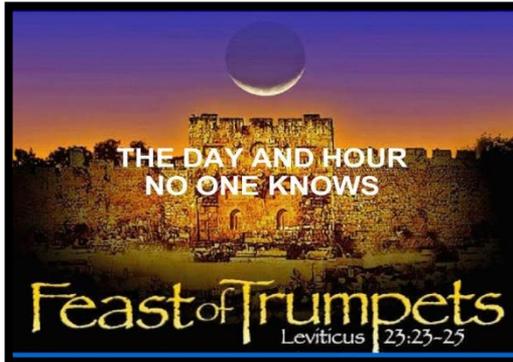




FAITHFUL LIGHT CHURCH

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HOLY DAYS #7 TRUMPETS, ROSH HASHANA PREPARING FOR THE COMING OF THE LORD



GOD'S PURPOSE FOR ME

**JESUS IS COMING IT MAY BE TODAY, SO BECAUSE
WE LOVE JESUS, WE WATCH AND WE PRAY!**

SCRIPTURE READING: Church read *the scriptures together:*

Luke 17:26-30 "And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man. ²⁷ They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all. ²⁸ Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; ²⁹ But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed [them] all. ³⁰ Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed."

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ORDER OF SERVICE:

1. Light Candles & Pray
2. Children's Songs/Story
3. Intro Gospel Craft/Coloring
4. Dismiss Kids to Noah's Ark with 'Animals Go Marching Song'
5. Adult Fellowship Break
6. Worship Song Set
7. Bible Lesson & Group Prayer
8. Blessing Songs & Benediction

2. CHILDREN’S STORY: READY OR NOT, HERE I COME!



Has anyone here ever played the game called Hide & Seek? Most of us have. There is one person who seeks to find the others who are hiding. Who do we know in the Bible who was hiding from God? Yes, Adam and Eve sinned against God and they were hiding and lost in the garden. Many people today are lost because they choose to sin and hide from God too, but Jesus loves us all so much that He is always seeking to find the lost.

Luke 19:10 “*For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.*”

Adam and Eve sinned because they trusted the words of the lying devil more than they trusted the word of God who created them, and that is so much like our poor lost world today. We do not ever have to be lost, because God gives us the light of His word to shine on our way, and tells us that if we will hide His word in our hearts, we will be like those 5 virgin girls who kept their lamps filled with oil so their lamps would not go out in the night while they waited for the bridegroom to come.

Psalms 119:10-11 “*With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments.*” ¹¹ *Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.*”

Have you received God’s free gift of salvation? I hope so! Is your heart filled with the light of God’s word so you can shine for Jesus as you watch for His coming to call you home?

The goal of Hide and Seek is to reach “HOME” safe, and our goal as children of the living God is to reach home in Heaven “SAFE”. Those who are waiting with lamps and hearts filled with the light of God’s word and Spirit, will rise up to meet Him in the air! When Jesus appears, all those who are watching for Him shall hear His trumpet calling, “All ye, all ye outs in free!” **Let’s be ready!**

3. CHRIST'S FEAST OF TRUMPETS & ROSH HOSHANAH

What is the Feast of Trumpets, that in Hebrew is called Rosh Hashana?

Jewish tradition holds that Rosh Hashanah celebrates the anniversary of the creation of the world, and is a day when "God takes stock of all of His Creation," which includes *all* of humanity. Translated from the Hebrew,



Rosh Hashanah means "head of the year" - *rosh* means *head*, while *hashanah* means *year*. Though not found written in the Bible, Jews believe that God's judgment on this day determines the course of the coming year. Scriptures show that God's judgment on this day is not for the coming year, but judgment will begin on this day, for those who rejected their Savior, when the trumpets are sounded at the coming of the Lord, and believers of all time, those who died in faith and living, are raised up to meet Him in the air.

According to God's Bible Calendar, the months and days were established from creation. Noah's Ark rested on the mountaintops in the month that was known as the 7th month called Tishri.

