

The Feast of Trumpets



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Leviticus 23-prophetic Fall feasts

You have the Spring Feasts

Then the Summer

After the long, hot and trying
summer...

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YOM KIPPUR

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In a brief message today called, **“TAKE HEED AND REMEMBER THE SHOUTING!”** I want us to be reminded of what this day signifies for us and learn some vital lessons on how we are to be a people that hear, guard and do all the commands of our Mighty Elohim, and are encouraging one another all the more as we see the Day of our Master approaching!

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Wayyiqra/Leviticus 23:24 “Speak to the children of Yisra’ēl, saying, ‘In the seventh month, on the first day of the month, you have a rest, a remembrance of blowing of trumpets, a set-apart gathering. 25 ‘You do no servile work, and you shall bring an offering made by fire to יהוה.’ ”

Offerings for the Feast of Trumpets

Num 29:1 'And in the seventh new moon, on the first day of the new moon, you have a set-apart gathering, you do no servile work, it is Yom Teru'ah(a) for you. Footnote:

(a)Day of Soundings or Noisings.

Num 29:2 And you shall prepare an ascending offering as a sweet fragrance to יהוה: one young bull, one ram, seven lambs a year old, perfect ones,

Num 29:3 and their grain offering: fine flour mixed with oil, three-tenths of an ephah for the bull, two-tenths for the ram, Num 29:4 and one-tenth for each of the seven lambs,
Num 29:5 and one male goat as a sin offering, to make atonement for you,

Num 29:6 besides the ascending offering with its grain offering for the New moon, the continual ascending offering with its grain offering, and their drink offerings, according to their right-ruling, as a sweet fragrance, an offering made by fire to יהוה.

What we see from this clear instruction is that on the 1st of the 7th we are to have a **'rest'**, which in the Hebrew is the term **שַׁבָּתוֹן shabbathon H7677** meaning a **'Sabbath-like' rest or Sabbath observance**. So although it may not fall on a Sabbath, the day is treated like one – you do no work and you have a set-apart gathering.

And on top of that – you have a remembrance of **Teru'ah**. The word for remembrance in Hebrew is זִכָּרוֹן **zikkaron** H2146 meaning 'memorial, commemoration or remembrance' and comes from the root word זָכַר **zakar** H2142 which means 'to remember, or be mindful, or bring to remembrance, to mention'

The Hebrew word that is translated as 'blowing of trumpets' is the noun תְּרוּעָה Teru'ah – Strong's H8643 which means 'a shout or blast of war, alarm or joy', which comes from the root verb רָוַע rua – Strong's H7321 meaning, 'to raise a shout, give a blast, sound the alarm, shout for joy', and it is on this day that we certainly raise a shout and blow the shofar/ trumpets.

While many are often confused as to what this day signifies, Scripture is very clear – it is a day of remembering the shout/shouting! The word **תְּרוּעָה Teru'ah** is used to signify an alarming sound that signals a distinctive sound that must be heard and properly responded to! It is used to signal the distinctive sound of the shofar on the Yom Kippur that would fall on the 49th year in order to announce that the following year would be the Yobel (Jubilee – the year of release) and therefore proclaim the release with the Teruah sound of the shofar, giving people enough time to prepare for the release, as seen in:

Wayyiqra/Leviticus 25:9 “You shall then sound a shofar-sound on the tenth day of the seventh new moon, on Yom haKippurim cause a shofar to sound through all your land.”

Please take note that the year of release does not start on the 49th Yom Kippur, it is only proclaimed on this day, as there would still be another 5 months before the beginning of the Yobel (year of Jubilee)!

The word תְּרוּעָה Teru'ah is also used to signal the shout of a great sound that would cause the enemies walls to come down:

Yehoshua/Joshua 6:5 “And it shall be, when they make a long blast with the horn of a yobel, and when you hear the voice of the shofar, that all the people **shout with a great sound**. And the wall of the city shall fall down flat, and the people shall go up every man straight before him.”

Shout with a great sound! The Hebrew root word translated as 'shout' is רוע *rua* – Strong's H7321; and the Hebrew word translated as 'great' is גדול *gadol* – Strong's H1419 and means, 'great, highest, mighty, marvellous'; and the Hebrew word translated as 'sound' is תְּרוּעָה *Teru'ah* – Strong's H8643. This was the great sound of victory that was shouted by all the people at the sound of the shofar, as the walls of Yeriho came crashing down!

