

Today marks the beginning of the fall Holy Day season in the northern hemisphere. Of course, the spring Holy Day season in the southern hemisphere. This is the Feast of Trumpets for 2020.

God commands that we focus on the meaning of each and every Holy Day as we observe them at their appointed time. So, today we're doing just that for this Feast of Trumpets in this pre-recorded sermon.

It's good that we first look at the command God gives at the beginning for this period of time in Leviticus, however, we're going to back up a little bit from Leviticus 23 and look at the verses that precede that because it ties in with so much of the meaning and what God desires for us concerning all the Holy Days, and this one as well, obviously.

That's in **Leviticus 22:31** where I want to pick this up. It says, **Therefore, you shall keep...** Now, this is the same word that's used when God was addressing the matter in the Garden of Eden, that they were to dress it and keep it, where "keep" means "to sustain; preserve, and to watch over as to maintain and strengthen, to give support."

Now, we've gone through a lot before we've been able to come to this point in time in the Church of God—PKG, and I can't help but think of the beginning and how this very matter right here, because this precedes what God gives in Leviticus 23 when it begins to address things about the Sabbath, the weekly Sabbath and the annual Holy Days as appointed times that He has established for us. I can't help but think back at the very first thing that God had us address after the Apostasy. Because it is a matter of preserving, sustaining, watching over, maintaining, supporting, and strengthening what God gives to us. And yet we lived through a time, those who experienced that Apostasy, lived at a time when everything was being destroyed in the sense of those who were attacking what God had commanded.

So, it was our task from the very beginning because so much had been watered down throughout the ending period there for Laodicea, that we entered into a new period where so much of that was still involved in so many people's lives, and ministers and others, who had different ideas, who had not been able to preserve, who were not watching over what God had given to Herbert Armstrong during the period of Philadelphia.

And so, one of the first things we had to address, which I've mentioned many a time, was Passover. We had to go back, and thankfully, by God's blessing and help, had to fight over some of those matters, but had to work to support, to build it back, to work at that, to make it stronger, to strengthen what He had already given.

In this particular section here, in Leviticus 22 where it says, **you shall keep**, as it says here, **My commandments**. We were told that we are to keep His commandments. He's getting ready to

give us those things concerning the Holy Days which are very focal concerning His commandments, the Sabbath, **and do them**. So, we are to do, to live by, to perform them.

He went on to say then there in **Leviticus 22:31** in going on here, it says, **I am the Eternal. You shall not profane**, which means not to defile, not to defile those things, pollute those things that God has given concerning His commandments. Again, He's getting ready to give us those things about the Sabbath and the Holy Days and Passover, the annual observance of Passover. All of these things that are being ready to be given here, and knowing full well what mankind is like, knowing what would happen during the seven eras of the Church and through time as people would attack His word, His appointed times for mankind because it's that which gives us focus and understanding of what He's doing.

He has forewarned us through time of those things. We've been blessed to hold on to those things, to be given more to strengthen what is there, not to defile and profane them. We're warned not to do that, and this is just one of many things here, but it is very much attached then to what it says then in Leviticus 23.

He went on to say that we're not to profane, in essence then, to pollute, as it means here. **You shall not profane My holy (sacred) name**, and so we know what that means, sacred, God's word, God's name, especially beginning with God. God is sacred, holy, His way is holy. That word there that's used to describe that.

He says, **But I will be hallowed**. Another word here, again, as it goes on. It's the same spin off of that, but **I will be consecrated**, "I will be set apart for holy use and purpose," as we have talked about recently. He said, **I will be hallowed among the children of Israel. I am the Eternal who hallows**, who sanctifies, in other words, to consecrate, to set apart you.

That's what God says He's done to us and we're to respond to that as we talked about in the outline of prayer where it says, "Hallowed be Your name." So, that's something we're to do as we talked about in that outline of prayer series that was given, that that's our responsibility, to set apart our prayer life as well for holy use and purpose, and so many other things, obviously, having to do with our relationship with God. That's just one of many ways in which we are to sanctify, to set apart God. We do the same thing with what He's getting ready to reveal to us in chapter 23 here, of those things concerning the Holy Days, the Sabbath, and Passover as well.

