

There are 4 Types of Shofar Blasts:

1. Tekiah – A long single Blast (Gather)(the sound of the King's coronation)
2. Shevarim – Three short wail- like blasts (repentance)
3. Teru'ah – Nine staccato blasts of alarm (to awaken the soul) (call to arms)
4. Tekiah ha-Gedolah – A great long blast (for as long as you can blow!)
(Praise Y'HVah)

The general custom is first blow tekiah followed by Shevarim, followed by teruah and completed with tekiah ha'gedolah.

SHEHECHEYANU – BLESSING FOR THIS SEASON

ברוך אתה אדני אלהינו מלך העולם, שהחיינו וקיימנו והגיענו לזמן הזה

Baruch atah Adonai, Eloheynu Meleck ha-olam
Shehecheyanu, v'kee-y'manu, v'hee-gee'anu lazman hazeh

Blessed are You O Lord our God, King of the universe. Who has given us life, sustained us, and enabled us to reach this season.

THE SOUNDING OF THE SHOFAR

LEADER: Yehovah said to Moses, "Say to the Israelites: 'On the first day of the seventh month you are to have a day of rest, a sacred assembly commemorated with shofar blasts. Do no regular work, but present an offering made to Yehovah by fire. It is a day for you to sound the shofar.'" (Leviticus 23:23-25; Numbers 29:1)

With its powerful and profound call, the sound of the shofar awakens us to our failings and calls us to seek our God and the return of Yeshua.

The four calls of the shofar – Tekiah, Shevarim, Teruah, and Tekiah Gedolah – beckon us to: Gather, Repent, Arm ourselves, and Praise Yehovah

Through the sound of the shofar, let us draw near to Yehovah, in unity with Yeshua the Messiah, and seek His mercy and forgiveness.

Sovereign of the Universe, You have instructed us to sound the shofar on this day as it is written, "Blow the shofar at the new moon, at the appointed time, on our solemn feast day. For it is a decree for Israel, a judgment of the God of Jacob." (Psalms 81:3-4)

TOKIAH: I am prepared to fulfill God's commandment to blow the shofar, as it is prescribed in the Torah, "a day of blowing unto you." Please stand in honor of the King during the recitation of the blessings and the shofar blasts.

TOKIAH: Blessed are You, Yehovah our God, King of the universe, Who has sanctified us with Your commandments and in the blood of Yeshua the Messiah, and commanded us to hear the sound of the shofar. May it be Your will, O Yehovah our God, God of our fathers, to let the sounds that come forth from the shofar ascend to Your throne in remembrance of Your promise that You will someday gather all the faithful together unto Yourself.

Zachraynoo L'chayeem – Remember us to life

זכרנו לחיים מלך חפץ בחיים וכתבנו בספר החיים למענך אלהים חיים

Zachraynoo l'chayim, Melech chafaitz b'chayim, v'chatvaynoo b'sefer hachayim, l'mancha Eloheem chayeem.

Remember us unto life, our King who delights in life, and inscribe us in the Book of Life for Your sake, Y'HoVaH God of Life.

לשנה טובה תכתב ותחתם

L'shana tovah tikatev v'tichatem

May you be inscribed and sealed for a good year!

KIDDUSH

Blessing of the kiddush –

ברוך אתה אדני אלהינו מלך העולם בורא פרי הגפן

Baruch atah Yehovah, Eloheynu Melech ha-olam, boray pree hagafen. Amen.

Blessed are You, Yehovah our God, King of the universe, Creator of the fruit of the vine. Amen.

Blessing of the challah –

ברוך אתה אדני אלהינו מלך העולם המוציא לחם מן הארץ

Baruch atah Yehovah, Eloheynu Melech ha-olam, ha-motsee lechem min haarets. Amen.

Blessed are You, Yehovah our God, King of the universe, Who brings forth bread from the earth. Amen.

Blessing before eating the challah dipped in honey –

יהי רצון מלפניך יי אלהינו ואלוהי אבותינו ואמותינו שתחדש עלינו שנה טובה ומתוקה

Y'hi ratzon milfanecha, Adonai Eloheinu v'Elohei

avoteinu v'imoteinu, shetchadesh aleinu shanah tovah um'tukah.

May it be Your will, O Lord our God, God of our fathers and mothers, that this be a good and sweet year for us.