While this is a very positive application of the sound of a great shout that brings victory, we also take note that תְּרוּעָה **Teru'ah – Strong's H8643** also speaks of the alarming sound of the judgement that is coming upon the disobedient:

Yirmeyahu/Jeremiah 4:19 “O my inward parts, my inward parts! I am in pain! O the walls of my heart! My heart pounds in me, I am not silent. For you have heard, O my being, the voice of a shofar, a shout of battle!”

Despite the urgent call given to a backsliding Yisra'ěl to return to יהוה and wash their hearts from all defilement, we see that even though a voice of judgement and trouble that was coming had been made very clear they refused to listen and here Yirmeyahu cries out in anguish that the voice of a shofar and the shout of battle has been heard! Yisra'ěl were not listening to the 'shout' of battle! The Hebrew word translated as 'shout' is תְּרוּעָה Teru'ah – Strong's H8643!

יהוה then says that His people are foolish
and do not know Him:

Yirmeyahu/Jeremiah 4:22 “For My people
are foolish, they have not known Me. They
are stupid children, and they have no
understanding. They are wise to do evil,
but to do good they have no knowledge.”

This is a very sobering reality of what we see happening today! Many people are not hearing this sound of the shout of war and due to a lack of knowledge they shall die! The day of the wrath of יהוה is coming and those who have ears and are not hearing are going to be in severe trouble!

The word תְּרוּעָה Teru'ah – Strong's H8643 is also used to sound the destruction that is coming on the enemies of Elohim!

Amos 2:2 “But I shall send fire upon Mo'ab, and it shall consume the palaces of Qeriyoth. And Mo'ab shall die amid uproar, with a cry and with the voice of a shofar.”

The word translated as 'cry' is תְּרוּעָה **Teru'ah – Strong's H8643**, and the Hebrew word translated as 'uproar' is שֹׁאֹן **sha'on – Strong's H7588** which means, 'a roar (of waters), an uproar, tumult, crash, big noise, clamour, destruction', and comes from the root verb שָׂאָה **sha'ah – Strong's H7582** which means, 'crash into ruins, devastate, lay waste, cause to be desolated'. This root verb is translated as 'laid waste' in:

Yeshayahu/Isaiah 6:11 “Then I said, “יהוה,
until when?” And He answered, “Until the
cities are laid waste and without inhabitant,
and the houses are without a man, and the
land is **laid waste**, a ruin”

You will recall that this was the answer
יהוה gave to Yeshayahu when he asked
יהוה how long he was to speak to a
people who would not listen! I do hope
you are seeing a clear pattern in
Scripture that I am laying out before
you tonight, especially in relation to the
significance of Yom Teruah!

This day is also typically referred to by many as **'The Day of the awakening blast'**, and for good reason I might add, especially as we consider the clear use of this word תְּרוּעָה Teru'ah – Strong's H8643.

Teru'ah – Strong's H8643 is also used in expressing the exultation of praise that is to be given unto יהוה our Elohim:

Tehillah/Psalm 150:5 “Praise Him with sounding cymbals; praise Him with **resounding** cymbals!”

Here תְּרוּעָה Teru'ah – Strong's H8643 is translated as 'resounding', signifying to us the great power and sound with which we are to be praising our Master and Elohim! We are to praise Him with sounding cymbals as well as with loud crashing cymbals – in other words our praise for Elohim must be heard!!!

Another example of the word תְּרוּעָה –
'Teru'ah' being used is seen in:

lyob/Job 8:21 “While He fills your mouth
with laughter, and your lips with rejoicing”

The word translated as **'rejoicing'** is תְּרוּעָה – **'Teru'ah'** and we are reminded that it is יהוה who fills us and fills our mouth with laughter and our lips with true ability to praise, through His life-giving Word that is our daily and lawful bread!

What we are to remember in terms of this is that we are to be a people who **'rejoice always'**, and so at the **'remembrance of Teru'ah'** we find that it is a good time to reflect on our attitudes! Are we truly rejoicing always and do we rejoice when we face all kinds of trials or do we find ourselves moaning and groaning at some pressures and hardships we face along the way??? Let us be reminded to be a rejoicing people – for we have truly nothing to moan about as we walk in Messiah who gives us abundant life!

