4:21-31**. When Yeshua meets His Bride, we will be married in the heavenly temple, probably officiated by God the Father. Remember Matthew 22 – a certain king put on a wedding for his son”. We know who the Son is, right? Who’s the father of the Son? And where would be the ONLY appropriate setting for that wedding? Revelation 19 tells us – it’s in heaven! Actually Rev. 14, 15 etc also are set in heaven. **Hear my sermon “I go Prepare a Place for you” for all the details.**

It’s going to be SO EXCITING. We can’t even begin to imagine it! SHOUT for joy. Sometime in here you get a new name, you’re given your assignments, and you get to meet the Creator – and I think we’ll also at this time be meeting God Most High, the Father. And he’ll be showing us around the New Jerusalem – which is YOUR city, folks! You’ll be shown your new home in your new city. You’ll be introduced to your angels, assigned as your personal assistants and powerful spirit servants. YES, YES – SHOUT FOR JOY!! BLAST on the SHOFAR! This is A GREAT TIME.

Revelation 19:1-9

After these things I heard a loud voice of a great ***multitude in heaven***, saying, "Alleluia! Salvation and glory and honor and power belong to the Lord our God! 2 For true and righteous are His judgments, because He has judged the great harlot **who corrupted the earth with her fornication; and He has avenged on her the blood of His servants shed by her.**" 3 Again they said, "Alleluia! Her smoke rises up forever and ever!"

4 And the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God who sat on the throne, saying, "Amen! Alleluia!" 5 Then a voice came from the throne, saying, "Praise our God, all you His servants and those who fear Him, both small and great!"

6 And I heard, as it were, the voice of a great multitude, as the sound of many waters and as the sound of mighty thunderings, saying, "Alleluia! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigns!"

7 **Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife has made herself ready.** 8 **And to her it was granted to be arrayed in fine linen, clean and bright, for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.**

9 Then he said to me, "Write: 'Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!'" And he said to me, "These are the true sayings of God."

If you and I are blessed enough to be part of the BRIDE of Christ, at this point you are married to God, the Son of God. Of course when we were changed – we also were made the same type of being, for kind can only marry the same kind.

And YOU are MARRIED to the Creator of all things, officiated by his Father, king of the Universe, Almighty God Most High.**

DURING THIS WEDDING in heaven, the 7 last plagues of Revelation are being poured out. That will take MONTHS in earth-time. And we'll be having the wedding and being introduced to our duties, angels, other people in that first resurrection... and then the autumn in Jerusalem arrives And it's time to saddle up. At least that's the way I see it. The fall holydays arrive and its time for Christ to return with his angelic armies – and his Bride.

THE BIGGEST INVASION -- FROM OUTER SPACE -- EVER

What's next? ** Then when the wedding supper is all done, we all return with King Yeshua to take control of the governments and kingdoms of this world.

Jude 14

“Behold the Lord comes with ten thousands of his saints, to execute judgment on all, to convict all who are ungodly...”

YOU can be there with your CREATOR, the new King of Kings! Let's pick up the story in Revelation 19, right after the wedding supper of the Lamb of God and His beloved Bride.

Revelation 19:11-21

“Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. 12 His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. 13 He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. 14 And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses. 15 Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. 16 And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written:

KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.”

17 Then I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the birds that fly in the midst of heaven, "Come and gather together for the supper of the great God,

18 that you may eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, both small and great."

19 And I saw the beast, the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army.

20 Then the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet who worked signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who received the mark of the beast and

those who worshiped his image. These two were cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone.

21 And the rest were killed with the sword which proceeded from the mouth of Him who sat on the horse. And all the birds were filled with their flesh.”

This will be the most massive D-DAY invasion of planet earth the world has ever seen. Millions and millions of angels, Yeshua, His bride – all spirit beings now, coming to earth to save Jerusalem, to save God’s people from annihilation, to save the whole world from utter extinction – and to destroy those who refuse to surrender to Him, and who are trying to destroy God’s people and God’s earth.

I believe the spring holydays are about events that have already been fulfilled. Shavuot, Pentecost – is the transition holyday. Then the fall holydays depict events yet to come.

I personally believe, as do more others, that the Wedding Supper is likely to happen on the Feast of Pentecost. We have a glorious wedding – while the 7 last PLAGUES are being poured out on the earth.

