



THE TRUMPET IS TO THE LIPS

I recently heard some documented historical data related to the Scripture in Isa 9:10 *"The bricks are fallen down, but we will build with hewn stones: the sycamores are cut down, but we will change them into cedars."*

This was the defiant statement made by the leaders of Israel after an attack from the Assyrians (known as the Fathers of Terrorism) around 740 BC. It was a proportionally limited attack from which Israel recovered. In Isa 9:10 we see the defiant words of rebuilding, however, no words of repentance. Israel was always protected by God against such attacks. They had a divine hedge of protection. What could only have caused a breach in their hedge would have been from the same arrogant people to defy a Living God. If you look at the preceding verse 9 we read: *Isa 9:9 And all the people shall know, even Ephraim and the inhabitant of Samaria, that say in the pride and stoutness of heart,*

Pride: *ga'avah* From [H1342](#); *arrogance or majesty; by implication (concretely) ornament: - excellency, haughtiness, highness, pride, proudly, swelling.*

Stoutness of heart: *gōdel* *magnitude (literally or figuratively): - greatness, stout (-ness) of thinking.*

Israel did not see the attack as a warning that their protective hedge was in a state of collapse but stated in defiance, pride and stoutness of heart that they would rebuild. In other words, Israel had no thought of repentance but to rebuild and not only to rebuild but to rebuild stronger than before. This shows that they would not only continue to be off course with God but even more strongly and defiantly than before the strike!

This paper is called Trumpet Sounds and though I have written many teaching or exhorting articles, I also write warnings of end times which is forewarned by the sound of a trumpet. The trumpet is to the lips! First let me recommend the book *THE HARBINGER* by Jonathan Cahn which goes into greater detail than my article.

America has been a blessed nation from its inception by the Spirit of God just as Israel was birthed and blessed by God. No other nation besides Israel can say that they have been divinely hedged except America. Just as no weapon formed against Israel prospered, no weapon against America prospered. Like Israel was, we became a beacon of the Light of God in our prosperity. Israel, who received an attack of warning, disregarded the warning to continue in their defiance and turned not to God, but forged ahead in pride and stoutness of heart in greater fervor than before. Their apathy turned into defiant opposition to the ways of God, and their hedge that had been merely compromised was now gone completely. The Assyrians who first made a limited attack now returned and finished the job by wiping Israel off the map. There was no more Israel. The Jews were scattered through the countries having no country for themselves until a war in 1948 for which they regained land and a position on the map.

America needs to see the parallel of Israel's destruction with her own course. We read the history of Israel's demise starting in 9:10 and America's which started in 9/11. It is thought provoking to note that 9:10 precedes 9/11. Let us go on to compare the ingredients of the fall and parallel it to the beginning of our

own.

TRUMPET 1: THE BREACH OR WARNING: A proportional attack from Assyrian descendants of terror now called Al Qaeda hit buildings. It seemed impossible with all the technology we had in place to prevent such a surprise attack, but they used our technology by using our own planes as weapons of mass destruction causing the death of over 3,000 American citizens. *Isa 30:25 And there shall be upon every high mountain, and upon every high hill, rivers and streams of waters in the day of the great slaughter, when the towers fall.*

This revealed a compromised hedge, but did our leaders call us to repent? No, there was no repentance done. We did not see this as a warning for our nation to change and turn back to God, although many attended churches afterward, this too was short lived. Our cry was that we were wronged rather than seeing our wrong. Our nation was like the emperor with no clothes. We became naked and vulnerable without God's covering.

TRUMPET 2: SIGN...TERRORISM...Assyrian influence: As earlier stated that the attack was accomplished by terrorists. The Assyrians of old were of the Middle East with the sister language of Arabic; the same descent and language we had recorded by the terrorists speaking of their plots against America in Arabic.

TRUMPET 3: SIGN...“BRICKS HAVE FALLEN” This was not an attack on the land but on specific buildings: 2 towers, Pentagon and another was heading to the White House when downed in a revolt by the passengers.

TRUMPET 4: SIGN...“WE WILL REBUILD” Defiance was the response by our leaders in speeches to rebuild stronger than before. **WE WILL SHOW OUR ENEMIES!** In pride and stoutness of heart we were set to refortify as before in the wrong course for which we were originally struck in the first place. To build our own towers is no different than building the Tower of Babel. Our nation was defiant and unbowed in repentance. Each leader from New York's mayor and Senators to the President himself spoke in defiant pride and stoutness of heart!