Genesis 8:4 "And the ark rested in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, upon the mountains of Ararat."

The 1st month of Nissan, was confirmed by the Lord in Egypt to be the beginning of months, which begins the counting of days:

Exodus 12:1-2 "And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying, ²This month shall be unto you the beginning of months: it shall be the first month of the year to you."

Leviticus 23:24 "Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, in the first day of the month, shall ye have a sabbath, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, an holy convocation."

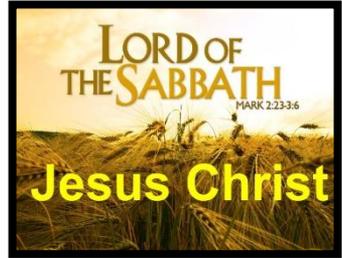
So Tishri 1 is a Holy Day to God's people and the world, to the Jews throughout Israel, and to all who are grafted into the vine of Israel by faith.

4. TRUMPETS AND ALL SABBATHS ARE THE SIGN THAT WE ARE GOD’S FAMILY WHO BELONG TO HIM

Leviticus 23:1-4 “And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ² Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, Concerning the feasts of the LORD, which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations, even these are my feasts.

³ Six days shall work be done: but the seventh day is the sabbath of rest, an holy convocation; ye shall do no work therein: it is the sabbath of the LORD in all your dwellings.

⁴ These are the feasts of the LORD, even holy convocations, which ye shall proclaim in their seasons.”



Jesus as Lord and Savior, said that He made the Sabbath for us:

Mark 2:27-28 “And he said unto them, The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath.⁻²⁸ therefore the Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath.”

Scriptures reveal it is not just the weekly Sabbath God made for us, but God appointed all Holy Days for His people to keep as a perpetual covenant with Him throughout all future generations forever, including ours, because these Sabbaths reveal who God is, His plan of salvation, and **are the sign that marks us as His own.**

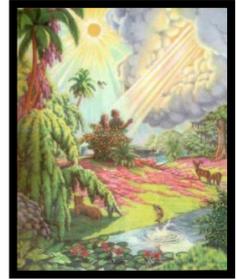
Exodus 31:12-18 “And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ¹³ Speak thou also unto the children of Israel, saying, Verily **MY SABBATHS YE SHALL KEEP: FOR IT IS A SIGN BETWEEN ME AND YOU throughout your generations; that ye may know that I am the LORD that doth sanctify you....**¹⁶ Wherefore the children of Israel shall **KEEP THE SABBATH,** to **observe the sabbath throughout their generations, for a perpetual covenant.** ¹⁷ **IT IS A SIGN BETWEEN ME AND THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL FOR EVER:** for in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested, and was refreshed. ¹⁸ And he gave unto Moses, when he had made an end of communing with him upon mount Sinai, two tables of testimony, tables of stone, written with the finger of God.”

5. THE FEAST OF TRUMPETS BEGINNING THE 1ST DAY of the 7TH MONTH, IS INDEED A DAY OF BEGINNINGS!



This is a feast of blowing the trumpets for the coming of the Lord to redeem His people, began on the day the Lord celebrated the completion of His creation! In the ANNALS OF THE WORLD by James Usher (*Volume 1 Pg. 1*), by

counting back through generations and dates diligently recorded by Holy men of God all the way back to Adam, we find that this day is the anniversary of the completion of the 6th day of creation, when Adam and Eve were formed and God said everything was good! Usher records that Tishri 1, was September 26, 4004 BC.



Jew and Gentile Christians by faith in Jesus Christ, are together **the peculiar treasure people of God.**

*Exodus 19:5-6 “Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then **ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people:** for all the earth is mine: ⁶ and **ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation.** These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.”*

God’s word calls us a kingdom of priests who are the “new Holy Nation” of Israel through Jesus our High Priest who lives in us.

