

Jewish Feasts: "The Feast of Rosh Hashanah 2020!"

Text: Leviticus 23:23-25 ^{NKJV}

Intro: The Feast of Rosh Hashanah begins at sunset this coming Friday Jerusalem time, and it ends at sundown on Sunday. It is the next feast to be fulfilled and represents the rapture of the church. The name Rosh Hashanah means the "Head of The Year" and is celebrated during the Autumn months. It is the 5th feast of the Jewish year and is followed by the final two Feasts of Yom Kippur and Sukkot. The first four Jewish Feasts are the Feast of Passover, the Feast of Unleavened Bread, and the Feast of First Fruits all celebrated in the Spring. The fourth feast, which is the Feast of Shavuot or Pentecost and is celebrated during the Summer.

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Comment: Rosh Hashanah is also known as the birthday of the world! The theme of Rosh Hashanah is the past stripped away, and the start of a new beginning. Life is then reconceived and planned anew in much the same way as in the days of Noah! If there is a Feast that deals with starting over, then it is this feast!

Genesis 6:11-13 ^{NLT} ¹¹ Now God saw that the earth had become corrupt and was filled with violence. ¹² God observed all this corruption in the world, for everyone on earth was corrupt. ¹³ So God said to Noah, "I have decided to destroy all living creatures, for they have filled the earth with violence. Yes, I will wipe them all out along with the earth!"

Note: The theme of Rosh Hashanah is a picture that speaks great truth and encouragement into our lives. Not only does it represent the beginning of the world, but it also represents the new beginning that gave Noah and his family after He brought judgment on the earth and removed those who would not live in obedience to His Word. This represents the new beginning and the fresh start that everyone of God's people have during every Rosh Hashanah! It also represents the new beginning that God has for each of us every day.

Matthew 24:37-39 ^{NLT} ³⁷ "When the Son of Man returns, it will be like it was in Noah's day. ³⁸ In those days before the flood, the people were enjoying banquets and parties and weddings right up to the time Noah entered his

boat. ³⁹ People did not realize what was going to happen until the flood came and swept them all away. That is the way it will be when the Son of Man comes."

Note: However, there is about to be another reset like the one Noah had when the flood came. This event is the catching up of every true believer to meet the Messiah in the clouds for the wedding feast of the Lamb and to appear before the judgement seat of Christ where rewards are given to the faithful!

Luke 12:37-38 ^{NLT} ³⁷ The servants who are ready and waiting for His return will be rewarded. I tell you the truth, He himself will seat them, put on an apron, and serve them as they sit and eat! ³⁸ He may come in the middle of the night or just before dawn. But whenever He comes, He will reward the servants who are ready.

Note: One Bible Scholar recently stated that the end time sequence of events is now in plain sight! We are now living in some of the most prophetic times ever! Events that the Bible speaks of as leading to the rapture of the church are now all happening around us. The spirit of the antichrist, the spirit of deception, and the spirit of evil are now being manifested all over the world, not to mention the gathering of military forces from Turkey, Russia and Iran around Israel's borders. We are not just living in the last days, but we are now living in the last minutes of the last days! The possibility of the Rapture happening soon is now a distinct possibility. If it does not happen, then no problem! However, the Bible says we still need to be looking for His Coming!

Revelations 3:10 ^{NLT} "I am coming soon. Hold on to what you have, so that no one will take away your crown."

Revelations 22:20 ^{NLT} "He who is the faithful witness to all these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon!" Amen! Come, Lord Jesus!"

Point: The Feast of Rosh Hashanah has never been negated or cancelled. Jesus and His followers celebrated it, the apostles celebrated it, and the early church celebrated it, so why has western Christianity ignored it? I am sure that false religion played a great role, but now is the time for every

believer to get back to their roots as followers of the Messiah or Jesus Christ!

✚ Therefore, I would like to speak on:

"The Feast of Rosh Hashanah 2020!"

Text: Leviticus 23:23-25 ^{NKJV} ²³ Then the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, ²⁴ 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 ^(Refers to Feast of Trumpets), a holy convocation ^(Heb. a holy dress rehearsal). ²⁵ You shall do no customary work on it; and you shall offer an offering made by fire to the Lord.

Definition: In Hebrew, Rosh Hashanah signifies the beginning of the Jewish New Year on the first day of the month of Tishri. The Biblical name for Rosh Hashanah is Yom Teruah or the day of shouting and blasting the shofar.

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Titus 2:11-13 ^{NLT} ¹¹ For the grace of God has been revealed, bringing salvation to all people. ¹² And we are instructed to turn from godless living and sinful pleasures. We should live in this evil world with wisdom, righteousness, and devotion to God, ¹³ while we look forward with hope to that wonderful day when the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, will be revealed.

Note: When Jesus said that no one knows the day or the hour when these things will happen, not even the angels in heaven or the Son Himself, He was talking about a Jewish idiom which was a direct reference to the Hidden Day. In fact, it is the only day on the Hebrew calendar that has a 2-day interval. Every other feast day that God mentions in Leviticus 23 happens on one day, but Yom Teruah or Rosh Hashanah has a two-day interval.

Comment: Rosh Hashanah begins with the sounding of the trumpet or the shofar with a long continuous blast to proclaim God as the King of the Universe in much the same way a trumpet would be sounded at the coronation of a King or the wedding of a king.

Revelation 19:7-8 ^{NLT} ⁷ Let us be glad and rejoice and let us give honor to him. For the time has come for the wedding feast of the Lamb, and his bride has prepared herself. ⁸ She has been given the finest of pure white linen to wear." For the fine linen represents the good deeds of God's holy people.

