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ROSH HASHANAH — A TIME TO WAKE UP

The Bible does not actually call the feast “Rosh Hashanah.” Leviticus 23 describes the **first day of the seventh month** as a holy convocation and a **memorial proclaimed with trumpet blasts**. Numbers 29 also describes it as a day of trumpet blowing.

It is known today as **Rosh Hashanah**, the Jewish New Year.

The Biblical imagery is powerful:

➡ **A trumpet sounds.** ➡ **People are called to attention.** ➡ **A new year begins.**

The shofar was not merely music. Trumpets could gather God's people, announce something significant and sound an alarm. And that creates an extraordinary contrast as 5787 begins: **The trumpet is sounding—but what if God's people cannot see?**

5787 — BLINDNESS

Biblical blindness is not always about physical eyesight. Scripture also uses blindness to describe a failure of **perception, understanding and spiritual discernment**.

Isaiah 42:18–19 contains a sobering picture:
“Hear, ye deaf: and look, ye blind, that ye may see.” Isaiah even describes people who **have eyes but are blind**. That is a dangerous condition. The problem isn't that they have no eyes. **They have eyes—but they cannot perceive correctly.** This should challenge every believer entering 5787.

We can have:

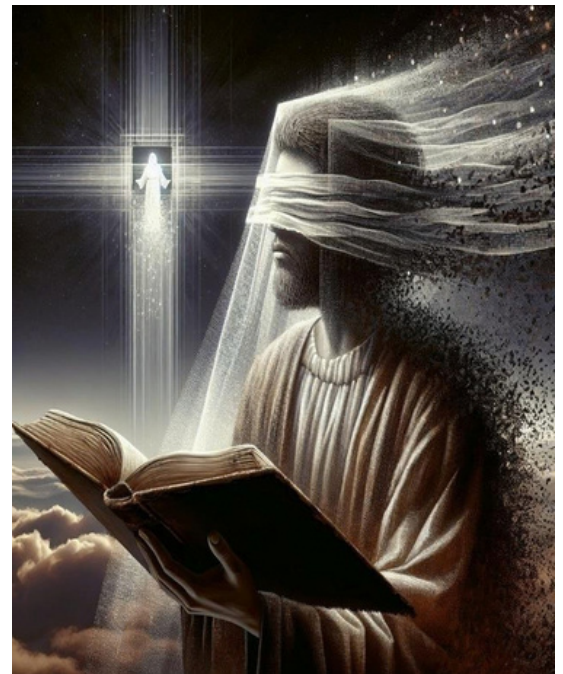
Bibles—but not understand them.

Churches—but not recognise God's voice.

Prophecy—but not discern truth from speculation.

Knowledge—but lack wisdom.

Eyes—but still be spiritually blind



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THE BLIND WATCHMEN

Isaiah 56:10 gives us one of the most sobering warnings: **The watchmen were blind.**

A watchman is supposed to see what others cannot see, recognise approaching danger and sound the alarm.

But what happens when the watchman is blind? **The people remain unaware.**

This has a powerful application for the Church. We need spiritual leaders who will **watch, discern and warn**, but also believers who will test what they hear.

We cannot blindly follow every prophetic claim, every internet teaching or every person who says, **“God told me.”**

Scripture must remain our measuring stick.

5 7 8 7

THE 5787 BREAKDOWN

Here we need to make an important distinction.

Strong's numbers are identification numbers. The number 5787 was not assigned because the digits 5, 7, 8 and 7 contain a hidden prophetic code.

So we should never say that H5787 literally means:

5 + 7 + 8 + 7

However, we can examine the Hebrew letters and numbers as a **devotional layer of investigation.**

5 — HEY (ה)

The Hebrew letter Hey has a numerical value of 5.

It is traditionally associated with ideas such as breath, expression and revelation.

For the believer, the question becomes:

Am I hearing what God is saying—or only what the world is saying?

7 — ZAYIN (ז)

Seven is one of Scripture's major numbers of completion and fullness. The biblical pattern of seven appears throughout Scripture:

Seven days.

Seven churches.

Seven seals.

Seven trumpets.

Seven bowls.

Zayin is also traditionally associated with a weapon or sword. And this brings us to the most intriguing part of the investigation.

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80 + 7 = MOUTH + SWORD

The Hebrew letter associated with 80 is:

פ — PE

Peh is the Hebrew word for mouth.

Then comes:

7 — ZAYIN - Traditionally associated with the sword.

So symbolically:

80 + 7 = MOUTH + SWORD

Now ask:

Where do we find a sword coming from a mouth?

