

The Return Of Yeshua

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I have for years, as a pet project, tried to calculate the return of the Messiah. Whenever I would get some new information I would add it up with what I thought I knew. It has always held my interest. Many have tried to do calculations and have had endless theories, but who is correct? How can we ever figure out when He will return? But in 1 Thessalonians 5:1-28, is a line that has always said to me that we could know when.

Thessalonians 5:1-5

1 But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you. **2** For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night. **3** For when they say, "Peace and safety!" then sudden destruction comes upon them, as labour pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape. **4 But 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. (NKV though out. Cut Paste from Crosswalk.com)

We who are followers of Yahweh are to understand. We are not in the darkness as the rest of the world is. We were to be ready so as not to be surprised as if a thief had sneaked up on us.

In my studies over the years I have studied the Jubilee, and Land Rest Years. I studied the Feasts and what they meant in times past and what they mean today and what they mean in the future. I am still studying them for an even deeper meaning. I look at the sacrifices and the rituals that the priest performed. I have learned a great deal. As I began to understand these things, Ezekiel 33: 1 – 33 comes to mind.

Ezekiel 33: 1 – 33

1 Again the word of the Lord came to me, saying, **2** "Son of man, speak to the children of your people, and say to them: 'When I bring the sword upon a land, and the people of the land take a man from their territory and make him their watchman, **3** when he sees the sword coming upon the land, if he blows the trumpet and warns the people, **4** then whoever hears the sound of the trumpet and does not take warning, if the sword comes and takes him away, his blood shall be on his own head. **5** He heard the sound of the trumpet, but did not take warning; his blood shall be upon himself. But he who takes warning will save his life. **6** But if the watchman sees the sword coming and does not blow the trumpet, and the people are not warned, and the sword comes and takes any person from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity; but his blood I will require at the watchman's hand.' **7** "So you, son of man: I have made you a watchman for the house of Israel; therefore you shall hear a word from My mouth and warn them for Me. **8** When I say to the wicked, 'O wicked man, you shall surely die!' and you do not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood I

will require at your hand. **9** Nevertheless if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, he shall die in his iniquity; but you have delivered your soul.

Now let me say right up front I could be wrong. I have had no visions or dreams and no one has spoken to me from heaven. But what if I am right, and I don't speak up? What if after, many die, it was up to me to speak up and I did not. Woe is me!

So I will speak up now and put my name on this document and risk the ridicule I will receive from my brethren and others. And maybe this will cause some to get ready and others to begin to study and learn and search out the scriptures. And maybe others still will laugh and carry on as if nothing has been said.

Right now some are already quoting Matthew 24. But read it carefully.

Matthew 24:32-51

32 "Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near. **33** So you also, when you see all these things, know that it is near—at the doors! **34** Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all these things take place. **35** Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away. **36** **"But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only.** **37** But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. **38** 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, **39** and did not know until the flood came and took them all away, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. **40** 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. **42** **Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour your Lord is coming.** **43** 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.** **44** **Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.** **45** "Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his master made ruler over his household, to give them food in due season? **46** Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes, will find so doing. **47** Assuredly, I say to you that he will make him ruler over all his goods. **48** But if that evil servant says in his heart, 'My master is delaying his coming,' **49** and begins to beat his fellow servants, and to eat and drink with the drunkards, **50** **the master of that servant will come on a day when he is not looking for him and at an hour that he is not aware of,** **51** and will cut him in two and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites. There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

In this passage our Messiah says a number of things, but most people stop at **But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only.**

They don't read or they don't grasp what is being said when He says "**Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour your Lord is coming**" So now we are told to watch. We who are His sheep don't know the hour. Do we now know the Day? And why can't we know the hour?

He then says to us concerning the thief in the night, **he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into. 44 Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.**

Again we are told at an hour we do not expect. And again He **does not** say that we won't know the day. But of the evil servant He says **“the master of that servant will come on a day when he is not looking for him and at an hour that he is not aware of,”**

He says the evil servant won't know the day or the hour. WHY?

I have already quoted Paul in 1 Thessalonians 5:1 -But **concerning the times and the seasons**, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you.” Why did Paul not need to write to them concerning the times and season? What is he talking about? Paul is talking about the Holy Days that they kept in the appropriate seasons. They were keeping the Holy Days correctly.

So what does this mean?

The Holy Days are shadow pictures of good things to come.

Colossians 2:16-17

16 So let no one judge you in food or in drink, or regarding a festival or a new moon or sabbaths, 17 which are a shadow of things to come, but the substance is of Christ.

Hebrews 8: 4-5

4 So let no one judge you in food or in drink, or regarding a festival or a new moon or sabbaths, For if He were on earth, He would not be a priest, since there are priests who offer the gifts according to the law; 5 who serve the copy and shadow of the heavenly things, as Moses was divinely instructed when he was about to make the tabernacle. For He said,

“See that you make all things according to the pattern shown you on the mountain.”

Hebrews 10:1-4

For the law, having a shadow of the good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with these same sacrifices, which they offer continually year by year, make those who approach perfect., and not the very image of the things, can never with these same sacrifices, which they offer continually year by year, make those who approach perfect.

The Thessalonians were keeping the Holy Days correctly and they understood the meaning of each day. Each Holy Day represented a part of our Father's plan for mankind. I think we all know this. But do we forget that the Sabbath years and the Jubilee Years are also shadow pictures, of good things to come.

I can go on for hours in laying down my research this subject, but I will try to come to a summary as quickly as possible and allow the reader to go and research these things themselves like the Bereans.