So again here, **I will be hallowed** - set apart for holy use and purpose. It all begins there, putting God first in our life. **...among the children of Israel. Yes. I am the Eternal who hallows (sanctifies) you, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your God. I am the Eternal.**

That chapter meaning so much before we proceed in the following verses there about that which has been set apart. Again, so meaningful here, everything that's being said. So much that could be said about all these things though we know them quite well because of how God has blessed us to keep what He has given us here.

Again here, thinking about these periods of time and what it says here, just as He said, “who brought you out of the land of Egypt.” We’re to be reminded. This was physical, but God has taught us those things that are spiritual in nature and we’re to remember what it means to be called out of that kind of confusion on a spiritual plane, out of spiritual Egypt.

So again, how blessed are we that we are so blessed to be able to see, to know, and to understand such things, and to grasp and understand the spiritual significance of what it means to be blessed to be drawn out of Egypt. You think of the massive confusion that’s out there in religion. That’s why we look so much forward to this time that’s right in front of us now, to the establishment of the Kingdom of God on earth where all the false religions and confusion where people are deceived and they don’t understand that they’re deceived. They grow up with or they’re born into a particular type of religion. And so, to have the truth revealed in such a powerful and meaningful way that’s going to take place that this day, this Feast is all about? Well, it’s incredible. It really is.

Again here then it starts in the next chapter and it says, “I am the Eternal.” Or it goes on to say after that last chapter, **Leviticus 23:1—The Eternal spoke to Moses, saying, Speak to the children of Israel, and say unto them, Concerning the feasts..** So again here, this word we understand is not the word for “feast.” It’s the word for “appointed times” or “appointed meetings,” because it goes hand in hand. Because we are to meet before God at these specific times.

Again, we’re so blessed to know when that is. Just like I mentioned about Passover that was being attacked, as so many were teaching, had been taught at Ambassador College, that it was a 14/15th observance. We’re so blessed to know, no, it all took place in a very specific time period on a very specific day.

God has given us to understand that. But the word used for the feasts that follows there, when it talks about that in the Days of Unleavened Bread and Pentecost and on, we know that that word here is not the word for “feast.” It’s the word, again, for **appointed times/appointed meetings of the Eternal, which you shall proclaim to be holy convocations.**

So again, we’re so blessed to be able to know this, to see this, and to grasp that, again, the way it’s holy is that we set it apart. We’re responsible for setting it apart for holy use and purpose when we meet and how we meet and the fact that where we’re able to that we do come together and meet together, a holy convening of God’s people.

...even these are, not (again), My feasts but My appointed times. Six days shall work be done: but the seventh day is the Sabbath of rest, a holy convocation in which you shall do no work. It is the Sabbath of the Eternal in all your dwellings. These are the, again, appointed times of the Eternal, even holy convocations, which you shall proclaim in their... Isn’t that amazing how the King James then switches to the word “seasons”? Again, it’s that same word. They used “feast” before, and yet to do that here they just didn’t understand, they didn’t grasp and comprehend. Again, “appointed times,” in their appointed times.

Then we have that portion about Passover. **In the fourteenth day of the first month at even...** So again, we were so blessed to be able to grasp what that was, to come to a deeper understanding during that period of time after the Apostasy. This word here that's in the Hebrew "bane ha erebyim" which means "between the evenings." Between two evenings. Not the confusion that used to exist that it was somehow at a period of time when the sun goes down, or maybe leading up to that time (as others went into later).

But we were confused as well. We didn't understand fully what this time was and thought it had more to do with the time period between or at sundown specifically and the twilight of the evening there where the sun is down but it's still light in the west and yet not completely dark. How to measure that time? Basically, starting Passover observance during that time because we didn't grasp it fully. But then God gave to us understanding that it means what it does for every Holy Day.

A Holy Day, whether it be the weekly Sabbath, it's between two evenings. Passover is between two evenings, sunset on the 13th to the moment of sunset on the 14th, but all within, in the 14th day. Beautiful! So simple.

God's way is so plain when you're blessed by His holy spirit to see what you see. Because these things can't be learned by themselves on their own. God has to reveal them to us. Then, to keep them, to keep them, a good word to use there, as well, in the way that God gave them, another matter.

So again here, making it very clear here about Passover and when it's to be observed, that specific moment in time as it talked about here, on the 14th day. It goes on then, obviously, from this moment in time, talking about between the two evenings and how that's to be kept. But then we come down, go through the Holy Days, and we come down to the point of the observance of the fourth annual Holy Day, which is the Feast of Trumpets.

