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Yom Teruah יוֹם תְּרוּעָה 2023/5784

Day Of Sounding, Shouting or Blasting

- Begins Sunday, Sept 15th at sunset and ends Sept 16th at sunset
- We were here last night at FCM on Yom Teruah to commemorate this day at Sunset, and continue today
- It is a Sabbath, No work Day
- We will share sweets and snacks after prayer
- Beginning of the Ten Days Of Awe leading to Yom Kippur
- Also Called Rosh HaShana

Rosh HaShana

It is true that the Jewish sages recognize Abib (or Aviv) or Nisan in the spring as the first month of the biblical calendar and the beginning of civil or agricultural year for ancient Israel, now Judaism recognizes the first day of the seventh month (called Yom Teruah in the Bible or Rosh Hashana in modern Jewish tradition) as the beginning of the civil and religious year (Exploring Jewish Tradition, by Rabbi Abraham Witty, p. 120; The Jewish Book of Why, by Alfred Kolatch, pp. 222–223). In fact, the rabbinic Jews maintain the tradition that there are four new years (Kolatch, p. 223; Talmud Rosh Hashana 1:1):

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- The first of Nisan/Abib for royalty (dating of royal events).
- The first of Tishri for agriculture (the beginning of the harvest season) and traditionally commemorating the creation.
- The first of Elul for tithing cattle.
- The first of Shevat as the new year for trees.

Rosh HaShana

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Additionally, one Jewish scholar believes that the rabbinic tradition that Rosh Hashana is the beginning of the new year actually derives from pagan customs absorbed by the Jewish people while living in Babylon. These ancient pagans had a new year's festival called Akitu, that happened to fall on the same day as Yom Teurah. Gradually, the Jews assimilated Yom Teruah with Akitu with the result being Rosh Hashana. (For more information on this, go to http://www.karaite-korner.org/yom_teruah.shtml#sdfootnote1sym.)

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Leviticus 23

23 And the YHVH spoke to Moshe, saying,

24 “Speak to the people of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, on the first day of the month, you shall observe a day of solemn rest, a memorial proclaimed with blast (shout,sounding), a holy convocation.

25 You shall not do any ordinary work, and you shall present a food offering to the Lord.”

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Numbers 10

1 Adonai spoke to Moses saying,

2 “Make two trumpets of hammered silver for yourself. They are for summoning the community and having the camps set out.

3 Whenever both are sounded, the whole community is to gather toward you at the entrance of the Tent of Meeting.

4 But if only one is sounded, the princes—the heads of the tribes of Israel—are to gather toward you.

5 When you sound the trumpet the first time, the camp of those camped on the east is to set out.

6 When you sound the trumpet blast the second time, the camp of those camped on the south is to set out. Short blasts will be the signal for their moving out.

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7 To gather the whole national community, you are to sound the sustained blasts, but not the short blasts.

8 The sons of Aaron will blow the trumpets. This is to be an eternal ordinance for you as well as for your generations to come.

9 Whenever you go to war in your own land against the enemy who is hostile to you, you are to sound short blasts of alarm. Then you will be remembered before Adonai your God and be delivered from your enemies.

10 Also at your days of rejoicing, feasts and new moons, you are to blow on the trumpets over your burnt offerings and fellowship offerings. They will then be a reminder for you before Adonai your God. I am Adonai your God!”

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4 and one tenth with each of the seven lambs,

5 as well as one male goat as a sin offering to make atonement for yourselves.

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4 He subdues peoples under us, and nations under our feet.

5 He chooses our inheritance for us, the glory of Jacob whom He loved. Selah

6 Yah is gone up amidst shouting, Adonai amidst the sound of the shofar.

7 Sing praises to Yah, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

8 For Yah is the King of all the earth. Sing praises with a skillful song.

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Shouting in Praise

Psalm 66:1 Make a joyful shout to God, all the earth!

Psalm 81:1 Sing aloud to God our strength; make a joyful shout to the God of Jacob.

Psalm 81:3 Blow the trumpet at the time of the New Moon, at the full moon, on our solemn feast day.

