Torah Studies – Statutes #295-298

Statute Summary:

Statute #295: The Feast of Trumpets is the seventh New Moon of the year (counting from the first New Moon, in the month Abib).

Statute #296: The Feast of Trumpets is an annual Sabbath. No servile work may be done in it.

Statute #297: The Feast of Trumpets is a Day which is a holy convocation (it is a prophetic rehearsal, and a day for gathering for worship).

Statute #298: On the Feast of Trumpets, trumpets are to be blown, as a memorial (which is to cause the worshippers to remember something important).

<u>Leviticus 23:24-25</u> "Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, In the seventh <u>month</u>, in the first day of the month, shall ye have a <u>Sabbath</u>, a <u>memorial</u> of <u>blowing of trumpets</u>, an holy <u>convocation</u>. Ye shall do no servile work therein: but ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD."

Key Word Study:

Key Word	Strong's Number	Hebrew Word	Meaning
MONTH	H2320	chôdesh	the <i>new</i> moon; by implication a <i>month</i> (<i>moon cycle</i>)
SABBATH	H7677	shabbâthôn	a <i>sabbatism</i> or special holiday: - rest, sabbath
MEMORIAL	H2146	zikrôn	a <i>memento</i> , memorable thing, day or writing, memorial, record (mark, remember, think on)
BLOWING OF TRUMPETS	H8643	t ^e rû'âh	clamor, that is, acclamation of joy or a battle cry, clangor of trumpets, as an alarm
CONVOCATION	H4744	miqrâ'	public <i>meeting</i> , also a <i>rehearsal:</i> - assembly, calling, convocation, reading

Synthesis:

The seventh New Moon of the Biblical year, counting from the first New Moon of Abib, is the Feast of Trumpets. This is the only New Moon which is biblically called a Sabbath. Of course, if all New Moons were Sabbaths, there would be no need to specify regarding this one. But the Seventh New Moon is the only New Moon, which is also a Sabbath Day.

On this Day, no servile work is to be done. Yahweh's people are to keep a *miqraw* – a rehearsal. Trumpets are to be blown, so that the blast of the trumpets will remind believers of all the spiritual meaning and message of the trumpet blast.

Torah Studies – Statutes #299-303

Statute Summary:

Statute #299: Yahweh's people are to make/use two silver trumpets, of a whole piece of solid silver, beaten out.

Statute #300: The blast of the two silver trumpets is for special purposes, as specified by Yahweh, bearing specific meanings. Blasting these two silver trumpets at these specified times not only bears a message for believers, it also serves as a prayer, which Yahweh promises to hear.

Statute #301: The blast of the silver trumpets is a call to Israel to gather for worship before Yahweh.

Statute #302: In a time of war, blowing the alarm call on the silver trumpets is prayer for the intervention of Yahweh. God promises to hear, fight for and save His people, when the alarm call is blown.

Statute #303: In the special Days of Worship, including the New Moons, the trumpets are to be blown as part of the worship service.

Numbers 10:1-10 "And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, Make thee two trumpets of **silver**; of a whole piece shalt thou make them: that thou mayest use them for the calling of the assembly, and for the journeying of the camps. And when they shall blow with them, all the assembly shall assemble themselves to thee at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. And if they blow but with one trumpet, then the princes, which are heads of the thousands of Israel, shall gather themselves unto thee. When ye blow an alarm, then the camps that lie on the east parts shall go forward. When ye blow an alarm the second time, then the camps that lie on the south side shall take their journey: they shall blow an alarm for their journeys. But when the congregation is to be gathered together, ye shall blow, but ye shall not sound an alarm. And the sons of Aaron, the priests, shall blow with the trumpets; and they shall be to you for an ordinance for ever throughout your generations. And if ye go to war in your land against the enemy that oppresseth you, then ye shall blow an alarm with the trumpets; and ye shall be remembered before the LORD your God, and ye shall be saved from your enemies. Also in the day of your gladness, and in your solemn days, and in the beginnings of your months, ye shall blow with the trumpets over your burnt offerings, and over the sacrifices of your peace offerings; that they may be to you for a memorial before your God: I Am the LORD your God."

