AN AWAKENING BLAST FEAST OF TRUMPETS 2014 JAMIE MCNAB

Thank you for joining us today.

Let's focus on the meaning of the day. We go around the cycle ... again and again and again.

We are to keep God's appointed times because they are a blueprint of God's plan of salvation.

Why are we here? God commands that we meet with Him ... but why? What teaching does God have for us on The Feast of Trumpets? What's the significance?

Leviticus 23:1-2, 4

And the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, "Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: 'The feasts of the Lord, which you shall proclaim to be holy convocations, these are My feasts.

... "These are the feasts of the Lord, holy convocations which you shall proclaim at their appointed times."

Leviticus 23:23–25

Then the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, "Speak to the children of Israel, saying: <u>'In the seventh month, on the first day of the month</u>, you shall have a sabbath-rest, <u>a memorial of blowing of trumpets, a holy</u> <u>convocation.</u> You shall do no customary work on it; and you shall offer an offering made by fire to the Lord.' ""

<u>Today is a memorial of Teruah</u> ... A shout or a loud blast. A memorial announced by loud horn blasts.

Hebrew Dictionary Loud horn blasts for:

- 1. War or Alarm
- 2. Joy and rejoicing. Typically made with trumpets either rams horn (shofar) or a silver trumpet.

Numbers 29:1

"And in the seventh month, on the first day of the month, you shall have a holy convocation. You shall do no customary work. For you it is a day of blowing the trumpets." (Today for you is Yom Teruah)

THREE PARTS

1. WAR

2. SHOUT FOR JOY OR REJOICING

3. WHAT ABOUT US ... IT IS AN AWAKENING BLAST

In 3,400 years, there have only been 268 "peaceful years".

Today ... Syria, Iraq, ISIL, etc. And war will continue until Christ returns.

PART 1 WAR

Jeremiah 4:5-8

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.' Set up the standard toward Zion. Take refuge! Do not delay! For I will bring disaster from the north, And great destruction.''' " The lion has come up from his thicket, And the destroyer of nations is on his way. He has gone forth from his place To make your land desolate. Your cities will be laid waste, Without inhabitant. For this, clothe yourself with sackcloth, Lament and wail. For the fierce anger of the Lord Has not turned back from us."

<u>Jeremiah 4:19–20</u>

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, <u>The sound of the trumpet</u>, (shofar) <u>The alarm of war</u>. (Teruah) Destruction upon destruction is cried, For the whole land is plundered. Suddenly my tents are plundered, And my curtains in a moment."

Jeremiah 4:21

" How long will I see the standard, And hear <u>the sound of the trumpet</u>?"

Jeremiah 6:1

"O you children of Benjamin, Gather yourselves to flee from the midst of Jerusalem! <u>Blow the trumpet</u> in Tekoa, (shofar) And set up a signal-fire in Beth Haccerem; For disaster appears out of the north, And great destruction."

<u>Jeremiah 6:16–20</u>

" Thus says the Lord: "Stand in the ways and see, And <u>ask for the old paths</u>, where the good way is, And walk in it;

Then you will find rest for your souls. But they said, 'We will not walk in it.' Also, I set watchmen over you, saying, `Listen to the sound of the trumpet!' But they said, 'We will not listen.' Therefore hear, you nations, And know, O congregation, what is among them. Hear, O earth! Behold, I will certainly bring calamity on this people-The fruit of their thoughts, Because they have not heeded My words Nor My law, but rejected it. For what purpose to Me Comes frankincense from Sheba, And sweet cane from a far country? Your burnt offerings are not acceptable, Nor your sacrifices sweet to Me.""

Jeremiah 6:19

" Hear, O earth! Behold, I will certainly bring calamity on this people— The fruit of their thoughts, Because they have not heeded My words Nor My law, but rejected it."

Ezekiel 33:1-9

Again the word of the Lord came to me, saying, "Son of man, speak to the children of your people, and say to them: 'When I bring the **sword** upon a land, and the people of the land take a man from their territory and make him their **watchman**, when he sees the sword coming upon the land, if he blows the **trumpet** (shofar) and <u>warns</u> 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.'

"So you, son of man: I have made you a **watchman** for the **house of Israel**; (mentioned 82 times in Ezekiel --- they had already gone into captivity about 120 years earlier. The message is probably for us today) therefore you shall hear a word from My mouth and **warn** them for Me. When I say to the wicked, 'O wicked man, you shall surely die!' and you do not speak to **warn** the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood I will require at your hand. Nevertheless if you **warn** the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, he shall die in his iniquity; but you have delivered your soul."

Zephaniah 1:2-3

"I will utterly consume everything From the face of the land," Says the Lord; "I will consume man and beast; I will consume the birds of the heavens, The fish of the sea, And the stumbling blocks along with the wicked. I will cut off man from the face of the land," Says the Lord."