Revelation 1:16

“out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword.”

And again in: Revelation 19:15

“And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword...”

Who is speaking? JESUS CHRIST.

This becomes even more powerful when we read Ephesians 6:17 “the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.” And Hebrews 4:12 describes the Word of God as living, powerful and sharper than a two-edged sword.

So the biblical progression is:

MOUTH → WORD → SWORD

And the Word of God: REVEALS, DISCERN, EXPOSES and SEPARATES TRUTH FROM DECEPTION.

In other words: THE WORD GIVES SIGHT.

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF 8

The Hebrew letter associated with 8 is Chet (ח).

Eight is interesting because it follows seven.

Seven represents completion; eight is often viewed devotionally as representing a new beginning or new phase following completion.

So, as a symbolic meditation, 5787 gives us:

5 — Revelation

7 — Completion

8 — New beginning

7 — Completion

We should not turn this into a prophecy or claim that the number itself guarantees these meanings.

But it gives us some powerful questions to pray about:

What is God bringing to completion?

What new thing is He beginning?

And do I have the spiritual sight to recognise it?

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BLINDNESS VS. THE WORD

This is where the investigation becomes especially powerful.

Blindness-Means an inability to perceive.

The Word-Reveals what is hidden.

The Sword-Cuts through deception.

The Mouth-Declares the Word.

And Revelation shows us **Christ Himself** with the sword proceeding from His mouth.

Could 5787 therefore serve as a spiritual reminder: **“Do not become blind to what God’s Word is showing you.”**

★ Not a prediction. ★ Not a date-setting exercise. ★ A CALL TO DISCERNMENT.



THE DANGER OF SPIRITUAL BLINDNESS

Jesus repeatedly warned about spiritual blindness.

He spoke of: “the blind leading the blind.” - Matthew 15:14.

The danger is obvious. If the person leading cannot see, those following may walk directly into danger.

This is why believers must learn to:

READ THE WORD.

KNOW THE WORD.

TEST EVERYTHING BY THE WORD.

We cannot allow fear, sensationalism or charismatic personalities to become our prophetic compass

5787 IS NOT A DATE FOR THE RAPTURE

This must be stated clearly.

The beginning of 5787 on **11 September 2026** does **not** prove that Jesus will return on that date or during this Hebrew year.

We should never make that claim.

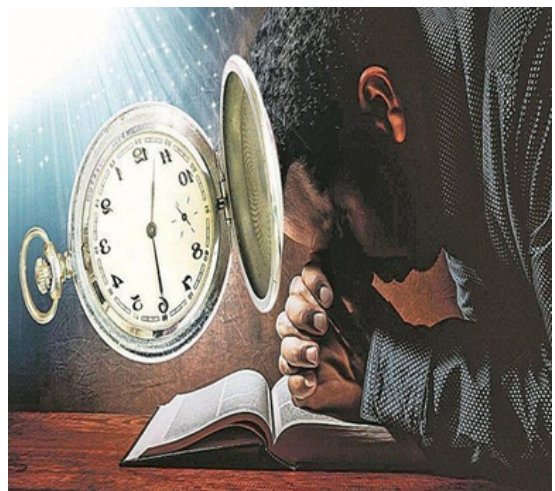
Jesus said: **“But of that day and hour knoweth no man.”**

Our purpose is therefore not to predict, but to prepare.

There is a difference between:

Date-setting and **watchfulness**.

Jesus commanded His followers to watch.



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SO WHAT SHOULD THE BELIEVER DO IN 5787?

1. ASK GOD TO OPEN YOUR EYES

Psalms 119:18 says: "Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law."

Make this your prayer:

Not: "Lord, confirm what I already believe." But: "Lord, show me what I cannot see."

2. TEST EVERYTHING

Do not believe something simply because it is called "prophetic."

Test it against Scripture.

Ask:

- Does it agree with God's Word?
- Does it point people toward Christ?
- Does it produce truth, holiness, repentance and faith?
- Or does it produce: fear, obsession, confusion and sensationalism?



3. WATCH THE WATCHMEN

Pay attention to those who teach and lead.

But remember:

Your Bible is not supposed to be replaced by someone else's interpretation of the Bible.

The Bereans were commended because they examined the Scriptures to see whether what they were being taught was true.

4. LET THE WORD SEARCH YOU

The sword of God's Word is not merely a weapon we use against everybody else. Hebrews 4:12 tells us that God's Word examines the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

So perhaps our prayer for 5787 should not simply be:

"Lord, show me what is happening in the world." But: "Lord, show me what is happening inside me."