That's in **verse 23** then when it begins to say here, **Then the Eternal spoke to Moses, saying, speak to the children of Israel, saying, In the seventh month,** you know, of God's holy calendar, of how to tell time, of what we watch and observe and know about keeping of time, though we live in a different society and world. The world doesn't go by that so we have to be able to do both. We follow, obviously, a unique calendar for our time that people are able to tell time, and then we know when God's Holy Days fall within that time frame.

Again here, He's giving those things here. It says here, **you shall have a Sabbath, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, a holy convocation. You shall do no customary work, and you shall offer an offering made by fire to the Eternal.** So again here, it's so important to grasp and understand what is being said here. We are reminded about this in the Holy Days here. Unique that we grasp the spiritual truth of it all and know that this is talking about "to offer an offering made by fire"; not something physical that they did, but we understand that it's a spiritual matter and that we are to be willing to sacrifice our lives, in that respect, understanding what it means here by

“fire,” to go through trials, hardships. We come to understand more deeply that it’s only in that manner that we can be transformed, that we can be changed.

So, how incredible it is that we understand these on a spiritual plane, what is being said here.

It says here, **shall be a Sabbath, a memorial of the blowing of trumpets, a holy convocation. Not to do any customary work on that day, as we understand on Sabbaths and Holy Days, and to offer an offering made by fire unto the Eternal.** It’s just a part of our life to go through trials and tests and to be willing to do that, gladly so. As they did in a physical way we do in a spiritual way.

Now, in the Church of God—PKG God has blessed us to come to other understanding as well more deeply so, to come to grasp more deeply the name of this High Day is about the blowing of Trumpets (plural). Not just a shofar but the blowing of trumpets (plural), because there is more that is meant by this matter of being plural, and especially as we understand things in Revelation and what the blowing of all those Trumpets is all about, because it has to do with the meaning and the fulfillment of this very specific day. Things begin in the blowing of Trumpets, events begin to take place, and then the purpose of it all, of the blowing of them all.

So, once again it’s good to be reminded of the three uses of a trumpet and how they were used in Ancient Israel because that applies to us, again, on a spiritual plane. They did things physically; we learn them and understand them, what we are to do, spiritually. Because they bear greatly on what God has revealed more fully that applies specifically to this time right now, and there are things that apply right now.

So, number one, to call to assembly. For the Church - in order to give direction, and then it being up to each of us if we have ears to hear. So again, to call to assembly.

So again, the blowing of trumpets. We learn from this the importance of being brought together as God’s people, being together, coming together as one, what it means in those things on a spiritual plane, and then the importance of our listening. It’s not just hearing a sound of a trumpet, but for us it’s a matter of learning and a choice that we have that we are to make as to whether or not we’re going to listen, whether we have and want to continue in the ability of having the ears to hear.

Then it comes down to the second use of trumpets - to sound an alarm, primarily to war. That means a lot to us as well. Spiritually we grasp and comprehend that what this day is all about leads to specific events that are going to take place during a period of time that God is going to fulfill. But we recognize in this that there is battle, there is war to be fought.

Then in the greater fulfillment of what these days are all about, it is about a war that’s coming. Because it’s only through great war that change can come. For us individually to go through battles to go through war and fighting and to keep the armor that we need to have, to keep watch, to learn all those things that have to do with military action and events in life. Then to recognize, again, a great change in this world can’t come until there is a massive war that takes

place, which has more to do with a very specific fulfillment than of these days and what they're all about.

Then we grasp then in that third one here, "to proclaim a time for rejoicing." The third use of trumpets, a time for rejoicing, a time of thankfulness, a time of jubilation, in that sense, of thankfulness and gratefulness to God and praise to God, "especially in the announcing and the heralding of a king, the coming of a king." In this case that doesn't escape us, we understand, the King of kings who's coming.

Another great thing that God has given to the Church of God—PKG is the **49th Truth, Joshua the Christ will return to this earth on a Pentecost.** So, we have been so blessed to understand that, to grasp that, that the 49th truth has to do with the time of Christ, the time of his coming specifically, the time that the 144,000 come with him because this is the time when that event specifically takes place.

It's about Pentecost. So, the actual standing upon the Mount of Olives, the very day that these events take place, but Trumpets announces it all and leads up to this incredible event. That hasn't always been clear in God's Church, it really hasn't. There wasn't always understanding then about when Christ would return. It was that which was unknown.