Zephaniah 1:7

" Be silent in the presence of the Lord God; For the day of the Lord is at hand, For the Lord has prepared a sacrifice; He has invited His guests."

Zephaniah 1:14-18

" The great day of the Lord is near; (pictured by the Day of Trumpets) It is near and hastens quickly. The noise of the day of the Lord is bitter; There the mighty men shall cry out.

That day is **a day of wrath**, A day of trouble and distress, A day of devastation and desolation, A day of darkness and gloominess, A day of clouds and thick darkness, A day of trumpet and alarm Against the fortified cities And against the high towers. "I will bring distress upon men, And they shall walk like blind men, Because they have sinned against the Lord; Their blood shall be poured out like dust, And their flesh like refuse." Neither their silver nor their gold Shall be able to deliver them In the day of the Lord's wrath; But the whole land shall be devoured By the fire of His jealousy, For He will make speedy riddance Of all those who dwell in the land."

Zephaniah 3:8

"Therefore wait for Me," says the Lord, "Until the day I rise up for plunder; My determination is to gather the nations To My assembly of kingdoms, To pour on them My indignation, All My fierce anger; All the earth shall be devoured With the fire of My jealousy."

Zephaniah 2:1-3

"Gather yourselves together, yes, gather together, O undesirable nation, <u>Before</u> the decree is issued, Or the day passes like chaff, <u>Before</u> the Lord's fierce anger comes upon you, <u>Before</u> the day of the Lord's anger comes upon you! <u>Seek the Lord</u>, all you meek of the earth, Who have upheld His justice. (Who keeps His commandments) Seek righteousness, seek humility.

It may be that you will be hidden (A Place of Safety?) In the day of the Lord's anger."

Revelation 8:1–2

When He opened <u>the seventh seal</u>, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour. And I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and to them were given seven trumpets."

Revelation 8:7–13

"First Trumpet: Vegetation Struck

<u>The</u> first angel sounded: And hail and fire followed, mingled with blood, and they were thrown to the earth. And a third of the trees were burned up, and all green grass was burned up.

Second Trumpet: The Seas Struck

Then the second angel sounded: And something like a great mountain burning with fire was thrown into the sea, and a third of the sea became blood. And a third of the living creatures in the sea died, and a third of the ships were destroyed.

Third Trumpet: The Waters Struck

Then the third angel sounded: And a great star fell from heaven, burning like a torch, and it fell on a third of the rivers and on the springs of water. The name of the star is Wormwood. A third of the waters became wormwood, and many men died from the water, because it was made bitter.

Fourth Trumpet: The Heavens Struck

Then the fourth angel sounded: And a third of the sun was struck, a third of the moon, and a third of the stars, so that a third of them were darkened. A third of the day did not shine, and likewise the night. And I looked, and I heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, "<u>Woe, woe, woe</u> to the inhabitants of the earth, because of the remaining blasts of the trumpet of the three angels who are about to sound!""

Revelation 9:1-6

Fifth Trumpet: The Locusts from the Bottomless Pit

Then the fifth angel sounded: And I saw a star fallen from heaven to the earth. To him was given the key to the bottomless pit. And he opened the bottomless pit, and smoke arose out of the pit like the smoke of a great furnace. So the sun and the air were darkened because of the smoke of the pit. Then out of the smoke locusts came upon the earth. And to them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power. They were commanded not to harm the grass of the earth, or any green thing, or any tree, but only those men who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads. And they were not given authority to kill them, but to torment them for five months. Their torment was like the torment of a scorpion when it strikes a man. In those days men will seek death and will not find it; they will desire to die, and death will flee from them."

Revelation 9:10-12

" They had tails like scorpions, and there were stings in their tails. Their power was to hurt men five months. And they had as king over them the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in Hebrew is Abaddon, but in Greek he has the name Apollyon.

One woe is past. Behold, still two more woes are coming after these things."

Revelation 9:13-21

"Sixth Trumpet: The Angels from the Euphrates

Then the sixth angel sounded: And I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God, saying to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, "Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates." So the four angels, who had been prepared for the hour and day and month and year, were released to kill a third of mankind. Now the number of the army of the horsemen was two hundred million; I heard the number of them. And thus I saw the horses in the vision: those who sat on them had breastplates of fiery red, hyacinth blue, and sulfur yellow; and the heads of the horses were like the heads of lions; and out of their mouths came fire, smoke, and brimstone. By these three plagues a third of mankind was killed—by the fire and the smoke and the brimstone which came out of their mouths. For their power is in their mouth and in their tails; for their tails are like serpents, having heads; and with them they do harm.

But the rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, <u>did not</u> <u>repent</u> of the works of their hands, that they should not worship demons, and idols of gold, silver, brass, stone, and wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk. <u>And they did not repent</u> of their murders or their sorceries or their sexual immorality or their thefts."

So Yom Teruah is a reminder to us of what is yet to come.

