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**Introduction**

Yom Teruah is commonly known as Rosh HaShanah or Head of the Year. Rosh HaShanah is not found anywhere in the Torah, but Yom Teruah is. This Biblical festival has several names, and each one carries a different meaning of this first of the Fall festivals.

**Leviticus 23:23-25**

**23** Again the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, <sup>24</sup> "Speak to the sons of Israel, saying, 'In the seventh month on the first of the month you shall have a rest, a reminder by blowing of *trumpets*, a holy convocation. <sup>25</sup> 'You shall not do any laborious work, but you shall present an offering by fire to the LORD.'" (NAU)

<08643> תְּרוּעָה *teruah*

**Meaning:** *a shout or blast of war, alarm, or joy*

If you take the time to check the Hebrew for this passage, the one interesting thing you will find is the word trumpets or shofars are not there. All that is there is the Hebrew word *Teruah*, which means *a shout or blast of war, alarm, or joy*. It is assumed that trumpet or shofar is there, but it is not. It could possibly be that what happens is simply a shout; a shout from the heavenly host and all the Believers in Messiah who are gathered waiting on the earth looking for His second coming. On the seventh month on the first of the month, we are commanded to keep the Festival of *Yom Teruah*, commonly called by its name *Rosh Hashanah* or Head of the Year. We should stick to identifying this first of the Fall festivals by its Biblical name Yom Teruah. Rosh Hashanah does not appear in the Bible, though the belief is that the seventh month of *Tishrei* was the first month before the Lord changed it and made Nissan the first month so we would begin on the religious calendar with the celebration of Passover. Today Tishrei leads off the religious calendar. If we follow the calendar, as it is now, we start off with Nissan with the celebration of Passover, Unleavened Bread, then First Fruits and finish with Shavuot. These Festivals have all been fulfilled by the Jewish Messiah Yeshua, who incidentally, is the Messiah of

the Church, by them called Jesus. Without the Jewish people, the church would never have known who the Messiah was, and even today they hold that He came from Israel and the kingdom of Judah.

So, the Messiah fulfilled the Spring Festivals, according to Messianic and Hebrew Roots people, while Judaism is still looking for Him to come the first time. Why are the Fall Festivals so important? Because He must come again, and this will take place during the Fall Festivals. The First Fall Festival is Yom Teruah, then Yom Kippur, Sukkot, and Shemini Atzeret. Each one of these Festivals connects another part of the Father's plan for mankind and the heavens and the earth.

### **Numbers 29:1-6**

**1** "In the seventh month, on the first day of the month, you are to have a holy convocation; do not do any kind of ordinary work; it is a day of blowing the *shofar* for you. <sup>2</sup> Prepare a burnt offering to make a fragrant aroma for *ADONAI*- one young bull, one ram and seven male lambs in their first year and without defect- <sup>3</sup> with their grain offering, consisting of fine flour mixed with olive oil- six quarts for the bull, four quarts for the ram, <sup>4</sup> and two quarts for each of the seven lambs- <sup>5</sup> also one male goat as a sin offering to make atonement for you. <sup>6</sup> This is to be in addition to the burnt offering for *Rosh Chodesh* with its grain offering, the regular burnt offering with its grain offering, and their drink offerings, according to the rule for them; this will be a fragrant aroma, an offering made by fire to *ADONAI*. (CJB)

Numbers 29:1-6 covers the same ground that Leviticus 23:23-25 does. Once again, we see in verse 1 that Yom Teruah does not say to blow a trumpet or shofar. This is simply an acceptance by all of us that you need something to announce the coming of the Messiah of all Israel. A shout by a multitude of His people and His Heavenly host would certainly do the same thing when the Lord returns at the head of His army to retake this earth and set up His Father's kingdom here on the earth taking possession of the earth as He had in the beginning. Once man sinned, God ceded control to Satan as master of this world. God did not want a flawed creation. He would wait until the time when, first the Spring Festivals were brought to fruition, and then the Fall festivals will happen in their due time. The return of Yeshua is almost nigh, my friends. Will it be this year, I don't know? It will be when it will be, but until it happens, we are told to be ready. Are you ready?

### **1 Samuel 2:1-10**

**1** Then Hannah prayed and said, "My heart exults in the LORD; my horn is exalted in the LORD, my mouth speaks boldly against my enemies, because I rejoice in Your salvation. <sup>2</sup> "There is no one holy like the LORD, Indeed, there is no one besides You, nor is there any rock like our God. <sup>3</sup> "Boast no more so very proudly, do not let arrogance come out of your mouth; for the LORD is a God of knowledge, and with Him actions are weighed. <sup>4</sup> "The bows of the mighty are shattered, but the feeble gird on strength. <sup>5</sup> "Those who were full hire themselves out for bread, but those who were hungry cease *to hunger*. Even the barren gives birth to seven, but she who has many children languishes. <sup>6</sup> "The LORD kills and makes alive; He brings down to Sheol and raises up. <sup>7</sup> "The LORD makes poor and

rich; He brings low, He also exalts. <sup>8</sup> "He raises the poor from the dust, He lifts the needy from the ash heap to make them sit with nobles, and inherit a seat of honor; for the pillars of the earth are the LORD'S, and He set the world on them. <sup>9</sup> "He keeps the feet of His godly ones, but the wicked ones are silenced in darkness; for not by might shall a man prevail. <sup>10</sup> "Those who contend with the LORD will be shattered; against them He will thunder in the heavens, the LORD will judge the ends of the earth; and He will give strength to His king, and will exalt the horn of His **anointed**." (NAU)