Key Word Study:

Key Word	Strong's Number	Hebrew Word	Meaning
SILVER	H3701	keseph	"money, price" (having to do with payment or purchase).

Meaning in the Trumpets:

The two trumpets, which are to be blown upon the Feast of Trumpets (and New Moons, etc), are silver because of the special, Biblical significance of silver.

- <u>SILVER REPRESENT'S HEAVEN'S REDEMPTION:</u> In the Bible, silver represents money or a purchase price, as is shown in Zechariah 11:12: "And I said unto them, If ye think good, give *me* my price; and if not, forbear. So, they weighed for my price thirty *pieces* of silver."
 - Thirty pieces of silver was the price of our Redemption. This is because Zechariah had foretold it. And Judas sold Yahshua out for 30 pieces of silver. Thus, the first spiritual meaning of silver is that it indicates Yahweh's Redemption of His people. So, blowing the two silver trumpets is a memorial of and a prayer for Heaven's Redemption.
- <u>SILVER REPRESENTS THE PURE WORD OF YAHWEH</u>: In addition to Redemption, silver also signifies the pure Word of Yahweh, as we see in Psalm 12:6: "The Words of Yahweh *are* pure Words: *as* silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times."
 - Silver also represents is the pure Word of Yahweh or His Truth. So, blowing the two silver trumpets is a proclamation of Yahweh's Word and a Call for His Truth to be upon the hearers.
- <u>SILVER REPRESENTS WISDOM AND UNDERSTANDING</u>: Going right along with the Pure Word of Yahweh, silver also represents Wisdom and Understanding of the Knowledge of Yah: **Proverbs 2:2-5** "...Incline thine ear unto wisdom, *and* apply thine heart to understanding... If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as *for* hid treasures; Then shalt thou understand the fear of Yahweh, and find the knowledge of God."
 - Blowing the two silver trumpets is a prayer request of the hearers seeking Wisdom and Understanding from Yahweh. It also indicates Yahweh's Promise to bestow these gifts upon those who diligently seek Him.
- <u>SILVER REPRESENTS GODLY SPEECH AND RIGHTEOUS WORDS</u>: Finally, silver represents godly speech and righteous words, as it says in Proverbs 10:19-20: "In the multitude of words there wanteth not sin: but he that refraineth his lips *is* wise. The tongue of the just *is* as choice silver: the heart of the wicked *is* little worth."
 - Blowing the two silver trumpets is a prayer request of the hearers seeking the Word of God to be bestowed and the speaking to be blessed and of Yahweh Alone.

Considering this, it will be no surprise to learn that Trumpets are deeply connected with VOICE and MESSAGE in the Bible. In fact, Trumpets are among the symbols used to represent the Voice of Yahweh proclaiming final Judgment, as is recorded in the Book of Revelation.

In Scripture, the sound of the trumpet is associated with shouting. Notice the connection between the blast of trumpets and shouting.

- 2 Samuel 6:15 "So David and all the house of Israel brought up the Ark of Yahweh with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet."
- Job 39:24-25 "He swalloweth the ground with fierceness and rage... the sound of the trumpet. He saith among the trumpets, Ha, ha... the thunder of the captains, and the shouting."
- Amos 2:2 "But I will send a fire upon Moab, and it shall devour the palaces of Kirioth: and Moab shall die with tumult, with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet."

Messiah described the time of His return as being accompanied by an angelic host and the sound of a trumpet: **Matthew 24:31** "And he shall send 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."

Paul spoke of the same event to the church in Thessalonica when he stated: <u>1 Thessalonian 4:16</u> "For Yahweh Himself shall descend from Heaven <u>with a Shout</u>, with the voice of the archangel, and <u>with the Trump of God</u>.