PART 2 SHOUT OF JOY AND REJOICING

Teruah is also a day of shouting and joy ... the best day for mankind. Pictures when Jesus becomes King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

Revelation 11:15–16

"Seventh Trumpet: The Kingdom Proclaimed

Then the seventh angel sounded: And there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever!" And the twenty-four elders who sat before God on their thrones fell on their faces and worshiped God,"

However:

Revelation 11:18

" <u>The nations were angry, and Your wrath has come</u>, And the time of the dead, that they should be judged, And that You should reward Your servants the prophets and the saints, And those who fear Your name, small and great, And should destroy those who destroy the earth.""

<u>Daniel 7:13–14</u>

" "I was watching in the night visions, And behold, One like the Son of Man, Coming with the clouds of heaven! He came to the Ancient of Days, And they brought Him near before Him. Then to Him (The Lord Jesus) was given dominion and glory 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 the one Which shall not be destroyed."

<u>Daniel 7:27</u>

" Then the kingdom and dominion, And the greatness of the kingdoms under the whole heaven, Shall be given to the people, the saints of the Most High. His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, And all dominions shall serve and obey Him.'"

<u>Matthew 24:14–15</u>

"And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.

"Therefore when you see the 'abomination of desolation,' spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place" (whoever reads, let him understand),"

<u>Matthew 24:21–22</u>

"For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be. And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect's sake those days will be shortened."

<u>Matthew 24:29-31</u>

"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. 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. 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."

1 Thessalonians 4:13-17

But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, <u>even so God will bring with Him</u> those who sleep in Jesus.

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. 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. 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."

1 Corinthians 15:50–53

"Our Final Victory

Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed— 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. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality."

PART 3 A SHOUT TO WAKE UP

Mark 13:24-27

"But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars of heaven will fall, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory. And <u>then He will send</u> <u>His angels, and gather together His elect from the four winds,</u> from the farthest part of earth to the farthest part of heaven."

Mark 13:28-37

"Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender, and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near. So you also, when you see these things happening, know that it is near—at the doors! Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all these things take place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away. "But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Take heed, watch and pray; for you do not know when the time is. It is like a man going to a far country, who left his house and gave authority to his servants, and to each his work, and commanded the doorkeeper to watch. Watch therefore, for you do

not know when the master of the house is coming—in the evening, at midnight, at the crowing of the rooster, or in the morning— lest, coming suddenly, he find you sleeping. And what I say to you, I say to all: **Watch!**""

Luke 12:35-40

""Let your waist be girded (BE PREPARED) and your lamps

burning; and you yourselves be like men who wait for their master, when he will return from the wedding, that when he comes and knocks they may open to him immediately. Blessed are those servants whom the master, when he comes, will find **watching**. Assuredly, I say to you that he will gird himself and have them sit down to eat, and will come and serve them. And if he should come in the second **watch**, or come in the third **watch**, and find them so, blessed are those servants. But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have <u>watched</u> and not allowed his house to be broken into. Therefore you also **be ready**, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.""

<u>Matthew 25:1-13</u>

"Then the kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Now five of them were wise, and five were foolish. Those who were foolish took their lamps and took no oil with them, but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. But while the bridegroom was delayed, they all slumbered and slept. "And at midnight a cry was heard: 'Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him!' Then all those virgins arose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise answered, saying, 'No, lest there should not be enough for us and you; but go rather to those who sell, and buy for yourselves.' And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were **ready** went in with him to the wedding; and the door was shut. "Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open to us!' But he answered and said, 'Assuredly, I say to you, I do not know you.' **Watch therefore**, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming."

WE NEED TO BE READY!! TAKE HEED!

Luke 21:29-36

Then He spoke to them a parable: "Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. When they are already budding, you see and know for yourselves that summer is now near. So you also, when you see these things happening, know that the kingdom of God is near. Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all things take place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away. "But <u>take heed</u> to yourselves, lest your hearts be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness, and cares of this life, <u>and that Day come on</u> <u>you unexpectedly.</u> For it will come as a snare on all those who dwell on the face of the whole earth. Watch therefore, and pray always that you may be counted worthy to escape all these things that will come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man.""

1 Thessalonians 5:1-8

But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you. For you yourselves know perfectly that <u>the</u> <u>day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night</u>. For when they say, "Peace and safety!" then sudden destruction comes upon them, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape. <u>But you,</u> <u>brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake</u> <u>you as a thief. You are all sons of light and sons of the day.</u> We are not of the night nor of darkness. <u>Therefore let us not sleep</u>, as others do, but let us <u>watch and be sober</u>. For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk are drunk at night. But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet the hope of salvation."

<u>Romans 13:10-14</u>

" Love does no harm to a neighbour; therefore love is the fulfilment of the law.

And do this, knowing the time, that <u>now it is high time to awake out</u> <u>of sleep</u>; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and <u>let us put on the armour of light</u>. <u>Let us walk</u> <u>properly</u>, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts."

Let's look forward to the reality of a The Feast of Trumpets.