THE FINAL QUESTION

Perhaps the most important question surrounding 5787 isn't: "What will happen

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in 5787?”

Perhaps the question is: “WILL I BE ABLE TO SEE WHAT GOD IS DOING?”

- Can I see deception?
- Can I see compromise?
- Can I recognise false teaching?
- Can I see the condition of my own heart?
- Can I distinguish God's voice from the noise of the world?
- Can I recognise Jesus in the middle of everything happening around me?

Because when the trumpet sounds, the greatest tragedy would not be that we didn't hear it.

It would be hearing the trumpet while remaining spiritually blind.

A FINAL WORD FOR 5787

Don't enter this new Hebrew year with a calendar marked:

“THE YEAR JESUS RETURNS.”

Enter it with your Bible open and your heart saying:

“LORD, OPEN MY EYES.”

Perhaps the greatest prophetic preparation isn't discovering ***the date***.

Perhaps it is becoming the kind of believer who is ***ready whenever the trumpet sounds***.

WATCH.

PRAY.

TEST.

DISCERN.

STAY IN THE WORD.

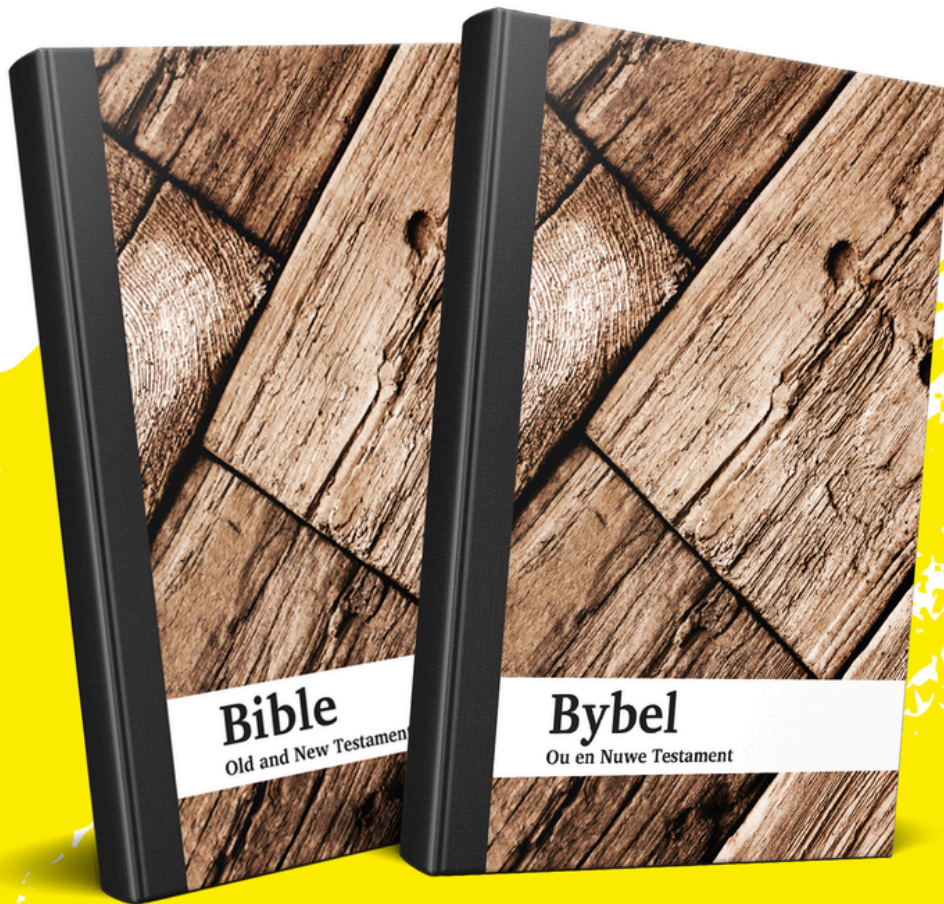
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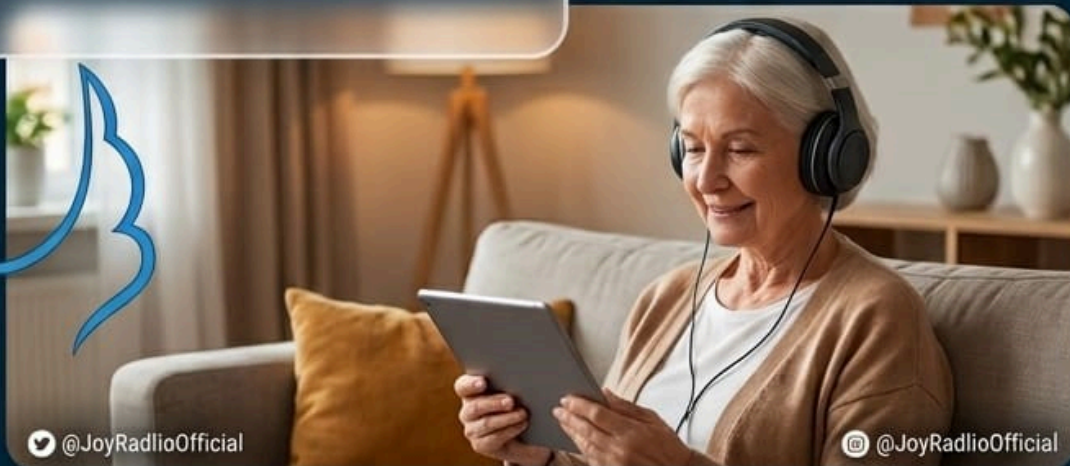
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Romans 3:23 ESV