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Comment: The seventh Hebrew month is called Tishri which corresponds to September/October and is the first month on the Jewish civil calendar. Rosh Hashanah means "New Year" and is also known as Yom HaKeseh, meaning "The Hidden Day or The Day No Man Knows the Day Nor The Hour When It Begins." This is the only day in the whole year that is referred to as the hidden day or the day that no man knows!

Matthew 24:36 ^{NLT} "However, no one knows the day or hour when these things will happen, not even the angels in heaven or the Son himself. Only the Father knows.

Matthew 24:44 ^{CJB} "Therefore you too must always be ready, for the Son of Man will come when you are not expecting Him."

Mark 13:32-33 ^{CJB} ³² However, when that day and hour will come, no one knows — not the angels in heaven, not the Son, just the Father. ³³ Stay alert! Be on your guard! For you do not know when the time will come.

Note: Rosh Hashanah is also called the Wedding of The King. This is another allusion to the Wedding of the Lamb or the Wedding of the King of Kings!

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Commentary: One New Man Bible ^(v.7) The bride having to prepare herself means that individually and collectively each one of us must prepare for the supper. Each of us must do the things in Matthew 25:35-36,40-43 ³⁵ For I was hungry, and you fed me. I was thirsty, and you gave me a drink. I was a

stranger, and you invited me into your home. ³⁶ I was naked, and you gave me clothing. I was sick, and you cared for me. I was in prison, and you visited me. ⁴⁰ "And the King will say, 'I tell you the truth, when you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were doing it to me!' ⁴¹ "Then the King will turn to those on the left and say, 'Away with you, you cursed ones, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his demons. ⁴² For I was hungry, and you did not feed me. I was thirsty, and you did not give me a drink. ⁴³ I was a stranger, and you did not invite me into your home. I was naked, and you did not give me clothing. I was sick and in prison, and you didn't visit me. ^(v.8) **There is no robe for the person who has not done righteous deeds.**

Matthew 7:21-23 One New Man Bible ²¹ "Not everyone who calls out to me, 'Lord! Lord!' will enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Only those who do the will of my Father in heaven will enter. ²² On judgment day many will say to me, 'Lord! Lord! We prophesied in your name and cast out demons in your name and performed many miracles in your name.' ²³ But I will reply, 'I never knew you. Get away from me, you who break God's laws. (You who fail to obey God's Word)

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1 Thessalonians 4:16-18 KJV ¹⁶ For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump (Shofar) of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first. ¹⁷ Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so, shall we ever be with the Lord. ¹⁸ Therefore comfort one another with these words.

Comment: Rosh Hashanah is also known as Yom HaDin or "The Day of Judgment," and Yom HaZikaron, "The Day of Remembrance." On this day, trumpets or shofars are blown 100 times during the day! It is also said that the gates of heaven are opened on Rosh Hashanah when, according to the Talmud, the resurrection of the dead will take place!

Comment: Yom Teruah, as I previously stated, is another name for Rosh Hashanah, and can be interpreted to mean... "The Day of the Awakening Blast!" or "The Day of the Awakening Shout!" It is also when the last trump is blown."

1 Corinthians 15:52 ^{KJV} "In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed."

Comment: Incidentally, a rock was recently discovered on the Temple Mount with Hebrew letters on it. It turned out to be the rock on which the priests would stand to blow the Shofar! Rabbis have now requested permission from Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to go to the Temple Mount on Friday after Sunset, which is the beginning of the Jewish Sabbath, to blow the shofar. No Shofar can be blown on a Jewish Sabbath except from the Temple Mount. If permission is given, then this will be the first time a Shofar will be blown from the Temple Mount in 1,950 years!

Note: There are three trumpets which have a name. The First Trump, the Last Trump and the Great Trump. The First Trump is associated with Pentecost, the Last Trump is associated with Rosh Hashanah, and the great trump is associated with the Feast of Yom Kippur or the Day of Atonement.

Comment: When the Shofar is blown on Rosh Hashanah, three different types of noises are sounded. The first sound is one long continuous burst and represents a sound of triumph and joy! The second sound consists of three shorter blasts while the third sound is a set of nine short blasts of sound. These last two sounds represent pain and suffering. Remember, for those who are taken up to meet the Lord in the air, it will be a time of triumph and joy, but for those who are left behind it will be a time of pain and suffering.

Israel 365 Article: God promises that the land of Israel will again be inhabited by the house of Israel and that it will flourish, pledging that the mountains will grow trees and produce fruit. Since the Jewish people have returned to Israel, the land has indeed begun to flourish, and there are once again trees growing throughout the land. While the world struggled with deforestation, Israel is the only country that ended the twentieth century

with more trees than it started with. The flourishing of the Land described in this verse is a clear sign that the complete and final redemption is near."

Matthew 24:32-34 ^{NLT} ³² "Now learn a lesson from the fig tree. When its branches bud and its leaves begin to sprout, you know that summer is near. ³³ In the same way, when you see all these things, you can know His return is very near, right at the door. ³⁴ I tell you the truth, this generation will not pass from the scene until all these things take place.

1 Thessalonians 5:2-8 ^{NLT} ² For you know quite well that the day of the Lord's return will come unexpectedly, like a thief in the night. ³ When people are saying, "Everything is peaceful and secure," then disaster will fall on them as suddenly as a pregnant woman's labor pains begin. And there will be no escape. ⁴ But you are not in the dark about these things, dear brothers and sisters, and you will not be surprised when the day of the Lord comes like a thief. ⁵ For you are all children of the light and of the day; we do not belong to darkness and night. ⁶ So be on your guard, not asleep like the others. Stay alert and be clearheaded. ⁷ Night is the time when people sleep, and drinkers get drunk. ⁸ But let us who live in the light be clearheaded, protected by the armor of faith and love, and wearing as our helmet the confidence of our salvation.

Close: **Every Head Bowed and Every Eye Closed!**