TRUMPET 5: SIGN...“HEWN STONES” Like Israel who left the bricks to go to the quarry, so America went to the quarry and set a hewn stone called the **FREEDOM STONE** at Ground Zero, which "will literally help form the foundation for the world's tallest building. And, the cornerstone also evokes the spirit of freedom at the site of the World Trade Center in downtown Manhattan. This project is a symbol of triumph and renewal," says Karen Pearse, founder and CEO of Innovative Stone. "Everyone at Innovative Stone is extremely proud and honored to be a part of this tribute to New York City's resolve and optimism. And, we were delighted to host Gov. Pataki at our Long Island facility to inspect the stone." Pearse also acknowledged the work of many people at Innovative in producing the stone; in particular, she noted project manager Anthony Iorio for his round-the-clock TLC for the stone. Gov. George Pataki, New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg and New Jersey Gov. James McGreevey were among the officials dedicating the stone at ceremonies on July 4, 2009 at the new building's site.

The cornerstone of this nation was built upon the foundation of Christianity, but now we have carved our own foundation of triumph and renewal!

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1 Peter 2:6-7 Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded. Unto you therefore which believe he is precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner...Eph 2:20-3:1 We are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone; In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

TRUMPET 6: SIGN...“FALL OF THE SYCAMORE” SYMBOLIC OF A NATION UPROOTED Surrounding the Twin Towers was nothing more than concrete except for one spot in which was a grassy area with a large old Western version of the African sycamore tree as were the trees in Israel. Rubble hit the old sycamore causing it to uproot.

Clasp in the roots was a brick from the ruin. This was not an ordinary sycamore tree but a memorial to all who passed by it so much so that its uprooting caused much grief. The roots of the old tree were bronzed and can be seen displayed on Wall Street of all places!

TRUMPET 7: SIGN...“WE WILL CHANGE THEM UNTO CEDARS” REPLACEMENT Two years after the September 11th attack Ground Zero saw a strange sight. There was a crane lowering a different object. The crane lowered the object to a place where there had been a hole in the ground, and it was being laid over the place where the fallen sycamore tree went down. It would have been natural to replace the sycamore tree with a sycamore tree, but the Scripture says, “we will replace it with an ezez [cedar] trees.” The object lowered at Ground Zero was an ezez tree, a conifer tree, the same as the cedar of Lebanon. The ezez would be a stronger tree representing a national resurgence or rebirth. It was a public event in which the tree was labeled the “Tree of Hope” symbolic of the indomitable nature of the human spirit.

TRUMPET 8: SIGN...THE VOW As spoken earlier the vow of Israel was Isaiah 9:10. This was a pledge of defiance and not words of comfort. It was *not* a vow made to God but a vow of a proud and stout-hearted people. A defiant answer usurped the act of seeking God for an answer. They did not even consider the reason for our compromised hedge. When a people compromise their faith they compromise their hedge. Apathy has turned to haughty rebellion.

TRUMPET 9: SIGN...UTTERANCE OF ISAIAH 9:10; PROPHECY This went from a vow of a people to the prophetic words by leaders ignorantly calling the same judgment of Israel upon America. When they spoke Isa 9:10 they had no idea that they were pronouncing judgment. **FACT:** 2004 anniversary date of the 9/11 attack, [then] Democratic Majority Leader Tom Daschle said...as it was done 3,000 years ago in

Israel... “The bricks have fallen down but we will rebuild ...The sycamores have been felled but we will replace them with cedars.’ This is what we will do. We will rebuild.” Here, out of the mouth of the government, out of the Senate Majority Leader standing in Washington’s capital are the actual words. He thought they were words of encouragement; he did not realize what he was doing...He did not realize that this is the sign of a nation when it is at the dawn of its judgment. Unfortunately, it is the sign of the nation saying, “We are not going to return.”

Senator John Edwards [vice-presidential candidate at the time] was speaking in Washington on the 9/11 anniversary at a prayer breakfast: “Good morning. Today on this day of remembrance and mourning, We have the Lord’s word...” then he quoted Isaiah 9:10! He quoted it as if it were a word of encouragement to rebuild, not realizing that it was a scripture of judgment, and based his whole speech on it!