"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,"

The abovementioned verse is an extremely well used verse and many people know it and can even quote it off by heart, but the significance of it is the reality that every single person needs to contemplate.

If you have not accepted Jesus as your Personal Saviour yet or are thin king about it, you have to start here. The reality of your sin problem cancels and disqualifies you from the very presence of God and this bars you from eternal Life. Your choices are simple here, either an eternity with God or an Eternity without God. I would think that the logical answer would be an Eternity with God. Why? Well let's look at this:

2 Thessalonians 1:9

"They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might"

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This is the reality of a choice that omits Jesus as your Personal Saviour -

= Everlasting Punishment

= Destruction

= Shut Out

= No Godly Presence

= And no Glory at all

This is not something to take lightly and by the way this is not scaring you into making a false decision, God is love, thus we as His followers are love, this means if I say I have the love of God, it is my duty to tell you the truth and point you into the right direction.

So in looking at the sin problem and the reality of this, what is the answer then? Let's look at this:

John 14:6

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

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What a wonderful solution to an immense problem, God has made a way and in making the way He has also made it very clear that this is the only answer to the problem. You have to accept Jesus His Son in order to obtain Eternal Life and ward off all the destruction and other bad things spoken about in the previous Bible verse.

It also makes it very clear that this can only be done through JESUS CHRIST His Son, there is no other way to salvation or Eternal life other than through Jesus, NONE!

Let's look at this too:

John 1:12-13

"But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God."

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Wow! Just look at this, not only do we get Eternal Life but we become Children of God. The impact of this is massive as it speaks to the fact that we now belong to the family of God and receive the benefits of being part of a family, and not just any family but a royal family (1 Peter 2 vs 9).

So in looking and understanding all of this, How do you accept Jesus as your Personal Saviour?

Romans 10 vs 9-10

"that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved; 10 for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation."

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Let me just make one point very clear before we look at the above verses, your salvation cannot be obtained by good works, you cannot go to Heaven or be part of God's family because you are a good person, or you do good deeds, No! The Bible makes it clear, if you want to accept Jesus as your Personal Saviour then it gets done on the basis of two things. These two things are critical because it will also help you on your work with the Lord and attain righteousness and a life pleasing to God.

Firstly, you have to confess with your mouth that Jesus is your Lord, this is very important because by your confession God will know and people in the world will know. This is significant because one does not hide a light under a bowl. Everyone must see and hear that you are a child of God.

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And secondly you must believe in your heart, with your whole being and understanding that Jesus was raised from the dead and is alive and is your only Saviour.

So if you have read all of this and the Holy Spirit is directing you to accept Jesus as your Personal Saviour please pray the prayer on the next page, God loves you so much.



ACCEPTING JESUS IS EVERYTHING!

PRAYER FOR SALVATION

Dear Lord Jesus,

I understand that I am a sinner and in need of desperate saving, The Bible tells me clearly that the only answer is for me to confess with my mouth and believe in my heart. I am now confessing with my mouth that I am accepting You as my Personal Saviour and believing in my heart that you are alive and well and dwelling within me. Thank you for the gift of the Holy Spirit and the fellowship of other Believers and allow me please to follow in your footsteps. Amen!

Wow! Congratulations if you have just prayed this prayer, and know that you are now part of the family of the Kingdom of God. Please tell someone about your decision, pray all the time and read and study your Bible. Find a Holy Ghost, Bible preaching church and join.

Please let us know if you have made this decision and allow us to point you in the right direction.

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