TRUMPETS (HIS RETURN) THE 1ST DAY OF THE 7TH MONTH (NEW MOON)

1. The New Year?

A. (Rosh Hashanah) Why new year? (Remember Exodus 12:2 about Passover? "It shall be the first month of the year to you"?)

(1) Two New Years—former rain and Latter rain—

(a) "Be glad then, you children of Zion, And rejoice in the LORD your God; For He has given you the former rain faithfully, And He will cause the rain to come down for you— The former rain, And the latter rain in the first month." Joel 2:23 NKJV

(2) The Feasts of the Lord—Leviticus 23

(a) Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, "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**. You shall do no customary work *on it*; and you shall offer an offering made by fire to the LORD.'" (Lev. 23:23-25)

- First day of seventh month- the only feast that happens in the first day of the month- Must Spot moon
- 2. No one know the day of the hour, must be sober and watching (prepared) to spot the new moon
- 3. **Noon Moon:** "'At the beginnings of your months you shall present a burnt offering to the LORD: two young bulls, one ram, and seven lambs in their first year, without blemish;" Numbers 28:11 NKJV...
- "So let no one judge you in food or in drink, or regarding a festival or a **new moon** or sabbaths."
 Colossians 2:16 NKJV
- 5. The Payoff: "He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest [show, reveal] Myself to him."" John 14:21 NKJV (Obedience first, then revelation)

B. <u>Times and Season and Thieves</u>

(1) 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

(a) "But concerning the **times and the seasons**, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you. For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a **thief in the night**. For when they say, "Peace

and safety!" then **sudden destruction comes upon them**, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape. But you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief. You are all sons of light and sons of the day. We are not of the night nor of darkness. Therefore let us not sleep, as others do, but let us watch and be sober. For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk are drunk at night. But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet the hope of salvation. For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him. Therefore comfort each other and edify one another, just as you also are doing." Thessalonians 5:1-11 NKJV

- 1. times and the seasons (feasts)
- 2. Lord so comes as a thief in the night
- 3. sudden destruction
- 4. **you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief.** ⁵ You are all **sons of light** and sons of the day. We are not of the night nor of darkness.

- 5. Therefore let us not sleep, as others *do*, but **let us** watch and be sober.
- 6. God did not appoint us to wrath! (Note the tribulation concerning Satan's war against the Saints as detailed in Revelation is not the wrath of God but the wrath of Satan)

(2) No one knows the day or the hour—WATCH THEREFORE

(a) ""But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only. But as the days of **Noah** were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, and did not know until the flood came and took them all away, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. Then two men will be in the field: one will be taken and the other left. Two women will be grinding at the mill: one will be taken and the other left. Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour your Lord is coming. But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into. Therefore you also

- be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect." Matthew 24:36-44 NKJV
- 1. "But of that day and hour no one knows,
- 2. as the days of Noah *were*, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. (Noah we prepared those in darkness WERE NOT!)
- 3. Then **two** *men* **will be in the field**: one will be taken and the other left. ⁴¹ **Two** *women will be* **grinding at the mill**: one will be taken and the other left.
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- 5. Therefore you also **be ready**, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

C. What does it look like to be READY? It looks like Joseph

- (1) Faithful and Wise Servant
 - (a) "Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his master made ruler over his household, to give them food in due season? Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes, will find so doing." Matthew 24:45-46 NKJV

(2) Joseph to Pharaoh:

- (a) ""Now therefore, let Pharaoh select a discerning and wise man, and set him over the land of Egypt... "Then that food shall be as a reserve for the land for the seven years of famine which shall be in the land of Egypt, that the land may not perish during the famine."" Genesis 41:33, 36 NKJV
 - 1. Who then is a faithful and wise servant
 - 2. whom the master can make ruler over his household
 - 3. to give them food in due season (famine)
 - 4. Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes, will find so doing."

(3) Pharaoh to Joseph:

- (a) "And Pharaoh said to his servants, "Can we find such a one as this, a man in whom is the Spirit of God?" Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, "Inasmuch as God has shown you all this, there is **no one as discerning and wise as you. You shall be over my house**, and all my people shall be ruled according to your word; only in regard to the throne will I be greater than you." And Pharaoh said to Joseph, "See, I have set you over all the land of Egypt."" Genesis 41:38-41 NKJV
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- 3. Reserve food for the so the land may not perish during the famine."
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D. <u>Last Trumpet blast (He comes)</u>

(1) In a Moment...

- (a) "Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed— in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory."" I Corinthians 15:50-54 NKJV
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- 4. Death is swallowed up in victory.

(2) The Last Trumpet

- (a) "The angel whom I saw standing on the sea and on the land raised up his hand to heaven and swore by Him who lives forever and ever, who created heaven and the things that are in it, the earth and the things that are in it, and the sea and the things that are in it, that there should be delay no longer, but in the days of the sounding of the seventh angel [the seventh and last trumpet], when he is about to sound, the mystery of God would be finished, as He declared to His servants the prophets." Revelation 10:5-7 NKJV
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