

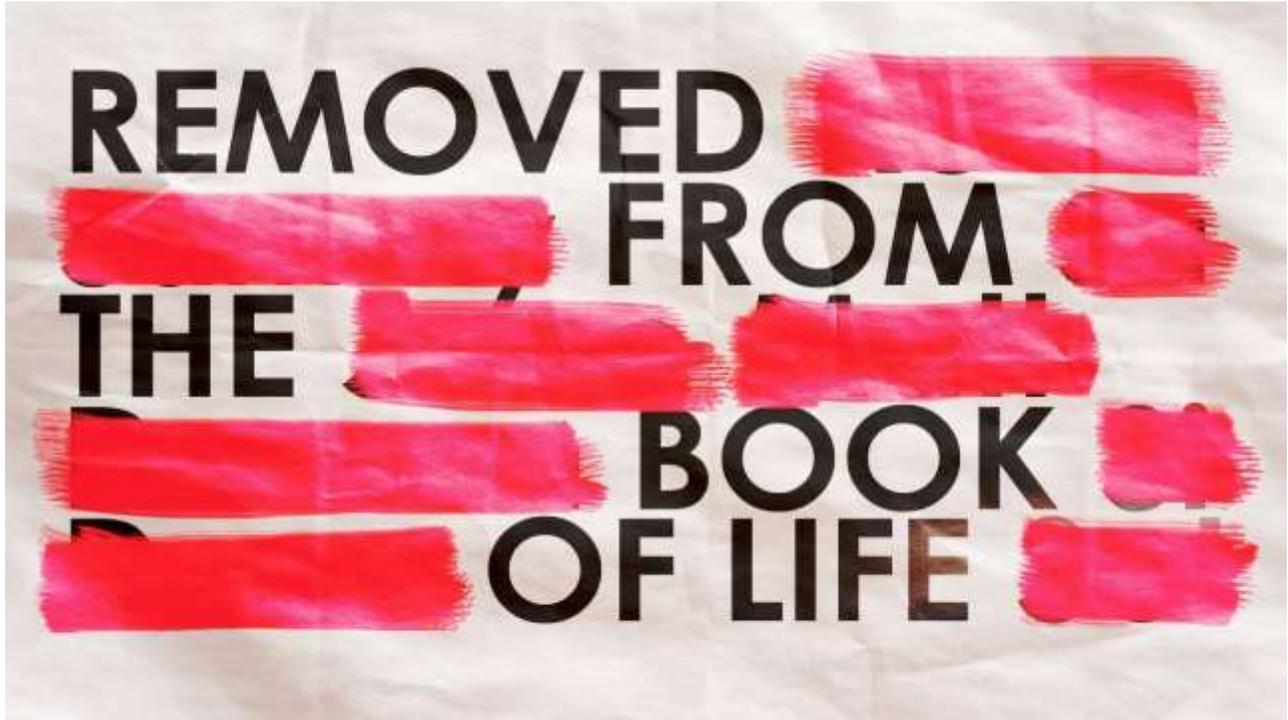
# May Your Name be Found in the Book of Life

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The 2nd Year of the 4th Sabbatical Cycle

The 23rd year of the 120th Jubilee Cycle

The 29th day of the 6th month 5854 years after the creation of Adam

The 6th Month in the Second year of the Fourth Sabbatical Cycle

The 4th Sabbatical Cycle after the 119th Jubilee Cycle

The Sabbatical Cycle of Sword, Famines, and Pestilence

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September 11, 2018

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Shalom to the Royal Family of Yehovah,

### **May your Name be found in the Book of Life.**

The New Moon Has NOT Been Sighted

Shalom Brethren the sighting of the new moon this year to begin the 7th month has been a very difficult one to see.

I am going to share with you, each of the following reports. I was also watching live with Kenny Russel's live stream and he was not able to site it from Caesarea on the Mediterranean Sea.

Hi all! Please note: THERE HAS NOT BEEN REPORT OF NEW MOON SIGHTING YET

Kenny Russell attempted to sight from Caesarea, Israel was unsuccessful

Becca Biderman and a girl named Shoshanna attempted to sight it from Poriya Illit. They both saw it with an optical aid, but please know that Becca did not sight it by naked eye, and Shoshanna, being a new sighter, would not feel comfortable testifying in a court that she saw it 100% though she thinks she did.