Both Yahshua and Paul speak of two elements in the Final Seventh month – in which our King will return: —the sound of shouting and the sound of a trumpet.

Paul added more detail in describing the angelic hosts being lead by an archangel. These elements are essential to the day of Trumpets. Surprisingly, the source of these comments hearkens to a Scripture we reference every time we celebrate this Feast: Leviticus 23:24. A careful reading of this verse causes us to notice something that usually doesn't come to our attention. In some modern translations, the word "trumpets" is written in italics, indicating that the term was added for understanding or else an alternative word is used instead.

The *Tanakh*, reads "you shall observe complete rest, a sacred occasion commemorated with loud blasts" (Leviticus 23:24).

Feast of Trumpets: a Memorial of Shouting

- The Holman Christian Standard Bible (HCSB), reads: "you are to have a day
 of complete rest, commemoration, and joyful shouting—a sacred
 assembly."
- Young's Literal Translation (YLT), from the 19th century, provides this reading: "ye have a Sabbath, <u>a memorial of shouting</u>, a holy convocation."
- The NET provides a note to the verse, stating: "the term for 'horn' does not
 occur here, allowing for the possibility that vocal 'shouts' of acclamation
 are envisioned."

Yom <u>Terruah</u> = "Day of Shouting" & "Day of Trumpets"

Significantly, in Hebrew, the Feast of Trumpets is called Yom Teruah which literally means both "Day of Shouting" and "Day of Trumpets".

The Hebrew term translated as "trumpets" is *teruah*, which refers to a loud shout, created either by human voices or by trumpets.

"Speak unto the children of
"Speak unto the children of
Israel, saying, In the seventh
Israel, saying, In the seventh
month, in the first day of the
month, shall ye have a
month, shall ye have a
Sabbath, a memorial of
Sabbath, a memorial of
Convocation."

When we look up the words "blowing of trumpets" in E-sword, we find that it means more than just sounding off horns or silver instruments (see Statutes 294-297). In other words, one meaning of "blowing of trumpets" is shouting. This is why the Feast of Trumpets is also called the Memorial of Shouting.

We know that trumpets were to be sounded on the Feast of Trumpets and on every new moon. Two silver trumpets were made for the priests to proclaim these events (Numbers 10:1–10). And, as we have already seen, in most cases the sound involved the human shout as well as trumpet blasts. The description given in Leviticus suggests that the shouting and noise was to be wider spread than provided by just two trumpets.

Numbers 29:1 uses the same Hebrew term, which is translated as "acclamation" (NJB), or "a day of joyful shouting" (HCSB).

- Numbers 29:1 (KJV) "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 of blowing the trumpets unto you."
- <u>Numbers 29:1</u> (Youngs Literal Translation) "And in the seventh month, in the first of the month, a holy convocation ye have, ye do no servile work; <u>a Day of shouting it is to you</u>."

The Hebrew word *teruah* covers making a great noise – either in joy or alarm. This noise is made with the blowing of trumpets and with shouting.

In the New Testament, the references to the Feast of Trumpets may have been lost in the translation, but the writers were still inspired to build on the Feast of Trumpets imagery of shouting with the blowing of trumpets. In fact, shouting and the blowing of trumpets is the sound which announces the return of Yahshua as King of kings.

The blowing of the trumpets carries very significant meaning. As we will now study more deeply, in Scripture, trumpets are used for a number of significant reasons. Trumpets are sounded as a war cry, to sound a state of alarm, to announce the coming of a king, to herald the bringing of the Ark of the Covenant, to call to salvation, and the sound of Trumpets is the confirmation of the oath relating to the Covenant.

Purpose and Meaning of the Trumpets' Blast:

THE TRUMPET BLAST CALLS YAHWEH'S PEOPLE TO GATHER FOR WORSHIP - In Scripture, the sound of the Biblical trumpets is the way Heaven has ordained for calling the people of Yahweh together to worship. Still today, when the Shofar or trumpet sounds it is a call to gather ourselves to God to enter into worship.