George Washington had declared in his inaugural address included a warning that God’s blessing would be removed if the government did not remain faithful to God. The next day, Washington and the cabinet went to the very chapel that stands today next to Ground Zero to pray for two hours, to commit America into God’s hand. This was done in our government’s capital, which of course then was New York!

Jonathan Cahn gave three examples of nations under judgment:

1. Sodom and Gomorrah= utterly destroyed for lack of enough righteous people.
2. Judah=judgment delayed for a time because of a righteous leader, Josiah. After Josiah’s death judgment came.
3. Nineveh= leaders and people repented in sack cloth and ashes and judgment was stopped.

Where are we? Since the 9/11 attack we have elected a president who took us farther from God’s protective covering by declaring that we are a “secular nation”. Christians helped elect this man, who also lifted the ban on partial birth abortions and squeezed the freedom of religion to have state interference with mandates of birth control as well as threats of taxation to churches who influenced congregations in elections or used rhetoric of hate which translates the absolutes of the Bible.

From Isaiah 9:10 over 3,000 years ago came 9/11 a chapter in America’s book. History once again is repeating itself. The book *The Harbinger* is a book of Israel’s history and America’s prophetic future. I have only touched on the subject from the notes I took listening to Rabbi Jonathan Cahn. It is a book for today in order to pray and prepare for our tomorrow.

BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

In light of the article Trumpet To The Lips, let me continue with what God showed me some years ago to add in encouragement of the things coming on earth and this nation. We want to be a people armed not alarmed. This is why we are given warnings. I wrote about the consequences of a nation who reaped the judgment of their consequences in a vision God gave me back in the 70's which I see unfolding as time passes. I wrote the book *CAUGHT UP* which tells this vision. Here is an excerpt from that book to help guide us in the right direction.

1. What you fear you empower, and that in which you focus will be that for which you make room.

*BEWARE OF THE NEWS MEDIA: It will be the fear of the future and its seed will spread into the heart of man causing "men's hearts to fail for fear". Fear will amplify the negative in your life and if it becomes your focus it will consume your every thought.

*FOCUS UPON GOD'S KINGDOM AND THE VISION SET BEFORE YOU: It will motivate courage to move you in mighty ways of valor and wisdom. God will also bless you with witty inventions that will prosper you for the times ahead. *Prov 8:12 I wisdom dwell with prudence, and find out knowledge of witty inventions.*

2. This is the time to build listening skills where the Lord is concerned.

*Christians major in their "petition" and minor in their "listen".

*The "listen" will reduce the "petition". God knows more about how to function in these end times. It will be wisdom to do more listening than talking.

3. Let your tongue reflect provision not lack.

*The world will know us by the words of our mouth. Remember to overcome evil by the blood of the Lamb and the **word of our testimony**. Our testimony needs to reflect the Word of God.

*You will be a container holding more answers than questions. This will amplify you as wise counsel, and you will be sought out as a "witness of hope" in a welcome day. *Prov 15:23 A man hath joy by the answer of his mouth: and a word spoken in due season, how good is it!*

4. Keep focus upon the vision for which you have been called.

*Everything that can be shaken will be shaken. Know who you are in Christ and why you are here. *Acts 17:26-28 And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation; That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us: For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring.*

*Simplify and cut back anything in your life that has no redemptive qualities. These are the "un-necessaries" that will choke your time and dull the vision.

5. God will raise up and congregate His champions together.

*The Lord will meet with His children whether in church gatherings or in intimate home meetings. These homes will be beacons of light like filling stations in which people will come to fill up or top off the tank and go on in strength.

*We will be a network of support to one another and a stable influence in the world.

*God's children will take the captivity of the world crisis captive through mighty exploits walking as Jesus did.

*Champions are not full of themselves but empty themselves and show the Lord's credibility and strength.

6. Avoid the knee-jerk predictability of the worldly.

*If the desperate try to hold tightly, you determine to give.

*When the world points a blaming finger, you hold out a hand of forgiveness.

*As the world wrings its hands, you clap your hands in rejoicing and celebrate Him.

*As the sufferers' countenance draws down, lift up your heads O ye gates that the King of Glory may come in.