Still awaiting further reports from other sighters

So we have 1 witness who will not testify in a court of law she did see it and another who saw it only using binoculars.

Yoel Halevi reports:

This evening, the 10th of September 2018, after sunset I attempted to sight the moon. This was a difficult sighting and I was able determine the position of the moon with binoculars at around 7:26pm local time. However, seeing the moon with the naked eye was a big challenge, and I'm 100% sure I was able to see it. However, I cannot base any final conclusion based on what I saw. My oldest son was able to detect the moon with the binoculars, but not with the naked eye.

The binoculars sighting is 100% correct, but the naked I can be challenged.

I am convinced that under crystal clear sky the moon would have been much easier to see.

Unfortunately this was not the case in my area.

Due to the conditions, taking a photo was extremely difficult, and would have probably not given us anything.

The only thing left to do from my position is to wait and hear from others.

From northern Israel,

Yoel

So although Yoel saw it and says he was 100% sure he saw it, he is our only witness.

We also had many people from South Africa sight the moon. But they are not in Israel.

And we now have this report from Devorah.

Dear Friends,

As we mentioned when we sent out the information on When and Where to Look for the New Moon tonight, this sighting was a very difficult one. As of this writing, we are not aware of any concrete positive sightings of the new moon from Israel with the naked eye. If no positive reports come in from tonight's observation, the month will begin tomorrow evening (11 September 2018), as a lunar month cannot be more than 30 days. We will of course send out an update should we receive any positive reports before then, so be sure to subscribe to receive these reports directly to your inbox.

So brethren we have had an exciting evening trying to learn if the Feast Day begins at Sunset of Sept 10 or whether it will be at sunset of Sept 11. As for me because we do not have two reliable witnesses the Feast of Yom Teruah will begin at Sunset Sept 11.

This is the day no man can know and Yehovah has once again demonstrated that to us this evening. So we must obey and change our plans for each of the Holy Days and the time we will be off from work. This is also the reason in the past and present why Judah kept the Feast of Trumpets for two days. Because they just did not know.

Here are the fall Holy Day dates. Note, all of these dates begin the evening before.

Feast of Trumpets- Yom Teruah	1st day of the Seventh Month	Wednesday, September 12, 2018 – Begins Sunset night before
Day of Atonement- Yom Kippur	10th Day of the Seventh Month	Friday, September 21, 2018 – Begins Sunset night before
Feast of Sukkot- Feast of Tabernacles	15th day of the Seventh Month	Wednesday, September 26, 2018 – Begins Sunset night before
8th Day Feast-Feast of Dedication	22nd Day of the Seventh Month	Wednesday, October 3, 2018 – Begins Sunset night before

And just as I posted this News Letter this follow up report comes in.

UPDATE from Yoel Halevi:

A clarification:

First I have to ask everyone to not try and send me messages. I usually shut down during Shabbat and feasts.

Second, due to the fact that no one has come forward with a testimony of an accurate sighting the situation remains in my opinion indeterminate. Though I am convinced that I saw the moon with the naked eye, I would prefer at least one more person who can say they saw it. As I've disclosed in the past I'm not sure we actually need two witnesses for the moon, but in this case I cannot give any decisive decision due to the degree of difficulty in the sighting.

Third, I am hoping that maybe someone might give a testimony in the next couple of days. There are sighters which don't use their phones or computers during a feast and Shabbat. Hence I am not doing any work from tonight and will be observing the feast on the side of caution.

## May Your Name be Found in the Book of Life

The Feast of Trumpets The Feast of Yom Teruah is now here and the common expression at this time of year is May Your Name be found in the Book of Life.

The meaning of teruah comes from the root word "alert" or "alarm" or "to raise awareness," but Yehovah gave no further explanations for this day, only specific instructions to rest, blow the shofar and present an offering by fire.