- Exodus 19:13 "...When the trumpet soundeth long, they shall come up to the Mount."
- 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 Yahweh in the holy mount at Jerusalem."

<u>THE TRUMPET BLAST CALLS US TO REAFFIRM OUR PART OF THE COVENANT</u> - The sound of the shofar is also deeply connected with the Covenant. The blast of the shofar, known as the trump of God. This sound caused great fear and reverence when God came down upon Sinai to establish His covenant with the people.

• Exodus 19:16-17 "Then it came to pass on the third day, in the morning, that there were thunderings and lightning, and a thick cloud on the mountain; and the sound of the trumpet was very loud so that all the people who were in the camp trembled. And Moses brought the people out of the camp to meet with God, and they stood at the foot of the mountain."

THE TRUMPET BLAST PROCLAIMS ATONEMENT AND THE JUBILEE - Just as the Shofar was the signal of Yahweh gathering His people to Himself when He came down upon Sinai to confirm His Covenant with His people, so the same sound announced, at the close of the great Day of Atonement, the year which bestowed the blessings of the Covenant upon Yahweh's people.

The sound of the Shofar reminds us of the deliverance that we have in Yahshua. He has established His Covenant with us and will keep the Promise of His Covenant.

• Leviticus 25:9-10 "Then you shall cause the trumpet of the Jubilee to sound on the tenth day of the seventh month; on the Day of Atonement you shall make the trumpet to sound throughout all your land. And you shall consecrate the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout all the land to all its inhabitants. It shall be a Jubilee for you, and each of you shall return to his possession, and each of you shall return to his family.

THE TRUMPET BLAST IS A PRAYER WHICH BREAKS DOWN WALLS AND BRINGS DEFEAT TO OUR ENEMIES — Just as Israel's Journey through the wilderness foreshadows final Israel's conquest of ultimate Canaan, so the fall of Jericho foreshadows the fall of final Babylon. Jericho fell at the sound of the trumpet — and a great shout!

• Joshua 6:2-5 & 20 "And Yahweh said to Joshua: "See! I have given Jericho into your hand, its king, and the mighty men of valor. You shall march around the city, all you men of war; you shall go all around the city once. This you shall do six days. And seven priests shall bear seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark. But the seventh day you shall march around the city seven times, and the priests shall blow the trumpets. It shall come to pass, when they make a long blast with the ram's horn, and when you hear the sound of the trumpet, that all the people shall shout with a great shout; then the wall of the city will fall down flat. And the people shall go up every man straight before him. So, the people shouted when the priests blew the trumpets. And it happened when the people heard the sound of the trumpet, and the people shouted with a great shout, that the wall fell down flat. Then the people went up into the city, every man straight before him, and they took the city."

After final Israel is sealed in *Yahweh's* Name the people of *Yahweh* will go to war against Babylon. The future fall of Babylon is foretold in the fall of Jericho long ago.

Revelation 18:2, 9-10, 20-21 "And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the
great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit,
and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. And the kings of the earth, who have committed
fornication and lived deliciously with her, shall bewail her, and lament for her, when they shall
see the smoke of her burning, standing afar off for the fear of her torment..."

"...saying, Alas, alas that great city Babylon, that mighty city! For in one hour is thy judgment come. Rejoice over her, thou Heaven, and ye holy apostles and prophets; for God hath avenged you on her... Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all."

Zephaniah foretold the destruction of the fortified cities of this world with the trumpet and the battle cry—teruah—when speaking of the Day of Yah.

Zephaniah 1:14-16 "The great Day of Yahweh is near, it is near, and hasteth greatly, even the
Voice of the Day of Yahweh: 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."

Jeremiah also mentions these two sounds—the trumpet and the alarm of war – with the last call to repentance.

