The Jubilee Trumpet (Quality Average)

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[0:00] Thanks upon the Lord, I ask your prayerful attention to Leviticus chapter 25, and especially the first part of verse 9.

Leviticus 25, verse 9. Then shalt thou cause the trumpet of the jubilee to sound.

The whole verse reads, then shalt thou cause the trumpet of the jubilee to sound on the tenth day of the seventh month, in the day of atonement, shall ye make the trumpet sound throughout all your land.

Through the Lord's mercies we have been brought to this jubilee year of Her Majesty the Queen, and we are told to honour the King or Queen, of course, as in our case.

Some of us can remember two previous jubilees. The 25th of George V in 1935, and of course the silver jubilee of our pleasant Queen in 1977.

[1:45] And does not want to make many comments on the natural jubilee.

I am thankful the Queen has, as far as we know, led a moral life, very different from Edward VIII, Edward VII, or William IV, or sadly, the Prince of Wales.

She has not been responsible for the laws of our land that have been passed, that have so disgraced us in the last 50 years.

But I leave that as we want to come, as the Lord enables, to the subject before us, especially the trumpets of the jubilee.

As I said in prayer, we need to pray to be kept from, in any way, despising any portion of the Word of God.

[2:55] Remember, all Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable. And so, in the last chapter in reproof, rebuild, and so on, instruction in righteousness.

From the first verse of Genesis chapter 1, to the last verse of the last chapter of Revelation, all contain gospel teaching.

God, how we need to pray for the Lord, to shine upon His truth. Indeed, I would exhort you, whether in the house of God, your own homes, cars, or wherever you take up the Word of God, breathe a prayer in your heart for the Lord to shine light upon Him.

I have likened His Word to a perfect map. If such a map existed in our cars, it would be of no profit if the car was in darkness.

Send out, said the psalmist, thy light and thy truth. Let them guide me, let them bring me unto thy holy hill and to thy tabernacles.

[4:22] Now, it is a Sunday school anniversary, and I would like to speak especially for the younger friends.

Remember, sheep will not starve on lamb's food, though lambs might starve on sheep's food. But I pray there will be something for young and for all.

Now, I would firstly draw your attention that from chapters 11 to 25, each one begins with, the Lord, to the Lord, to the Lord, to the Lord.

The Lord spoke or said unto Moses. There rose not sins of prophet like unto Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face.

And he faithfully set these commandments before the people. This jubilee was not to be celebrated in the wilderness, partly because they were only there forty years, but they had no lands to till or to reap.

[5:41] We must not confuse a wilderness with a desert. There was sufficient food in the wilderness for their flocks and herds.

And the point being, the wilderness was not cultivated. And this commandment, as we read in the first verse, applied to when they could, when they came unto the land which the Lord would give them.

Now, as we consider these trumpets, remember the Lord teaches by parables. In his ministry on earth, we read, without a parable, spake he not unto them.

And afterwards, expounded to his disciples. We find his disciples often came to him and said, Lord, tell us the meaning.

The parable of the tares and so on. Millions see the parables of nature. Few, and are you and am I amongst them, desire to be instructed by them.

[7:09] Well, that you may follow my thoughts, I say immediately, I look upon this trumpet, the sounding of the trumpet, as the preaching of the gospel.

Indeed, one of our hymns begins. Hark how the gospel trumpet sounds. Christ and free grace.

And grace for you younger ones means the free unmerited favor of God through Jesus Christ. Christ and free grace therein abounds.

And if free grace, why not for me? Now, the modern trumpet has bells.

But these were only invented about 300 years ago. The trumpets of scripture were more what we would refer to as bugles.

[8:25] The sound from the trumpet is varied according to the lips. When the lips are, as it were, comparatively slack and vibrate slowly, a deep sound is made.

When they are drawn more tightly in the mouthpiece, a high note is sounded. And for the most part, it would appear the trumpets, as we read in the book of Joshua, Remember, when they compassed the city of Jericho, the trumpets were of ram's horns.

But now, there were these two trumpets of silver that we may look upon later. But how does a trumpet make a sound?

I say, keep this figure of the preaching of the gospel in your mind's eye. It makes a sound because air is expelled from the lungs through the trumpet.