Mr. Armstrong addressed that himself, making it clear that he wasn't certain whether it might be on a Trumpets or on a Pentecost. But the Pentecost idea kind of went by the wayside through time and it began to be taught in the ministry, in the Church, that it was going to be on the Feast of Trumpets. But that's not the case. We understand that that is the announcement of it, that is the heralding of that time that's going to come to pass and all that has to do with that. But the events are over a longer period of time that lead up to the fulfillment and the greater meaning then of Pentecost.

So, we've been so blessed to come to understand those things in a very powerful way.

Again, Joshua the Christ will return to this earth on a Pentecost, along with 144,000, and it's because of this truth that we came to more deeply understand that Christ would not return on a Feast of Trumpets. What a shaking that gave to some within the Church when that was made before Pentecost of 2008.

So again, we understand that the Feast of Trumpets has everything to do with the announcement of his coming, not the actual specific day of his coming. Certainly, it envelops that, but Pentecost is specifically about that day.

So, all this truly began in earnest as well as its first phase becoming prophetically fulfilled in 2008. I've already mentioned that. But this is when the first phase of this really was accomplished. It was in 2008. There is much that began in 2008. God made it very clear.

And candidly, we haven't yet come to the full grasp of the great significance of that particular year. God's final witness, and of things that began in earnest in that particular year. We have so

much that spins off from that, that stems from that. We went through a great deal of what happened at that time, the very year then that God made it clear, an announcement that Christ was coming on a Pentecost—it became the 49th Truth—not on the Feast of Trumpets. Incredible!

So, we know that it was in 2008 that all Seven Trumpets were blown. It's been made clear over and over again. Now, didn't fully grasp all that in the very beginning of that but it began there. It began at that period of time because it later became clear that all seven had. But in the beginning, it was thought that it was just the first. But God, again, as He does progressively, reveals more and more, helped us to understand it in a greater way more clearly.

So again, we know that it was in 2008 that all seven Trumpets were blown, which has so very much to do, again, with the meaning of this day, the powerful announcement within the Church that Christ's return was now imminent. All that holds it back is the completed sealing of the 144,000.

So again, in time God has shown us that. Now, some wondered about a statement that I made this past summer concerning how we do not know the specific timing of His coming, but that I was watching closely concerning potential events that might take place around the time of Trumpets.

Now, the events of the first Four Trumpets are being held back. Those events could prophetically carry great meaning if such a thing began at just such a time as Trumpets. So, we are to watch and be ready for when these great events begin to happen. Because the Trumpets announce the events, but the events haven't started. We grasp, we grasp indeed that they are being held back.

That's why I made those comments, because there are things about Pentecost that we have learned more about the coming of Christ. We know it's on that day. We look forward to that day. But that isn't what we're going to see first. Things carried in the meaning of the Feast of Trumpets is what we will actually see first. So, that's what begins first.

So, we watch both. We look forward to a Feast of Pentecost knowing that's when he will actually stand again upon the Mount of Olives, but there are going to be events that take place before that that have to do with the meaning of this Feast of Trumpets that we are going to literally see first. And so, those things, when they begin to happen, when the beginning of the Trumpets, the events of the Trumpets begin to take place, we know that it's going to shake and shock this world as it's never been shaken and shocked before.

That which is announced by the blowing of the Trumpets of Revelation take time before those events will unfold and fulfill the prophetic meaning of the Feast of Trumpets. This is true from the First Trumpet event all the way up to the Seventh Trumpet event.

At last year's Feast of Trumpets, I stated that we had two potential prophetic markers in front of us. One was Pentecost of 2020, and the other was Pentecost of 2023. Well, candidly, now we simply look at every Pentecost in front of us because we don't know which one is the actual day that Christ and the 144,000 will be on this earth. So, we watch. But really what we're going to see is contained in these days.

God is progressively revealing more to us through what we're experiencing and we'll hear more about that at this Feast of Tabernacles, if it is God's will. We're just at that volatile of a time when we really don't know. We're having a difficult time this year with being able to observe the Feast of Tabernacles, and we still don't know what's going to fully happen. But if it's God's will that we be able to observe it, we will. And if not, well, we know that things will have begun or at least be very, very close to that.

But again, it's that first event that we will know.

