



# COLLEGE OF THE SCRIPTURES

## *Greater Christ Temple* APOSTOLIC CHURCH

2940 S. Anthony Blvd. Fort Wayne, IN 46806

Wednesday Evening Bible Study 6:00 PM

### **“End Times”**

**Part 07 – The Appointments of the LORD**

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# The Appointments of the LORD

## Leviticus 23:1-2

**1** And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, **2** "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.

***Feasts = (Heb. “moedim”) Appointments, a designated time, a specified time***

***Convocations = (Heb. “miqra”) A rehearsal, a public assembly***

## The LORD's time:

- 1) The “day” begins at sundown.
- 2) The month begins with the sighting of the first sliver of the new moon
- 3) The year begins with the first new moon when the barley is ripe in the field.

## Leviticus 23:23-26

**23** Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, **24** "Speak to the children of Israel, saying: 'In the seventh month, on the first *day* of the month, you shall have a sabbath-*rest*, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, a holy convocation. **25** You shall do no customary work *on it*; and you shall offer an offering made by fire to the LORD.'"

### - Jewish traditions of The Day of Trumpets (Yom Teruah)

In the Talmud tractate on The Day of Trumpets, it states that three books of account are opened on The Day of Trumpets, wherein the fate of the wicked, the righteous, and those of an intermediate class are recorded. The names of the righteous are immediately inscribed in the book of life, and they are sealed "to live." The intermediate class are allowed a respite of ten days, known as the Days of Awe, until the Day of Atonement, to reflect, **repent** and become righteous; the wicked are "blotted out of the book of the living forever."

- The Day of Trumpets leads immediately to The Day of Atonement, on the tenth day of the same month. On Yom Kippur judgment would be permanently set, the decrees of judgment would be set in motion, and the coronation of the King would take place. \*\*The Year of Jubilee always begins on the Day of Atonement.
- In light of this information it becomes easy to understand that The Day of Trumpets was understood in Israel as phase one of The Day of Atonement (Judgment Day).
- The Harvest
  - Began at the start of the sixth month, Elul
  - Was in full swing at the start of the seventh month, Tishri
  - The people are busily working to bring in the harvest so that they are prepared for the “feast” on the first day of Tishri.

- The people would be working in the field until it became too dark outside for them to work.

- *“I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; the night is coming when no one can work.” (John 9:4)*

- The Feast

- Cannot begin until two witnesses see the first sliver of the new moon over the city of Jerusalem. Because of this fact, it became known as “The feast of the day and hour that no man knows”. (see Mark 13:32)
- Two witnesses report the new moon to the temple guards, who relay it to the priests, who, in turn, relay it to the High Priest, who then comes out to speak personally with the two witnesses, and looking down at them from the temple wall, he shouts, “**Come up here!**”, at which point the door is opened and they go up into the temple (see Rev. 11:12)

- Having conferred with the two witnesses about their spotting of the new moon, the High Priest would announce with a **shout** that “It is the new moon, the Day of **Trumpets**, sound the shofars!”
  - “For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God.” (1 Thess. 4:16)
- At this point the priests would sound the trumpets in the temple, and starting at the hills of Jerusalem the people would light signal fires so that the news of The Day of Trumpets was spread throughout all of Israel
- The people, who were still busy working in the field as the sun began to go down and the moon became visible, upon hearing the trumpets and seeing the signal fires, immediately left what they were doing, ran home, put on their white garments, and went up to the temple to celebrate!

- These white garments, representing the purity of their deeds (Rev. 19:8), had to be prepared ahead of time. Once the trumpet sounded it was too late to get your garment laundered, it had to “BE READY”.

These garments were washed thoroughly and laid out as the people saw “the day” approaching.



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# Song Fest 2020

NEW DATE

**June 13th**  
**6:00 PM**

Choirs, Praise Teams, and Groups please RSVP with Min. Melissa Woodson  
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**Sunday School 9:00 AM**

**Morning worship 10:30 AM**

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