The last example I want to give you today of where the word תְּרוּעָה – ‘Teru‘ah’ is seen being used, is in:

Tehillah/Psalm 89:15 “Blessed are the people who know **the sounding!** They **walk**, O יהוה, in the light of Your face.”

What a powerful verse this is!!! Blessed are those who know the festal trumpet call is how this could also be translated as we certainly recognise that the Appointed Times of Elohim are critical to our understanding of Scripture and the ability to know and walk in His commands as we follow His cycles and seasons gives us the blessing of walking in His light!

Hebrew root word used here for 'know' is **יָדָע**
yada – Strong's H3045 and means 'to
acknowledge, clearly understand, to
perceive, distinguish and discern' and
implies the ability to respond to and
recognize the Master's voice. This is very
powerful as we have seen that it was a voice
of a shofar that was heard on Mount Sinai
and then again in Yerushalayim, on Shabu'ot,
there was a sound of a rushing wind which is
also a clear reference back to the voice of a
shofar!

Those who know His commands and understand through walking in them are blessed as we see here that the product of knowing the sounding is the ability to walk in His light!

We are then further able to clearly understand the words of Messiah when He says in:

Yohanan/John 10:27 “My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.”

Blessed are those who know the **Teru'ah!**
Blessed are those who hear the Master's voice
and turn to Him and follow Him and walk in Him.
The word used for 'walk' is **הָלַךְ halak** – **Strong's
H1980** which means, 'to go, come, walk, manner
of life, cause to live', and literally speaks of how
one lives, and it is used as a verb indicating that
it is an active expression of one's life. Our 'walk'
matters and how we walk before Elohim matters
and we are given clear instructions on how to
walk – and our walk cannot be complete in Him
if we forget to keep His Feasts!

Now that I have given a brief outline of the various uses of תְּרוּעָה Teru'ah – Strong's H8643 in the Scriptures, we ought to be able to recognize the vital need for us to be a people have ears to hear and are awake, watchful, sober and alert, and are bringing the constant praise that is due to our Mighty Elohim!

תְּרוּעָה Teru'ah – Strong's H8643

signifies a sound that is very loud and is the kind of sound that will awaken any from their sleep! When I also think about this day of the awakening blast I am immediately drawn to the parable our Master gave on the 10 maidens/ virgins which we find in **Mattithyahu/ Matthew 25:1-12.**

There were 10 maidens, 5 wise and 5 foolish. The 5 wise had oil in the lamps while the 5 foolish did not.

When the Master took long in coming they all slumbered and slept. When the awakening cry came at midnight they all woke up and trimmed their lamps and the 5 foolish who didn't have oil asked the 5 wise for some and were told to go and get their own. While they went away the Bridegroom came and the 5 wise ones entered in to the wedding feast and the doors were shut. When the 5 foolish came back after having gone to buy oil they asked for the doors to be opened for them and were told by the Master that He did not know them!

This parable has great significance on the need for us to be a people who hear the shout and remember the shouting so that we keep our lamps filled with oil by walking in the Spirit, for there is no condemnation for those who are in Messiah יהושע, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit, and stay in Him as we hear, guard and do all He commands us to!

As we consider this day of Yom Teruah and the command for us to have a remembrance of Teruah we recognize how urgent we are to be in making ourselves ready and not be found unprepared and dirtied with compromise!

Yohanan Aleph/1 John 3:2-3 “Beloved ones, now we are children of Elohim. And it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. 3 And everyone having this expectation in Him cleanses himself, as He is clean.”

The picture of cleansing oneself and being ready for the trumpet sound speaks of our readiness for the soon return of our Master. We will also do well to remember the clear pattern we are given in the Torah as we consider the events that took place at Mount Sinai.

In Shemoth/Exodus 19 Mosheh was told by יהוה to set the people apart for two days and on the third day he would come down on Mount Sinai before all the people. The people washed their garments and on the third day we see:

Shemoth/Exodus 19:16 “And it came to be, on the third day in the morning, that there were thunders and lightning’s, and a thick cloud on the mountain. And a voice of a shofar was very strong, and all the people who were in the camp trembled.”