As a result of what was written and given in the last chapter of *When the Countdown Ends* much has been changed in the focus that God has given us as a Church. Indeed, we do look ahead to each Pentecost that's before us, as we know these are powerful markers for the Church. We know that. We look forward to those times. But not like we did in the past at specific markers of time.

We talked about some of those things, like I did, well, I mentioned last year 2020 and 2023. But the reality is 2021, 2022, 2023 - can fall at any of those. But we see something first. We know when the sealing is complete. So, that is really something we look toward, and we have to be prepared for.

So again, these events just are moving very rapidly and closer and closer toward us, in that respect. Again here, some of these things were mentioned in the last chapter of the book *When the Countdown Ends*; it has changed, and things have changed, actually, since some of this has been written, that will be spoken of during the Feast. So, these potential markers that I mention.

So again, we're doing that because we're just that close to this world imploding and exploding, candidly. So, the Feast of Trumpets each year may even prove to be clear markers for God's Church at this time, in that respect, because of what we focus upon, because of what we know is going to take place. But that it is in God's revelation and timing. Yet we are to watch these things, nevertheless. So, we understand that more than ever before. We're going to watch each year the Feast of Trumpets as much as we look forward to the time that these things are accomplished in Pentecost.

But I think by going through this you see what I'm talking about now at this point is that we will see things about the Feast of Trumpets being fulfilled first, then knowing that that Pentecost that we have been focused on in times past, that we know is the time for Christ's return and coming will be much clearer.

So, the Church has experienced a long, progressive, and somewhat of a shifting manner, if you will, concerning how the Seven Trumpets of Revelation are to be fulfilled and the manner in how these things could have become fulfilled in what would have led up to Christ's return in 2012 has shifted, has changed. We've gone through that.

We're now at a time where our focus is becoming squarely based upon what will happen in a more exacting process concerning the beginning fulfillment of the events of the Trumpets that lead up to the Seventh Trumpet. Now, I'm going to read what's been written in *Chapter 5* of *When The*

Countdown Ends under the heading of **FIRST FOUR TRUMPETS: Revelation About the Crippling of the U.S.**

So, here is where it begins: “The first four Trumpets of the Seventh Seal are about the demise of the United States of America. She has been the greatest single nation in the end-time, and the events of these four Trumpets are structured to **end** her world dominance, influence, and power. She is the **first of all nations** to be humbled by God because she has been given the most by Him and has been given the greatest opportunity to listen,” because of what was done through Mr. Armstrong. “...and has been given the greatest opportunity to listen but has not. This humbling process that will be poured out upon the United States **will be very strong against her.**”

“The impact of these four Trumpets will also be felt by the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand...” Now, those things haven’t been fully revealed yet as to what they will be, but they’re going to have an impact as well, if you will, that will be unleashed upon them. We don’t fully know what all that is at this particular time. So, again here, there is that which is going to take place in the United States that we will see, that we will know when it’s all begun. It has much to do with this period of time.

Because, candidly, the Trumpets of Revelation are very much about the meaning of this day. We understand that. All seven Trumpets leading up to the Seventh which fulfills it in a powerful way, completes it in every way what is given there. We recognize that these other nations are going to suffer as well. They will suffer.

Going on and reading here: “...however, the extent of their suffering fully depends upon how each country responds to God once the impact from the First Trumpet becomes realized. If they do not listen as the full force of each Trumpet begins to be unleashed, then they will only multiply their own suffering.”

“Although the sounding of the Seven Trumpets took place back on the **14th of December 2008**, it was later revealed that the catastrophic events announced from the first four Trumpets were being held back because the sealing of the 144,000 was not complete. Once that is finished, then the beginning of the demise of the United States will start. It is something that will immediately be recognized by the whole world—far, far more so than the events of 9/11.”

So again, there is so much here, there truly is, about the Seven Trumpets and the gradual process of what happens in the first four events of the first four Trumpets, and then things just get worse once the Fifth Trumpet, the event or the event through that period of time of the Fifth Trumpet, takes place.

So again here, they’re going to be far, far greater than what happened on 9/11 as is mentioned here in the book, and “Once these events start to happen, this will be the actual beginning of WWIII, and the greatest exchange of nuclear weapons in an all-out nuclear war will begin shortly after this.”

Now, we understand that’s when that is, that it’s on a specific period of time here when the Fifth Trumpet begins to be fulfilled.