7. Who shall ascend?

**Ps 24:3-10 Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall stand in his holy place? He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully. He shall receive the blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the God of his salvation. This is the generation of them that seek him, that seek thy face, O Jacob. Selah. Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle. Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift them up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory. Selah.*

8. The Hill of the LORD: Promotion Day!

**Matt 25:21 His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.*

Every one of these points are feasible and as Christians should be basic not extraordinary. If something is in our way to prevent us from living our Christian faith, then as the Bible indicates it needs to be cut off. There should be nothing weighing you down and keeping you from "lift off".

SPIRITUAL RAPURE

What I am about to tell you I have never read or heard anywhere except from the Spirit of God fresh off the press. As with everything, it will start with the spirit and manifest in the natural:

The spiritual rapture will precede the physical rapture. We need to realize that to be physically raptured we must first be translated from the old man to the new creature from this government into the new government, which is the Kingdom of God. In other words, we must not think of ourselves as Americans first and foremost but as children of the Kingdom who are here on a work permit. As I have said before, most Christians have one foot at the cross of salvation and one foot in the world. This is a place of great suffering because it is not redemptive but going in circles of sin to forgiveness-sin-forgiveness-sin. Jesus is no longer at the cross, and we need to die there and get beyond it and into the spiritual resurrection translated into new creatures. To live on the other side of the cross is the spiritual rapture. If you are still in the circle of going from the world to cross and back again, you put yourself at risk by not having oil in your lamp when the bridegroom comes.

The physical rapture coming will be a catching away leaving this earth to be present with the Lord. This will be an amazing witness to the entire world, but a devastation to those who thought they would be in that number. Let me just repeat that before this physical rapture takes place there will be a time where champions rise to show the Kingdom of God in His authority, power and strength which will go beyond the elements of the distresses coming upon the earth. Only those spiritually raptured will have the strength to be these champions weathering these storms. When these champions are physically taken, the world will **not** have to wonder who they were because these champions will have testified of all of these things coming as I am now doing. This does not mean you must be an author, or in a mega ministry. Your witness, however large or small, is the talent you possess to use for the Kingdom.

There are two attitudes to take if you feel your witness is small in the scheme of things.

1. Jesus remarked of the widow who gave only a mite: [Mark 12:43-44] *Verily I say unto you, That this poor widow hath cast more in, than all they which have cast into the treasury; for all they did cast in of their abundance; but she of her want did cast in all that she had, even all her living.*
2. Jesus remarked to the man whose talent was so small in his eyes that he buried it in the ground rather than use it: [Matt 25:26-28] *Thou wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I*

sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed: Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money

to the exchangers, and then at my coming I should have received mine own with usury. Take therefore the talent from him, and give it unto him which hath ten talents.

No matter how small your perceive your gift or witness spend it on earth whenever and wherever you have an open door.

The people who buckle under the pressure of the little things while crying for Jesus to rapture them out are in no way ready for a rapture to take place. There is no testimony for the Kingdom of God in lifting a feeble, impotent people off the earth.

Look at the example of Steven who was spiritually raptured before the stones could kill his body. He was a champion. Those of us who have already died to become a living sacrifice have been spiritually raptured... we have defeated the power of death for it holds no fear.

To quote the four lepers from the OT, 2 Kings 7:3, "Why sit we here and die." The only way to save yourself from being held captive by the conditions of the earth is to lose your life in Christ. These lepers could have whined about their state but decided to shake off the apathy and risk what little life they had left. They conquered fear: *Matt 16:25 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it.*

Risk your life by losing yourself in Christ. Crucifying the flesh of self and living for Christ is to become spiritually raptured. Many people think they have done this, but all they have done was let Jesus have a guest room in their hearts and gone about their business as usual. Jesus is not the guest but the Host.

We need to wake up to the reality of the times in which we live. These are the days to arm yourself by feeding your spirit and preparing your storehouse. Do not fret that you may have forgotten something or that you might not have enough, for remember the two fish and five loaves for multiplying food and the rock that gave water in the wilderness. We are heading into hard times, yes, but miraculous times as well, and you need to be prepared for the miracles by building faith muscles now.

So count yourself blessed to be armed with the Truth instead of alarmed and caught off guard.