Notice also that in each one of these, it is a joyful shout, or a shout of triumph. It is something to be excited and happy about!

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

Shouting in Praise

Psalm 95:1-2 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.

Psalm 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.

Blessing over the Moedim

Baruch atah Adonai Eloheinu, melech ha-olam

Shehecheyanu v'kiy'manu v'higiyanu laz'man hazeh

Blessed are you, Oh Lord our God, king of the universe

Who has granted us life, and sustained us, and brought us to this season

Blessing over hearing the Shofar

Baruch atah Adonai Eloheinu, melech ha-olam, asher
Kid'shanu b'mitzvotav, v'tzivanu lishmoah kol hashofar

Blessed are you, Oh Lord our God, king of the universe, who has
Sanctified us with his commandments and commanded us to hear the
voice of the shofar.

Sounds of the Shofar

Tekiah

Tekiah is a single blow. It's a long, loud blast. As in when a Kings coronation takes place. When tekiah sounds, it brings everyone to attention.

Sounds of the Shofar

Shevarim

The next type of sound made with the shofar is called shevarim. The three, broken blows of shevarim, sound like crying. It is the sound of repentance.

Sounds of the Shofar

Teruah

The third type of sound made by the shofar blower is called teruah, and involves nine or more rapid fire, or staccato, blows. Teruah is the wake up call to the soul.

Sounds of the Shofar

Tekiah gedolah

The three sounds above are played all throughout the Rosh Hashanah service. And during the final combination, the shofar player concludes with tekiah gedolah, the great blast, one last, long tekiah to wrap up. As long as there is breath in the body, there is time for REPENTANCE.

Repentance

2 Chronicles 7

14 when My people, over whom My Name is called, humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their evil ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

Repentance

Matthew 3

1 In those days, John the Immerser came
proclaiming in the wilderness of Judea,

2 “Turn away (Repent) from your sins, for the
kingdom of heaven is near!”

Repentance

Matthew 4

17 From then on, Yeshua began to proclaim, “Turn away from your sins, for the kingdom of heaven is near.”

Repentance

Daniel 4

28 The words were still in the king's mouth when a voice fell from heaven. "King Nebuchadnezzar, it has been decreed to you that your kingdom has been removed from you!

29 You will be driven away from men and you will live with the beasts of the field. You will feed on grass like an ox and seven periods of time will pass over you until you come to know that the Most High is sovereign over the realm of mankind and gives it to whomever He wishes."

30 Immediately the word about Ne-buchadnezzar was fulfilled. He was driven away from men, ate grass like an ox, and his body was drenched with the dew of heaven, until his hair had grown like eagles' feathers and his nails like birds' claws.

Repentance

Daniel 4

1 But at the end of the appointed days, I Nebuchadnezzar, raised my eyes up to heaven and my sanity returned to me. So I blessed the Most High and I praised and honored Him who lives forever.

“For His dominion is an everlasting dominion,
and His kingdom endures from generation to generation!

32 All the inhabitants of earth are counted as nothing.

He does as He wills with the army of heaven
and the inhabitants of the earth.

No one can hold back His hand,
or say to Him, ‘What have you done?’

33 “At that moment my sanity returned to me, and my majesty and my splendor were restored to me, for the glory of my kingdom. My ministers and nobles sought me out and I was reestablished over my kingdom. I became even greater than before.

34 Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise, exalt and honor the King of heaven, because all His works are right and His ways just. He is able to humble those who walk in pride.”

Repentance

Luke 18

9 Then Yeshua spoke this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, while holding others in contempt.

10 “Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector.

11 The Pharisee stood and was praying this to himself: ‘O God, I thank You that I am not like other people—thieving, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector.

12 I fast twice a week and tithe on all that I get.’

13 “But the tax collector, standing some distance away, wouldn’t even lift his eyes toward heaven, but beat his chest, saying, ***‘God, be merciful to me, the sinner!’***

14 I tell you, this man, rather than the other, went down to his home declared righteous. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”

Sounds of the Shofar

Acts 3:19

Therefore repent and return, so that your sins may be wiped away, in order that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord;

Joy in Teshuva

Luke 15

10 In the same way, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”



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