

*Shana  
Tova*



*Rosh HaShanah Day 1*

# introduction

Take time to breathe... some of the deepest accomplishments happen at a slower pace. Be still and KNOW that I am God.

The big IF ... Remember REPENT is NOT a four letter word!

**pastorsteveberger** For the time has come for judgment to begin at the house of God; and if it begins with us first, what will be the end of those who do not obey the gospel of God? - **1 Peter 4:17**

The sins of the world must not distract us from the sins of the Church and judgment begins with the house of God first. You will not find anywhere in the scriptures anything that gives us hope apart from us repenting, turning to God, and being in a right relationship with Him. You can't sing your way into a right relationship with God, you can't study your way into a right relationship with God, but you can repent and turn to be in a right relationship with God.

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# ten days of awe

**Tashlikh** - On Tishri 1, during the afternoon, many Jews perform the ritual of "tashlikh," or "casting off," a ceremony in which Jews symbolically cast their sins into a body of water. We walk to flowing water, such as a creek or river, and empty our pockets into the river, symbolically casting off our sins.

The Tashlikh ceremony reminds us that our LORD is a God of new beginnings, and even if we have sinned and fallen away from Him, He is faithful to restore us and cast our sins away from us. After all, God sent His only Son Yeshua to be our Sin-Bearer and Kapparah, so we can take comfort in His forgiveness when we earnestly seek to repent from the harm we have done and begin anew with God.



# siddur

*Who is like You, God, who removes iniquity and overlooks transgression of the remainder of His inheritance.*

*He doesn't remain angry forever because He desires kindness. He will return and He will be merciful to us, and He will conquer our iniquities, and He will cast them into the depths of the seas.*

*Give mercy, grace and truth to Jacob, kindness to Abraham like that you swore to our ancestors from long ago.*

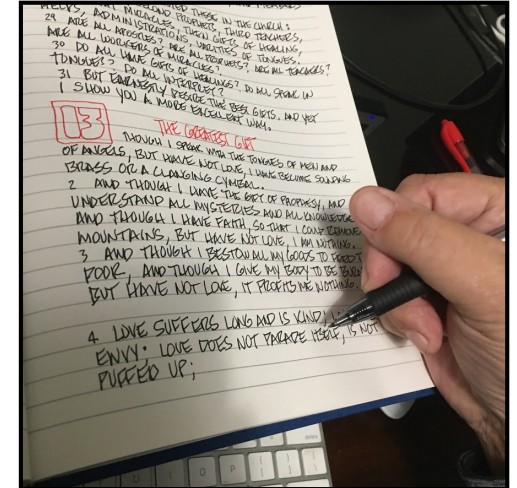
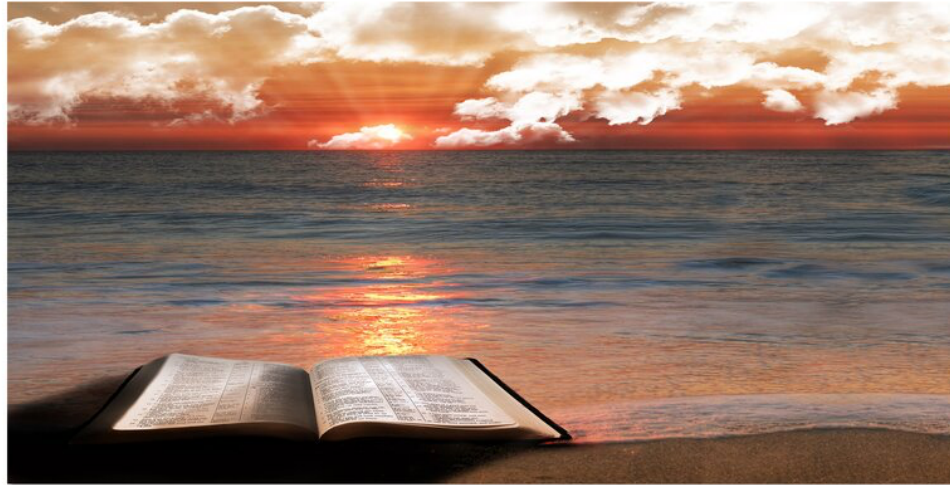
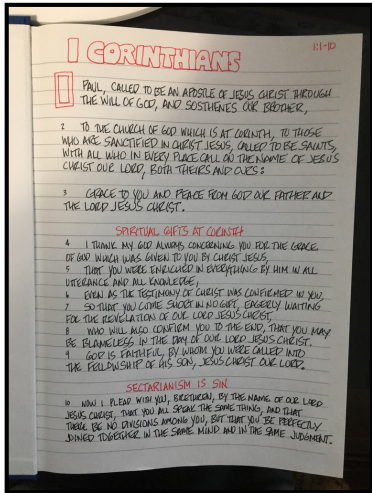
*From the deeps I called upon God, God answered me with expansiveness.*

*God is with me, I will not be afraid, what can man do to me?*

*God is with me to help me.*

*It is better to take refuge in God than to trust in man. It is better to take refuge in God, that to rely on nobles.*

# scripture reading



9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. **1 John 1:9**

11 For as the heavens are high above the earth,  
So great is His mercy toward those who fear Him;  
12 As far as the east is from the west,  
So far has He removed our transgressions from us.  
13 As a father pities *his* children,  
So the Lord pities those who fear Him.  
14 For He knows our frame;  
He remembers that we *are* dust. **Psalms 103:11-14**

# scripture reading

"God resists the proud,  
But gives grace to the humble."

<sup>6</sup> Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, <sup>7</sup> casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.

**1 Peter 5:7**

<sup>22</sup> Cast your burden on the Lord,  
And He shall sustain you;  
He shall never permit the righteous to be moved. **Psalm 55**

<sup>28</sup> Come to Me, all *you* who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

**Matthew 11:28**

By admitting one's sins and repenting, it is possible to be spiritually refreshed and rejuvenated. **"Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord."** - Acts 3:19

# sound the trumpet

During *Rosh HaShanah*, I understand that the Shofar is blasted 100, or 101 times, just to be sure. The Shofar calls for rejoicing, but also introspection and change. It signals that we should assess where we've been and determine how, with G-d's help, we will proceed. The Shofar reminds us of continuity, hope, laws and sacrifice. The Shofar blast is a call for change. And here is some good news for us during Covid: you can't sound the Shofar to call G-d down while wearing a mask. Everyone who has breath, take off your masks and blast! We need a new beginning! We need it now so as to:



*Blast out the pandemic  
Blast out the unrest  
Blast out sin and sadness  
Blast out all distress  
Blast out lies of demons  
Blast out hated mess  
Blast out schemes of darkness  
Blast out wickedness  
  
Blast it high to heaven  
Blast it so G-d hears  
Blast it with conviction  
Blast it to G-d's ears  
Blast it for His mercy  
Blast it so He'll clean  
Blast it so He sweeps away  
All that is obscene.*



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# play list

## **AARON SHUST - COME TO ME**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WYnK\\_1SDDkU](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WYnK_1SDDkU)

## **DELIRIOUS - THE RIVER**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8ktNAvL-ngU>