

Zephaniah 1:16~ **A day of horn¹ and of alarm signal, against the fortified cities and against the high corner towers.**

Footnote: Or, shofar Hebrew, *shoh-phar'*

1· It will be a day of the sounding of the horn, warning the populace, and of alarm signals going off to alert people. It will be directed against the fortified cities of the earth, and their high corner towers. They all represent a way of life, that is contrary to the way of Yehowah God.

[Question] What kind of a day then will it be, and what sounds will be heard throughout it?

[Question] Where will this action by Yehowah God be directed against, and why there?

2· O my intestines, my intestines! I am in severe pains in the walls of my heart. My heart is boisterous within me. I cannot keep silent, for the sound of the horn is what my soul has heard, the alarm signal of war. (Jeremiah 4:19)

[Question] How did Jeremiah come to feel at the sound of the horn coming against his people?

3· And upon every high tower, and upon every fortified wall. (Isaiah 2:15)

[Question] Who will Yehowah God then bring his vengeance against?

4· And seven priests should carry seven rams' horns, before the Ark, and on the seventh day you should march round the city seven times, and the priests should blow the horns. (Joshua 6:4)

[Question] How did Joshua lead Israel to a similar victory, and who led the way toward the destruction of Jericho?

5· And Yehowah's spirit enveloped Gideon, so that he went blowing the horn, and the Abi-ezrites got to be called together after him. (Judges 6:34)

[Question] What did Gideon use to gather together the Abi-ezrites for war?

6· And that very man must become like cities that Yehowah

has overthrown, while He has felt no regret. And he must hear an outcry in the morning, and an **alarm signal** at the time of midday. (**Jeremiah 20:16**)

[Question] What did Jeremiah say should happen to the man who caused his own birth, for how did the day of Jerusalem's destruction make him feel?

- 7· **Blow a **horn** in Zion, O men, and shout a war cry in my holy mountain. Let all the inhabitants of the land get agitated, for the day of Yehowah is coming, for it is near! (**Joel 2:1**)**

[Question] What did Joel state that the men of Jerusalem and Judah should do as this day approached?

- 8· **If a **horn** is blown in a city, do not also the people themselves tremble? If a calamity occurs in the city, is it not also Yehowah who has acted? (**Amos 3:6**)**

[Question] What response did the blowing of a horn within a city bring about?

[Question] When a calamity occurs among a people, who has allowed it to come?

- 9· **They now said; Come on! Let us build ourselves a city, and also a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a celebrated name for ourselves, for fear we may be scattered over all the surface of the earth. (**Genesis 11:4**)**

[Question] What did the men of Babel group together to do against the will of Yehowah God?

[Question] How have men carried on this same idea right up until today, with their great and fortified cities and powerful nations?