

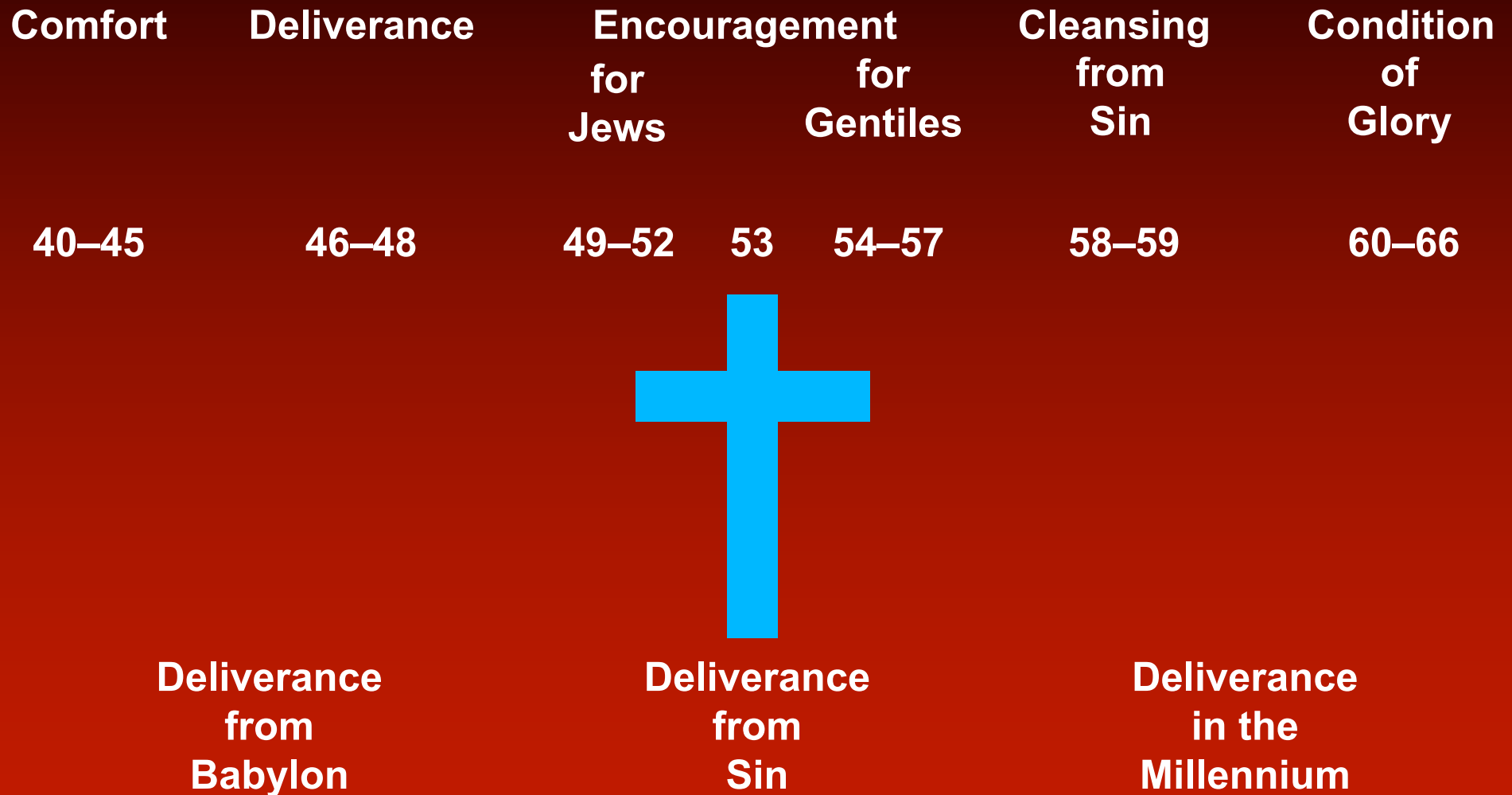
Isaiah 60–66



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**How will God complete his
plan for all creation?**

Be Complete



Judgment
1–39

*God will **judge** those who reject him (Isaiah 1–39).*

Be Complete



Judgment
1–39

Salvation
40–66

God will **save** those who trust him (Isaiah 40–66).

Key Word

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Restoration

Isaiah

Theme

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**Restoration
of the Created Order**

Isaiah

Kingdom Statement

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After the Jews are judged and believe in the Messianic King (1–39), God will **restore** the whole created order under the rule of His Son (40–66).

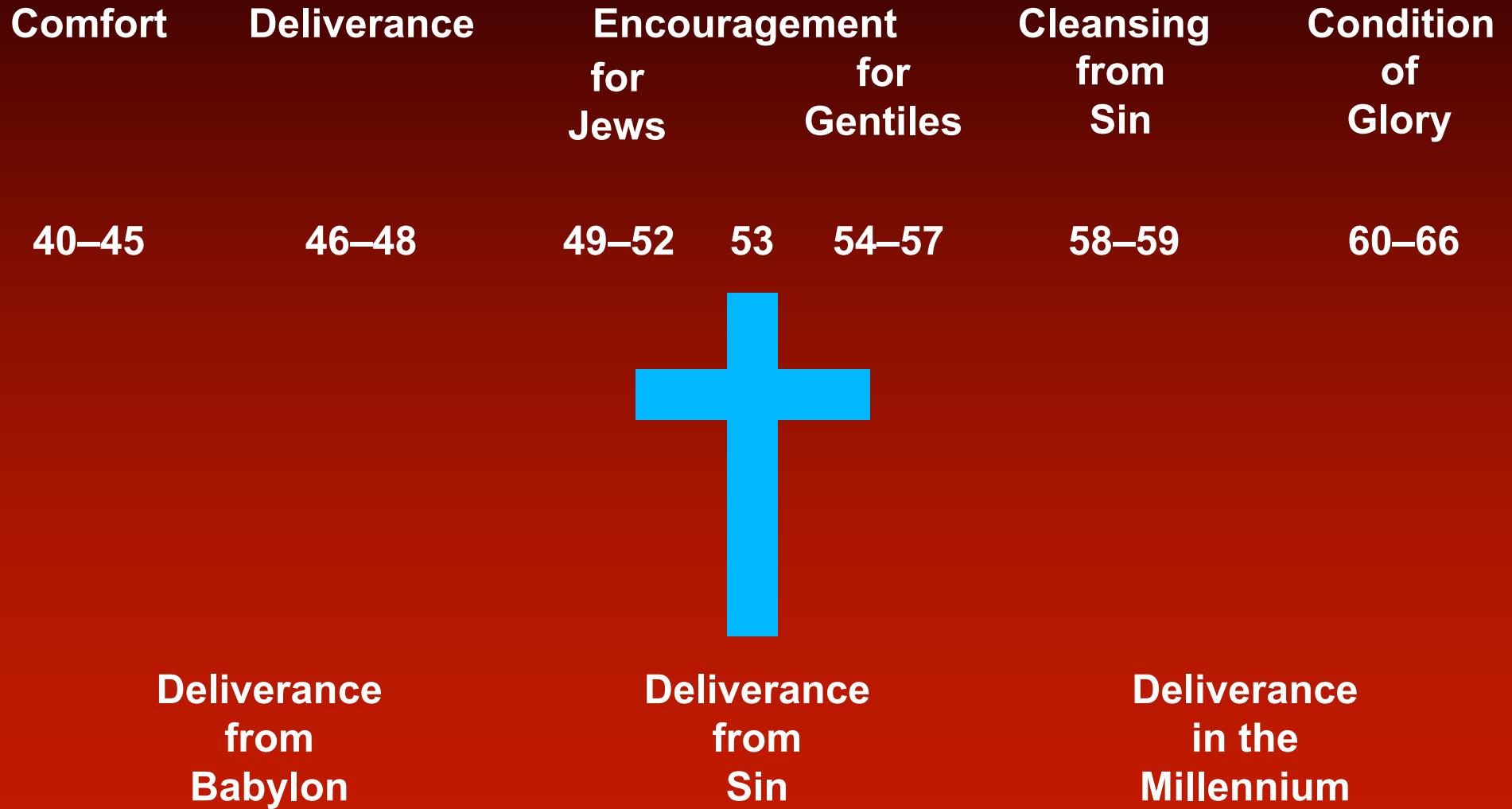
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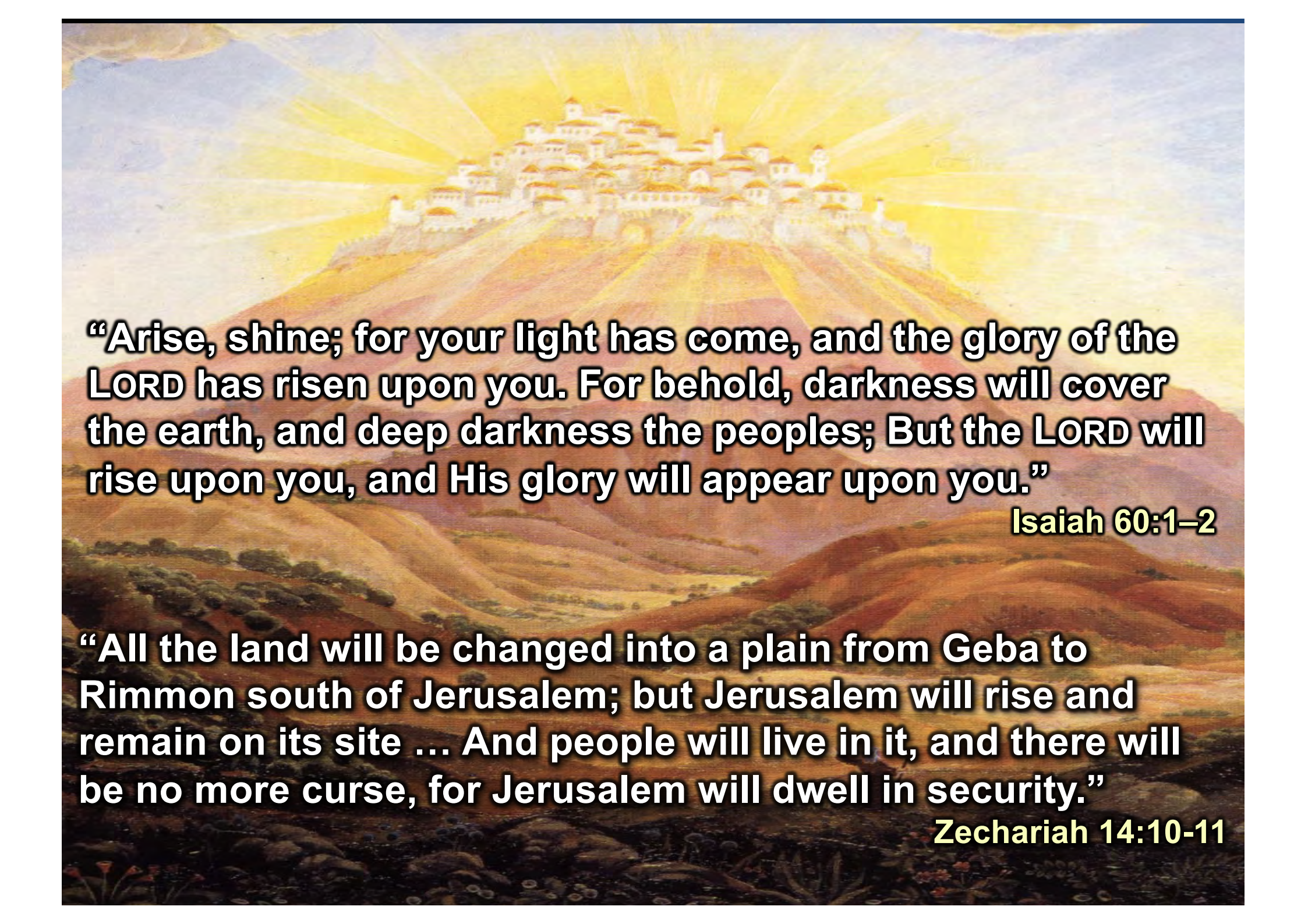
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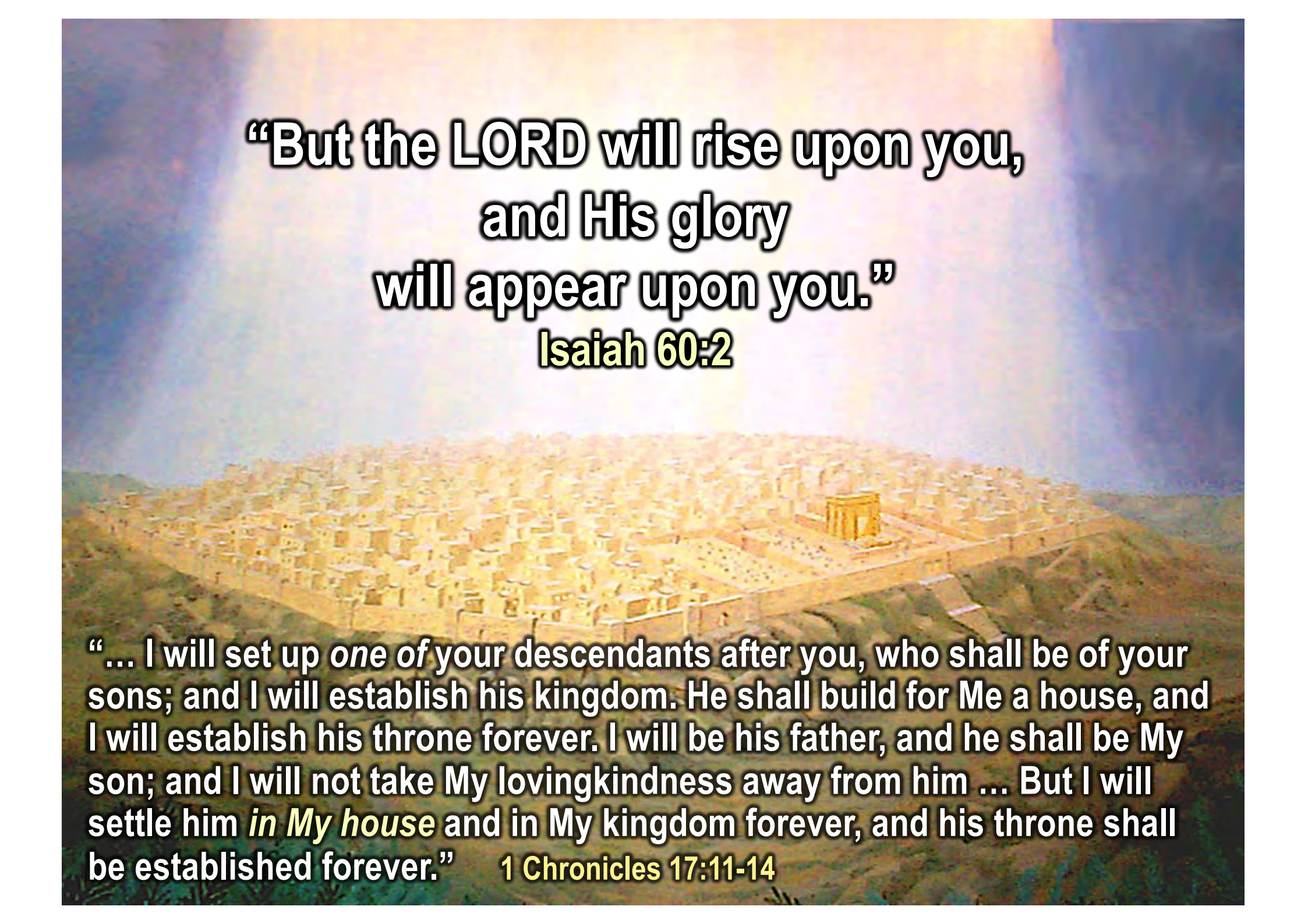
A painting of Jerusalem on a hill, with radiant light emanating from the city, symbolizing divine glory and hope. The city is depicted with white buildings and red roofs, set against a backdrop of rolling hills and a bright, golden sky. The light rays create a sense of divine presence and glory.

“Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For behold, darkness will cover the earth, and deep darkness the peoples; But the LORD will rise upon you, and His glory will appear upon you.”

Isaiah 60:1–2

“All the land will be changed into a plain from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem; but Jerusalem will rise and remain on its site ... And people will live in it, and there will be no more curse, for Jerusalem will dwell in security.”

Zechariah 14:10-11

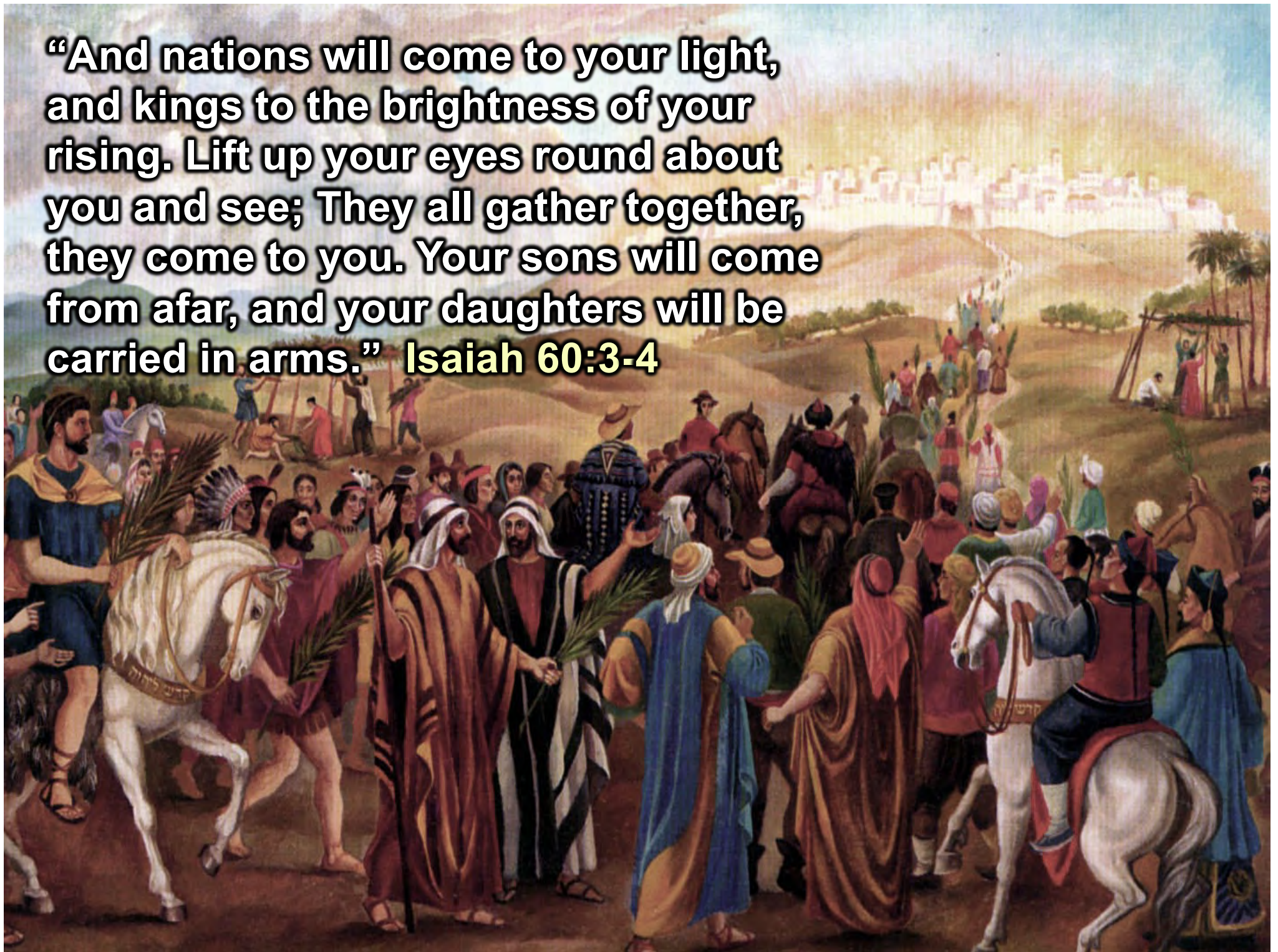
A dramatic landscape featuring a vibrant rainbow arching across a cloudy sky. Below the rainbow, a sprawling city with numerous golden-yellow buildings is visible, situated on a hillside. The scene is bathed in a warm, golden light, suggesting a sunrise or sunset. The city appears to be a biblical or historical setting, with a prominent temple or palace structure in the center.

**“But the LORD will rise upon you,
and His glory
will appear upon you.”**

Isaiah 60:2

“... I will set up *one of* your descendants after you, who shall be of your sons; and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build for Me a house, and I will establish his throne forever. I will be his father, and he shall be My son; and I will not take My lovingkindness away from him ... But I will settle him *in My house* and in My kingdom forever, and his throne shall be established forever.” **1 Chronicles 17:11-14**

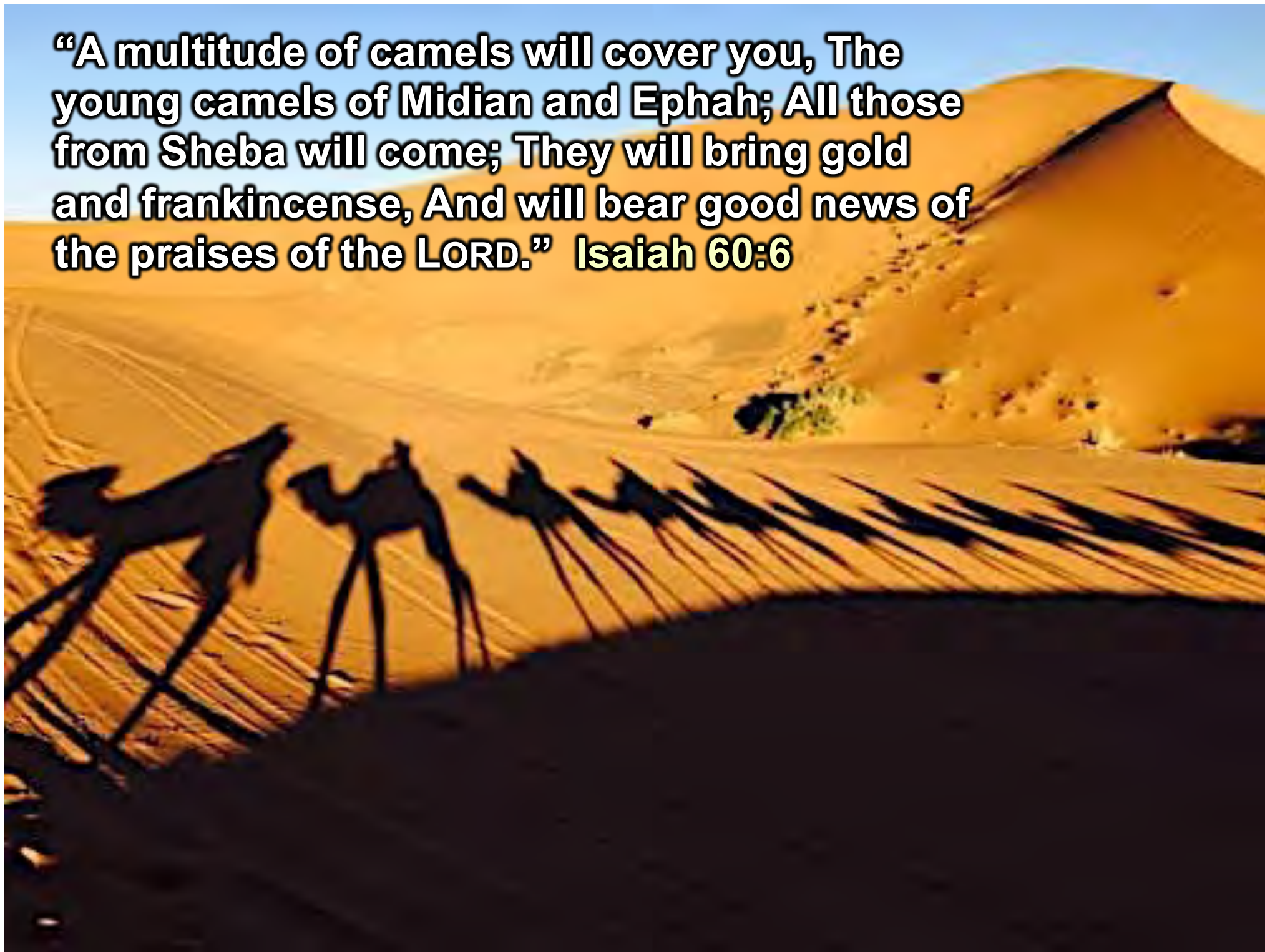
**“And nations will come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your
rising. Lift up your eyes round about
you and see; They all gather together,
they come to you. Your sons will come
from afar, and your daughters will be
carried in arms.” Isaiah 60:3-4**



“Then you will see and be radiant, and your heart will thrill and rejoice; Because the abundance of the sea will be turned to you, the wealth of the nations will come to you.” Isaiah 60:5




“A multitude of camels will cover you, The young camels of Midian and Ephah; All those from Sheba will come; They will bring gold and frankincense, And will bear good news of the praises of the LORD.” Isaiah 60:6