Some of those plagues must take months – like the drying of the River Euphrates and moving 200 million-man army.

In the spring holydays, everything those days pictured happened on the very day they depicted. The Passover Lamb of God was sacrificed on Passover. He was accepted as the Firstfruits on the very day of Wavesheaf offering of Firstfruits after Passover. Then the Holy Spirit was given on Pentecost as a promise to marry later, a down-payment. The word “earnest” or “downpayment” is arrabon in Greek, so close to the word “arrabona” for engagement ring. All these things on the very day!

I believe Pentecost is a transition holyday. There are still future events, I believe, to be fulfilled on Pentecost. Like the day God married Israel – and will marry Spiritual Israel in the future.

SO– probably on THIS day – on Yom Teruah, Feast of Trumpets some future year – we land on the Mt. of Olives to the east of the temple mount, it splits in two and the armies gathered against us are destroyed by King Yeshua, coming as a great conquering. **All this you can read in Zechariah 14 and in the book of Revelation.** Scripture tells us in Revelation that a 200-million man army will have assembled to fight us. King Yeshua will take care of that.

Zechariah 14:1-3, 12

Behold, the day of YHVH is coming, And your spoil will be divided in your midst.

2 For I will gather all the nations to battle against Jerusalem;

The city shall be taken, The houses rifled, And the women ravished.

Half of the city shall go into captivity,

But the remnant of the people shall not be cut off from the city.

3 Then YHVH will go forth and fight against those nations,

As He fights in the day of battle.

12 And this shall be the plague with which Yehovah will strike all the people who fought against Jerusalem:

Their flesh shall dissolve while they stand on their feet,

Their eyes shall dissolve in their sockets,
And their tongues shall dissolve in their mouths.”

Zech 14:4

4 And in that day His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, Which faces Jerusalem on the east. **And the Mount of Olives shall be split in two,** From east to west making a very large valley;
Half of the mountain shall move toward the north And half of it toward the south.

But this is VICTORY DAY.... Massive invasion from space! ****

Victory in Europe world war II – great joy. Victory over Japan – great joy. .
God's children will be SO ECSTATIC over this day.

Revelation 17:12-14 also speaks of ten kings who will make war with the Lamb.

Revelation 14:19-20

So the angel thrust his sickle into the earth and gathered the vine of the earth, and threw it into the great winepress of the wrath of God. 20 And the winepress was trampled outside the city, and blood came out of the winepress, up to the horses' bridles, for one thousand six hundred furlongs. (300 km; 180 miles)

Are you getting the picture what a time of WAR – of clouds, gloominess, earthquakes, hail, plagues, this will be! At this time the great King of Kings is coming as a great man of WAR! (Exodus 15:3).

Well, but now we get to do something about it all.

Many Israelites will be scattered into captivity all over the world. You and I will be able to help bring them back. Give them hope. Bring them to their land and their King – Yeshua, who is ben-David, the son of David, this time ready to REIGN. This time the Jews will recognize the Messiah – Yeshua, their own, Yeshua the son of David.

We'll gather the dispersed from among the nations. There will be a highway in the wilderness and rivers of living water in the deserts. YOU will have a great purpose, YOU will be bringing life and introducing millions to their Savior and a new world. (Isaiah 27:12-13)

Isaiah 27:12-13

And it shall come to pass in that day that Yahweh will thresh,
From the channel of the River to the Brook of Egypt;
And you will be gathered one by one, O you children of Israel.

**13 So it shall be in that day: The great trumpet will be blown;
They will come, who are about to perish in the land of Assyria,
And they who are outcasts in the land of Egypt,
And shall worship Yahweh in the holy mount at Jerusalem.**

The next holyday will be Yom Kippur – Day of Covering. It will be a day of fasting and solemn repentance – but a day when King Yeshua begins to reconcile the whole world back to him, and show them their sins can be taken away, once and for forever.

If you're learning from this website, tell others about it. I'm glad to share the good news of His word with you.

Ask God's blessing.

So until next time, this is your brother in Messiah with the good news of our Savior and of His Kingdom, of which there shall be no end. Hallelujah. Praise His name. May Yahweh bless you, smile upon you and bring you joyous peace.