So again here, reading in that book in that particular chapter: "...and the greatest exchange of nuclear weapons in an all-out nuclear war will begin shortly after this." After the first four events of the first four Trumpets.

Then to me, and I hope to all of you, the greater clarity that God has given concerning the fulfillment of the Seventh Trumpet is exciting, as we have learned that this period—this is going to be accomplished—that this particular period, the complete fulfillment covers a period of 1,100 years and is marked by the Third Woe. We've learned a lot more about that and are going to learn more. So, this too has become more fully clarified for the Church, this matter of the Third Woe, even now since the last book was published.

God just continues to show us more and more so that we have a deeper understanding, a clearer understanding. It's like that puzzle that Herbert Armstrong used to talk about, and God progressively reveals more and more. As He does we see more and more; we come to see more and more clearly what the puzzle is, and those places that are somewhat obscure at times or in a different place at times, God helps us to put them in the right place. And we're so close.

So again, I'm going to read some portions of what is written in the book (and this time from the seventh chapter), and I'll make some comments on this as we go through it. This is under the heading of *Mankind's New Era*.

So, let me get my place here, make sure I have my place here ready to take place here because in going through some of this I have to read this portion off of here at times. I'm doing this for the first time where I'm using the teleprompter in giving a sermon. Not real excited about it, but it's working to a certain degree. Because it wants to jump ahead of me sometimes and so I've found that I have to have these notes in front of me or else there would be no end of stopping and starting and editing and so forth.

So again here, it's my first experience of doing a sermon and it's been rather challenging to say the least.

So again here, reading that particular section under *Mankind's New Era*, it states that, "When this first event of the Seventh Trumpet takes place, when Christ and the 144,000 are made manifest to mankind, this is when the 'mystery of God' will begin to be removed."

What an awesome thing to understand, to grasp this, because mankind will now see the King of kings, mankind will now be able to see the 144,000 who come with him. In Revelation 11:14-15 it says, "The Second Woe is past [an end to the events of the Sixth Trumpet] ..." So, we know what this is about. We know that the fifth has to do with the greater destruction that takes place within the United States, and this time here the other nations that have to do with Manasseh's brother, Ephraim, and those things that can well take place in a very powerful way against them as well, depending on how they respond to the first four Trumpets. Then we come down to this period of time when the Sixth Trumpet is unleashed.

The Fifth Trumpet, we understand, is the time that Europe is going to step in, the 10 nations that are there are going to use nuclear weapons. Again, to what extent? We don't know yet. Those things haven't been fully determined yet. But they will be as we draw nearer to it and it becomes clearer then to us.

At the events of the Sixth Trumpet we know what this is about, about China and Russia and a greater all out nuclear war with Europe that's going to take place. This is when the greatest of destruction takes place, when it speaks of one-third of all mankind that's going to be destroyed at this time by what takes place.

I mean, we really can't grasp that, but we know that's an event within the Sixth Trumpet. Now, all these Trumpets, just like in the meaning of Trumpets having to do with proclaiming or announcing war, this is that war that's being spoken of, being fulfilled by the things in the Feast of Trumpets that are spoken of in these Seven Trumpets as we go through them leading up to the Seventh Trumpet and the greatest, then, fulfillment of the meaning of this very day.

So again here, "The Second Woe is past [an end to the events of the Sixth Trumpet], and look, the Third Woe is coming quickly."

Going on it says then: "Then the **seventh angel** sounded, and there were great voices in heaven, saying, 'The kingdoms of this world have now become the kingdoms of our Lord, even of His Christ, and He shall reign from now and forevermore'" (Revelation 11:14-15).

We so look forward to that time. We understand this has some of the greatest meaning now in what we're observing in this Feast of Trumpets.

So, continuing on: "This is the good news spoken of for thousands of years that God will now begin to bring to pass. ... That which will take place at this moment in time is about the beginning of the work that lies ahead. This is the first event to become established in order for God's plan to be accomplished because it is **the foundation that enables this entire plan of God to be,**" or should say, really, "**to become fulfilled.**"

So again here, to grasp these things, to grasp what is taking place, it's really incredible, it truly is.