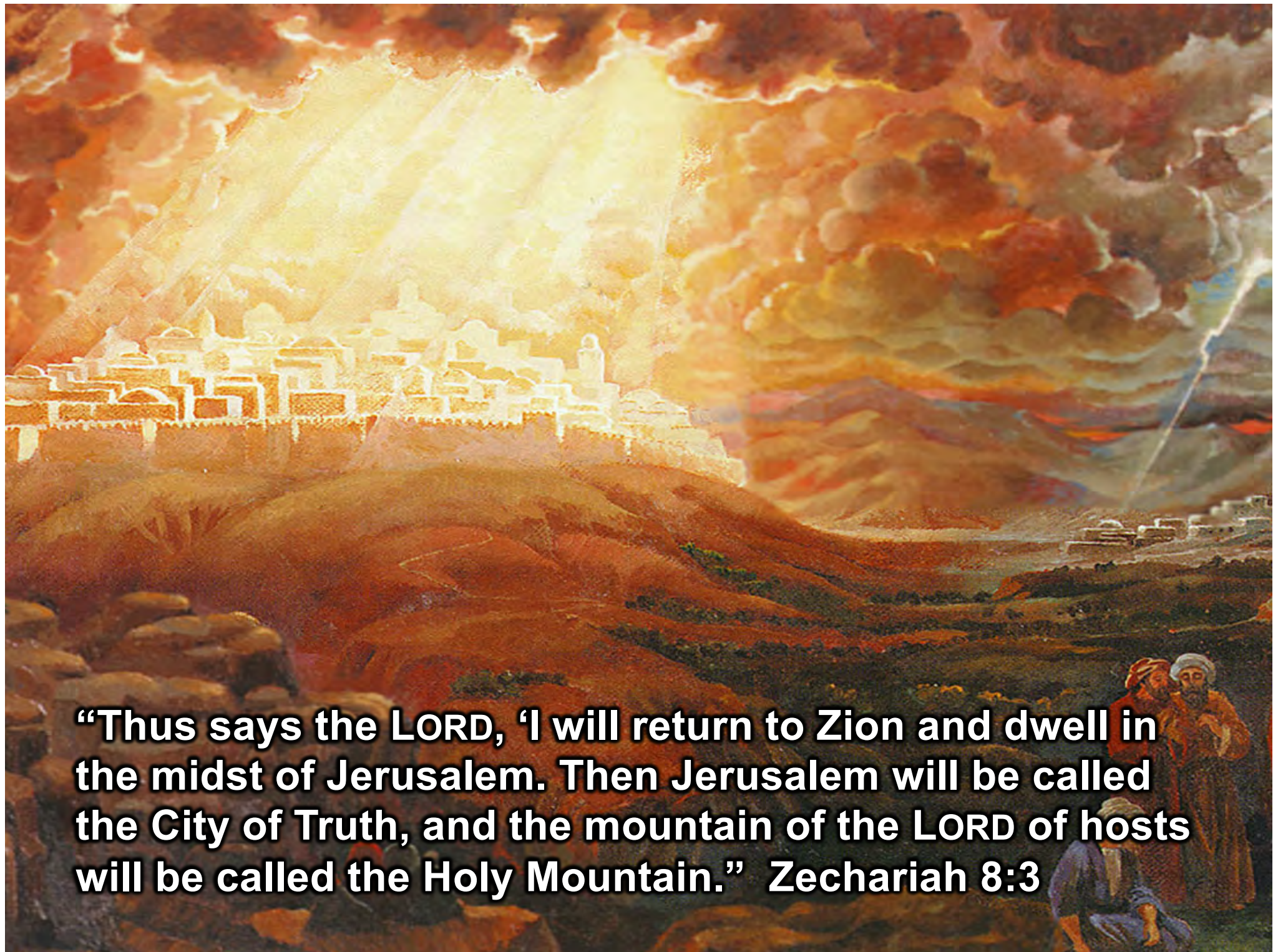




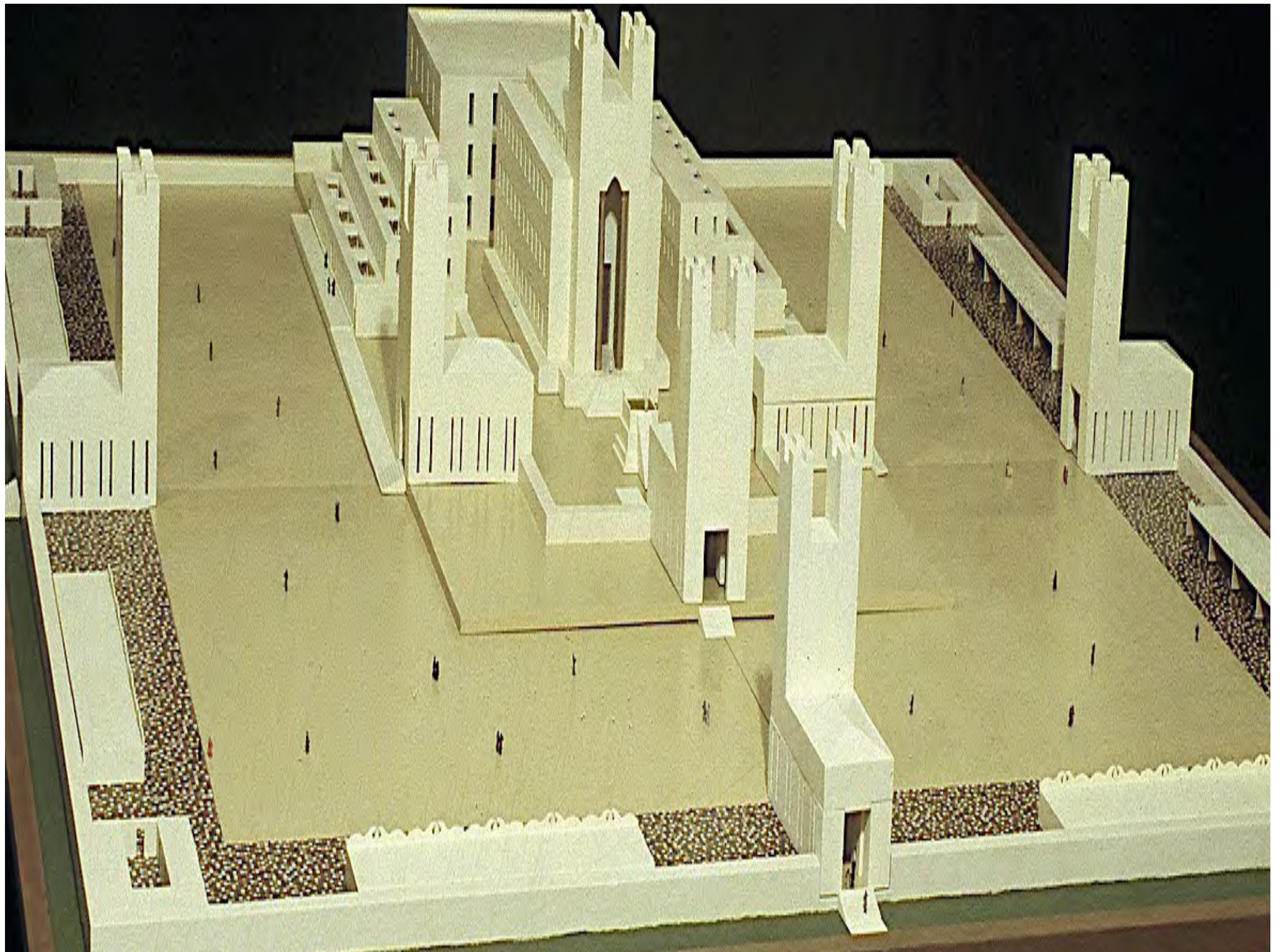
“All the flocks of Kedar will be gathered together to you, the rams of Nebaioth will minister to you...” **Isaiah 60:7a**



**“They will go up with acceptance
on My altar, and I shall glorify My
glorious house.” **Isaiah 60:7b****



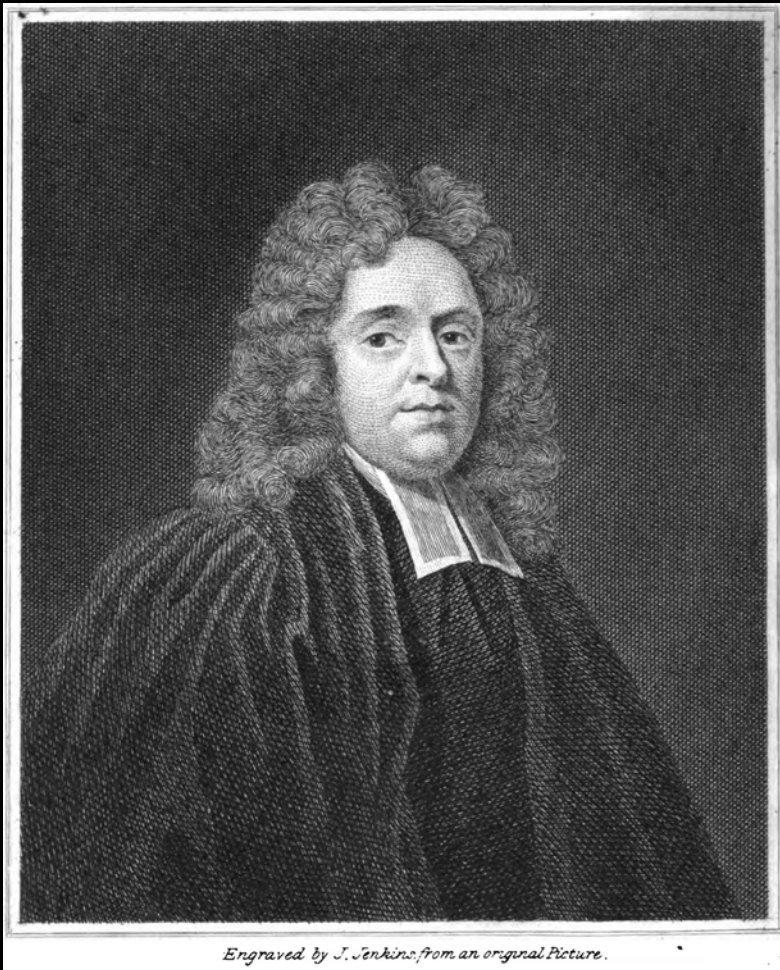
“Thus says the LORD, ‘I will return to Zion and dwell in the midst of Jerusalem. Then Jerusalem will be called the City of Truth, and the mountain of the LORD of hosts will be called the Holy Mountain.’ Zechariah 8:3





“Who are these who fly like a cloud, and like the doves to their lattices? Surely the coastlands will wait for Me; And the ships of Tarshish will come first, to bring your sons from afar, their silver and their gold with them....” Isaiah 60:8

Amillennial Spiritualization



Matthew Henry (1662-1714)

Isaiah 60:1-8. As far as we have the knowledge of God in us, and the favour of God towards us, our light is come. And if God's glory is seen upon us to our honour, we ought, not only with our lips, but in our lives, to return its praise. We meet with nothing in the history of the Jews which can be deemed a fulfilment of the prophecy in this chapter; we must conclude it relates principally to future events. It predicts the purity and enlargement of the church. The conversion of souls is here described. They fly to Christ, to the church, to the word and ordinances, as doves to their own home; thither they fly for refuge and shelter, thither they fly for rest. What a pleasant sight to see poor souls hastening to Christ!

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**“for the name of the LORD your God,
and for the Holy One of Israel
because He has glorified you.”**

Isaiah 60:9

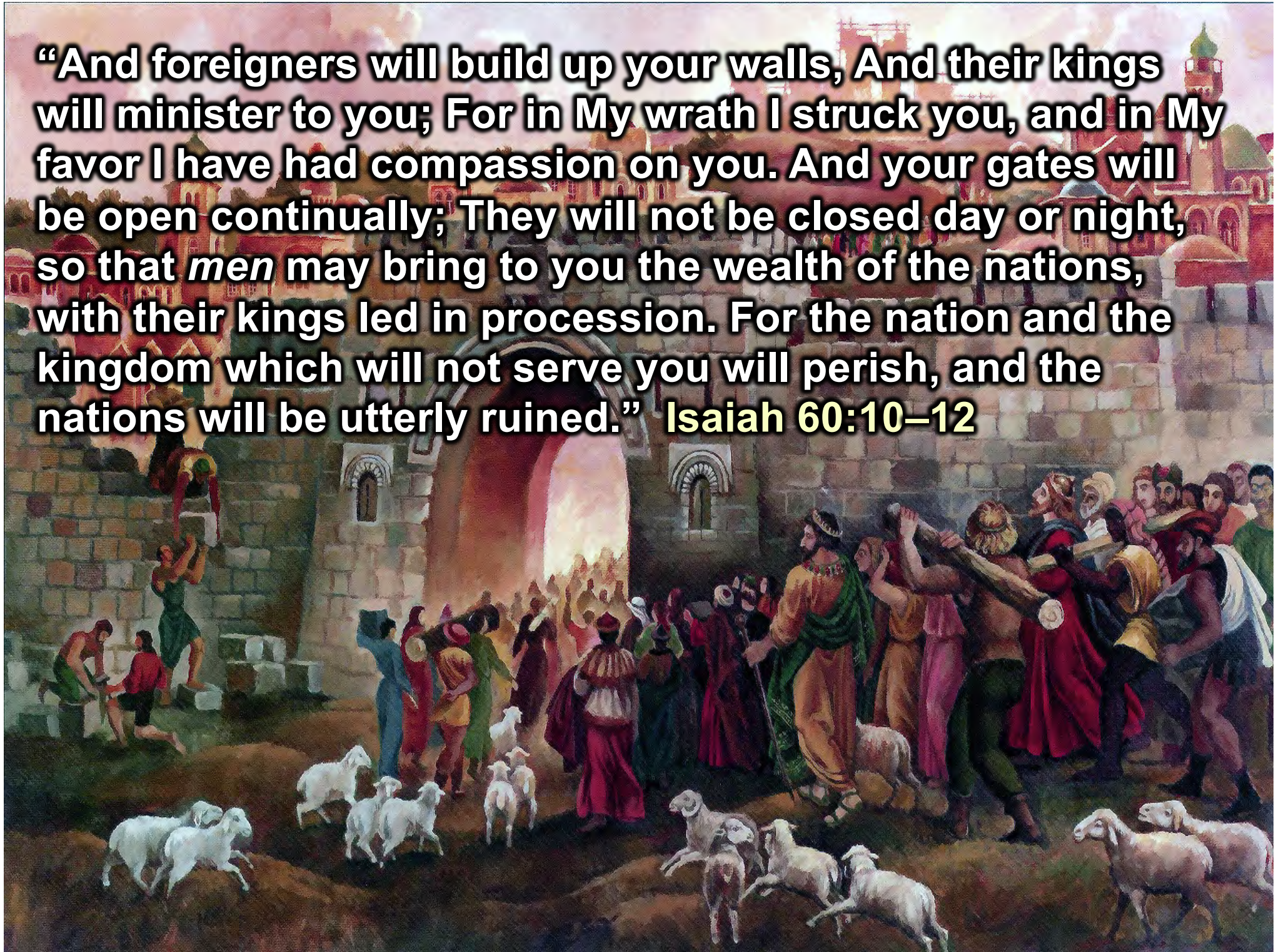
**“And they will call you the city of the LORD,
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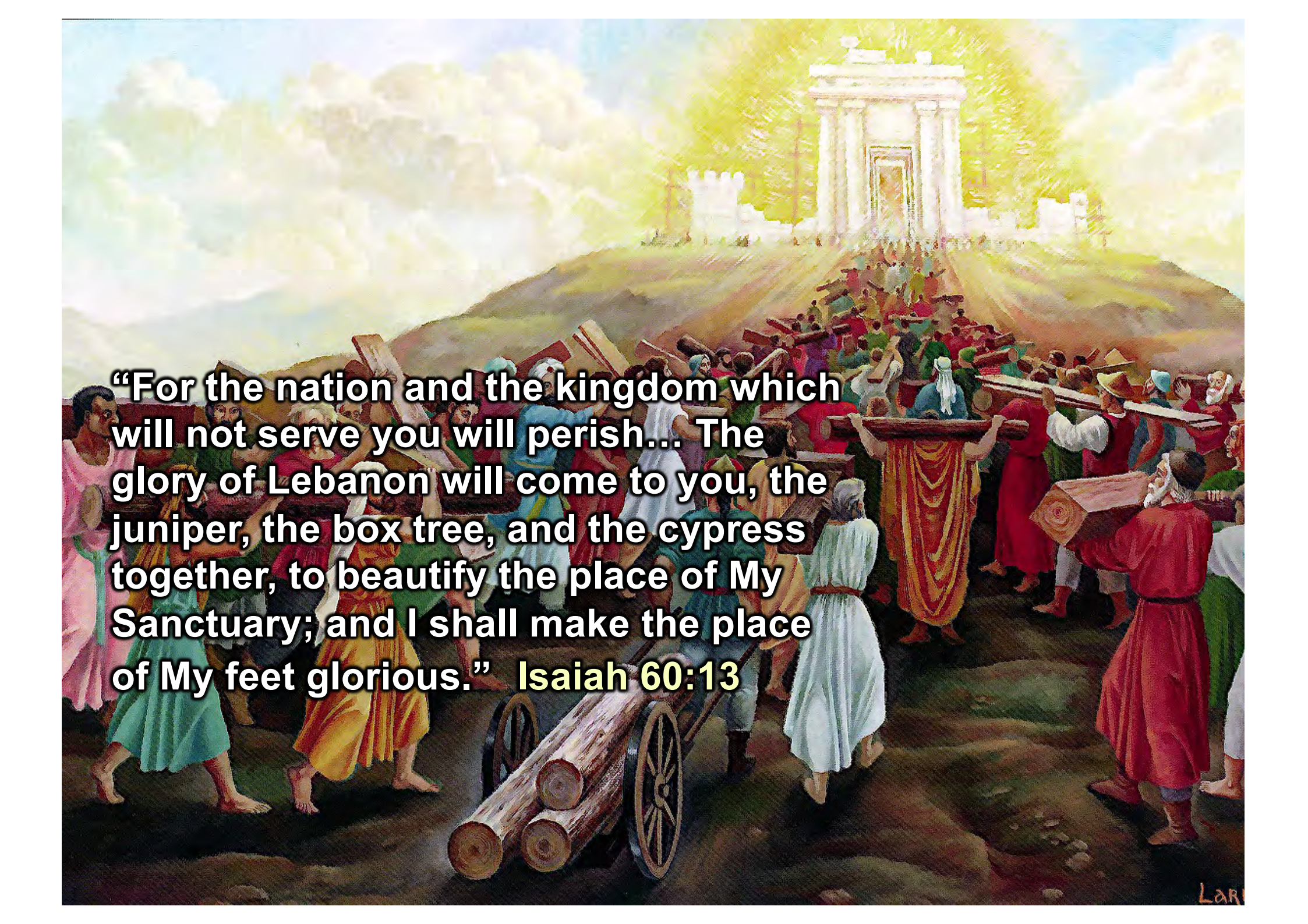
Isaiah 60:14