Compared with all the other appointed times of Yehovah, Yom Teruah is the only one that begins at the sighting of the new moon. Therefore, it involves waiting, watching and being alert. Generally, the Bible seems to indicate that blowing a shofar is almost always a summons, a war-cry, an alert warning to prepare for something, to hail an arrival, or a wake-up call if one has been slumbering, whether spiritually or physically.

It acknowledges and confirms that the Feast of Yom Teruah, the Feast of Trumpets is the start of Judgment on all Mankind. A fitting time to blow the shofars as it warned of the coming danger. Judgment and being not found in the book of life is the danger you are to warn those who do not obey about.

Yes, I said all mankind. The Feast of Trumpets is not just for the Jews.

Isaiah 24:1 Behold, the Lord will empty the earth and make it desolate, and he will twist its surface and scatter its inhabitants. And it shall be, as with the people, so with the priest; as with the slave, so with his master; as with the maid, so with her mistress; as with the buyer, so with the seller; as with the lender, so with the borrower; as with the creditor, so with the debtor.

The earth shall be utterly empty and utterly plundered; for the Lord has spoken this word. The earth mourns and withers; the world languishes and withers; the highest people of the earth languish. The earth lies defiled under its inhabitants; for they have transgressed the laws, violated the statutes, broken the everlasting covenant.

Therefore a curse devours the earth, and its inhabitants suffer for their guilt; therefore the inhabitants of the earth are scorched, and few men are left.

It is the whole earth that is being judged and found guilty for not keeping the covenant.

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everlasting covenant.**

The first place I have found where the Book of Life is mentioned or spoken of is in Exodus.

Exodus 32:30 The next day Moses said to the people, “You have sinned a great sin. And now I will go up to the Lord; perhaps I can make atonement for your sin.” So Moses returned to the Lord and said, “Alas, this people has sinned a great sin. They have made for themselves gods of gold. But now, if you will forgive their sin—but if not, please blot me out of your book that you have written.” But the Lord said to Moses, “Whoever has sinned against me, I will blot out of my book.

Isaiah mentions this;

Isaiah 4:2 In that day the branch of the Lord shall be beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the land shall be the pride and honor of the survivors of Israel. And he who is left in Zion and remains in Jerusalem will be called holy, everyone who has been recorded for life in Jerusalem, when the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion and cleansed the bloodstains of Jerusalem from its midst by a spirit of judgment and by a spirit of burning.

**everyone who has been recorded for life**

Yehovah mentions this book of life also in Ezekiel 9:3

Now the glory of the God of Israel had gone up from the cherub on which it rested to the threshold of the house. And he called to the man clothed in linen, who had the writing case at his waist. And the Lord said to him, “Pass through the city, through Jerusalem, and put a mark on the foreheads of the men who sigh and groan over all the abominations that are committed in it.” And to the others he said in my hearing, “Pass through the city after him, and strike. Your eye shall not spare, and you shall show no pity. Kill old men outright, young men and maidens, little children and women, but touch no one on whom is the mark. And begin at my sanctuary.”

What is the Mark of Yehovah that is on their foreheads?

We have our Article [The Mark of the Beast and the Mark of Yahweh](#) which explains this very plainly.

The Mark of Yehovah are His Sabbaths and Holy Days of Lev 23 which are how you think (His mark on your head) and how you do not work on them, (His mark on your hands) Satan's mark is then any day is the holy day except the true Sabbaths and those with Satan's mark work on the Sabbath and Holy Days and do not honour them. So this is most of Christianity and all of the other faiths of the world who bare the mark of Satan. Satan has in fact deceived the whole world.

One of the Israelites' most flagrant sins leading up to their national captivity was the violation of Yehovah's Sabbath. Even as the kingdom of Judah was self-destructing from its citizens' sinful behaviour, Yehovah continued to warn them through the prophet Jeremiah to

“bear no burden on the Sabbath day . . . nor do any work, but hallow the Sabbath day, as I commanded your fathers . . . But if you will not heed Me to hallow the Sabbath day . . . then I will kindle a fire . . . , and it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem, and it shall not be quenched” (Jeremiah:17:21-22, 27).