Going on and reading here: "To summarize this last Trumpet in its simplest form, the **Seventh Trumpet** reveals the fulfillment of God's plan and purpose for mankind **that will take 1,100 years to be completed.**" I'm so glad that was just revealed to us as powerfully as it was in the writing of the book and what this is all about now. So, this isn't that long ago, all this that God has been revealing just since last Trumpets. It's just incredible. We're moving ahead so rapidly, so fast it's sometimes kind of hard just to keep up and try to keep things updated. Because we really can't keep everything updated, though we're trying to do certain portions, and so forth, because we're very small. Again here, it's quite a task.

So again here, talking about "[this] **Seventh Trumpet** reveals the fulfillment of God's plan and purpose for mankind **that will take 1,100 years to be completed.** When it states that the Second Woe is past and the

Third Woe is coming quickly, it is showing that before the events of the Third Woe begin, which will not happen until over 1,100 years later, there is something else that happens first.”

Now, we’re going to pause there. So, let’s pause right here and look at what is new right now. The Third Woe has two distinct phases and it’s really quite incredible, but some of this, again, there is greater clarity since the book was written. One will happen as Christ first comes and begins to establish the Kingdom of God on earth. We should understand that (the first phase), because we know what he’s going to do when he first returns. It is a Woe to mankind in what transpired and what happens.

Now, we understand the next one as well, and that’s been incredible what God has given us to understand just in that, in the second phase. Because we understand that the second phase is about what happens at the end, at the end of the 1,100 years. Again, the Third Woe having these different phases to it.

Again here, when it says that “The Third Woe is coming quickly,” it’s showing that before the events of the Third will begin... So, this is just continuing on from where we are, where we were, what I was stating because we now understand that there are two phases to that. Again, we grasp that yes, there will be a phase accomplished before the 1,100 years is over.

So again here, those things are easy to see because what takes place at the end is an incredible woe to mankind, to those who will not accept God’s way of life and then what God does. Because that will be the end of mankind. Awesome, to understand God’s plan and this clarity that He’s given to us now, it really is.

Again, all these things that God has been giving to us. So again, this is a matter of repeating the first portion of what was said there so I want to read that again and then continue on.

“So when it states that the Second Woe is past and the Third Woe is coming quickly, it is showing that before the events of the Third Woe begin, which will not happen until over 1,100 years later,” which, we now recognize there are two phases to this, “there is something else that happens first. It clearly states that this marks a very specific moment in time. It is when the kingdoms (the nations) of this world are no longer under the rule of mankind. This is the first event of the Seventh Trumpet when the nations of the world become the nations of Christ—under **his rule**.”

“Although this new era for mankind will continue through the Millennium and on into the following 100 years, it is important to know what is recorded about how this new era begins. Once the events that were earlier announced by the Seventh Trumpet begin, the next verse describes how angels in heaven respond to what happens at that time.”

So here it is in Revelation 11 as it’s talking about this. Again, these events about the very beginning of events that are so much about this day, this Feast of Trumpets, but about all these Trumpets that we’ve been talking about. So, it’s all these Trumpets that are included to finally lead up to what is stated here in this Seventh Trumpet.

It says in Revelation 11:16-17: “Then the twenty-four elders who sat before God on their thrones fell on their faces and worshiped God, saying, ‘We give thanks to You, O Lord God Almighty, the One who is and who was and who is coming, because You have taken to Yourself Your great power and reigned’” (Revelation 11:16-17).”

So, continuing on in reading this then, what’s in the chapter there: “By God sending His Son to reign in His Kingdom over the nations of the world, He is taking to Himself that which He has not done over the previous 6,000 years. Before, God allowed mankind to exercise its own kind of rule in order for it to learn the ultimate lesson—that mankind cannot rule itself. So at this moment in time, God takes control of that which is His way anyway and sends His own Son to rule over His Kingdom.”

“It is only in this way that a new era for mankind can begin. It is the only way that peace can be assured for the next 1,100 years.”

So again, what an incredible thing as this period of time begins. The rejoicing of the angelic realm, the timing of Christ’s coming with 144,000, a time to establish peace, though it won’t be peace immediately. Instead, it’s going to be a great war, that first phase of the Third Woe, if you will.

Going on in what it’s stated here: “It is the only means by which mankind can begin experiencing an advanced level of maturity,” —it’s by going through all of this— “the opportunity for equitable prosperity, and the exercise of the right use of highly advanced technology far beyond what is even known today.”