**“And we have believed and have come to know that You
(Jesus) are the Holy One of God.”**

John 6:69

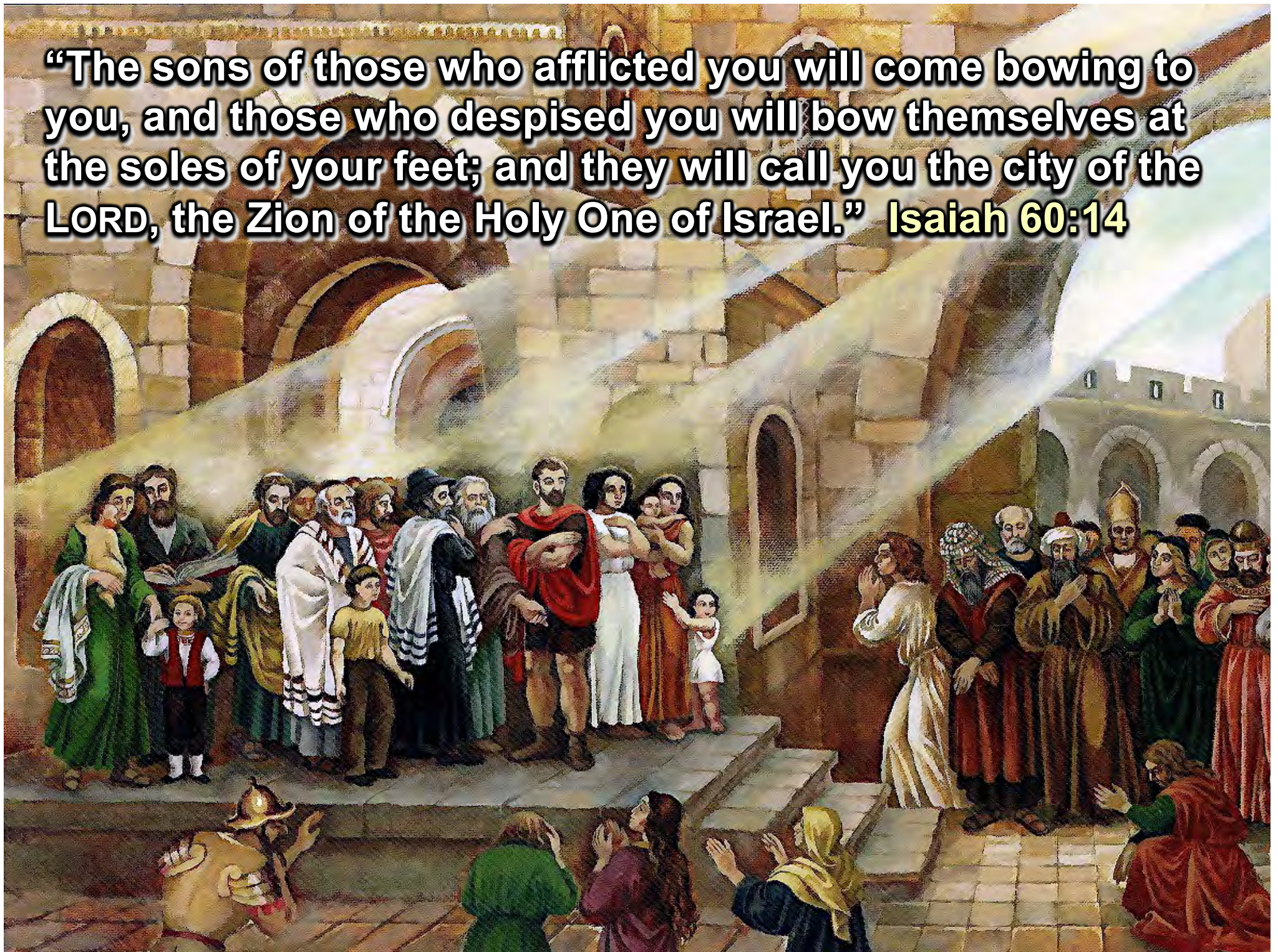
“And foreigners will build up your walls, And their kings will minister to you; For in My wrath I struck you, and in My favor I have had compassion on you. And your gates will be open continually; They will not be closed day or night, so that *men* may bring to you the wealth of the nations, with their kings led in procession. For the nation and the kingdom which will not serve you will perish, and the nations will be utterly ruined.” **Isaiah 60:10–12**



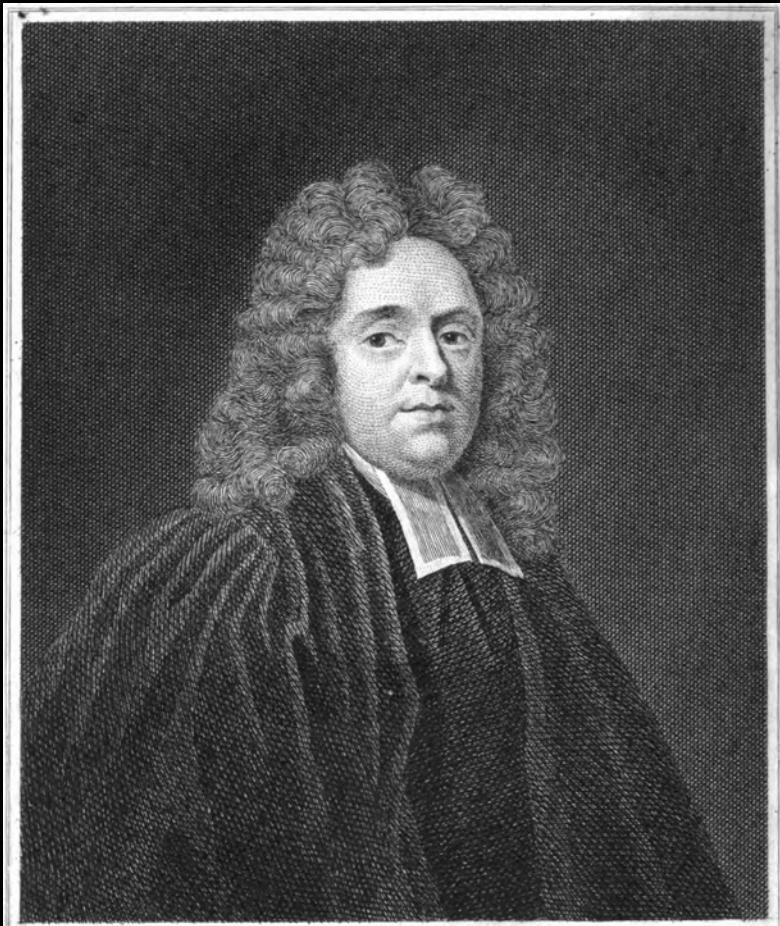


“For the nation and the kingdom which will not serve you will perish... The glory of Lebanon will come to you, the juniper, the box tree, and the cypress together, to beautify the place of My Sanctuary; and I shall make the place of My feet glorious.” **Isaiah 60:13**

“The sons of those who afflicted you will come bowing to you, and those who despised you will bow themselves at the soles of your feet; and they will call you the city of the LORD, the Zion of the Holy One of Israel.” Isaiah 60:14



Amillennial Spiritualization



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Isaiah 60:9–14. God will be very gracious. We must begin with his promise, thence all mercies take rise. Many shall be brought into the church, even from far countries. Christ is always ready to receive all who come to him; and the gate of mercy is always open, night and day. All that are about the church shall be made serviceable to it. But those who will not be subject to Christ's golden sceptre, to his word and Spirit, who will not be kept in by the laws and rules of his family, shall be broken in pieces by his iron rod. The peculiar advantages of every nation, and of every description of men, shall join to beautify the church of Christ. We must suppose this to be accomplished in the beauties of holiness, and the graces and comforts of the Spirit, with which gospel ordinances are adorned and enriched. Blessed be his name, the gates of Zion are ever open to returning sinners.

Isaiah 60:15–17 NLT

**"Though you were once despised and hated,
with no one traveling through you,
I will make you beautiful forever,
a joy to all generations.**

**¹⁶ Powerful kings and mighty nations
will satisfy your every need,
as though you were a child
nursing at the breast of a queen.**

**You will know at last that I, the LORD,
am your Savior and your Redeemer,
the Mighty One of Israel.**

**¹⁷ I will exchange your bronze for gold,
your iron for silver, your wood for bronze,
and your stones for iron.**

**I will make peace your leader
and righteousness your ruler."**

Isaiah 60:18-20 NLT

**"Violence will disappear from your land;
the desolation and destruction of war will end.**

**Salvation will surround you like city walls,
and praise will be on the lips of all who enter there.**

**¹⁹ No longer will you need the sun to shine by day,
nor the moon to give its light by night,
for the LORD your God will be your everlasting light,
and your God will be your glory.**

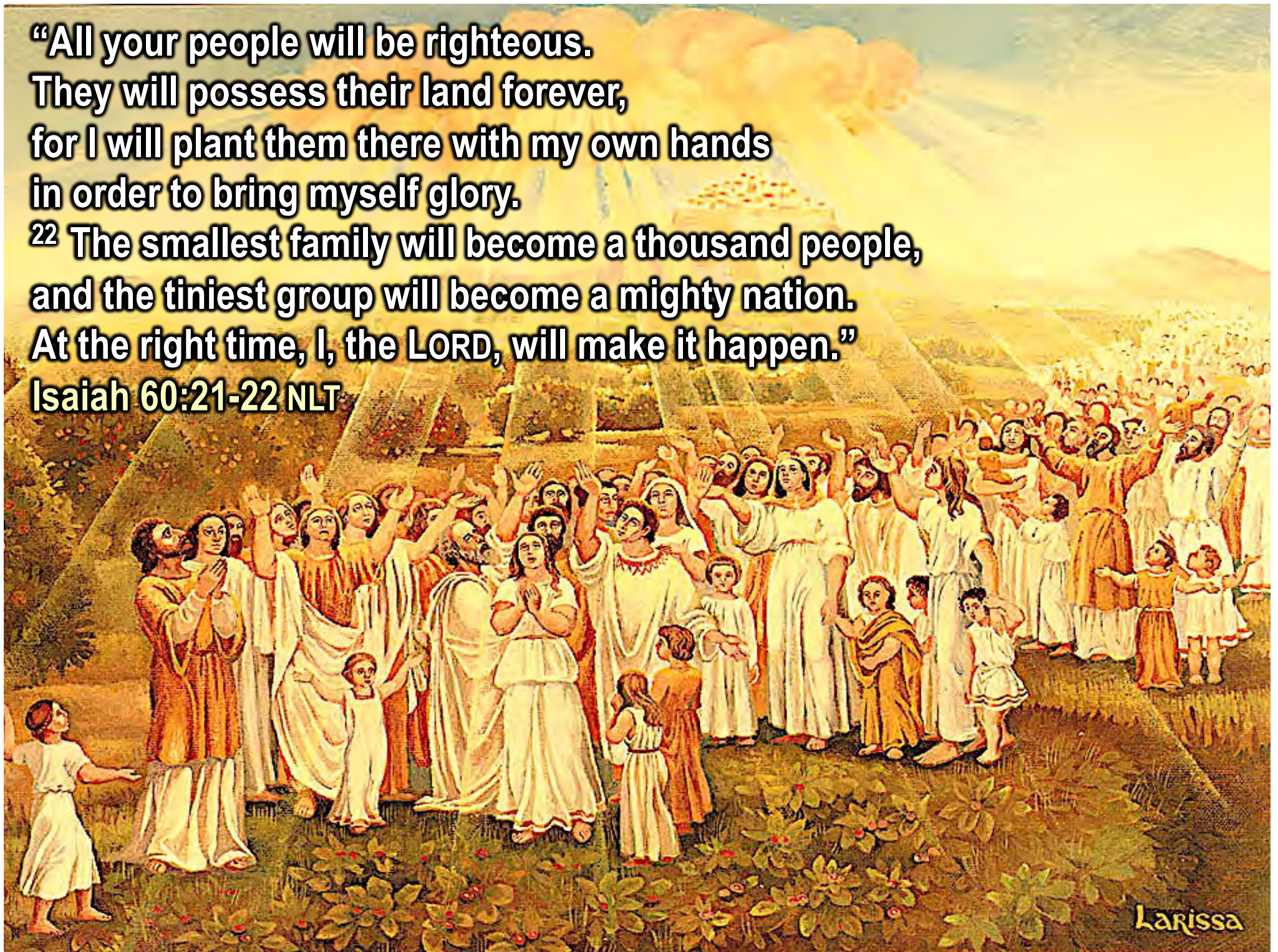
**²⁰ Your sun will never set;
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**For the LORD will be your everlasting light.
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**“All your people will be righteous.
They will possess their land forever,
for I will plant them there with my own hands
in order to bring myself glory.**

**²² The smallest family will become a thousand people,
and the tiniest group will become a mighty nation.
At the right time, I, the LORD, will make it happen.”**

Isaiah 60:21-22 NLT



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Freedom for Those God Favors

**“The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is upon me,
for the LORD has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor.**

**He has sent me to comfort the brokenhearted
and to proclaim that captives will be released
and prisoners will be freed.**

**² He has sent me to tell those who mourn
that the time of the LORD’s favor has come,
and with it, the day of God’s anger against their enemies.”**

—Isaiah 61:1-2 NLT—

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D. Israel's spiritual restoration

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**“In that day the remnant left in Israel,
the survivors in the house of Jacob,
will no longer depend on allies
who seek to destroy them.**

**But they will faithfully trust the LORD,
the Holy One of Israel.**

**²¹ A remnant will return;
yes, the remnant of Jacob will return to the Mighty God.**

**²² But though the people of Israel are as numerous
as the sand of the seashore,
only a remnant of them will return.**

The LORD has rightly decided to destroy his people.”

—Isaiah 10:20-22 NLT—

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**“He will swallow up death forever!
The Sovereign LORD will wipe away all tears.
He will remove forever all insults and mockery
against his land and people.
The LORD has spoken!**

**⁹ In that day the people will proclaim,
‘This is our God!
We trusted in him, and he saved us!
This is the LORD, in whom we trusted.
Let us rejoice in the salvation he brings!’”**

—Isaiah 25:8-9 NLT—

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“In that day, everyone in the land of Judah will sing this song:

Our city is strong!

We are surrounded by the walls of God's salvation.