Through the prophet Ezekiel, in Babylon, after he and much of the kingdom of Judah had been taken into captivity, Yehovah said of the Israelites who had been taken away 137 years earlier:

“I also gave them My Sabbaths, to be a sign between them and Me, that they might know that I am the Lord who sanctifies them. Yet . . . they greatly defiled My Sabbaths . . . They despised My judgments and did not walk in My statutes, but profaned My Sabbaths” (Ezekiel:20:12-13, 16).

Yehovah also said of His people,

“Her priests have violated My law and profaned My holy things; they have not distinguished between the holy and unholy, nor have they made known the difference between the unclean and the clean; and they have hidden their eyes from My Sabbaths, so that I am profaned among them” (Ezekiel:22:).

I strongly encourage you to read that article about The Mark of the Beast and the Mark of Yahweh and understand why keeping the Sabbath and Holy Days is so important in so many ways. That is the Mark that Yehovah puts into our minds and it is identifying mark that if we obey it will find us written in the book of life.

That mark that identifies us is His Sabbath and His Holy Days.

David also wrote about this book of life.

Psalm 56:8 You have kept count of my tossings; put my tears in your bottle. Are they not in your book?

Psalm 69:28 Let them be blotted out of the book of the living; let them not be enrolled among the righteous.

Let me say here the righteous are **not** those who claim to be followers of Jesus and are waiting for His return to be raptured out. They are **not** those who keep Sunday Mass every week. **The righteous** ones whose names will be found in the book of life **are those who keep the commandments.**

Psalm 119:172 Let my tongue sing of thy word; For all thy commandments are righteousness.

John 14:15 “If you love me, you will keep my commandments.

John 14:21 Whoever has My commandments and keeps them is the one who loves Me. The one who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and reveal Myself to him.”

John 14:23 Jesus replied, “If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make Our home with him.

John 15:10 If you keep My commandments, you will remain in My love, just as I have kept My Father’s commandments and remain in His love.

1 John 2:3 By this we can be sure that we have come to know Him: if we keep His commandments.

1 John 5:3 For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome,

2 John 1:6 And this is love, that we walk according to His commandments. This is the very commandment you have heard from the beginning, that you must walk in love.

**Returning to the psalms that David wrote about the book of life.**

Psalm 139:16 Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them.

**Daniel also speaks of this book of life.**

Daniel 12:1 “At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book. And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.

**Are you one of the wise ones? Will you shine like the stars? Are you turning many to righteousness now?**

Psalm 11:10 The fear of Jehovah is the beginning of wisdom; A good understanding have all they that do his commandments: His praise endureth for ever.

**If you have a fear of Yehovah, of breaking His commandments then you are considered wise. When you do His commandments you have the understanding of His ways.**

Proverbs 9:10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

Proverbs 1:7 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Paul also says that those who work to share the truth are found in the book of life.

Phil 4:2 I entreat Euodia and I entreat Syntyche to agree in the Lord. Yes, I ask you also, true companion, help these women, who have labored side by side with me in the gospel together with Clement and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life.

We know what sin is and John describes it for us very plainly.

1 John 3:4 Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness.

And Yehshua warns us that those who practice lawlessness will not be with Him.

Mathew 7:21 “Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. On that day many will say to me, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?’ And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.’”

Are not Christians prophesying in His name? Are Christians not casting out demons in the name of Jesus? Are not the mega churches based on the name of Jesus and have many “good” things they do for the poor and others? But these large Christian groups do not keep the Sabbath nor the Holy Days nor are they keeping today the feast of Trumpets, a day that comes on a day and at an hour when no man can know. And by their own actions, we can see they are lawless and they will be told by Yehshua I never knew you, be gone. The most terrifying words in the bible.

So it is quite obvious that those who practice lawlessness will not be found in the book of Life. Then what?

Rev 20:15 And if anyone’s name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

Christianity practices lawlessness and will not keep the Sabbath or the Holy Days. The very sign of Yehovah. And they are at great risk of being thrown into the lake of fire. I am harping on them not to abuse them but in the hopes they might see the scriptures and understand.

Yehshua also warned us of this event.

Mat 10:28 And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

We were told way back in Ezekiel that the soul does not live forever as Christians have been taught. The soul that sins will die.