But, and how essential and how important, that air must first have been breathed in.

[9:57] Silently, compared with the sounding of the trumpet when it is breathed out. So, in the preaching of the gospel, the Holy Spirit must first breathe in.

And that air which is breathed in is pure. And, of course, this figure applies in nature to the birth of a baby.

Before the days of stethoscopes and ultrasonic scans, how was it known the babe was alive? Born alive.

By its feeble cry. But before that cry was made, air was breathed in. So, in the new birth, God took dust of the earth and breathed into it.

And Adam became a living soul. Do you and I know of that experience?

[11:32] As with the newborn babe, though we cannot dwell upon that figure, it feels distress. It must be a traumatic experience to be born, and none of us remember it.

But the mother rejoices. Not because she's hard-hearted. But because that cry of distress proves there is life.

So you who travail for the souls of others, how you will rejoice when you see them weeping and mourning over their sins.

But to move on. Many instruments can be played softly.

A piano or an organ. But not so with a trumpet. If you blow very gently into it, there will be no sound at all.

[12:30] It must be blown with at least some force. And then, how the trumpet sounds.

Just after the war, I was in the army of occupation in Germany. And I shared a room with a man who in civilian life played in a brass band in the north.

And in the room we shared, he used to practice with his trumpet. And the noise was so deafening, I used to have to walk out.

And I used to tell him, you could hear that trumpet sounding all over the camp. He didn't believe it, but it was true. But now consider this figure.

Remembering the sounding of the gospel trumpet. You might have ten thousand trumpeters blowing with all their might around a coffin.

[13:38] And the dead person would hear nothing at all. It would have no effect upon him.

To alarm him. To give him instructions as we may look at. And so on. It would have no effect upon the dead. Does the preaching of the gospel have an effect upon you?

It will, if you are a living soul. The trumpet shall sound.

But then, let us move on. And our friend touched upon this this afternoon.

It was the sound of the jubilee to notify it was a time of release. A time of liberty.

[14:44] Now, who would long for living? Those that felt they had it already? Wouldn't be bothered, would they?

But their captives would. Those who, through their poverty, had been sold. How they would be longing for that time to come.

Listening, as we might say, Day by day, will this day be the day when I hear the trumpet to set me at liberty?

In the prophecy of Isaiah, we read in the 27th chapter concerning Israel, How they would be gathered one by one, O ye children of Israel, And it shall come to pass in that day that the great trumpet shall be blown, And they shall come, And they shall come, which were ready to perish.

Does that describe your case, dear friend? Do you feel ready to perish? And notice, They which were ready to perish in the land of Assyria, Now, The outcasts, In the land of Egypt, As the lepers, That were separated from outcasts, As it were.

[16:37] They shall come at the sound of that trumpet, And shall worship the Lord, In the holy mount, At Jerusalem.

It was at Jerusalem, Where the sacrifices were offered. You younger ones may often hear of the synagogues in which the Lord preached, At Capernaum and other places, The synagogues in which the apostle preached.

The synagogues were places of teaching, Where the word of God was read, As we find, The Lord was given the book of the prophet Isaiah, In Luke chapter 4, To which I may refer.

But only sacrifices were only offered, At Jerusalem. On Mount Moriah, The temple being built upon the threshing floor, Of all known the Jebusite, As we can read in the book of Canicus.

They shall come, To Mount Zion. Now I say, This trumpet sounded, And with what joy, To those that were sung.

[18:17] We sometimes sing, Sold under sin, Was Paul's complaint. He sorely felt the fall.

Do you fear that? Our sins, Deserve eternal, Punishment.

If we could live the rest of our lives, Free from sin, That would not atone for, One person. I love the various names, Of our Saviour, But, One especially seems, To draw one's affections out, And that is, The Redeemer.

The Redeemer. A Redeemer is one, Who pays a debt. A hundred years ago, The trade of porn, Broking, Flourished.

No national assistance, When a man was ill, No wages came in, And so on. So, To provide food, A precious article, A ring, A watch may be, Would be taken, To the porn broker, Who would advance, A sum of money, Keeping that precious thing, A security, A security.

