



# Rhythms

## Part 5 – Blow the Trumpet

### Discussion Guide

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God has a purpose for your life. Today we will discover that call of God and how we can live it out. We will also dive into the Feast of Trumpets.

**What you will need:** A Bible or your Bible app, a notebook, pen, and highlighter. The verses highlighted below are linked so that you can easily access them during your study time.

#### **Jump Start**

1. What was your first job? What did you love or hate about it? What did it teach you?
2. Read [Exodus 19:16-17](#) What did Israel see, hear, and experience? What do you think the thunder and lightning represented? Where did the sound of trumpet come from?
3. Read [Matthew 28:18-20](#). Who holds all authority? Was this a suggestion or a commandment? Who were the disciples initially restricted to ministering to? Once the commission was given, to whom did they have authority to disciple and minister? What does this mean for us?

*Share with your group about sharing their faith. [Utilize this tool from our discipleship website](#)*

4. Read [Jeremiah 29:13 and Jeremiah 24:7](#) Does this mean that God only acts after us seeking? What is the full condition of these verses to receive God's blessings?
5. **Final Thought:** Read [James 2:18](#). How does this verse inform what it means to live a life of faith that produces good works?

#### **Deeper**

The Feast of Trumpets marked the beginning of ten days of consecration and repentance before God. It is one of seven Jewish feasts or festivals appointed by the Lord and one of three feasts that occur in the autumn. The Feast of Trumpets began on the first day (at the new moon) of the seventh month. Its name comes from the command to blow trumpets ([Leviticus 23:24](#); [Numbers 29:1-6](#)). It is also called *Rosh Hashanah*, which means "Head of the Year," because it marks the beginning of the Jewish civil calendar. During this celebration, no kind of work was to be performed, but burnt offerings and a sin offering were to be brought before the Lord.

- The Feast of Trumpets was important for several reasons. First, it commemorated the end of the agricultural and festival year.
  - It occurs ten days before the Day of Atonement and signals a time to repent and prepare.
6. Read [Numbers 29:1-6 and Leviticus 23:23-25](#) What are these verses encouraging us to remember?
  7. The Feast of Trumpets along with six other festivals foreshadow the coming of Jesus. How is the Feast of Trumpets significant in these diverse feasts? Read [1 Corinthians 15:51-52, 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17](#)
  8. Read [Numbers 10:3-4, 9-10](#). What is the purpose of the trumpets sounding? Does God call on His people to give a warning like a trumpet? [Read Isaiah 58:1 and Matthew 24:14](#)
  9. Read [Nehemiah 8:2-3, 8-9](#). What did Ezra and Nehemiah teach on the Feast of Trumpets?

*Sorrow and repentance are a natural consequence of many of the themes associated with the Feast of Trumpets. But Ezra and Nehemiah encouraged the people to celebrate and rejoice, because this Holy Day also reveals the Good News of the real solution to humanity's problems.*