Shemoth/Exodus 19:19 “And a voice of the shofar sounded long and became very strong, Mosheh spoke, and Elohim answered him by voice.”

With the people cleansed and ready they were ready to enter into the Marriage Covenant with Elohim, for the Bride had cleansed herself!

The Greek word used in the LXX as an equivalent to **Teruah** is the word **σάλπιγξ salpigx (sal'-pinx)**—**Strong's G4536** and we see this word being used 11 times in the Renewed Writings (N.T.) which is primarily used in reference to the trumpets of Elohim! In speaking of the end times we take note of the words of our Master, in:

Mattithyahu/Matthew 24:31-33 “And He shall send His messengers with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together His chosen ones from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other. 32 “And learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender and puts forth leaves, you know that the summer is near. 33 “So you also, when you see all these, know that He is near, at the doors.”

**In this parable He is clearly teaching us
to be the washed and ready wise
maidens who have prepared
themselves and have oil in their lamps,
and will not be caught unawares when
the Trumpet blast is made loud and
clear to all!**

Yom Teruah will usher in the sounding of the Trumpets that will bring forth the unleashing of the wrath of Elohim, and then on Yom Kippur the Last trumpet will sound!

Qorintiyim Aleph/1 Corinthians 15:51-52

“See, I speak a secret to you: 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 shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.”

As we consider the trumpet sound, and the remembrance of trumpets we are clearly called to remember that we are betrothed and have been given to One Husband, for which we must be ready when He returns, and be presented before Him as an innocent maiden, as we see in the words of Sha'ul to the believers in Corinth: Qorintiyim Bět/2 Corinthians 11:2 “For I am jealous for you with a jealousy according to Elohim. For I gave you in marriage to one husband, to present you as an innocent maiden to Messiah.”

While we should certainly not need reminding who we are betrothed to, we take heed of the clear significance that Yom Teruah represents, and that is that we must make sure that we are indeed a washed and ready Bride, and in doing so we recognize our ability to properly praise Him and should never be hindered in the least, lest we are found facing the dreadful sounding of His wrath for disobedience and compromise!

**In preparation for Yom Teruah we
recognize the severe warning that is
given to those who do not hear!**

Yehezqěl/Ezekiel 33:1-5 “And the word of יהוה came to me, saying, 2 “Son of man, speak to the children of your people, and you shall say to them, ‘When I bring the sword upon a land, and the people of the land shall take a man from their borders and shall make him their watchman,

3 and he sees the sword coming upon the land, and shall blow with the shofar and shall warn the people, 4 then whoever shall hear the voice of the shofar and shall not take warning, if the sword comes and takes him away, his blood is on his own head. 5 'He heard the voice of the shofar, but he did not take warning, his blood is on himself. But he who takes warning shall deliver his being.'

Those who hear the warning sound of the shofar and take warning shall deliver their being while those who hear and do not take warning will have their blood on their own head, signifying that they are guilty and will die!

The one who takes warning is one who is a hearer and doer of the Word and not just a hearer only!

What we must also ask ourselves in a proper preparation of cleaning ourselves as we should, before the awakening blast is resounded, is whether we are in fact listening as we should or not. Are we truly taking heed of the warnings in Scripture as given by the prophets of Elohim? How is your daily walk? יהוה repeatedly tell us in His Word that He sent His prophets yet a stubborn people refuse to listen!

Amos 3:6-7 “If a shofar is blown in a city,
do the people not tremble? If there is
calamity in a city, shall not יהוה have done
it? 7 For the Master יהוה does no matter
unless He reveals His secret to His
servants the prophets.”

While things may take people by surprise, nothing takes יהוה by surprise. He has declared the end from the beginning and He has made clear the trumpet sound of His voice to all mankind through His prophets, yet who is truly trembling at His Word?

We can all agree that there is a great lack of true reverence and fear of Elohim, and therefore we must look into the mirror of the Word and take heed of the clear shofar blasting warnings that are given in the prophets and ask ourselves whether we are walking in the proper fear of Elohim or not! How is your walk of set-apartness?

Do you allow compromise to be a regular part of your daily walk and have you found that there have been times where you have taken His favour and loving-commitment for granted? As we take heed and remember the shouting we must be reminded to never use His favour as a license to sin or allow compromise to settle in!!!