Ezekiel 18:4 Behold, all souls are mine; the soul of the father as well as the soul of the son is mine: the soul who sins shall die.

:20 The soul who sins shall die. The son shall not suffer for the iniquity of the father, nor the father suffer for the iniquity of the son. The righteousness of the righteous shall be upon himself, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon himself.

And the soul not keeping the commandments, the soul not keeping the Sabbath and the Holy Days will die. I do not care how much you argue with me about the laws being done away or nailed to the cross. The soul who sins and does not keep the commandments will be told I never knew you, you worker of lawlessness and that soul will be thrown into the lake of fire and die!!! They will not be found in the book of life.

Do you not fear Yehovah enough to obey Him?

Malachi 3:16 Then those who feared the Lord spoke with one another. The Lord paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the Lord and esteemed his name. "They shall be mine, says the Lord of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.

The Book of Life is referred to seven times in the Book of Revelation. Last week we spoke to you about the thief in the night and we mentioned to you Revelation 3. Here it is again in relation to the Book of Life.

Rev 3:1 "And to the angel of the church in Sardis write: 'The words of him who has the seven spirits of God and the seven stars.

"I know your works. You have the reputation of being alive, but you are dead. Wake up, and strengthen what remains and is about to die, for I have not found your works complete in the sight of my God. Remember, then, what you received and heard. Keep it, and repent. If you will not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what hour I will come against you. Yet you have still a few names in Sardis, people who have not soiled their garments, and they will walk with me in white, for they are worthy. The one who conquers will be clothed thus in white garments, and I will never blot his name out of the book of life. I will confess his name before my Father and before his angels. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.'

Rev 13:5 And the beast was given a mouth uttering haughty and blasphemous words, and it was allowed to exercise authority for forty-two months. It opened its mouth to utter blasphemies against God, blaspheming his name and his dwelling, that is, those who dwell in heaven. Also it was allowed to make war on the saints and to conquer them. And authority was given it over every tribe and people and language and nation, and all who dwell on earth will worship it, everyone whose name has not been written before the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who was slain. If anyone has an ear, let him hear: If anyone is to be taken captive, to captivity he goes;

if anyone is to be slain with the sword,  
with the sword must he be slain.

Here is a call for the endurance and faith of the saints.

Rev 17:7 When I saw her, I marveled greatly. But the angel said to me, “Why do you marvel? I will tell you the mystery of the woman, and of the beast with seven heads and ten horns that carries her. The beast that you saw was, and is not, and is about to rise from the bottomless pit and go to destruction. And the dwellers on earth whose names have not been written in the book of life from the foundation of the world will marvel to see the beast, because it was and is not and is to come. This calls for a mind with wisdom:

Rev 20:11 Judgment Before the Great White Throne

Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. From his presence earth and sky fled away, and no place was found for them. And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Then another book was opened, which is the book of life. And the dead were judged by what was written in the books, according to what they had done. And the sea gave up the dead who were in it, Death and Hades gave up the dead who were in them, and they were judged, each one of them, according to what they had done. Then Death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire. And if anyone’s name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

Rev 21:22 And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb’s book of life.

Rev 22:19). As described, only those whose names are written in the Book of Life from the foundation of the world, and have not been blotted out by the Lamb, are saved at the Last Judgment; all others are doomed. “And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire” (Rev. 20:15, King James Version). “And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works”. (Rev. 20:12, King James Version)

## What is the unpardonable sin?

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Mat 12:22 Then a demon-oppressed man who was blind and mute was brought to him, and he healed him, so that the man spoke and saw. And all the people were amazed, and said, "Can this be the Son of David?" But when the Pharisees heard it, they said, "It is only by Beelzebul, the prince of demons, that this man casts out demons." Knowing their thoughts, he said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and no city or house divided against itself will stand. And if Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself. How then will his kingdom stand? And if I cast out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your sons cast them out? Therefore they will be your judges. But if it is by the Spirit of God that I cast out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you. Or how can someone enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man? Then indeed he may plunder his house. Whoever is not with me is against me, and whoever does not gather with me scatters. Therefore I tell you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven people, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven. And whoever speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven, either in this age or in the age to come.