**² Open the gates to all who are righteous;
allow the faithful to enter.”**

—Isaiah 26:1-2 NLT—

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“The LORD did this to **purge Israel’s wickedness,
to take away all her sin.**

**As a result, all the pagan altars will be crushed to dust.
No Asherah pole or pagan shrine will be left standing...**

**¹² Yet the time will come when the LORD will gather them
together like handpicked grain. One by one he will gather
them—from the Euphrates River in the east to the Brook of
Egypt in the west. ¹³ In that day the great trumpet will sound.
Many who were dying in exile in Assyria and Egypt will **return
to Jerusalem to worship the LORD on his holy mountain.**”**

—Isaiah 27:9, 12-13 NLT—

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**“For when they see their many children
and all the blessings I have given them,
they will recognize the holiness of the Holy One of Jacob.
They will stand in awe of the God of Israel.”**

—Isaiah 29:23 NLT—

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**“But the LORD will save the people of Israel
with eternal salvation.**

**Throughout everlasting ages,
they will never again be humiliated and disgraced.”**

—Isaiah 45:17 NLT—

**“In the LORD all the generations of Israel will be justified,
and in him they will boast.”**

—Isaiah 45:25 NLT—

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“³ For this is what the LORD says:

**‘When I sold you into exile,
I received no payment.**

**Now I can redeem you
without having to pay for you...’**

**“⁶ But I will reveal my name to my people, and they will come
to know its power. Then **at last they will recognize that I am
the one who speaks to them.****

**⁷ How beautiful on the mountains
are the feet of the messenger who brings good news,
the good news of peace and salvation,
the news that the God of Israel reigns!”**

—Isaiah 52:3, 6-7 NLT—

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**“Let the ruins of Jerusalem break into joyful song,
for the LORD has comforted his people.**

He has redeemed Jerusalem.

**¹⁰ The LORD has demonstrated his holy power
before the eyes of all the nations.**

**All the ends of the earth will see
the victory of our God.**

**¹¹ Get out! Get out and leave your captivity,
where everything you touch is unclean.**

**Get out of there and purify yourselves,
you who carry home the sacred objects of the LORD.”**

—Isaiah 52:9-11 NLT—

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“For a brief moment I abandoned you,
but with great compassion **I will take you back.**

⁸ In a burst of anger I turned my face away for a little while.
But **with everlasting love I will have compassion on you,**
says the LORD, your Redeemer.

⁹ Just as I swore in the time of Noah
that I would never again let a flood cover the earth,
so now I swear
that I will never again be angry and punish you.

¹⁰ For the mountains may move
and the hills disappear,
but even then **my faithful love for you will remain.**
My covenant of blessing will never be broken,”
says the LORD, who has mercy on you.”

—Isaiah 54:7-10 NLT—

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"They will be called 'The Holy People'
and '**The People Redeemed by the LORD.**'
And Jerusalem will be known as 'The Desirable Place'
and 'The City No Longer Forsaken.'"

—Isaiah 62:12 NLT—



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Isaiah 62

"O Jerusalem, I have posted watchmen on your walls; they will pray day and night, continually.



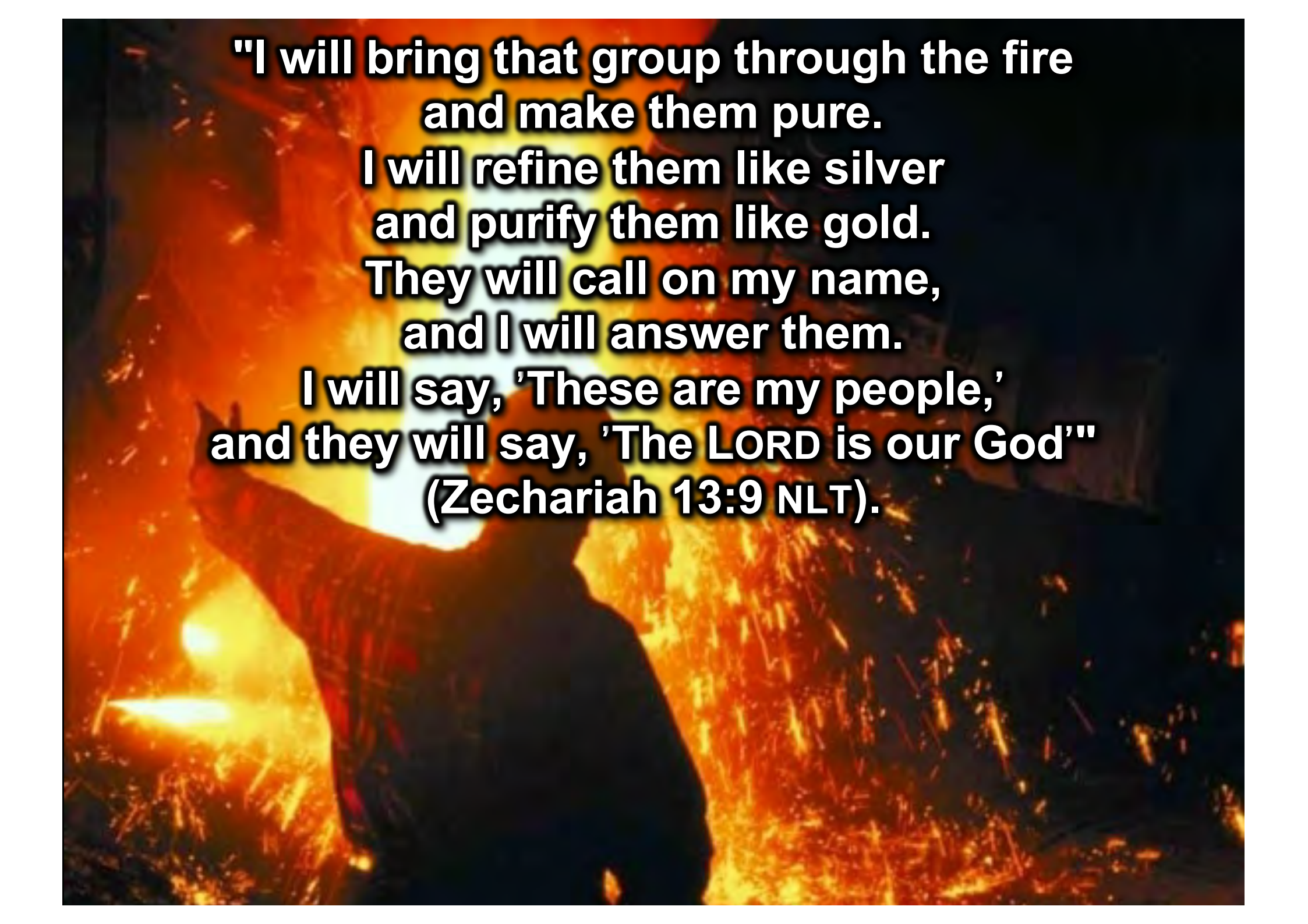
**Take no rest, all you who pray to the LORD.
7Give the LORD no rest until he completes his
work, until he makes Jerusalem the pride of
the earth" (Isa. 62:6-7 NLT).**

**"The LORD has sworn to Jerusalem by his own strength: 'I will never again hand you over to your enemies. Never again will foreign warriors come and take away your grain and new wine'"
(Isa. 62:8 NLT).**



**"Awake, O sword,
against my shepherd, the
man who is my partner,'
says the LORD of
Heaven's Armies. 'Strike
down the shepherd, and
the sheep will be
scattered, and I will turn
against the lambs. ⁸ **Two-
thirds of the people in the
land will be cut off and
die,**' says the LORD. 'But
one-third will be left in
the land'"**
(Zechariah 13:7-8 NLT).





**"I will bring that group through the fire
and make them pure.
I will refine them like silver
and purify them like gold.
They will call on my name,
and I will answer them.
I will say, 'These are my people,'
and they will say, 'The LORD is our God'"**
(Zechariah 13:9 NLT).

Only a Remnant of Jews Saved

“And concerning Israel, Isaiah the prophet cried out,

**‘Though the people of Israel are as numerous as the
sand of the seashore,**

only a remnant will be saved.

**²⁸ For the LORD will carry out his sentence upon the
earth**

quickly and with finality”

(Romans 9:27-28, quoting Isaiah 10:22-23 LXX NLT).

Only a Remnant of Jews Saved

“And Isaiah said the same thing in another place:

**‘If the LORD of Heaven’s Armies
had not spared a few of our children,
we would have been wiped out like Sodom,
destroyed like Gomorrah’”**

(Romans 9:29, quoting Isaiah 1:9 LXX NLT).

Only a Remnant of Jews Saved

**“I am placing a stone in Jerusalem that makes
people stumble,
a rock that makes them fall.
But anyone who trusts in him
will never be disgraced”**

(Romans 9:33, quoting Isaiah 8:14; 28:16 LXX NLT).

Only a Remnant of Jews Saved

“But regarding Israel, God said,

**‘All day long I opened my arms to them,
but **they were disobedient and rebellious**’”**

(Romans 10:21, quoting Isaiah 65:2 LXX NLT).

Only a Remnant of Jews Saved

“So this is the situation: Most of the people of Israel have not found the favor of God they are looking for so earnestly.

A few have—the ones God has chosen—but the hearts of the rest were hardened. ⁸ As the Scriptures say,

‘God has put them into a deep sleep. To this day he has shut their eyes so they do not see, and closed their ears so they do not hear’”

(Romans 11:7-8, quoting Isaiah 29:10; Deut 29:4 NLT).

Only a Remnant of Jews Saved

“And so **all Israel will be saved. As the Scriptures say,**

‘The one who rescues will come from Jerusalem, and **he will turn Israel away from ungodliness.**

²⁷ And this is my covenant with them, that **I will take away their sins”**

(Romans 11:26-27, quoting Isaiah 59:20-21 LXX NLT).

Only a Remnant of Jews Saved

For the Scriptures say,

**“‘As surely as I live,’ says the LORD,
‘every knee will bend to me,
and every tongue will declare allegiance to God.’”**

**(Romans 14:11, quoting Isaiah 49:18; 55:23 LXX
NLT).**

Isaiah 63

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- 3. Israel's remnant prays for forgiveness and restoration, resulting in God's answer with judgment and restoration (63:7–65:25).**
 - a. Israel's remnant prays for forgiveness from past rebellion and for future restoration (63:7–64:12).**
 - b. God gives his reasons for judging the people but also his promise to restore them in the millennium (Isa 65).**

“Who is this who comes from Edom, from the city of Bozrah, with his clothing stained red? Who is this in royal robes, marching in his great strength? It is I, the LORD, announcing your salvation! It is I, the LORD, who has the power to save!

² Why are your clothes so red, as if you have been treading out grapes? ³ I have been treading the winepress alone; no one was there to help me. In my anger I have trampled my enemies as if they were grapes. In my fury I have trampled my foes. Their blood has stained my clothes. ⁴ For the time has come for me to avenge my people, to ransom them from their oppressors. ⁵ I was amazed to see that no one intervened to help the oppressed. So I myself stepped in to save them with my strong arm, and my wrath sustained me. ⁶ I crushed the nations in my anger and made them stagger and fall to the ground, spilling their blood upon the earth.”

Isaiah 63:1–6 NLT



Kingdom & Covenants Timeline



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Kingdom Teaching...

Adam rules with God (Gen. 1:26, 28; 2:19)

Satan begins rule as god of this world (Gen. 3:15; 2 Cor. 4:4)

God covenants with Abraham to reestablish man's rule via Israel as a "kingdom of priests" (Gen. 12:1-3; Exod. 19:6)

Israel's failure to witness to nations as a kingdom of priests is judged via exile under foreign rule

Israel rejects Messiah's offer of kingdom (Matt. 12:41-42; 23:37-39)

Jesus extends His kingdom in mystery form to the Church (Matt. 13)

Christ subdues Israel's enemies and nation believes (Rom. 11:26-27)

Christ rules over everything with saints (Eph. 1:9-10; Rev. 20:1-6; 22:5b)

Fall of Man (Gen. 3)

Noahic Covenant

Genesis 6:18; 9:8-17

Abrahamic Covenant

Genesis 12:1-3

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Land Covenant

Genesis 15:18 (cf. Deut. 30:1-10) promises:
•Land from Wadi of Egypt to Euphrates River (Isa. 27:12)
•Eternal possession of land (Gen. 17:8) after exile/restoration
•Whole world blessed via the land (Isa. 14:1-2)

Davidic Covenant

2 Samuel 7:12-16 promises:
•Sons ("house" never wiped out)
•Kingdom (political dynasty)
•Throne (right to rule by descendants)
•Temple (son to build it)

New Covenant

Jeremiah 31:31-34 promises:
•Forgiveness
•Indwelling Spirit
•New heart, nature, mind
•Reunification of Israel and Judah
•No need for evangelism

ISRAEL
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CHURCH
The "New Man" (Eph. 2:15)

Israel judged for rejecting Messiah by dispersion away from land for 19 centuries (AD 70–AD 1948) but now partially restored (Ezek. 37:1-7)

Christ is Head over His Church, which is a spiritual temple (Eph. 2:19-22; 2 Cor. 6:16)

Mosaic Law replaced with first three elements of the New Covenant (Luke 22:20; 2 Cor. 3:6)

MESSIANIC
Millennial

Full restoration (Ezek. 37:8-28)
Jerusalem world capital (Isa. 2:1-5)

Christ reigns over the world (Isa. 11) with saints (Rev. 5:10; 20:4-6)

All 5 elements fulfilled in national restoration (Zech. 8)

KINGDOM
Eternal

New Jerusalem (Rev. 21-22)

Christ hands kingdom over to Father (1 Cor. 15:24)

All things made new! (Rev. 21:5)

Mosaic Covenant

Temporary (Gal. 3:19) and conditional (Deut. 28) to reveal sin (Rom. 7:7) and regulate Israel (Gal. 3:23-25)

Law abolished, fulfilled, and replaced at the cross (Rom. 7:1-6; 1 Cor. 9:19-21; Heb. 8:13)