When health was restored, Or, Circumstances more propitious, A sum of money, Would be taken, To the porn broker, And the precious article, Would be redeemed, Bought, Back, The debt, Would be paid, Christ, Came to redeem, His people, The apostle Peter, Writes in his first epistle, Ye were not redeemed, With corruptible things, As silver and gold, But with the, Precious, Blood of Jesus, As of a lamb, Without blemish, It is the blood, That maketh an atonement,

For the soul, I often refer, To this book of Leviticus, As the gospel, As it is in Leviticus, And I think it is, Indeed, In the, Seventeenth chapter, Where you read, Of these sacrifices, The life, Of the flesh, Is in the blood, And I have given it, To you, Upon the altar, To make an atonement, For your souls, For it is the blood, That maketh an atonement, For the soul, The trumpet, The trumpet shall sound, In the day, Of atonement, In the day, Of atonement, You may just mention, One's own, Little experience, On the second Lord's day,

Of July, 1941, Before I rose, That Lord's day morning, I was weeping, Literally, And mourning, Over my sins, And the Lord spoke, With such power, In my soul, Thy sins, Which are many, And we had to say, Amen to that, Thy sins, Which are many, Are all forgiven, They, I leapt out of bed, Fell on my knees, And thanked, And praised God, From the bottom, Of my heart, Wouldn't you have done so, You see, It was a day, Of atonement, The trumpet, Of the jubilees, It were, Sounded in my heart, And we wept, To the mercy, That we had found, I love that dear woman, In Luke chapter 7, Much might be said.

Upon her case, That we cannot, Dwell upon now, But, She must have known, The scorn, And ridicule, She would get, In the Pharisees house, Of no doubt, She was tempted, To wait, Until the Lord, Was all by himself, But she, Could not wait, Hers was an urgent, Blessing case, And so, She came, Into the Pharisees, Hands, What self-righteousness, This man, Referring to Christ, If he were a prophet, So he obviously, Is not even a prophet, If he were a prophet, He would have known, Who and what manner, Of woman this is, That touches him, She is a sinner, She is a sinner, The Lord spoke, The parable, Of the two dead, Which of them, Will love him most, I suppose, He,

To whom the most, Is forgiven, Does rightly judge, He reproves, The Pharisee, And then he says, To the Pharisee, Her sins, Which were many, Are many, Are all forgiven, Now, He was not speaking, To her, She must have heard, What he said, Because she was at his feet, Would you be satisfied, If someone said to you, The Lord has told me, Your sins are forgiven, No, Not if you're rightly taught, You'd say with a psalmist, Say unto my soul, I am thy salvation, He then turned, And said, Unto her, Thy sins,

Are forgiven thee, Oh, What liberty, Was given to, In passing, She had those three, Essential graces, She had a faith, To believe, That Christ, Was the promised, Missile, And those feet, Would be pierced, For sinners, She had a hope, They would be pierced, For her sins, And this important, Fact you may not, Have considered, She loved the Lord, Before, She was told, Her sins were, For forgiven, You who are, Waiting for this trumpet, To sound the day, Of liberty, And of atonement, Do you already, Love his people, Love the Lord, And that will,

Of course, Be manifest, By a love, To the brethren, And a desire, To keep his commandments, The Lord said, He that hath, My commandments, My commandments, And keepeth them, He it is, That loveth me, Bring yourself to that test, Now the Lord, I said, I said, Began his, Ministry, In, Luke chapter 4, When he came, Into Nazareth, Went into the synagogue, On the Sabbath day, Given to him, The prophet, Isaiah, And he read from, What we would refer to, As the 61st chapter, The spirit of the Lord, Is upon me,

Because he hath anointed me, To preach the gospel, To the poor, To the poor, To the poor, Mary in the magnificent, Uttered, A very precious, Word, He hath filled, The hungry, In other words, The poor, He hath filled, The hungry, With good things, He hath sent, The rich, The self-sufficient, Empty away, To preach, The gospel, To the poor, He hath sent, Me to heal, The brokenhearted, To preach, Deliverance, To the captives, And recovering, Of sight, To the blind,