Many people fear they have committed some sin that Yehovah cannot or will not forgive, and they feel there is no hope for them, no matter what they do. Satan would like nothing more than to keep people laboring under that misconception.

James 4:1 What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, "He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us"? But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." Submit yourselves therefore to God. **Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.** Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.  
Do not speak evil against one another, brothers.

Yehshua died on the tree and He paid the penalty for our sins. They are paid for if we will just accept that free gift.

We have many in prison for various crimes write us. They have been found guilty and are now paying for it in prison. If they have murdered then Yehovah is willing to forgive them if they repent and keep the commandments from this point forward.

This past week I was caught speeding. I have no good excuses. The police officer wrote me a ticket which is going to cost me \$338 dollars. OUCH!!! I was doing 124 in an 80 Km zone. I have no good reasons for doing it.

The law is 80 Klm. I am guilty of breaking that law and I will have to pay for that sin. Had the officer not issued the ticket and gave me a warning he would have been giving me grace. The penalty was paid for but the law remained in effect. Go and sin no more. Many Christians claim the saved by grace part and then turn right around and keep on sinning. I drove the speed limit the rest of that day and beyond. The law does not change. But I must change to obey that law.

Hebrew 10:26 For if we go on sinning deliberately after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, but a fearful expectation of judgment, and a fury of fire that will consume the adversaries. Anyone who has set aside the law of Moses dies without mercy on the evidence of two or three witnesses. How much worse punishment, do you think, will be deserved by the one who has trampled underfoot the Son of God, and has profaned the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has outraged the Spirit of grace? For we know him who said, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay." And again, "The Lord will judge his people." It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

The unpardonable sin is stated by Yehshua.

Therefore I tell you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven people, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven. And whoever speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven, either in this age or in the age to come.

If you are repenting when you sin and feel remorse when you do then you are not to be in fear of the unpardonable sin. Continue to draw near to Yehovah and He will draw near to you.

I want to close with this thought though.

Mat 18:21 Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times.

"Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. And since he could not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.' So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place. Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

Many of you have and can forgive your brother and this is admirable. But many of you that write me to say things that show me that you cannot and do not forgive yourself for some crime in the past. Read this parable above again.

Mat 6:14 For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

James 2:8 If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing well. But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become guilty of all of it. For he who said, "Do not commit adultery," also said, "Do not murder." If you do not commit adultery but do murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged under the law of liberty. For judgment is without mercy to one who has shown no mercy. Mercy triumphs over judgment.

Some of you will not forgive your parents for the evil they did to you as a child 100 years ago. Many of you will not forgive your former spouse for divorcing you or having an affair on you. Many of you will not forgive the rapist or the murderer that took one of your family. You will not honour your Mother and Father because they were bad parents, they had sex with you as a child, they were drunks and beat you up or locked you in the basement.

The commandment is

"Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

There are no conditions on here about how good your parents must be before they EARN your respect. Those who have trespassed against you do not have to EARN your respect before you forgive them.

You seek to be forgiven for your sins. You beg Yehovah to forgive you for your sins during these Ten Days of Awe from the Feast of Trumpets to the Day of Atonement when they will be blotted out and forgotten. It is on the Day of Atonement that Satan and the false prophet along with death and Hades and those not found in the book of life will be thrown into the lake of fire. Your sins are also sent and forgotten about at this time. Will you now forgive those who have hurt you in the past? Will you now forgive yourself for the things you have done or not done in the past?

Will you show them mercy? Will you now show mercy to yourself?

Now for those Christians who will not keep the Sabbath or the Holy Days re-read this section of James 2. For he who said, "Do not commit adultery," also said to remember the Sabbath day and to keep it Holy. Yehshua was the word and that word is the Torah and Lev 23 is part of That word which makes up Yehshua. Keep the Sabbath and keep the Holy Days of Yehovah so that your fear of Yehovah will be the start of your wisdom and so that your name will be found in the book of Life.