• Jeremiah 4:19; 49:2 "My bowels, my bowels! I am pained at my very heart; my heart maketh a noise in me; I cannot hold my peace, because thou hast heard, O my soul, the sound of the trumpet, the alarm of war." "Therefore, behold, the days come, saith Yahweh, that I will cause an alarm of war to be heard in Rabbah of the Ammonites; and it shall be a desolate heap, and her daughters shall be burned with fire: then shall Israel be heir unto them that were his heirs, saith Yahweh."

<u>THE TRUMPET BLAST IS A PART OF WORSHIPING YAHWEH IN HIS PRESENCE</u> – The Ark of the Covenant represented Yahweh's Throne on Earth. This makes it especially significant that the Presence of the Ark was announced with trumpet blasts.

• **2 Samuel 6:15** "So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of Yahweh with shouting and with the sound of the trumpet."

David and all the nation of Israel brought up the Ark of Yahweh with great joy and the blowing of the Shofar. The trumpet blasts expressed the sound of worship and the joyous shouting of the people, rejoicing in the Presence of Yahweh. When the Shofar is blown, we also rejoice, shout and celebrate just like David did. For as we worship Yahweh, we prayerfully come into His Presence, honoring Him by faith, before His Throne.

<u>THE TRUMPET BLAST IS A CALL TO WAR</u> – The blast of the Trumpet is also a well-established Biblical Call, which is meant to Rally Yahweh's people for war.

• **Jeremiah 4:5** "Declare in Judah and proclaim in Jerusalem, and say: 'Blow the trumpet in the land; Cry, 'Gather together,' And say, 'Assemble yourselves, And let us go into the fortified cities."

In 1 Samuel, the King of Israel blew the shofar throughout all the land rallying the people together to fight and bring about the defeat of their enemy. The first blast was blown in the places nearby and a signal fire was lit. A second blast was blown, then answered in a more distant locality along with a signal fire, this way the proclamation was sent quickly throughout the whole country to call the people together to fight.

The sound of the Shofar calls Yahweh's people to rally together to break the oppression that the devil is bringing upon us and this world. In the power of Yahweh will defeat his oppression. We unite in the all-consuming Fire, which ignites our lives and draws us together to serve God.

<u>THE TRUMPET BLAST IS A CALL FOR BRETHREN TO LOVE AND UNITY AMONG BRETHREN</u> – The sound of the trumpet is also a warning call to cease fighting among brethren.

• 2 Samuel 2:26-29 "Then Abner called to Joab and said, "Shall the sword devour forever? Do you not know that it will be bitter in the latter end? How long will it be then until you tell the people to return from pursuing their brethren?" And Joab said, "As God lives, unless you had spoken, surely then by morning all the people would have given up pursuing their brethren." So Joab blew a trumpet, and all the people stood still and did not pursue Israel anymore, nor did they fight anymore."

Joab used the sound of the Shofar to stop the people from fighting among each other. When the Shofar is blown it is a call to stop division among the brethren. It's sound calls Yahweh's people to stop any fighting among ourselves and come together in love and unity.

THE TRUMPET BLAST IS A WARNING OF SOON-COMING JUDGMENT FOR SIN – The sound of the Shofar was used to warn the people to repent and turn to Yahweh.

• Ezekiel 33:3-6 "when he sees the sword coming upon the land, if he blows the trumpet and warns the people, then whoever hears the sound of the trumpet and does not take warning, if the sword comes and takes him away, his blood shall be on his own head. He heard the sound of the trumpet, but did not take warning; his blood shall be upon himself. But he who takes warning will save his life. But if the watchman sees the sword coming and does not blow the trumpet, and the people are not warned, and the sword comes and takes any person from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at the watchman's hand."

When the Shofar is blown it is a reminder to us also, that we must turn away from our sin and turn to Yahweh. Then, through Yahshua, He has delivered us from the Wrath to come.