This new Holy Nation of God, Jew and Gentile Christians, shall receive the promise of God’s salvation revealed in His feasts.

*1 Peter 2:9-10 “But ye are a chosen generation, **a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people;** that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light: ¹⁰ which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.”*

So the 1st day of the 7th month we celebrate the creation of God’s people in Eden, the arrival of God’s people on the new earth after the flood, and the day we shall rise up for the first day in Heaven!

6. JESUS SAID THE COMING OF THE LORD SHALL BE JUST AS IN THE DAYS OF NOAH AND OF LOT, AND WILL FOLLOW THE SAME SEQUENCE.

Luke 17:26-30 “And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man.”²⁷ They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all.²⁸ Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded;²⁹ But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed [them] all.³⁰ Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed.”

The righteous who have believed on the LORD Jesus, all those who have died in faith followed by living believers at His coming, both Jew and Gentile, will be caught up to be with the Lord in Heaven, while the wicked left behind are destroyed by fire. Then after 1,000 years, the wicked dead will be raised to final judgment.



Matthew 25:31-34,46 “When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory:”³² And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth [his] sheep from the goats:³³ And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left.³⁴ Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:⁴⁶ And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.”

7. GOD'S FEASTS ARE FOR ALL BELIEVING JEWS AND GENTILES WHO ARE GRAFTED INTO ISRAEL.

Are God's feasts just for those who are Jewish by nationality? Who does God call Israel who will be gathered when Jesus comes?

Romans 9:6-8 *“Not as though the word of God hath taken none effect. For they are not all Israel, which are of Israel: ⁷ neither, because they are the seed of Abraham, are they all children: but, In Isaac shall thy seed be called. ⁸ That is, They which are the children of the flesh, these are not the children of God: but the children of the promise are counted for the seed.”*



If only those physically born of Abraham are to be called the children of God, then Ishmael's children would also be called Israel because they were born of Abraham. But God calls those who believe His children, grafting them into the tree called Israel. These are the two witnesses.

Romans 11:17-18 *“And if some of the branches be broken off, and thou, being a wild olive tree, wert grafted in among them, and with them partakest of the root and fatness of the olive tree; ¹⁸ boast not against the branches. But if thou boast, thou bearest not the root, but the root thee.”*

Colossians 2:13 *“And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses.”*

Romans 10:11-13 *“For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed. ¹² For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him. ¹³ For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.”*

Believing Jews and Gentiles are quickened to life by faith in Jesus Christ, thereby becoming “elect” for salvation, which will be fulfilled when Jesus comes again to gather His children!

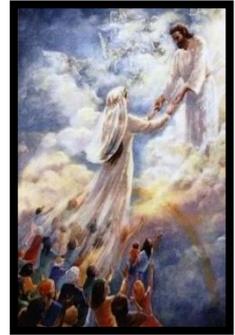
8. AT THE COMING OF THE LORD, WE PUT ON IMMORTALITY & RECEIVE the GIFT of ETERNAL LIFE!

1 Corinthians 15:53-54 “For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. ⁵⁴ So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.”

The Feast of Trumpets, is a shadow of the returning of Jesus Christ **to fulfill the promise of salvation for all who believe, when these mortals shall THEN receive eternal life!**

Romans 8:22-23 “For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. ²³ And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.”

1 Peter 1:7-7 “That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory **AT THE APPEARING OF JESUS CHRIST:** ⁸whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory: ⁹**RECEIVING THE END OF YOUR FAITH, EVEN THE SALVATION OF YOUR SOULS.**”



Soul is your whole being: Your body created from the dust was made alive by the Spirit breath of God to become a living soul in the same way as Adam became a living soul. Jesus breathes His Spirit life back into dead bones whom He raises up as living souls!

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9. WHAT SHALL BE THE SIGN OF JESUS COMING?