To set at, Liberty, Them, That, Are bruised, To preach, The acceptable, Year, Of the Lord, Them, That are, Bound, Paul, Writing to the, Romans, Speaks of, Those that are, Bound, By, The law, He uses, The figure, Of a, Marriage, The woman, Which hath, A husband, Is bound, By the law, To her husband, So long, As he liveth, But if her husband, Be dead, She is no adulteress, Though she be married, To another man, Wherefore,

My brethren, Ye also, Are become, Dead to the law, By the body, Of Christ, That ye should be, Raised, From the dead, That, We should bring, Forth fruit, Unto God, I love the way, The Old Testament, Historical portions, Illustrate, Gospel truths, Ruth, Married to Marlon, Had no children, Had Marlon, Her first husband, Continued to live, She would have been, Bound by the law, To him, But her first husband, Being dead, She could then, Be married, To Boaz, The type of Christ, By whom, She brought forth, Through, She had at least, One son,

Now, In Galatians, We have words, Of warning, The apostle, Describes them, As foolish, Galatians, Having begun, In the spirit, Are ye now, Made, Perfect, Perfect, By the law, You see, They had been, Called by grace, And yet, Had been, As we might say, Seduced by Satan, Into thinking, Their deeds, Would obtain, Righteousness, When he goes, On to, Use the figure, Of, Ishmael, The son, Of the bond woman, Born, As it were, Into bondage, Into service,

To whom, As we, Read, A few verses, Concerning it, In Deviticus 25, There was no, Jew belief, For the bond man, Only, For the Israelites, And he gives, This exhortation, May you and I, That are old, A later heart, Stand fast, Therefore, In the liberty, Wherewith Christ, Hath made us free, And be not, Entangled again, With, The yoke of bondage, Where the spirit, Of the Lord is, We read, There is liberty, I refer you now, To John chapter 8, Where the Pharisees,

Said to the Lord Jesus, We are children, Of Abraham, We were never, In bondage, To any man, And the Lord, Went on, To say this, If the son, Shall make, Go free, He, Shall be free, Indeed, Because, He has, Redeemed, His people, He has, Made, A full, Aton, Many, In a profession, Of religion, Will speak, Of what, They have done, For the Lord, How they began, With the Lord, Well if you begin, With the Lord, It will soon, Come to an end, It has to be, The Lord, Beginning with you, And then it will endure, And they speak,

As if, Well if anything, Is lacking, Then Christ, With his sacrifice, Can just top up, My own works, To make it good, A way, With the child, Remember, When the, Sons of the widow, Brought the vessels, To her, She said, Bring me, Empty vessels, Not half full, Of their own works, And the oil, Of grace, Was poured in, To empty, Vessels, The trumpet, Shall sing, We read, In the first epistle, To the Corinthians, If the trumpet, Give an uncertain, Sound, Who shall, Prepare himself, For the battle,

Going, Thinking back, To army days, In the morning, The trumpeter, Or bugler, Sounded the revali, And we knew, It was a command, To get up, Have breakfast, Commence the day's parades, Or whatever, Was involved, At night, The last post, Was sounded, The same instrument, The same trumpeter, But a different sound, So in the preaching, Of the gospel, There are many things, That are needed, To be set, Before our hearers, To warn, Of temptation, To speak, To speak, Of the Lord, Delivering, From trials, And the many burdens, For need of guidance, And so on, But the all important subject, To which we have to return, Again and again, Is sin,

[35:23] And salvation, The malady, And the remedy, The need, To be free, From the bondage, Of the law, Into the glorious liberty, Of Jesus Christ, And for you younger ones, This does not, Of course, Mean, That we are therefore, Free to sin, The apostle, Was accused of this, And replies in the epistle, To the Romans, Shall we sin, That grace lay about, God forbid, God forbid, We now desire, To keep his commandments, Not through fear, Of punishment, But constrained, By love, I cannot remember,

The time, When I did not know, I was a sinner, As a very small child, I could take you, To the place, Where I knew, I was a sinner, To be, Disobedient, To my parents, To tell a lie, Was sin, And I knew, I'd done it, But my great concern, Was, Whether I'd be found out, And punished, Otherwise, It didn't greatly, Bother me, But, Not so now, If we, With a grain, Of faith, Believe, God suffered, To atone, For our sins, Sin will be, Exceeding sin, And we shall, Weep, And mourn, Over it, One said, I hate, The sins, That made thee, Mourn, Referring to the spirit, And drove thee, From my breast, Not that the holy spirit,