<u>THE TRUMPET BLAST ANNOUNCES THAT YAHSHUA IS RETURNING</u> – The sound of the trumpet also serves to Warn of the coming Day of Yahweh

• Joel 2:1 "Blow the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in My holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble; For the Day of Yahweh is coming, for it is at hand."

When the Shofar is blown we know that Yahshua is coming soon. The time to get ready is running out.

Some wrongly assume that Yahshua will come on the Feast of Trumpets, because of 1 Corinthians 15:51-52, which associates His Return with the "Last Trump". But a Trumpet blast is not "the Last", unless other trumpet blasts precede it. The first trumpet blast is at the Feast of Trumpets. Trumpets are continuing to sound throughout the Fall Feasts, from Trumpets through Atonement. The Last Trumpet is sounded at *Sukkot* (the Feast of Tabernacles).

- First trump is giving a call to Escape sin (Exodus 19:19-20)
- The Last trump, will be blown at the End of the World giving a call to Escape death. (1 Corinthian 15:51-52)

Torah Studies – Statutes #304-308

Statute Summary:

Statute #304: The Feast of Trumpets is a Holy Day when specific sacrifices are to be offered. We no longer shed animal blood, as the animal blood all pointed to the Sacrifice of Yahshua (Hebrews 9:8-15). But, we still are to bring the spiritual offering, claiming and acknowledging each aspect of the Saviour's Sacrifice for our cleansing. The bullock showed the tremendous cost of our redemption. It is also signifies our repentance for the times when we have not kept Yahweh first – as the mighty Aleph – in our lives/homes.

Statute #305: On the Feast of Trumpets, we are to count the cost of sin, and as we do so, sin loses its attractiveness in our eyes. The ram offering showed the Saviour's Role as the Protector and Leader of His Flock. On Trumpets, we are to prayerfully measure our lives to be certain we are following our Divine Leader. We are to see His cleansing for any time we've strayed from His Leadership.

Statute #306: On the Feast of Trumpets, seven lambs were sacrificed. Seven is the number of perfection or completeness. The lamb was an offering which showed the innocence of our Saviour. On the Feast of Trumpets, we are to claim His offering as our perfect and complete Lamb. In so doing we are made perfect, complete and innocent in Him.

Statute #307: On the Feast of Trumpets, the goat was offered to show the Saviour's work to destroy satan's traits (he's the goat symbol in Atonement) in us. On the Feast of Trumpets, we are to seek Yahweh's deliverance from every satanic stronghold and any traces of the demonic goat in us.

Statute #308: On the Feast of Trumpets, we are also to spiritually offer ourselves as acceptable living sacrifices (Romans 12:1). This is represented in the meat offering and drink offerings. This is our reasonable response of Thanks to our Saviour for all that He has given for our redemption.

Numbers 29:1-6 "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 of blowing the trumpets unto you. And ye shall <u>offer</u> a <u>burnt offering</u> for a <u>sweet savour</u> unto the LORD; one young bullock, one ram, and seven lambs of the first year <u>without blemish</u>: And their <u>meat offering</u> shall be of flour mingled with oil, three tenth deals for a bullock, and two tenth deals for a ram, And one tenth deal for one lamb, throughout the seven lambs: And one kid of the goats for a sin offering, to make..."

"...an <u>atonement</u> for you: Beside the burnt offering of the month, and his meat offering and the daily burnt offering, and his meat offering, and their <u>drink</u> <u>offerings</u>, according unto their manner, for a sweet savour, a sacrifice made by fire unto the LORD."