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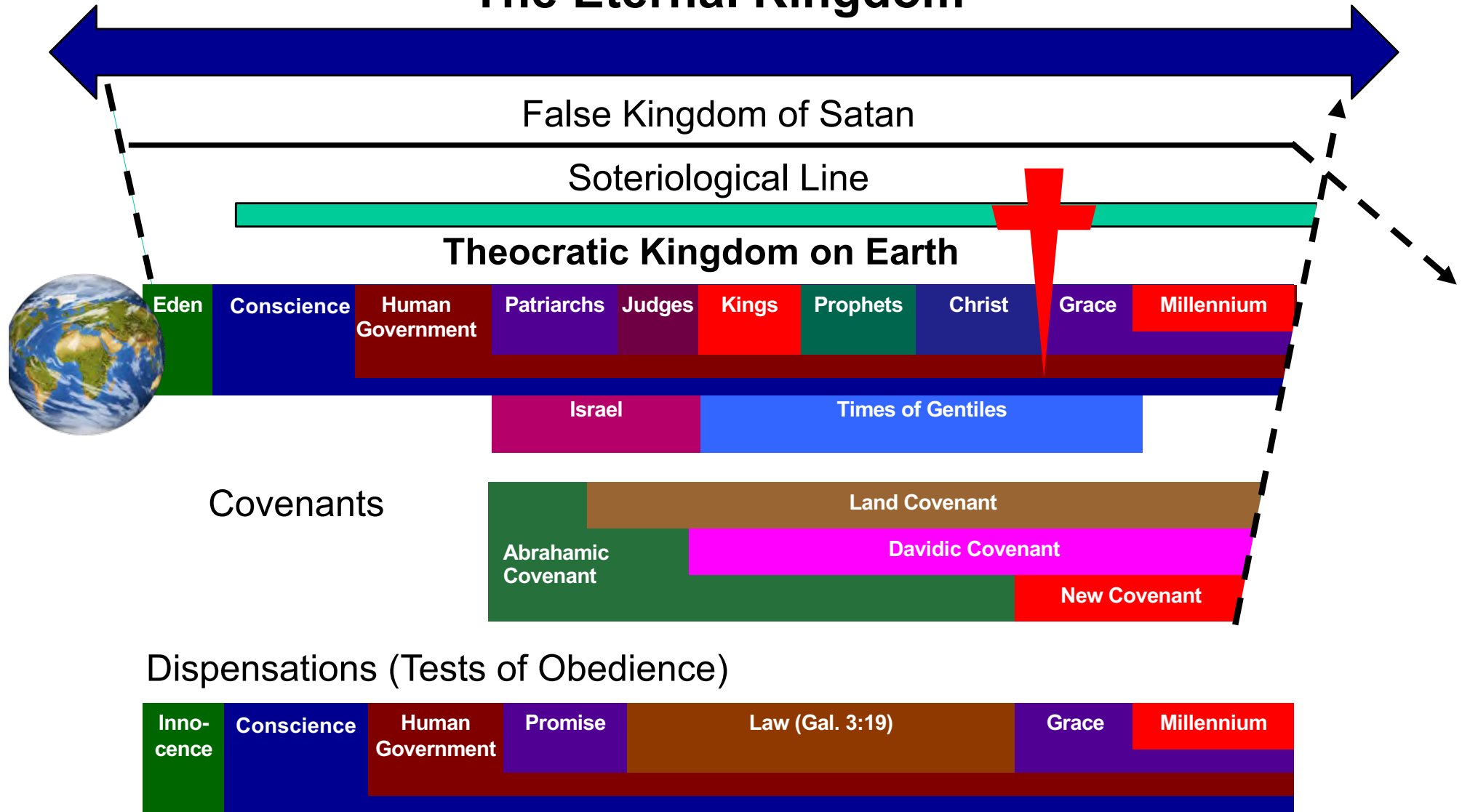
Scripture has a dual kingdom-covenant theme. Israel's role from Abraham to Christ expands to include the Church (continuity) yet the Church never replaces the nation as the "new Israel" (discontinuity). Israel will enjoy world prominence after trusting Christ at His second coming.

Isaiah 64

The Kingdom of God

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The Eternal Kingdom



Isaiah 65

THEOLOGY IN ISAIAH

Eschatology (cont'd)

3. THE NEW HEAVEN AND NEW EARTH : A New Jerusalem

- + The Creation of New Things (65:17) - renewal of the present heaven and earth after Christ's 2nd coming (24:19-23; 34:4)
- + The Creation of a New Jerusalem (65:17-18)
- + The Splendour of a New Jerusalem (60:13)
- + The Absence of Tears and Sorrow (25:8; 35:10)
- + Longevity and the Decrease of Death (25:8; 65:20)
- + The Absence of Light from the Sun and Moon (24:23; 60:19-20)

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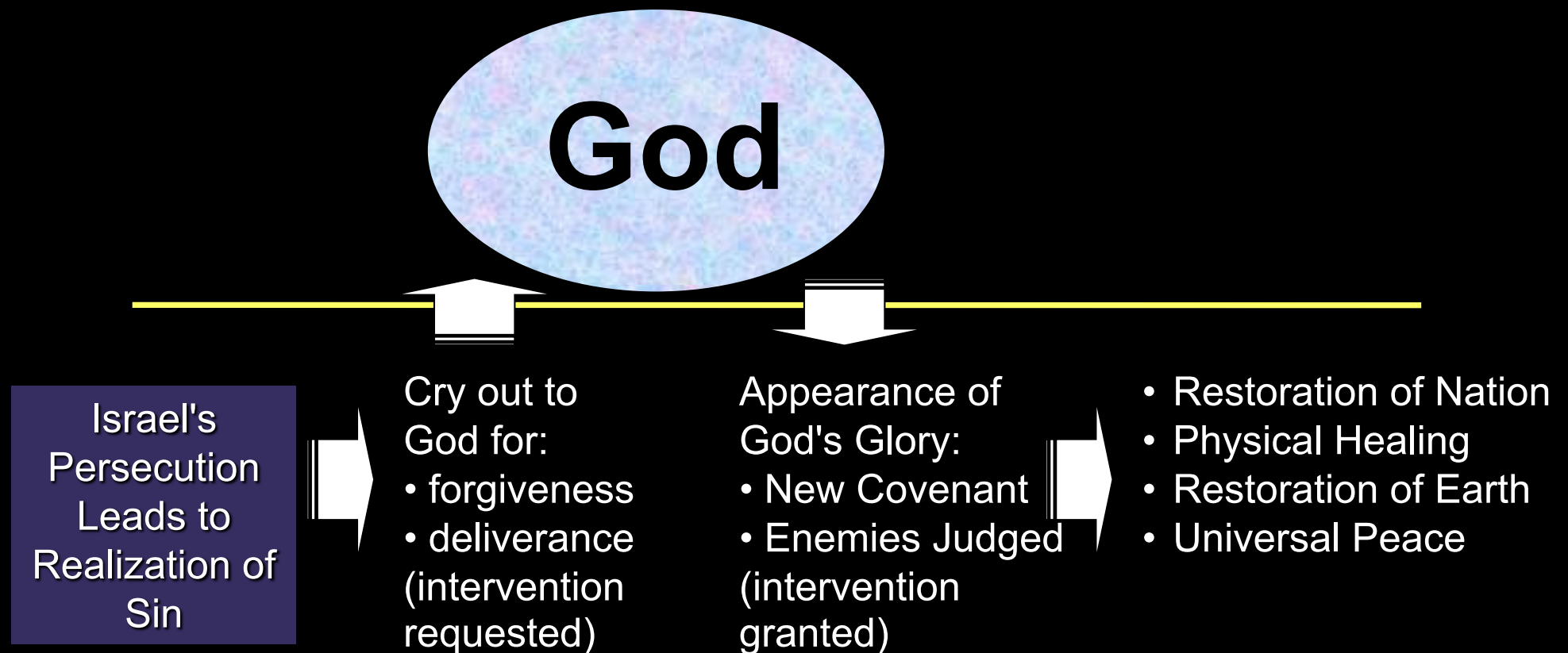
Eschatology (cont'd)

4. ETERNAL PUNISHMENT

- Everlasting Burning (34:10; 66:24)
- Everlasting Torment (50:11)

Isaiah's Eschatology

Adapted from John A. Martin, Dallas Seminary



**"Look! I am creating new heavens and a new earth,
and no one will even think about the old ones
anymore. ¹⁸Be glad; rejoice forever in my creation!"**



Isaiah 65:17-18a (NLT)

"And look! I will create Jerusalem as a place of happiness. Her people will be a source of joy. ¹⁹I will rejoice over Jerusalem and delight in my people. And the sound of weeping and crying will be heard in it no more."



Isaiah 65:18b-19 (NLT)

"Never again will there be in [Jerusalem] an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not live out his years; **he who dies at a hundred will be thought a mere youth; he who fails to reach a hundred will be considered accursed."**

youthful
death
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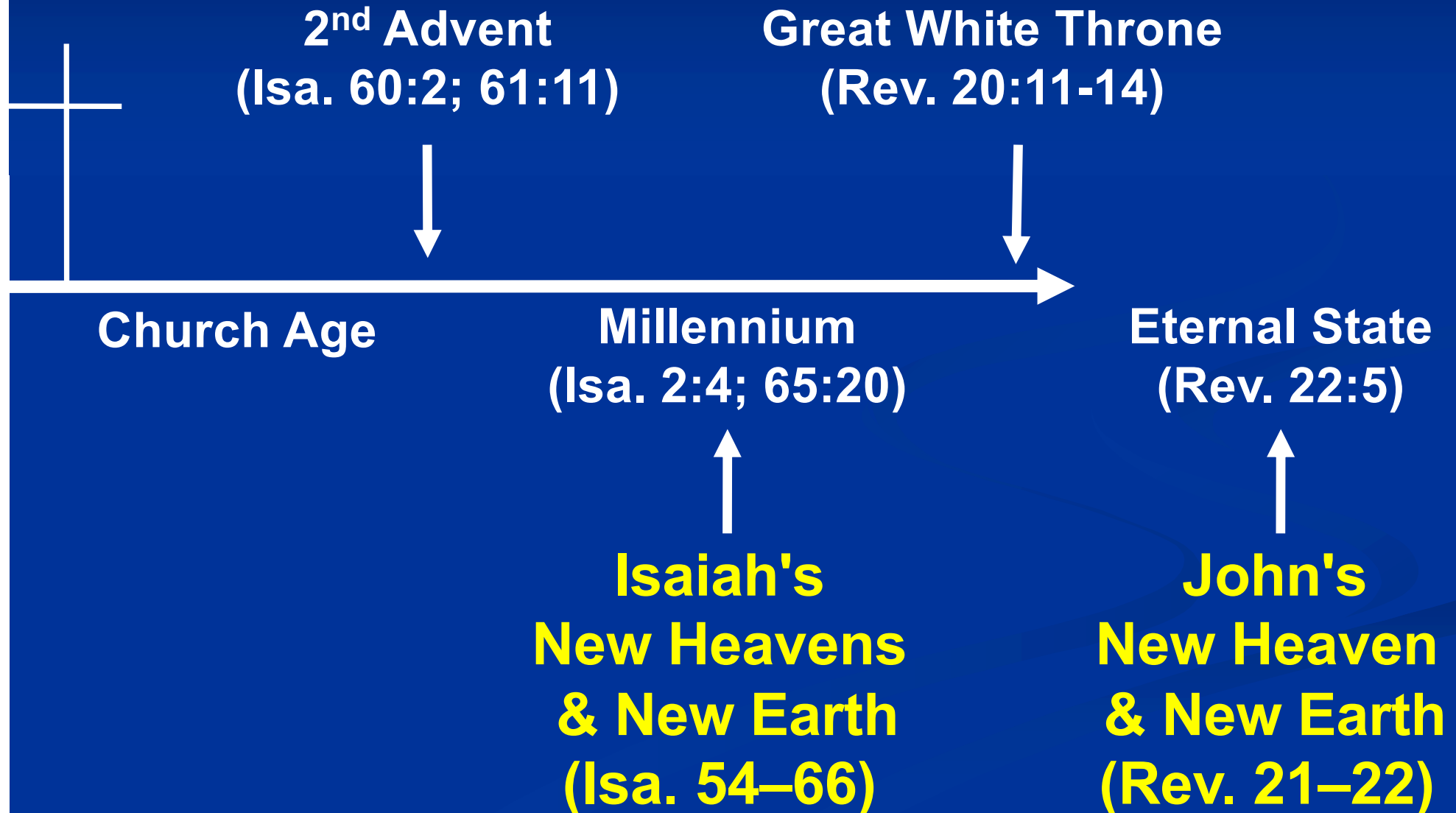
ZEKE
the
youngster
100


unbeliever
died at
81 years old

Incredibly Long Life (Isaiah 65:20 NLT)!

Two "New Heaven(s) & New Earth"

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**"Then I saw a
new heaven and
a new earth, for
the old heaven
and the old
earth had
disappeared"
(Rev 21:1a NLT).**

Isaiah v. John on the New Heaven(s) and New Earth

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**Isaiah's New Heavens
and New Earth
(Isa. 65:17; 66:22)**

**John's New Heaven
and New Earth
(Rev. 21:1)**

<i>English Term</i>	Plural: "new heavens"	Singular: "new heaven"
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<i>Time Period</i>	Millennium	Eternal State
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<i>Life span of Inhabitants</i>	Extended yet not infinite life (65:20)	Eternal Life
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<i>Death</i>	Possible, though dying at 100 years old is "young" (65:20; cf. 66:24)!	No death (Rev. 21:4) as death is abolished at the Great White Throne Judgment (Rev. 20:14)
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	Isaiah's New Heavens and New Earth (Isa. 65:17; 66:22)	John's New Heaven and New Earth (Rev. 21:1)
<i>Marriage & Childbirth Activity</i>	Possible (65:23) Building of houses and planting of vineyards (65:21)	Impossible (Matt. 22:30) Christ claimed that he would prepare a place for us (John 14:1f.).
<i>Animal Activity</i>	Peaceful cohabitation of wild animals (65:25a)	No animals are noted by John or in any other text on heaven
<i>Associated City</i>	Protection of God in Jerusalem (65:25b)	Focus is the new Jerusalem (Rev. 20–21)

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<i>Gathering of Nations</i>	Brought to Jerusalem to see God's glory (66:18-20; cf. Zech. 14:16-19)	God's glory provides light for the nations (21:23-24)
<i>Priesthood & Temple</i>	Has a temple, priests, and Levites (66:20-21; cf. Ezek. 40—43)	Has no temple (21:22), so by implication no priests are needed
<i>Celebrations</i>	New Moon and the Sabbath (56:6-7a; 66:23)	No need for these since there will be no need for rest in eternity

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**Isaiah's New Heavens
and New Earth
(Isa. 65:17; 66:22)**

**John's New Heaven
and New Earth
(Rev. 21:1)**

Time

Still existent

**Abolished with night
(Rev. 22:5), so rest
every seven "days" is
absurd.**

***Place of
Worship***

Jerusalem (65:23)

Throne of God (22:3-4)

"Thy Kingdom Come"





Should we pray...

*"Thy **Kingdom** come"?*

What Kind of Kingdom Did Isaiah (and Matthew) Envision?

Political


Physical

Emotional

Intellectual

Spiritual





**"Many passages speak of the
second coming of Christ
being followed by a reign of
righteousness on earth**

**(Pss. 2; 24; 72; 96; 102;
7; 11; 132; Isa. 2:2-4; Jer.**

Not a new idea!

**2:44;
Joel 2:28-32; Hosea 3:4-5; Amos
9:11-15; Micah 4:1-8; Zeph.
3:14-20; Zech. 8:1-8; 14:1-9;
Matt. 19:28; 25:31-46; Acts
15:16-18; Rom. 11:25-27;
Jude 14-15; Rev. 2:25-28;
19:11-20:6)."**

**—John Walvoord, "Revelation," in *The Bible
Knowledge Commentary*, 2:978**


Isaiah 11:6-9

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⁶ And the wolf
will dwell
with the
lamb, and the
leopard will
lie down with
the young
goat, and the
calf and the
young lion
and the
fatling
together.



Isaiah 11:6-9

A young boy with brown hair, wearing a white tunic and an orange cloak, stands in the center. He holds a wooden staff in his right hand. To his left is a small white lamb, and to his right is a large lion with a thick brown mane. The background is a savanna landscape with dry grass and scattered trees.