## Yom Teruah Sameah!

Deut 28:1 “And if you faithfully obey the voice of the Lord your God, being careful to do all his commandments that I command you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations of the earth. And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, if you obey the voice of the Lord your God. Blessed shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you be in the field. Blessed shall be the fruit of your womb and the fruit of your ground and the fruit of your cattle, the increase of your herds and the young of your flock. Blessed shall be your basket and your kneading bowl. Blessed shall you be when you come in, and blessed shall you be when you go out.

“The Lord will cause your enemies who rise against you to be defeated before you. They shall come out against you one way and flee before you seven ways. The Lord will command the blessing on you in your barns and in all that you undertake. And he will bless you in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. The Lord will establish you as a people holy to himself, as he has sworn to you, if you keep the commandments of the Lord your God and walk in his ways. And all the peoples of the earth shall see that you are called by the name of the Lord, and they shall be afraid of you. And the Lord will make you abound in prosperity, in the fruit of your womb and in the fruit of your livestock and in the fruit of your ground, within the land that the Lord swore to your fathers to give you. The Lord will open to you his good treasury, the heavens, to give the rain to your land in its season and to bless all the work of your hands. And you shall lend to many nations, but you shall not borrow. And the Lord will make you the head and not the tail, and you shall only go up and not down, if you obey the commandments of the Lord your God, which I command you today, being careful to do them, and if you do not turn aside from any of the words that I command you today, to the right hand or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them.

### **What does the Sound of the Shofar mean**

I have been to Jerusalem now 17 times. This Sukkot will be the 18th trip for me. I have been blessed beyond measure.

I often I think of my first time there and how I considered it the trip of a lifetime and the one and only time I would ever be able to go. I had saved for years.

Now I know I can go there for two weeks for less than \$1500 Canadian including housing and airfare and food. And I have conducted tours with groups for I think it was \$700 not including airfare but including everything else.

I also know many would love to go and want to go and have come up with every excuse not to go.

One Year I had the opportunity to have Sukkot with one of the local Rabbi in Jerusalem. And I have been to his house a number of times since and brought others with me.

I would like to let you listen to Rabbi Machlis explain the shofar to you while he is walking through the Mahane Yehuda Market more widely known as the Shuk. I will this year be about two blocks away from this market once again.

Each year as we approach the Feast of Sukkot many of you have attested to this fact, that all sorts of disasters happen. The Bills all come in at once and now they must be paid and we cannot afford to go to the Feast. The Car breaks down. The demands at work get so big that it is impossible for you to leave for two weeks at this time. The boss just days before you are to leave tells you-you will not have a job when you get back if you go. Someone else will be doing your work. Those with unconverted mates are in the middle of the worse fighting ever. You are told by your spouse if you go then, they want a divorce. You no doubt have many of these and more you can write about.

One year I was hearing from a lady who was so gun hoe to keep the Feast that I fully expected to see her that one year in Tennessee. But work piled up on her and they threatened her job and she gave in to them. She never wrote again and I think she has completely stopped learning because of this one failure.

I have had so many of them happen to me that I have lost count. But despite all the failures I have had, I endured them and learned from them and grew to never repeat them again or to allow myself to be in that position again where I would fail.

When my brains said you could not go and that I had better stay and get these things fixed, my heart said Damn the Torpedoes. Full steam ahead. The trials of this life would still be affecting me until about the 3rd day of the Feast. It was only about then that I would be settling down and begin to enjoy this very special time with Yehovah at His Moedim. His Appointments. It was at this time I began to meet many others who also were hurting from the same sorts of trials as I was having. I was not alone in my walk.

This year is no different. The Bills are all arriving, Work is very busy and the burden for getting it done seems to be resting upon me.

As Rabbi Machlis is saying these are the ta tat tat tas of the shofar and of life and we eagerly await the long melodic tekia sound of the Shofar.

In Jerusalem, they sound a very loud siren just as Sabbath is about to begin. All the Stores are now shut and many began to close down at 3 PM. You notice how the very busy streets packed with traffic now have almost no cars. The Trains Taxis and almost all other modes of travel come to a complete halt. One year one of the tourists laid down on a busy road while his friend took his picture from high up in an apartment building. And he never got ran over as there was no traffic on this Sabbath day.

The Tekia of the Shofar. The rest.