The Evil servant and those who will not obey Yahweh and His Torah, will not know the Day or the Season, because they won't be keeping the Holy Days at the correct time or on the correct day, or even keeping them at all. The Good servants will have made themselves ready. Their garments for the wedding, will have been washed white and pressed and laid aside ready to be put on at the exact hour. Read Matthew 25, and Matthew 22, and get yourself ready. But also note the servants are working to increase the money left them by the King. To increase the Holy Spirit each one was given, when we were all called. How much have you gained? How worked up is the Spirit in you?

So what day are we talking about? It is the Feast of Trumpets. This is the day the Messiah is to return. This is the day Yeshua was born in 3 BC. Do some research and you'll see I am correct on this point. And because it is the Feast of Trumpets, this is why we won't know the exact hour. I'll explain.

From all the research I have gathered, the Feast begins in the Seventh month or Tishri, and it begins when the new moon can first be seen in Jerusalem. This is Tishri 1 and the Feast of Trumpets. Once the new moon is spotted, at least two witnesses had to report to the Temple and tell the Guard who would go and get the High Priest and notify him that they had two witnesses. The High Priest would call for the two to come up to him and he would interview the two witnesses to make sure they could see the silver crescent of the new moon and that the sun had set before they saw it. Once the High Priest was satisfied he would call the rest of the Sanhedrin and announce the Feast has arrived and command for the trumpets to be blown announcing the Feast of Trumpets, so all would know. There are many that will disagree with my conclusions.

But consider what I have just said. Everyone is waiting for this announcement to start the Feast. But they are still working away at their job. They already have made their garments white and pressed them. The food for the Feast is prepared in advanced waiting. No one knows when the Shofar is to blow. So they keep on working. Two in the field working side by side. One will be taken. Two women kneading bread side by side. One will be taken.

When the Messiah returns on the Feast of Trumpets, no one will know the hour nor the day, because they won't know if the moon is going to be sighted today or the next day. [I am referring to a crescent Moon with 1% visibility. A Moon with 2% or more should be easily seen.]

But they will know the Feast day is close to being announced.

And once it is sighted there is a procedure to go through before it is declared official. Then the shofars are blown then the Messiah returns and then the Two Witnesses which were killed 3 days before are called up to meet Him in the clouds. Then all the rest of the dead in Yeshua are raised from the dead, and then those of us who are ready and made our garments clean and white, who are alive will be taken up. Two in the field, one taken, two kneading bread, one taken. It is the evil servant who does not keep the Feasts nor has bothered to learn about the Torah of Yahweh that is left behind to face the music.

If the ones that are chosen are taken while their fellow workers are left behind, how can this be a Feast day if they are still working. If it was a conjuncture moon it would have been predicted in advance and on a day or two before. But, because it is a sighted visible crescent moon that marks the beginning of the first day of the new month. The seventh month, Tishri 1. The Feast of Trumpets, because it is sighted and not known for sure whether it is today or tomorrow, that the Feast begins. That is why the brethren are still working alongside those that won't be keeping the Holy days at the right time or in the right month.

So if Yeshua follows the example that he gave us in how exactly down to the detail he fulfilled the spring Holy Days, then we can expect Him to also fulfill the fall holy Days down to the exact detail.

Prepare your garments now and have them white and pressed and ready to be put on when the Shofar is finally blown. Don't be the one, or let your children or grandchildren be the one left in the field when others are being raised up. Get ready now! He is coming, and soon! Are you ready? Will you be ready?

OK, let's pause a second and consider the conjuncture Moon. As we all know it is calculated in advance and we know this year and even years down the road that the Feast of Trumpets is going to be on a certain day. We even plan our Feasts years in advance and book rooms and make plans and book air travel. Why because we know the day of the Feast.

But Yeshua said we would not know which day was the Feast. With a calculated conjunctured Moon you do know what day the Feast is and in effect are calling Yeshua a liar. The other thing a conjunctured Moon and the Hebrew calendar do not take into consideration is the Wave Offering which I discuss in the article Pentecost's Hidden Meaning. Because we don't know from year to year when the Barley is going to be ripe until it is actually seen in Israel. If, we don't know when the beginning of the year is, how can we know when the seventh month will be. And then once we know when the seventh month is we still won't know which day is the Feast of Trumpets until we see the new Crescent Moon. These two variables prove what Yeshua said in Matt 24: 36 "But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only.

We will not know the day or the hour until it happens. In 2005 I kept the Holy Days according to this method. The Barley was early. This caused all the Holy Days to be one month earlier than the Hebrew Calendar. The seventh new Moon was sighted in September, and sent out as

follows. "On Monday September 5, 2005 the New Moon of the Seventh Biblical Month was sighted from Israel marking Yom Teruah, the Day of Shouting (Trumpets)."

In this example if Yeshua had returned this Feast of Trumpets, those of us who were ready would have been chosen while those who thought it was a month away [using the Hebrew Calendar] would have still been working in the fields. [Those using the Barley and a conjunction Moon as the starting point would have been celebrating a day earlier due to the conjunction.]

This example clearly shows that the Day is not known in advance, and never can be really. And the hour also is unknown. A 1 % visible moon is not always seen from Israel. If it is not seen then for sure it will be the next day. And I feel this is what David is doing in 1Samuel 20. The new Crescent was not seen that night therefor it was going to be the next one. Make no mistake a sighted crescent moon can be calculated. But a marginal crescent moon is not always seen. This is the variable.

The conclusion of this paper is not to show when the Messiah is to return. No, but rather, to show why we cannot know the day or the Hour of His return. It is because of this method in determining the New Moon, which marks the beginning of the new Month. It has to be sighted. This fact taken in relationship to the Barley and Wave offering clearly show why we will not know when He is to return. At least not the Day or the Hour.