Is ever, Taken away, We're taken away, But because, Of our sins, He withdraws, His, Foul presence, But there is, Another trumpet, I want to refer to, In conclusion, And that is, Not a trumpet, That will be, Sounded by man, We read, Of it, Both in Corinthians, And in the, Epistle to the, Thessalonians, How, That the, Trumpet, Shall sound, I show you, A mystery, We shall, Not all, Sleep, That is, Some of the, Lord's people, Will still be, Alive upon the, Earth, At his, Second coming, We shall,

Not all, Sleep, But we shall, All be challenged, Oh I love that, We shall, All be challenged, In a moment, In the twinkling of an eye, At the last, Trump, For the trumpet, Shall sound, And the dead, Shall be raised, Incorruptible, And we, Shall be challenged, This corruptible, Must put on, In the twinkling, This mortal, Must put on, Immortality, Are you, Prepared, For that, Sailing of the trumpet, Whether it, Comes for us, As, Individuals, Or, Collectively, For mankind, At the end, Of time, We, We came, Down, The M11, This morning,

As some of you, May know, A small aircraft, Failed to land, At the airfield, At Duxford, And overshot, And crashed, On to the M11, And the pilot, Was killed, He had taken off, From North, Weald, Airdrome, Which we also, Came past, And either my wife, Or myself, Commented, He'd taken off, No doubt, Expecting to, Meet his friends, Relatives, And so on, Instead of which, In a moment, Taken from time, To eternity, How is it with you?

[40:06] One of my dear, Daughters-in-law, Said you always, Seem to be going, To funnels, Well that's true, We went to one, A fortnight ago, We expect to go, To one on Wednesday, Our friends, Our contemporaries, Our relatives, Are rapidly, Passing away, But though the old, Must die, The young may, Are you ready, For that, Sounding of that, Great trumpet, Prepare, I refer you, To the, Parable of the wise, And foolish virgins, We read, They that were ready, Now notice, The small print, Went in, With him, Not to him, Went in, With him, To the marriage, If I was in this, Chapel, And you came in,

From outside, You came in, To me, If we were both, On the car park, Together, And we came in, Through the door, You came in, With me, You were in, My presence, And company, The other side, Of the door, And the wise, And the wise virgins, Were those, That were with the Lord, In this life, So when they died, Setting forth, Going through the doorway, He went in, With them, The foolish, Were never, In his company, When the cry, Was made, They went to buy, When they returned, The door, Was shut, With many things, In life, We may, Adopt a ground, Of neutrality, We may say, I cannot vote, For that man, I can't vote, For the other, I won't vote at all,

I'll be neutral, But when a door, Is closed, We are one side, Or the other, And when the door, Of your life, Closes, And mine, Closes, We shall either, Be shut out, From Christ, Forever and ever, Or shut in, With him, For ever and ever, And it will be, Made manifest, By whether, We know, And feel, And love, His company, In this land, Whether, We have heard, This gospel, Trumpet, Of atonement, Sound in our souls, There is no, Purgatory, As the poor, Roman Catholics, Teach, In which, The soul, The soul, Is, As it were, In a suspended state, Until money, Is paid to the church, Or so many prayers,

Are made, Then it can be released, They say, To him, Away with such error, When the trumpet, When the trumpet sounds, At the end, Of your life, And life, We shall either, Be with Christ, Forever, Shut out, From him, Forever, Well, There are many, Trumpets, Mentioned in the, Book of the Revelation, Sounded by the angels, And we haven't touched, Upon these, Silver trumpets, Made of one piece, How beautiful, How precious, But may those of us, Who sound as it were, But ramshorns, May we be found, Faith, Sounding the appropriate alarm, The gathering together, Or whatever, The commandment of the Lord, The Lord spake unto Moses, Is laid upon us,

It is required of a steward, That he be found, Faith, While I leave it there, The trumpet, Shall, Sound, Amen,