Key Word Study:

Key Word	Strong's Number	Hebrew Word	Meaning
OFFER	6213	`âśâh	do or make, accomplish, appoint, exercise feast, fulfill, furnish, be occupied with
BURNT OFFERING	5930	ʻôlâh	a step or (collectively stairs, as ascending), ascent, burnt offering (sacrifice)
SWEET	5207	nîychôach	properly <i>restful</i> , that is, <i>pleasant</i> ; abstractly <i>delight:</i> - sweet (odour) (make to rest)
SAVOR	7381	rêyach	odor (as if blown): - savour, scent, smell, (to breathe, make of quick understanding)
WITHOUT BLEMISH	8549	tâmîym	Entire (literally or morally), integrity, truth, complete, full, perfect, without defilement
MEAT OFFERING	4503	minchâh	a donation, tribute, a sacrificial offering (usually bloodless and voluntary), oblation, gift
ATONEMENT	3722	kâphar	to cover, condone, placate, cancel, cleanse, forgive, be merciful, pacify, pardon, reconcile
DRINK OFFERINGS	5262	nesek	a <i>libation</i> , cover, drink offering, molten image (anoint a king)

Synthesis:

On the Feast of Trumpets, I am to specifically acknowledge and claim Yahshua's Sacrifice for me as the most Expensive gift Heaven could give, as my Leader, perfect and innocent substitute and as the One powerful enough to deliver me from the goat and his strongholds. I am to also personalize these sacrifices by counting the cost of Sin, seeking forgiveness for the times I've strayed from Heaven's Leadership, seek cleansing and forgiveness that I may be made innocent before Heaven, and seek deliverance from satan and all his strongholds. With such an overwhelming Gift through the Saviour's all-encompassing Blood, it is also right and my highest honor, to offer all I

am and have to Heaven as a living Thank offering. It is because of my Saviour, Who gave His All for me, that I am cleansed, pardoned and reconciled with Heaven. It is because of my Saviour's great Gift that I am made complete and established in Truth and freed from defilement. Thus, it is my highest joy to offer my life and soul as a living tribute to the One Who did so much for me! This is part of the rehearsal in keeping the Feast of Trumpets.

Trumpets Lessons in Psalm 81:

Psalm 81 is a Psalm specifically written for the Feast of Trumpets.

• **Psalm 81:3-4** "Blow up the trumpet in the new moon, in the time appointed, on our solemn feast day. For this was a statute for Israel, and a law of the God of Jacob."

To prove that Psalm 81 is about the Feast of Trumpets, we need to cross reference each of the high-lighted words or phrases in the above verses, as follows:

CLUES:

- 1) Psalm 81 is referring to a NEW MOON day.
- 2) Upon this NEW MOON day, we are to blow the trumpet.
- 3) This NEW MOON day is also a solemn FEAST DAY.
- 4) The command to keep this NEW MOON day is a STATUTE in the LAW of Yahweh (so it is found in the Torah).

Using these clues, we can quickly identify the day being mentioned in Psalm 81, for there is only one New Moon day, which is a Feast, given in the Torah, upon which we are specifically instructed to blow trumpets: The Feast of Trumpets.

Leviticus 23:23-25 - "And Yahweh spake unto Moses, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, in the first day of the month (the first day of the month is translated from the Hebrew words for NEW MOON), shall ye have a Sabbath (annual Sabbath), a memorial of blowing of trumpets, an holy convocation. Ye shall do no servile work therein: but ye shall offer an offering made by fire unto Yahweh."

Because Psalm 81 is a Feast of Trumpets chapter, we make a practice of reading it during our convocation on the Feast of Trumpets. But there is more...

Many believe that the annual Sabbaths (Feasts of Yahweh) are a "Jewish" thing and should not be kept by "Gentile" (non-Jewish) Christians. Yet Psalm 81 shows that Joseph certainly didn't believe the Feasts were just a "Jewish" thing... He not only kept the Feast of Trumpets himself, he went throughout the land of Egypt instructing the Egyptians to keep it also!



• **Psalm 81:3-5** "Blow up the trumpet in the new moon, in the time appointed, on our solemn feast day. For this was a statute for Israel, and a law of the God of Jacob. This He ordained in Joseph for a testimony, when he went out through the land of Egypt..."

Psalm 81 not only contains key concepts related to the significance of the Feast of Trumpets, it also gives simple proof that God wants everyone to keep His holy days. And what a blessing it is to do so!