

The Two Sounds of Trumpet by Jesus Announcing Our Departure

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I started this study when I was talking with my brother-in-law Keith Duncan a couple of years ago, but I did stop it until now when Charo Quesada asked me about it. If we start by first allowing the Word of God to speak by itself we see directly in the context of the Scriptures, that there will be two sounds of trumpet announcing the taking-up of the born again Christians! :

- 1) The initial or first sound of trumpet within this context will raise alive those that died and that will live again in their immortal bodies spiritually energized, and
- 2) The second and final or last sound of trumpet for this context, is the one that will transform the living Christians still alive, in immortal beings spiritually energized.

Let's see the first sound of trumpet in the rising up of the born again believers that died at the moment of the rapture:

1 Thess. 4:16 "For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first."

Please, notice that this first sound of trumpet is given in the specific context of the believers that are already dead and that will be raised to life. Here we learn that Jesus Christ will order first with a great voice, with all authority (his leader shout, like that one with which he raised Lazarus), but also that, with the purpose to be Heard at the same time all over the planet earth, has to be a supernatural voice with all the spiritual authority, which Jesus Christ himself, being today a powerful spiritual being and the second in power after God, already has and will use fully in that moment (his voice of Archangel), to be able to raise simultaneously alive all the once death born-again believers all over the world!

Here, the third or last element will be the sound of that supernatural trumpet, unique and special that God has given to Jesus Christ for that specific event, also capable to be heard at the same time for all those that when hearing it will rise-up through the planet. For example: Jesus will say with his normal voice of Lord: Wake up!, then he will repeat this order with his supernatural voice of Archangel, being Jesus Christ the spiritual leader or head of the members of his Body, that at that moment will be like his angels under his direct commando of Archangel, and then he will give a first sound of trumpet, which will be clearly listened by the believers that will be waking up from among the death, raising up or flying immediately to the place where Jesus Christ will be at that moment (as if following the sound).

This first sound of trumpet will transform them into incorruptible, and will elevate alive those believers that were already dead, to the heights in the clouds where Christ will receive them, and all with Jesus will wait for the rest of the born again that will be alive and that will hear the second sound of trumpet.

This second or final sound of trumpet is told to us in the context of those born again Christians still alive, not dead, at the moment in which Jesus Christ will come to take us with him, and for that reason it is a different sound of trumpet from the one specified in Thessalonians:

1 Cor. 15:51-52a “Behold!, I tell you a sacred secret: we will not all sleep, but we will all be changed. In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet...”

If we stop here to think a Little about the context, Paul is revealing a tremendous secret, and he is doing it in the way that God requested him to do it, as if to seriously make us think; what Paul is telling us is that not all the born again Christian believers are going to be dead at the moment of the call from above, but that also those that are going to be still alive, like the rest of the believers already awakened to life at that moment, will be suddenly transformed at the final trumpet (this is the second sound of trumpet, which will transform the believers that will be alive, hence mortal, into immortal).

Then the verse continues, explaining what we already know related to the first trumpet:

1 Cor. 15:52b “...for the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we will be changed.”

If the ones alive will not precede those that fell asleep, and if those born again that were dead are the first ones that are going to be with Christ, and then, in second place the living believers (and those we wish to be), in a very brief difference in time, it is to be expected that the trumpet sound that will transform and will elevate the Christians alive (“awake”, to use the divine figure), will be a different, second or final sound of trumpet. If we again are focused in the related Scripture, the ellipsis completing the sense will be in the same way:

1 Cor. 15:52b “...for the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and [the trumpet will sound again, the last, second or final trumpet sound within the time and context of the rapture, or “the last trumpet” for the living born again] we will be changed”

If we now put together the Scriptures that we have seen, this would look like:

For the Lord himself with voice of authority, with voice of Archangel, and with trumpet of God, will descend from heaven; and the dead in Christ will be risen first, for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead will be resurrected incorruptible; and now, the secret revealed to Paul is that not all the Christians are going to be dead at the moment of the coming of Jesus Christ for us, but also the living believers will be transformed, in a moment, in a blink of an eye, at the final trumpet!. And all together, will depart from this planet, to be always with the Lord!

My father Manuel Castro reminded me that this that is going to happen resembles what happened in Sodom and Gomorra, where we learn that God can not allow the global destruction to be unleashed while there still are saints over the earth. OF course, our case is way far more powerful than that of Lot, because now we have holy spirit as a seed within ourselves, and that’s why even only one of us left (that thanks God will not be the case!), will be sufficient to stop all those spiritual hosts of wickedness that are only awaiting our departure to

unleash all their fury. In the very same instant in which all the born again believers will go out of here (like when Lot and his daughters left Sodom and Gomorra), at that very instant the Antichrist and his hosts of evil will take over the earth to completely devastate it, a process that will take them 7 years...

Finally, who best clarifies these things in this specific case is Finis Jennings Dake, who tells us that this trumpet from God to rise the born again ones sounds two times (1 Thess. 4:16 and 1 Cor. 15:51-52), and that this one is not the same as the seventh trumpet of the Apocalypse 8:13, 10:7, 11:15-19 - 15:4... Some of the notable differences are the next ones:

1) The trumpet for the born again happens at the moment of our rapture, is a trumpet of hope called "the trumpet of God", played by Jesus Christ, announcing an event that will happen in an instant, in the twinkling of an eye. This will be a trumpet that is played 2 times for the blessing, transformation and gathering of a born again humanity before the 70th week of Daniel (the period of 7 years in which the Antichrist will reign), hence, before the opening of the 7 seals, and before other 7 trumpets could be played by 7 different angels.

2) The seventh trumpet of the Apocalypse, on the other hand (Dake says), occurs at the middle of the 7 years of the reign of the Antichrist, after the 7 seals have already been opened, and the 6 first trumpets have been played by 6 different angels, and it is played by a seventh angel (notice that will not even be played by an Archangel), announcing multiple events that will last a period of time of some 3.5 years, in which the 7 chalices of wrath will be poured over the earth, not to gather believers but to judge a lost humanity. This is the trumpet number 7 to be played for the curse and ruin of a perverse humanity.

After all of this, after the two trumpets or trumpet sounds for blessing in the rapture, and of the seven trumpets or cursing trumpet sounds of the Apocalypse, another sound of trumpet is coming with which Jesus Christ is going to gather the inhabitants of all the nations over the earth that survived the battle of Armageddon (with our help), and will judge them in specific function of how they treated those who believed in Jesus during the time of the Apocalypse, to decide if he grants them entry to the City of his Kingdom of the Thousand years (the sheep), or not (the goats):

Mt. 24:31 "And he will send forth his angels [us!] with a **loud trumpet blast**, and **they will gather together** his chosen *ones* from the four winds, from the ends of the heavens to the ends of it."

The context of this tenth trumpet sound, that is coming after the 2 of our rapture and of the 7 of the Apocalypse, and that also gathers human beings of good heart, is developed by Jesus in Mt. 25:31-46, which is the final part of the prophetic class that he gave to his disciples, starting in the chapter 24 of Matthew, from a question they asked to him...