What an incredible thing that we see such things, that we grasp, that we know now that there is going to be technology that’s going to make our heads spin, that we can’t even imagine right now. That technology doesn’t stop but it continues on. To grasp that it’s going to take place as mankind cooperates and shares knowledge and shares understanding of things instead of trying to steal it now and hide it and all the other things that take place. That which is going to be for the betterment of mankind in ways we can’t begin to grasp after a thousand years? It’s going to be an awesome thing to be part of.

Going on in Revelation 19:11 it says, **Now, I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness judges and make war.** So again, it’s that first phase of that Third Woe, “and makes war.” So again, a Trumpet blast about Christ’s coming also involves the trumpet and the alarm of war. We’ve already talked about some of that in the meaning of Trumpets and it’s contained in this seventh one as well in the beginning of it and at the end of it.

His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; he had a name written, that no one knew, except himself. He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.

What an awesome thing that we understand the Word of God made flesh, a beginning of existence at that time as the Son of God. Not having previously existed, but the first, the beginning of the

firstfruits in God's family. Awesome! So clear. It means so much now, so much more than what it used to.

It says, again here, **and his name is called The Word of God. And the armies in heaven, 144,000, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.** All that they have gone through, those over a period of 6,000 years who have been called and have been cleansed and have changed and been transformed in their thinking that are now a part of Elohim, resurrected, returning with Christ.

So again, **clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed him on white horses. Now, out of his mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it he should strike the nations: and he himself will rule them with a rod of iron.** Now, again, this is a powerful thing that's stated here.

A sharp sword - it's symbolic of a couple of things. Again here, war, the power of war, the power of those things, the army that is going to come with Christ, the 144,000, and that war that's going to take place at the beginning, the first phase of the Third Woe, if you will, that's going to be fulfilled.

It has a symbolic meaning here of war that's going to take place, because we realize that after this Sixth Trumpet has done its damage on the earth as one-third of mankind is destroyed, then there's another battle. But it's not one that mankind can fight. But God is going to do it, Christ and the 144,000, through them, and they're going to destroy those who are destroying the earth.

We can't grasp that right now, but again, symbolic here of the sword and what's going to take place, a battle that's going to take place on the earth as those who resist God's way of life and truth and the things that God is giving, who want to continue to destroy the earth, they're going to be destroyed. There could be hundreds of millions in that event alone.

So indeed, it is a Third Woe, the first phase of a Third Woe upon mankind. That kind of language that it uses here as it goes on when it says, "He himself will rule them with a rod of iron," with tremendous power to take control now that the Government of God is being established. Because this is how it has to start. It has to be done with power.

Then, of course, the sword as well, if you think about a sword, because now it's going to be a matter of the truth. People are going to be able to see the King of kings. They're going to be able to see the 144,000 on the earth and all the deception of humanity that's existed is going to begin coming to an end. Because we understand that the sharp sword, as well, has to do with the truth of God and now that truth is going to ring around the world very powerfully so. It will be indeed a very sharp sword.

So, to understand some of these things? Incredible!

...he himself treads the winepress of the fierceness of the wrath of Almighty God. So again here, this isn't a pleasant thing that takes place here because this wrath is about "the execution of judgment." It's not about that which is unjust. It's not about that which is out of control. It's not about that which is a matter of anger. It's a matter of just, of a just period of the execution

of God's righteous judgment upon mankind at this point in time. Something that must take place or else the Kingdom of God cannot be fully established on earth to rule and to reign.

So again, "he treads the winepress." Again, that's symbolic of understanding what it's like to stomp on grapes and out comes the juice of the grapes. He uses that example of a winepress, humanity and the blood that flows out on the earth.

And it says here, **He has on his robe and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.**

So indeed, we are so blessed to grasp and understand that the Feast of Trumpets is very much about the sounding of the Seven Trumpets of the Seventh Seal of Revelation. It announces that which must happen first on earth in order to bring an end to mankind's self-rule. Then the event of the Seventh Trumpet begins, Joshua the Christ and the 144,000 return on a Pentecost and the Kingdom of God then becomes established to reign over mankind for the next 1,100 years.

Then, finally, at the very end the meaning of Trumpets becomes completely fulfilled as the Third Woe finally results in the final judgment over mankind in the destruction of all who have refused God's Kingdom at that time, by that time, and even the destruction of Satan himself as finally Elohim becomes fully established in Jerusalem.