



A Worship Study Guide for Individuals, Groups and Families: For the week of November 26, 2017

Note to Discussion Leaders: Have members read the Bible passage in the group meeting. This is a "worship discussion" guide, and our reflections and applications are grounded in Scripture. Read through this guide before meeting with the group. You do not need to work through the whole guide. Decide which points would be most helpful for the time of meeting together, and use them as a starting point for your time together.

Numbers 10:1-36 "Leaving Sinai"

Communities have signals. We use sirens, cues, songs, smells and everything in between to communicate. What are some of the signals your friends, family or community uses?

Read Numbers 10:1-10. What were the various ways the trumpets were used in the camp?

Sometimes, the LORD called the community together (3,10)

- Why would God call His people together?
- The LORD still gathers His people together to worship Him. Last Sunday, we read [Psalm 9:1-2,11](#) as our *Call to Worship*, believing it is the Living God who brought us together for His glory. Read those verses again as a group. What does God tell us His Church does when She is gathered together?

Sometimes, the LORD mobilized the community (2,6)

- Why would God call His people to break camp and set out?
- The LORD still mobilizes His people to follow Him. Last Sunday, we read [1 Corinthians 15:51-58](#) as our *New Testament Reading*, believing Jesus will mobilize us to set out for glory at the last trumpet. Read those verses again as a group. What does God tell us will happen on the day His Church breaks camp for good?

Sometimes, the LORD **assembled Israel's** leaders (4)

- Why would God call only leaders to meet with Him?
- The LORD still calls and equips leaders for the Church. Pray together as a group for West End Presbyterian Church, for [her leaders](#), and for God to always be raising up leaders as gifts to His people.

Sometimes, the LORD rallied His army (9)

- Why would God send His people into conflict?
- The LORD leads us in daily battles as His Kingdom advances. Last Sunday, the congregations sang the great hymn, *Be Still My Soul*, believing the LORD is with His people in spiritual conflict against the world, the flesh & the devil. [Read, listen to, or sing](#) that hymns again as a group. What conflict has God led you into these days? Pray for one another & for the suffering and persecuted Church, that we all would be made wise & faithful for spiritual conflict.

WEPC will take a break from *Numbers* for the season of Advent, but *Worship Study Guides* will continue to be published each Sunday:

- Dec 3: Jesus, Our Righteousness (Jeremiah 23:5-6)
- Dec 10: Jesus, Our Judge (Luke 21:25-35)
- Dec 17: Jesus, Our Scandal (Matthew 11:2-11)
- Dec 24: Jesus, Our Sacrifice (John 1:19-29)
- Dec 31: Resume the Book of Numbers

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Sermon Notes

This week, Steve Shelby preached on [Numbers 10:1-36](#).

Today's text is divided into three parts: Trumpets, Pilgrims, & Rest

The Trumpets (1-10)

- The trumpets serve the purpose of calling the people together, calling them to war (alarm), calling them to move and “reminding” God of His promises to His people ([Genesis 8:1](#))
- It is no small thing that trumpets in the New Testament are used similarly. [I Corinthians 15:52](#) & [I Thessalonians 4:16](#). There are also 7 trumpets blown by angels in the [Book of Revelation](#).

The Pilgrims (11-24)

- Practical and Spiritual (the cloud and the guide)
- Our trailblazer
- Fixing our eyes on Jesus ([Hebrews 12:2](#))

The Rest (34-36)

- A great beginning only to be followed by [Numbers 11:1](#)
- Now when the people complained....