<04899> מָשִׁיחַ *mashiach* (603c)

**Meaning:** *anointed*

Hannah was barren and longed to have a child. What is Hannah's horn? Her horn is her strength, a strength she received from the Holy One of Israel, to whom the Jewish people look to for their Messiah. In verse 10, we are told that those who come against the Lord will be broken, and He will judge the ends of the earth and will give strength to His king who will praise the horn of His anointed. The Hebrew word for anointed is Mashiach, which many translate as Messiah, but it can also be translated as anointed and can apply to a priest, king, or prophet. The Messiah will be the most important anointed being who ever lived, and we have confirmation of His anointing when it took place in Luke.

**Luke 7:44** Then He turned to the woman and said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave Me no water for My feet, but she has washed My feet with her tears and wiped *them* with the hair of her head. <sup>45</sup> "You gave Me no kiss, but this woman has not ceased to kiss My feet since the time I came in. <sup>46</sup> **"You did not anoint My head with oil, but this woman has anointed My feet with fragrant oil.** (NKJ)

In other translations, they use ointment instead of oil, but the intent is there. Yeshua received an anointing with oil as befits the Messiah who was about to fulfill Passover, Unleavened Bread, and First Fruits, through His death and resurrection. What greater blessing could we receive because He goes on to tell Peter He forgave this woman's sins, which are many, and because of it the forgiveness is that much greater.

**Psalms 46:9** He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire. <sup>10</sup> "Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!" <sup>11</sup> The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. Selah (ESV)

05542 סֵלָה *selah* {seh'-law}

**Meaning:** to lift up, exalt, Selah: a technical musical term probably showing accentuation, pause, interruption

Selah is a Hebrew word that can be used two different ways. The first way is to lift up or exalt, and the second way is a pause, as many believe it is used in the Psalms. To lift up would be as to lift up in praise of the greatness of the Lord. What if, when we say the word Selah, we are praising our Lord, in the Father and the Son. We exalt the Father for His

plan of redemption and the Son for being willing to submit to His Father's will in carrying out His plan to bring mankind back into a right relationship with Him.

**Job 38:1** Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind and said: <sup>2</sup> "Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? <sup>3</sup> Dress for action like a man; I will question you, and you make it known to me. <sup>4</sup> "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. <sup>5</sup> Who determined its measurements-- surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? <sup>6</sup> On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone, <sup>7</sup> when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy? (ESV)

Job's encounter with the Holy One was different than the way many others have had encounters with the Almighty. God spoke to Job out of the whirlwind. He told him to get ready and prepare himself for battle because he was about to give an account of himself to the Creator who would question Job. In truth, it was not questions the Lord was asking Job for answers to, but the Lord was asking rhetorical questions; questions that were not meant to be answered except by the one asking them. The Almighty asked where was Job when He laid the foundation of the earth? Who determined its measurements or stretched the line upon it? On what were the bases of the earth sunk, or who laid its cornerstone. The cornerstone is where the foundation is laid upon. Who witnessed this? The Lord says the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy. Who were the morning stars and the sons of God? Is it possible these were the angels, who served God before the rebellion and the casting down of the fallen angels? They are called sons of God, and indeed they are. Were they created in the same way man was? Man was created from the dust of the earth. There was no earth when the angels were created.

Many questions are posed, and many answers are suggested or given. Through the Festivals, or the Moedim, Appointed Times, the Holy One seeks to teach us, to get us ready for what it to come. If not in our day, then maybe in the lifetime of our children and grandchildren? The point is to share what we have learned to help others get ready, to be prepared when Messiah comes again.

### **1 Peter 1:5-7**

**5** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Yeshua the Messiah! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Yeshua the Messiah from the dead, <sup>4</sup> to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup> who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup> In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, <sup>7</sup> so that the tested genuineness of your faith-- more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire-- may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Yeshua the Messiah. (ESV)

Here is the promise. It is the culmination of all the promises, the coming together of all of the Torah. A covenant given from the very beginning to mankind, but forgotten as the

years passed. God the Father through His mercy caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Yeshua the Messiah to an inheritance that can never be taken away from us. It is being kept for us in heaven waiting to be revealed in the Last Days. Because of this promise, we rejoice even as various trials test us to ensure that our faith is genuine. Our faith through its testing is like gold refined by the fire to remove its impurities, as our sin is removed by our faith in the death and resurrection of our Messiah Yeshua. This is the revelation of Yeshua in the day the Father releases Him to come back to free us as Moses brought the Israelites out of bondage in Egypt. This is the beginning of fulfillment of the Fall Festivals beginning with Yom Teruah, the Day of the Awakening Blast!

Amen and Amen

I will close with this: ***Torah Man says: "As we begin the Fall Festivals, we look to our Messiah Yeshua to return and bring redemption to the remnant of the Lord."***

Blessings in Messiah Yeshua,

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