

Yom Teruah 2012

Leviticus 23:23,24 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, in the first day of the month, shall ye have a sabbath, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, an holy convocation.

Numbers 29:1 And in the seventh month, on the first day of the month, ye shall have an holy convocation; ye shall do no servile work: it is a day <yowm> of blowing <teruw`ah> the trumpets <showphars> unto you.

#8643 teruw`ah; acclamation of joy or a battle-cry; especially clangor of trumpets, blow an alarm, rejoicing, shout(-ing),

Psalms 95:1-3 Oh come, let us sing to the LORD! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms. For the LORD is the great God, And the great King above all gods.

Psalms 98:4-6 Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the earth; Break forth in song, rejoice, and sing praises. Sing to the LORD with the harp, With the harp and the sound of a psalm, With trumpets and the sound of a horn; Shout joyfully before the LORD, the King.

Psalms 98:6-9 With trumpets and sound of cornet make a joyful noise before the LORD, the King. Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein. Let the floods clap their hands: let the hills be joyful together. Before the LORD; for he cometh to judge the earth: with righteousness shall he judge the world, and the people with equity.

Psalms 100:1 Make a joyful shout to the LORD, all you lands!

Psalms 81:3 Blow up the trumpet in the new moon, in the time appointed, on our solemn feast day.

Genesis 41:1 Then it came to pass, at the end of two full years, that Pharaoh had a dream; and behold, he stood by the river.

Isaiah 43:10 Ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I am he: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me.

Psalms 33:13-15 The LORD looketh from heaven; he beholdeth all the sons of men. From the place of his habitation he looketh upon all the inhabitants of the earth. He fashioneth their hearts alike; he considereth all their works.

Ha Melech (Coronation of the Messiah)

Daniel 7:10 A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened.

Revelation 5:11 And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands;

Daniel 7:13,14 I saw in the night visions, and behold, One like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of Days, and they brought Him near before Him. And dominion and glory was given Him, and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations and languages, should serve Him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion which shall not pass away, and His kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.

Revelation 7:9 After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands.

**Psalms 47 is known as the Coronation Psalm:
(The decree is given - Applause)**

:1-4 O clap your hands, all ye people; shout unto God with the voice of triumph. For the LORD most high is terrible; he is a great King over all the earth. He shall subdue the people under us, and the nations under our feet. He shall choose our inheritance for us, the excellency of Jacob whom he loved. Selah.

(Acclamation)

In verse 5 we have the shout and Shofar of Yom Teruah

:5 God is gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

1Thessalonians 4:16 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:

(Shouts and Praises of the people)

:6,7 Sing praises to God, sing praises: sing praises unto our King, sing praises. For **God is the King** of all the earth: sing ye praises with understanding.

(Ceremony of taking the throne)

In verse 8 the ceremony of the taking of the throne

: 8 God reigneth over the heathen: God sitteth upon the throne of his holiness.

(Allegiance Pledged)

:9 The princes of the people are gathered together, even the people of the God of Abraham: for the shields of the earth belong unto God: he is greatly exalted.

Psalms 102:13 Thou shalt arise, and have mercy upon Zion: for the time to favor her, yea, the set time, <mow`ed> is come.

Psalms 102:16-18 When the LORD shall build up Zion, he shall appear in his glory. He will regard the prayer of the destitute, and not despise their prayer. This shall be written for the generation to come: (The last) and the people which shall be created shall praise the LORD.

Acts 3:18-21 But those things, which God before had shewed by the mouth of all his prophets, that Christ should suffer, he hath so fulfilled. Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord; And he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you: Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began.

Ephesians 4:32 "Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you".

Nehemiah 8:1-3,5,6,8 And all the people gathered themselves together as one man into the street that was before the water gate; and they spoke unto Ezra the scribe to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had commanded to Israel. And Ezra the priest brought the law before the congregation both of men and women, and all that could hear with understanding, upon the first day of the seventh month. And he read therein before the street that was before the water gate from the morning until midday, before the men and the women, and those that could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive unto the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people; (for he was above all the people;) and when he opened it, all the people stood up: And Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God. And all the people answered, Amen, Amen, with lifting up their hands: and they bowed their heads, and worshipped the LORD with their faces to the ground. So they read in the book in the law of God distinctly, and gave the sense, and caused them to understand the reading.

The sounding of the shofar on Rosh Hashanah contains ten symbolic elements:

1. Rosh Hashanah marks the beginning of the Creation, the day when God created the world and became its Sovereign. As it is customary to sound trumpets to glorify a king and proclaim one's subservience to him, similarly do we show our acceptance of God's dominion by sounding the shofar.

2. Rosh Hashanah marks the first day of the Ten Days of Repentance. We therefore sound the shofar as a means of announcing and warning that this period has begun. It is as if we announce: Those who choose to repent should do so now, and if they choose not to do so, let them not come later and complain about their fate. This too is the manner in which kings exercise their dominion, announcing their decrees to the accompaniment of trumpet blasts.

3. The sounding of the shofar served as a reminder of the revelation at Mount Sinai, which was also accompanied by shofar blasts. Thus, by listening to the shofar and remembering that event, we once again accept upon ourselves that which our fathers accepted upon themselves.

4. The sounding of the shofar serves to remind us of the warnings of the Prophets which are compared to the sounding of the shofar, as the verses say:

Isaiah 58:1 Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins.

Ezekiel 33:4,5 Then whosoever heareth the sound of the trumpet, and taketh not warning; if the sword come, and take him away, his blood shall be upon his own head. He heard the sound of the trumpet, and took not warning; his blood shall be upon him. But he that taketh warning shall deliver his soul.

Jeremiah 6:16,17 Thus saith the LORD, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk therein. Also I set watchmen over you, saying, Hearken to the sound of the trumpet. But they said, We will not hearken.

5. The sounding of the shofar serves to remind us of the destruction of the *Beit ha-Mikdash* and the trumpet calls of the armies of our enemies. Thus when we hear the shofar, we should pray for the rebuilding of our Holy Temple.

6. The sounding of the shofar serves as a reminder of the shofar of the ram at the binding of Yitzchak, who offered his life to God but in whose place the ram was sacrificed instead. We too should stand ready to make our lives a sanctification of His Name and we pray that this serve as a source of merit for us.

7. The sounding of the shofar instills a sense of trepidation and fear that leads us to humble ourselves before God, as in the verse

Amos 3:6 Shall a shofar be blown in the city, and the people not be afraid?

8. The sounding of the shofar serves to remind us of the forthcoming great Day of judgment, as the verses

Zephaniah 1:14-16 The great day of the LORD is near, it is near, and hasteth greatly, even the voice of the day of the LORD: the mighty man shall cry there bitterly. That day is a day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress, a day of wasteness and desolation, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness, A day of the trumpet and alarm against the fenced cities, and against the high towers.

9. The sounding of the shofar serves as a reminder of the future ingathering of the dispersed exiles of Israel and to awaken our yearning for it, of which the verse

Isaiah 27:13 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the great trumpet shall be blown, and they shall come which were ready to perish in the land of Assyria, and the outcasts in the land of Egypt, and shall worship the LORD in the holy mount at Jerusalem.

10. The sounding of the shofar serves to remind us of the resurrection of the dead, as the verse

1 Corinthians 15:52,53 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. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.