⁶ And the wolf will dwell with the lamb, and the leopard will lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; **and a little boy will lead them.**

Isaiah 11:6-9

⁷ Also the cow and the bear will graze, their young will lie down together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox.



Isaiah 11:6-9

⁸ The nursing child will play by the hole of the cobra, and the weaned child will put his hand on the viper's den.

⁹ They will not hurt or destroy in all My holy mountain, for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.



Rebuilding brings...



...a totally renewed earth!



"The creation waits in eager expectation for the sons of God to be revealed. . . The creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the glorious freedom of the children of God."

Romans 8:19-21



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Millennial Jerusalem



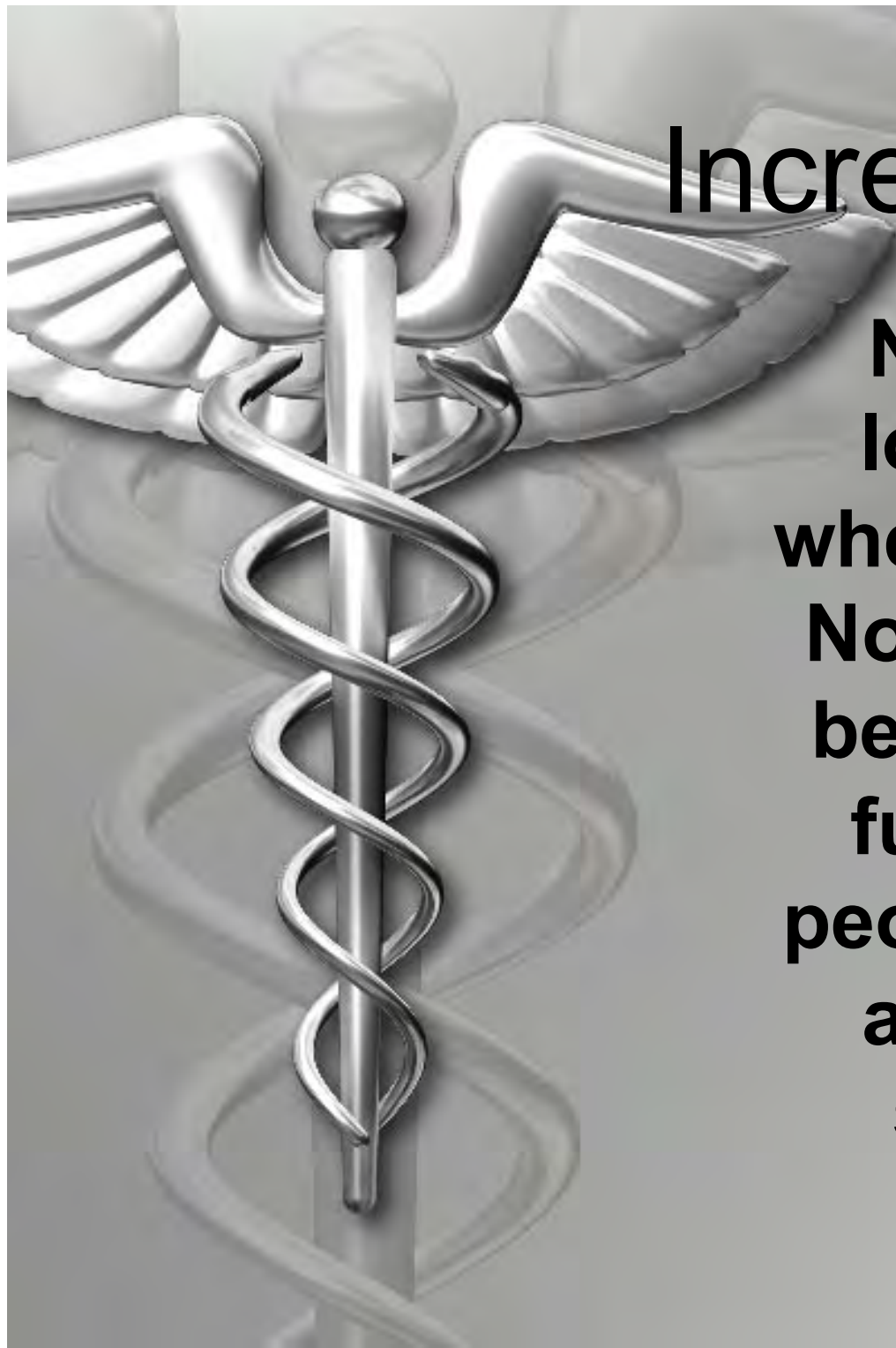
"The law will go out from Zion,
the word of the LORD from Jerusalem"
--Isaiah 2:3

Why Am I Premillennial?

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- Natural way to see the 1000 years (20:1-6)
- OT prophets saw a future period which is neither the present age nor heaven
 - Animal kingdom tamed (Isa. 11:6-9)
 - Long life but still death (Isa. 65:20)

Incredibly Long Life!

NLT Isaiah 65:20 "No longer will babies die when only a few days old. No longer will adults die before they have lived a full life. No longer will people be considered old at one hundred! Only sinners will die that young!"



Ages of people when they died



Adam  930 Years



Methuselah  969 Years



Noah  950 Years



Shem  600 Years



Abraham  175 Years



Moses  120 Years



David  70 Years

**The Flood
explains why
life spans
shortened**

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 - **Yearly observances after Messiah's return (Zech. 14:15-17)**

Differences Between the Millennium and Heaven

**Millennium
(Rev. 20)
vs.
Heaven
(Rev. 21-22)**

	Millennium	Heaven	191
Duration	1000 years (Rev. 20:1-6)	Eternal (Rev. 22:5)	
Death	Possible (Isa. 65:20)	Impossible (Rev. 21:4)	
Longevity of Life	"Never again will there be an infant who lives a few days. He who dies at a hundred will be thought a mere youth" (Isa. 65:20)	No aging (Rev. 21:4 implied)	
Sin Nature	Active (Rev. 20:7- 9)	Abolished (Rev. 21:27)	
Inhabitants	Initially Christian, but later includes unbelievers—no living with angels? (Matt. 25:34; Rev. 20:7-9)	Saints and angels alone (Rev. 21:27)	

Differences Between the Millennium and Heaven

Millennium (Rev. 20) vs. Heaven (Rev. 21-22)

	Millennium	Heaven
Bodies	Mortal and immortal living together (Isa. 65:20; 1 Cor. 15:42-44)	Only immortal (glorified) (1 Cor. 15:42-44)
Satan	Bound, but then released after 1000 years (Rev. 20:3, 7)	In lake of burning sulfur, never to be released again (Rev. 20:10)
Political & Religious Centre	Jerusalem (Isa. 2:2-3; Micah 4:1-2, 7)	New Jerusalem (Rev. 21)
Place	Earth (Rev. 5:10)	New heavens and new earth (Rev. 21:1)
Key Passages	Psalms 72; Isaiah 2; 11; 65-66; Revelation 20:1-6	Revelation 21-22

Isaiah 66

Israel's glorious restoration in the millennium reveals that he will fulfill every promise in the Abrahamic Covenant (Isaiah 60–66).

- 1. God promises Israel a glorious future of prosperity and peace in the kingdom (Isa 60).**
- 2. God promises the Servant will prepare Jerusalem for the Father to usher in the millennium (61:1–63:6).**
- 3. Israel's remnant prays for forgiveness and restoration, resulting in God's answer with judgment and restoration (63:7–65:25).**
 - a. Israel's remnant prays for forgiveness from past rebellion and for future restoration (63:7–64:12).**
 - b. God gives his reasons for judging the people but also his promise to restore them in the millennium (Isa 65).**
- 4. God promises Israel restoration to the land and descendants in the millennium to fulfill his promises in the Abrahamic Covenant (Isa 66).**

Isaiah 66:1–2

This is what the LORD says:

**“Heaven is my throne,
and the earth is my footstool.**

**Where is the house you will build for me?
Where will my resting place be?**

Isaiah 66:1–2

**²Has not my hand made all these things,
and so they came into being?”
declares the LORD.**

**“These are the ones I look on with favor:
those who are humble
and contrite in spirit,
and who tremble at my word.”**

"Who has ever seen anything as strange as this?
Who ever heard of such a thing?
Has a nation ever been born in a single day?
Has a country ever come forth in a mere moment?
But by the time Jerusalem's birth pains begin,
her children will be born."



Isaiah 66:8 (NLT)

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"Now look at the jewel I have set before Jeshua, a single stone with seven facets. I will engrave an inscription on it, says the LORD of Heaven's Armies, and I will remove the sins of this land in a single day" (Zechariah 3:9 NLT).

"All Israel will be saved" (Rom. 11:25-27)

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²⁵I do not want you to be ignorant of this mystery, brothers, so that you may not be conceited: Israel has experienced a hardening in part until the full number of the Gentiles has come in.

²⁶And so **all Israel will be saved**, as it is written:

"The deliverer will come from Zion; he will turn godlessness away from Jacob.

²⁷And this is my covenant with them when I take away their sins."



"They will bring the remnant of your people back from every nation. They will bring them to my holy mountain in Jerusalem as an offering to the LORD. They will ride on horses, in chariots and wagons, and on mules and camels," says the LORD. ²¹"And I will appoint some of them to be my priests and Levites. I, the LORD, have spoken!"



Isaiah 66:20-21 (NLT)



"As surely as my new heavens and earth will remain, so will you always be my people, with a name that will never disappear,' says the LORD."

Isaiah 66:22 (NLT)



**How will God complete his
plan for all creation?**

Be Complete



Judgment
1–39

*God will **judge** those who reject him (Isaiah 1–39).*

Be Complete



Judgment
1–39

Salvation
40–66

God will **save** those who trust him (Isaiah 40–66).

The Main Idea of Isaiah



Judgment

1–39

Salvation

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*God will both **judge** and
save his creation.*

Key Word

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Restoration

Isaiah

APPLICATION



The future restoration of the earth should cause us to get our priorities right now

So realize that God is preparing you for your future rule now!

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Jesus Shall Reign

**Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Doth his successive journeys run
His Kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.**

**To Him shall endless prayer be made.
And princes throng to crown His head,
His name like sweet perfume shall rise
With every morning sacrifice.**

Jesus Shall Reign

**He shall reign in glory
crowned with grace and might.**

**Bless His name and
praise the Sovereign King!**

**He shall reign forever
with His chosen bride,
And all the earth shall sing
that Jesus is the King!**



Jesus Shall Reign

**People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on His love with sweetest song;
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His name.**

**Blessings abound where'er He reigns:
The prisoner leaps to lose his chains,
The weary find eternal rest,
And all the sons of want are blest.**

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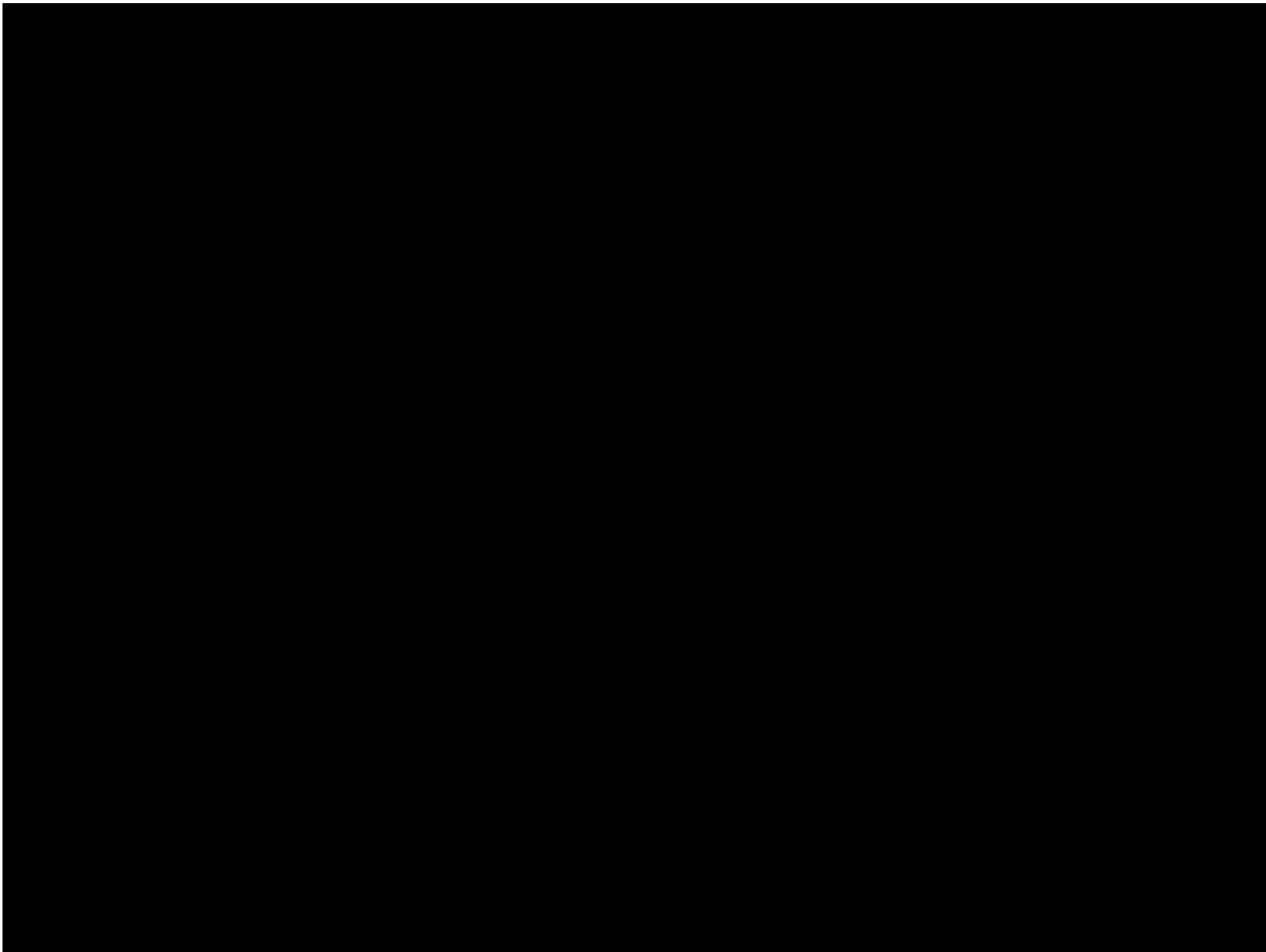


Jesus Shall Reign

**Where He displays His healing power
Death and the curse are known no more;
In Him the tribes of Adam boast
More blessings than their father lost.**

**Let every creature rise and bring
Peculiar honors to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud Amen.**





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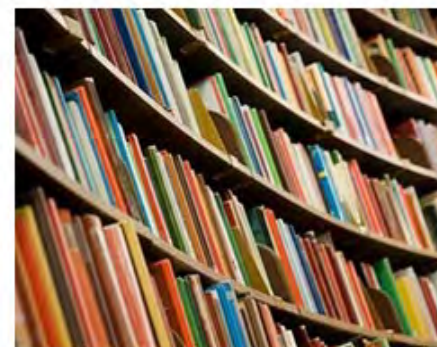
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ISSUES IN ISAIAH

