

Small Group Discussion Guide — March 8, 2026

- Series: The Table
 - Sermon: Trumpet
 - Scripture: Numbers 29:1-6
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CONNECT

Have you ever heard a trumpet? Where? What was the reason for it being played? How did hearing it make you feel?

FOLLOW-UP FROM LAST WEEK

Last week Pete challenged us to not play fair and choose not to hate those who hate us but to rather break the rule and love those who hate us. Did you feel “wronged” (which in a sense is being, “hated”) this past week by someone? Were you able to “break the rule” and still love that person? How did you do it? If not, what could you do in the future to find ways to break the rule and love those who wrong (hate) you?

ENGAGE

David mentioned that that Jesus is in the center of Old Testament writings. How is that true in Genesis 22 when Abraham was asked to sacrifice his son Isaac? (You might want to read Genesis 22:1-14). Think of the ram and the thorns in the thicket and how they relate to the death of Jesus. What themes do you see between the two accounts?

The sounds of trumpets in Scripture has two applications. What are they? Please see Joshua 6:20 and Revelation 11:15 that reveal the two applications, the two “Ws.” What do they reveal about God’s character? (See the “Going Deeper” section below if necessary for a clue to the two “Ws”).

APPLY

David mentioned that when we know that God is real, it changes Monday mornings. How is that the case? Read 2 Corinthians 5:17. What does it mean to be a new creation? What other Bible verses can you think of that support how knowing God changes one’s outlook on life, how knowing God changes who we are and how we are to think? Last, when will “all things be made (totally) new?” What will we hear at that time? (See Rev 11:15 for a clue, if necessary).

PRAYER

Lord Jesus you have taught us that your Word is Truth. The table metaphor and the playing of trumpets both point to you in the Old Testament. You and you alone, Lord Christ are the fulfillment of Jewish feasts and sacrifices. Help us to put out trust and our hope in your hands now and forevermore.

GOING DEEPER

Christ's return at the great sound of a trumpet will be a culmination of war and worship. A new order of things will come to fruition. All the weight of sin, all fear, all disease, all the hard things of life will be defeated once and for all. And a new heaven and a "burdenless existence" will begin. Try to imagine such a place, such a state of mind, and describe what it looks like to you.

ADDITIONAL SCRIPTURE

Leviticus 23:23; Joshua 6:20; Matthew 24:31; 1 Corinthians 15:32; Revelation 11:15

QUOTES

Brother Lawrence says, "He will come in His own time, when you least expect it." His first coming into our world two thousand years ago was so incomprehensible and unexpected that no one understood Him. - Peter Kreeft

It should be noted that there is a vast difference between the doctrine of Christ's first coming and the hope of His second coming. The first we may hold without feeling a trace of the second. - A.W. Tozer