Tsephanyah/Zephaniah 1:14-16 “Near is the great day of יהוה, near and hurrying greatly, the noise of the day of יהוה. Let the mighty man then bitterly cry out! 15 That day is a day of wrath, a day of distress and trouble, a day of waste and ruin, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness, 16 a day of a **shofar and sounding** – against the walled cities and against the corner towers.”

It is a day of a shofar and Teruah!!! This is the sound of warnings that we see being given in the prophets and the question we must always be asking ourselves is, “Am I listening?”

Qorintiyim Aleph/1 Corinthians 10:11-12

“And all these came upon them as examples, and they were written as a warning to us, on whom the ends of the ages have come, 12 so that he who thinks he stands, let him take heed lest he fall.”

We need to **'take heed'** and be sober and watchful as we make ourselves ready for our coming King!

As we consider the call to take heed, lest we fall, we must realize the real dangers that we face each and every day!

We must take heed against false teachers and those who mix their teachings with false traditions, teaching as teachings the commands of men while forsaking the Torah of Elohim! Messiah warns us in **Mattithyahu/Matthew 24:4** that we must take heed that no one leads us astray and in **Marqos/Mark 8:15** He tells us to beware against the leaven of the Pharisees and in **Marqos/Mark 12:38** He tells us to beware of false scribes who love to be seen and make a show and be popular with the people!

Sha'ul warns us in **Pilipiyim/Philippians 3** to watch out for those who are falsely teaching others to get physically circumcised and calls them **'evil workers'**! He also warns us in **Qolasim/Colossians 3:8** to not let anyone make a prey of us through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men and elementary matters of the word that are not of Messiah!

**As we take heed and remember the shouting,
and remember how we are all unique parts of
the body of Messiah, we must not find
ourselves neglecting our required set-
apartness and responsibility to the body, and
not be found hiding the talents He has given
but make sure that we are building each
other up in the Most Set-Apart faith and make
sure that we do not stop running as we fix our
eyes on our Master and Elohim!**

Haggai teaches us the vital lesson for us to consider our ways, and as we take heed and remember the shouting, ask yourself this: “Does the mirror of the Word reveal that there is compromise in my life and I have been busy building my own life, and building toward my own selfishness and fleshly desires and have neglected the true Dwelling Place of the Most High or am I actively engaged in building up the body of Messiah as I should be?”

“Am I more concerned about my own ways than the House of Elohim?”

Do not neglect your much needed part in actively engaging in the body of Messiah, which we all are!!!

Yom Teruah will cause a shaking for many, and we would do well to take heed in preparation of the Teruah and be on guard against any selfishness and pride, in order that we can give a great resounding Teruah shout of praise unto Him who has called us out of darkness into His marvelous light!

As we consider how our lamps are to be trimmed and filled with oil we must carefully consider our way of life and make sure that we are shining the light of the Truth in all matters and take heed that we hear as we should, for our Master asked the very sobering question that when he comes again will He find faith!

The day of Yom Teru'ah causes us to remember that we are married and that the day of the return of our Husband draws near and so we are to raise a shout of joy, but also one of alarm – an alarm call that reminds us to be armed in the Torah and stand steadfast in our Master and Elohim, יהושע Messiah, along with the reminder of our responsibility to call people out of darkness, as the Spirit and the Bride say 'Come'!

Yom Teruah will be a great day of the resounding shout of victory for those who have oil in their lamps while it will be the beginnings of the dark days of destruction that will be unleashed upon the workers of lawlessness and wickedness and those who have no oil!

Tehillah/Psalm 89:15 “Blessed are the people who know the **Teruah!** They walk, **וַיְהוּה**, in the light of Your face.”

Tehillah/Psalm 33:3 “Sing to Him a new song; play sweetly with **a shout of joy.**”

YOM TERUAH

YEHOVAH is calling His people to wake up
and hear the sound of the Trumpet today!

1Co 15:34 Wake up to soberness,
righteously, and do not sin, for some do
not have the knowledge of Elohim. I speak
this to your shame.

Let us be watchful as we:

**TAKE HEED AND REMEMBER THE
SHOUTING!**

יהוה bless you and guard you; יהוה make
His face shine upon you and show you
favour; יהוה lift up His face to you and
give you Shalom!