יום תרועה / ראש השנה

Yom Teruah Rosh HaShanah

Yom Teruah is known for the blowing of the shofar (ram's horn) and it is tradition to read the story of the binding of Yitzhak when the congregation is gathered for the festival. The word for binding (Akedah, עָקִידָה, cf Gen 22:9) has become the name for the whole story we find in Genesis 22.

After many years Sarah and Avraham had finally been given a child by God. This child was a miracle since both parents were past the normal age of childbearing. While Avraham and Sarah had tried many other avenues to bring about God's will, Yitzhak was the child who fulfilled the covenant

promise that God had made with Avraham. From seemingly nowhere God asked Avraham to take and sacrifice Yitzhak on a mountain that God would show him. How it must have pained Avraham to think about the possibility of offering up to God the one son that he had waited for years to hold and love.

But Avraham was a man of faith who believed deeply in the faithfulness of God and the word of God. After being told to sacrifice Yitzhak, Avraham and Yitzhak proceeded to the

place of God's choosing, and they went without hesitation. After arriving at the place where the sacrifice would be offered, Avraham commanded his servants to wait while he and the lad would go further and worship. After tying Yitzhak upon the altar, Avraham raised a knife and was ready to slay his beloved son. Then, out of heaven Avraham heard a voice that commanded him to stop. There in the thickets was a ram caught by its horn that could not free itself. The ram was taken by Avraham and became the sacrifice in Yitzhak's place.

Since both Yom Teruah and the binding of Yitzhak from mention the ram's horn, the story of the binding of Yitzhak is retold every Rosh HaShanah for all to hear and marvel at the deliverance and providence of God. We know, of course, that the story of Avraham and Yitzhak foreshadowed the coming of our Messiah, the Son of God, Who was offered up for us. When we hear the Shofar blowing on Yom Teruah, we remember the Yitzhak was spared, but that Yeshua was not. He gave up His life so that we could live eternally.

Rosh HaShanah Word Search

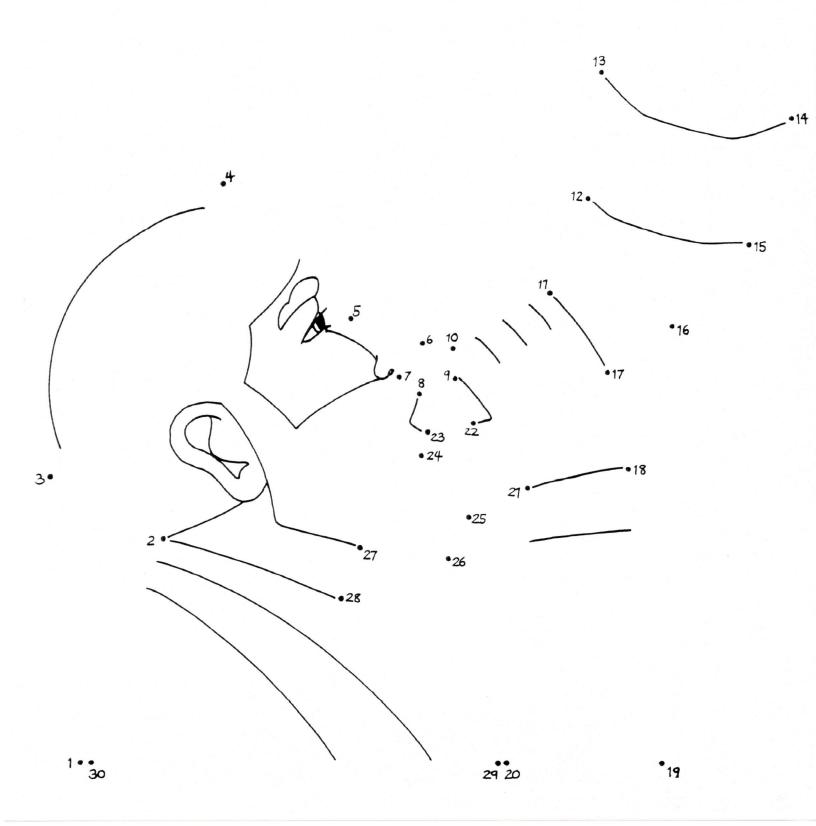
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Find the following words and phrases in the puzzle above. Words can be up, down, backwards, forwards, or diagonal. NOTE: There are no spaces between words and no apostrophes in the puzzle. For example, TAPUCHIM U'DVASH will look like this: TAPUCHIMUDVASH.

ROSH HASHANAH	T'KIAH	APPLE	RABBI
SHOFAR	SH'VARIM	HONEY	CANTOR
MACHZOR	T'RUAH	NEW YEAR	ARK
SHANAH TOVAH	TESHUVAH	PRAYER	TORAH
U'METUKAH	T'FILAH	CHOCOLATE CHIP	HAPPY NEW YEAR
AVINU MALKENU	TZEDAKAH	CHALLAH	
TAPLICHIM LI'DVASH	GWEET YEAR	RAISIN CHALLAH	

DOT-TO-DOT

Connect the dots to see who's blowing the shofar.





And Abraham said, 66God will provide for Himself the lamb for the burnt offering, IMY SOM. 99

Genesis 22:8

ROUND CHALLAH

The challah we eat on Rosh Hashanah is round to remind us of the cycle of the year. Decorate this challah cover and cut it out. You may want to paste it on a doily.