The trumpet sounding from heaven is the sign that the angel told Jesus' disciples to watch for. When Jesus ascended to heaven: the angel said the disciples should watch for the Lord Jesus to come back in the same way that He left - in the clouds of heaven!



Zechariah 9:14 “And the LORD shall be seen over them, and his arrow shall go forth as the lightning: and the LORD GOD shall blow the trumpet, and shall go with whirlwinds of the south.”

Isaiah 18:3 “All ye inhabitants of the world, and dwellers on the earth, see ye, when he lifteth up an ensign on the mountains; and when He bloweth a trumpet, hear ye.”

Prophecies of the Old Testament are confirmed by the prophets of the New Testament. The LORD God Himself shall appear in Heaven, and the LORD God Himself shall blow the trumpet!

Matthew 24:30-31 “And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. ³¹And 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.”

All those who had faith in the LORD Jesus as their Savior, both before and after He came, shall be gathered up to meet Him!

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10. WATCH AND PRAY; AND ENDURE TO THE END

Matthew 10:22 “And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake: but **he that endureth to the end shall be saved.**”

Matthew 5:1-10 **All ten virgins** are a picture of **all the believers who are watching and waiting for Jesus to come again**, and because they are pictured as virgins, we know that they are all keeping themselves pure for Jesus, so what is the difference?



Matthew 7:21-23 “**Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven;** but he that **doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.** ²² **Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?** ²³ **And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.**”

We live in the days of “iniquity,” the lawless days of which these scriptures prophesy. Many Christians are deceived by false teachers to mock the Lord’s command as being obsolete, yet still think they “Know Him,” presumptuously supposing all they need to do is praise the Lord, and show up for the trip, but Jesus said, “**IF ye love Me, keep My Commandments.**” **John 14:15**

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**LET YOUR HEARTS BE FILLED WITH JOY
BECAUSE JESUS IS COMING SOON!**

11. GOD'S PURPOSE FOR YOU AND ME

1. Jesus gave us a picture of His coming that we should be as a bride, adorned with all the gifts of His Spirit, awaiting His arrival!
2. Jesus shed His blood once for all, making no difference in Jews of Israel, or of Gentiles who are grafted into Israel by faith in Him.
3. God pictured His coming to be as in the days of Noah & Sodom & Gomorrah, when believers are gathered in & the door is shut.
4. The Feast of Trumpets and all God's Sabbaths are the sign or mark that we belong to He who is our Creator.
5. God's Holy Days are for believing Jews and believing Gentiles grafted into Israel: these are the two witnesses of Revelation.
6. God's Feasts are shadows of His redemption yet to come.
7. God Himself in Jesus Christ shall sound the trumpet call!
8. Our hope is not in death, the last enemy to be destroyed is death.
9. Our hope is in the resurrection when Jesus gives us eternal life!
10. When life is difficult, remember that Jesus is coming soon!

CHURCH PRAYS TOGETHER:

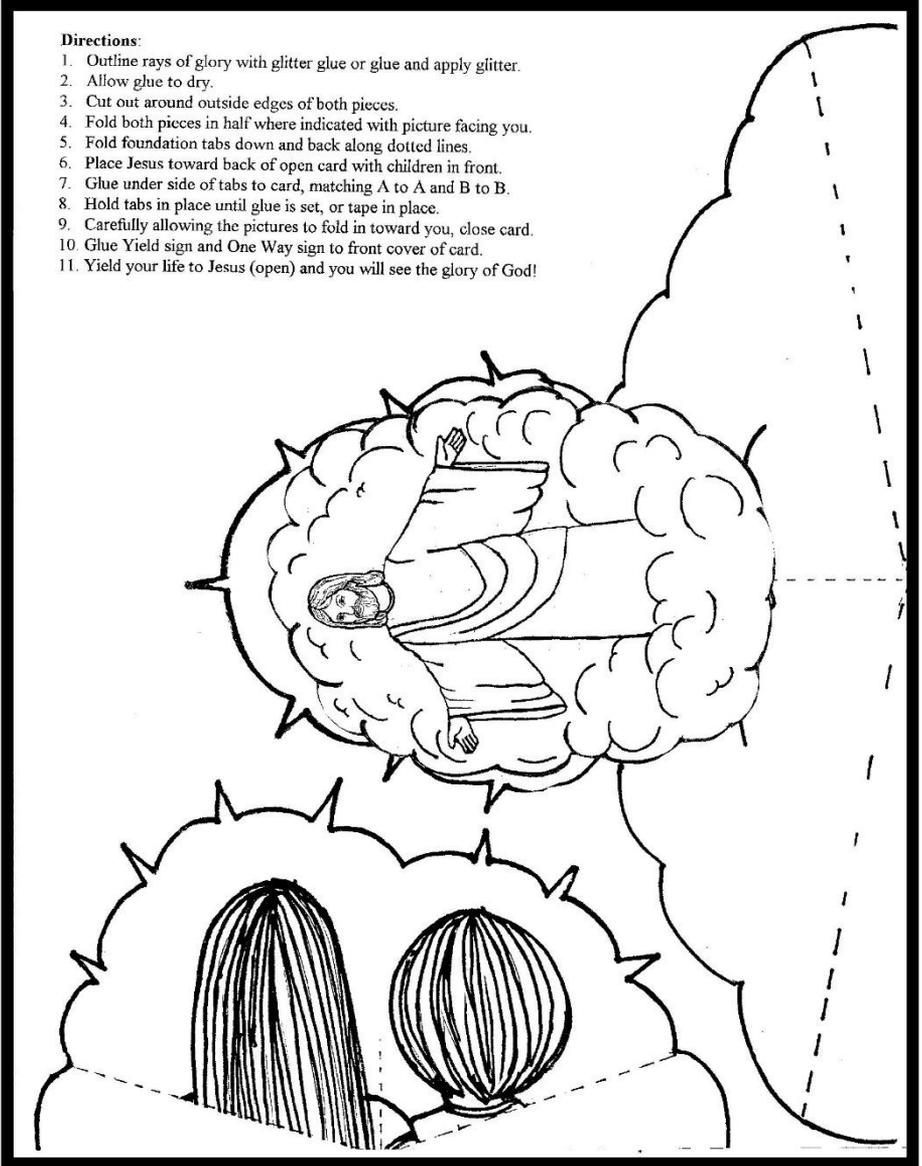
Our dear Father in Heaven, We see You in the face of our Lord Jesus Christ, and know that You are in Jesus revealing Yourself to us as the great I AM, the Creator of Heaven and Earth, our Savior, our Bridegroom, and soon coming King! Thank you for Your Holy Days that show us who You are and prepare us to meet You as Your bride. Dear Jesus, thank you for cleansing us from all filthiness, and we pray that You will be with each one of us by Your Holy Spirit who lives in each one of our hearts, that we may know You and love You more intimately that we might lay aside all things that hinder us from being one with You as Your bride. Consume us with Your love and Your presence that we may all be standing ready when we hear the sound of the trumpets at Your coming. We commit our way to You Jesus, we commit our whole heart to You, in Jesus name, Amen.



12. JESUS COMING in the CLOUDS CRAFT (Copy to Cardstock)

Directions:

1. Outline rays of glory with glitter glue or glue and apply glitter.
2. Allow glue to dry.
3. Cut out around outside edges of both pieces.
4. Fold both pieces in half where indicated with picture facing you.
5. Fold foundation tabs down and back along dotted lines.
6. Place Jesus toward back of open card with children in front.
7. Glue under side of tabs to card, matching A to A and B to B.
8. Hold tabs in place until glue is set, or tape in place.
9. Carefully allowing the pictures to fold in toward you, close card.
10. Glue Yield sign and One Way sign to front cover of card.
11. Yield your life to Jesus (open) and you will see the glory of God!



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