Isaiah has many problem passages such as:

- 1. Authorship - Deutero-Isaiah?, Trito-Isaiah?**
- 2. Mountain of the LORD? Micah copied from Isaiah or vice versa? (2:1)**
- 3. What does "Be ever hearing but never understanding" (6:9) mean?**
- 4. Was the sign to Ahaz a virgin or young woman (7:14)? Who was she?**
- 5. Which age is depicted when the wolf lives with the lamb (11:6)?**
- 6. Was Israel regathered to fulfil 11:12; 14:1-2; 49:22-23?**
- 7. Does 65:20 describe eternity or an earthly millennial rule?**
- 8. Will temple sacrifices (56:5) be reinstituted (56:7; 66:20-23)?**
- 9. Will the Sabbath be reinstituted (56:4; 66:23)?**

Parallel OT & NT Structure

Foundation**Past****Present****Future****OT** Torah

History

Wisdom

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NT Gospels

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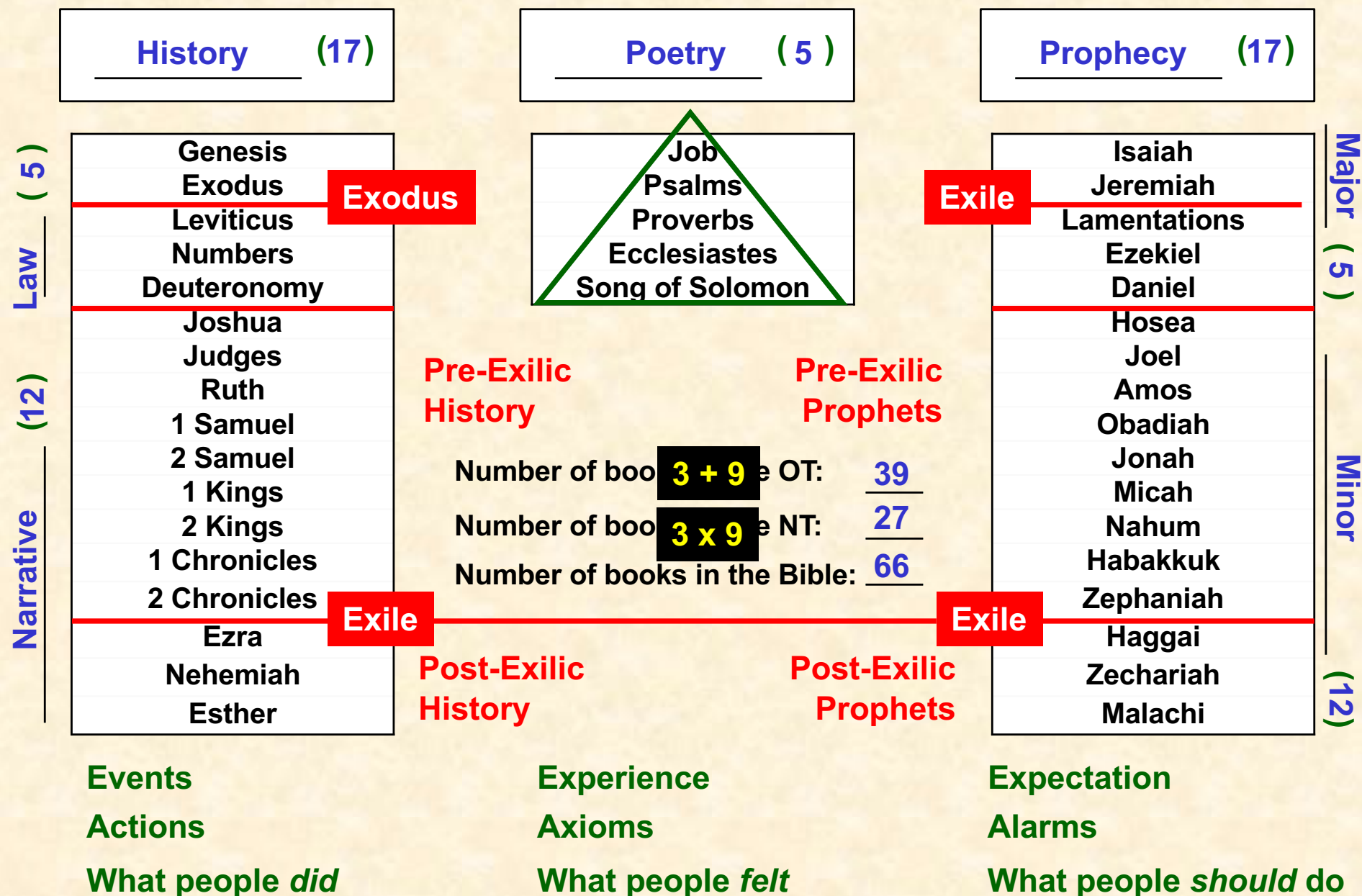
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Structure of the Old Testament

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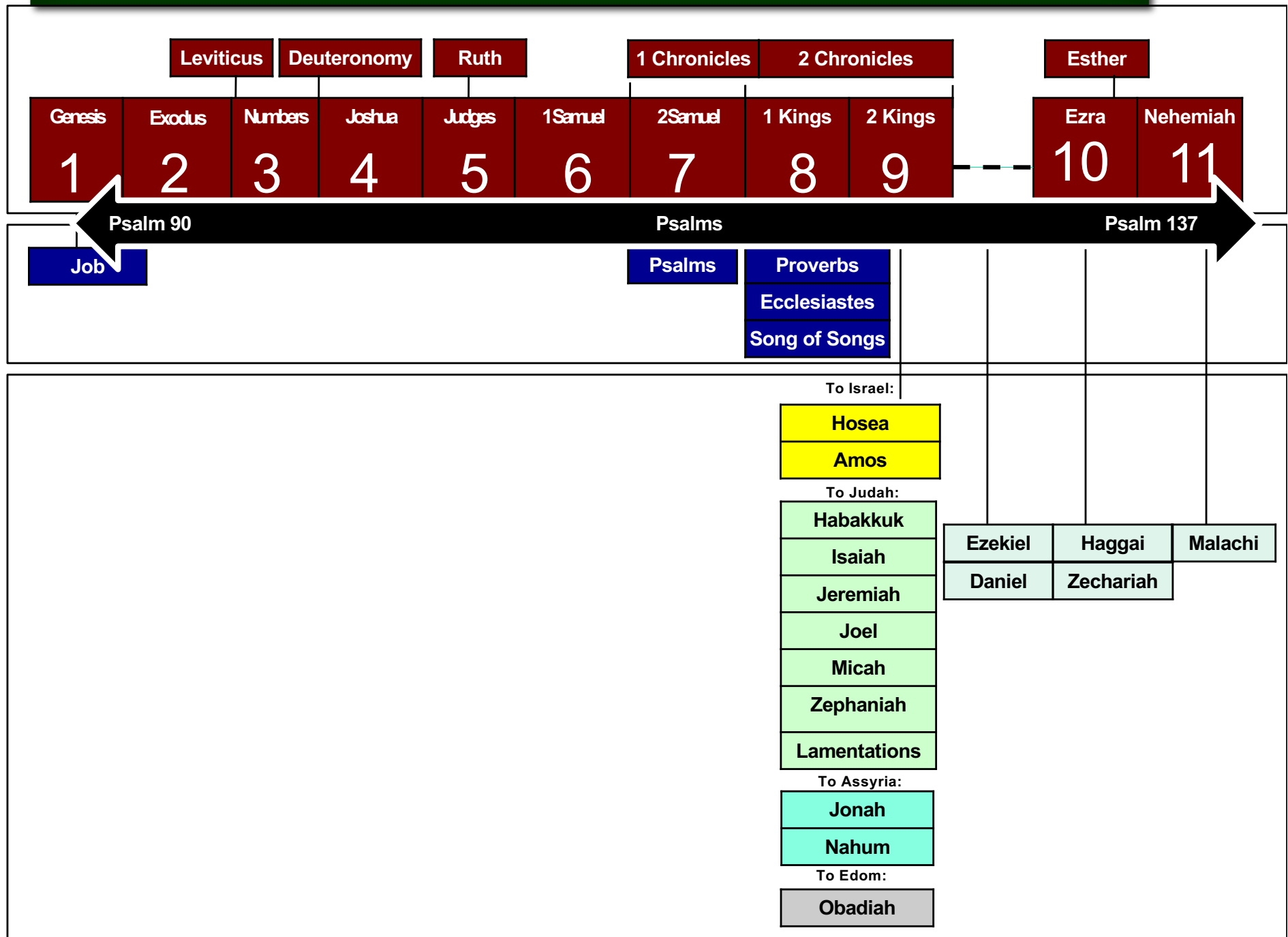
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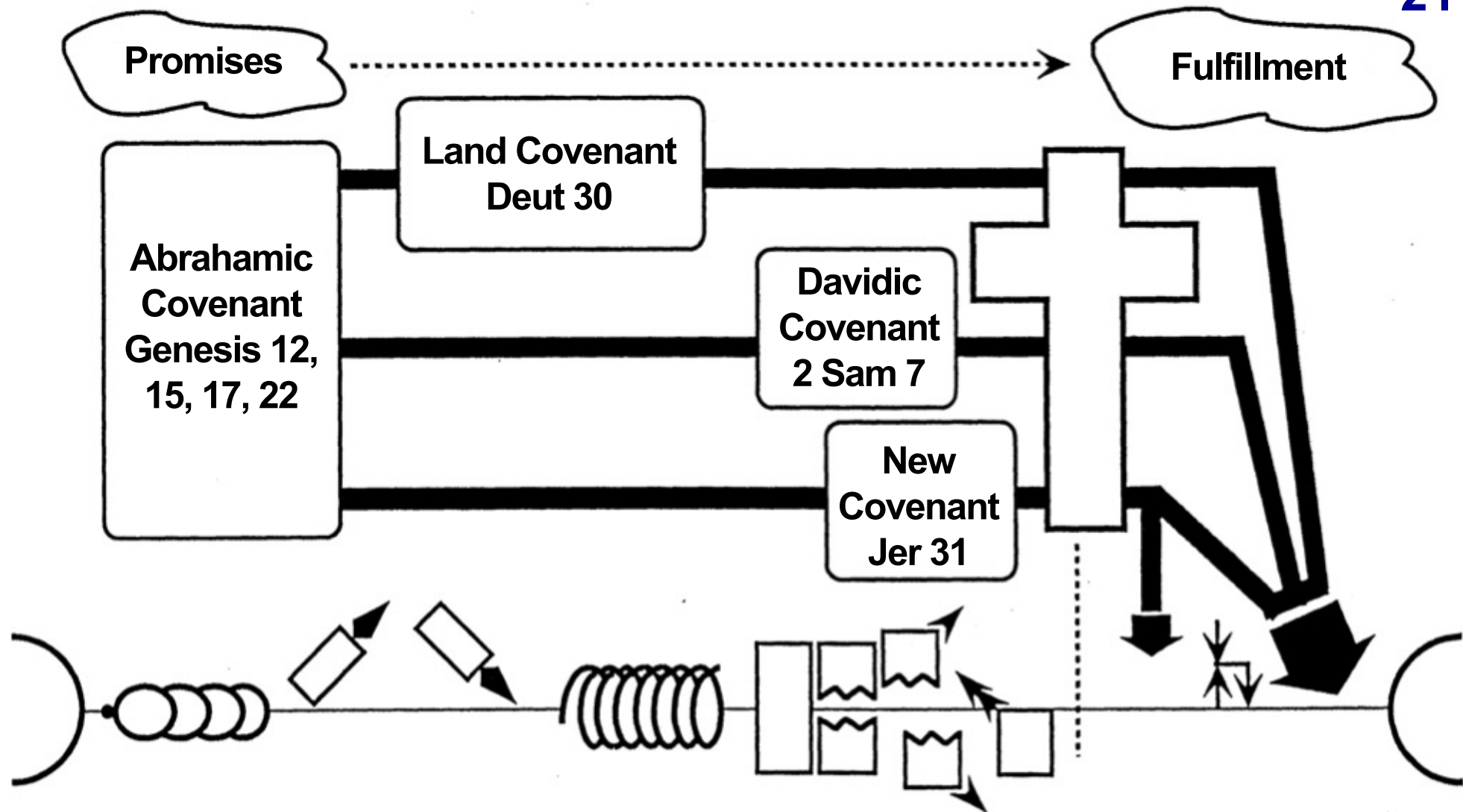
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Historical

Poetical

Prophetical





The Abrahamic Covenant & Its Fulfillment

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The Eternal Kingdom

False Kingdom of Satan

Soteriological Line

Theocratic Kingdom on Earth

Eden Conscience Human Government Patriarchs Judges Kings Prophets Christ Grace Millennium

Israel Times of Gentiles

Covenants

Abrahamic Covenant Land Covenant Davidic Covenant New Covenant

Dispensations (Tests of Obedience)

Innocence Conscience Human Government Promise Law (Gal. 3:19) Grace Millennium



An All-Encompassing Theme

Genesis 1:26-28

"Then God said, 'Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish ... birds ... livestock ... all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground...' God blessed them and said to them, 'Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living creature that moves on the ground.'"

Revelation 22:5

"There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever."

The Bible's Theme: God extends His rule to man

Command



Covenants



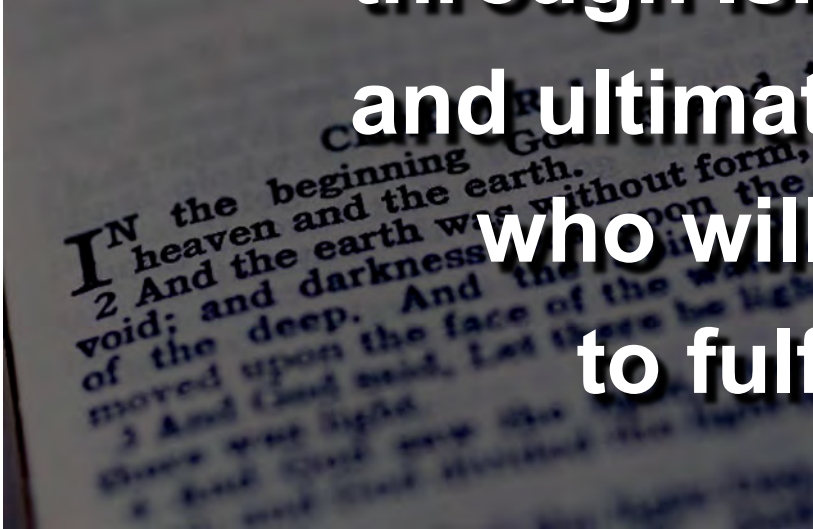
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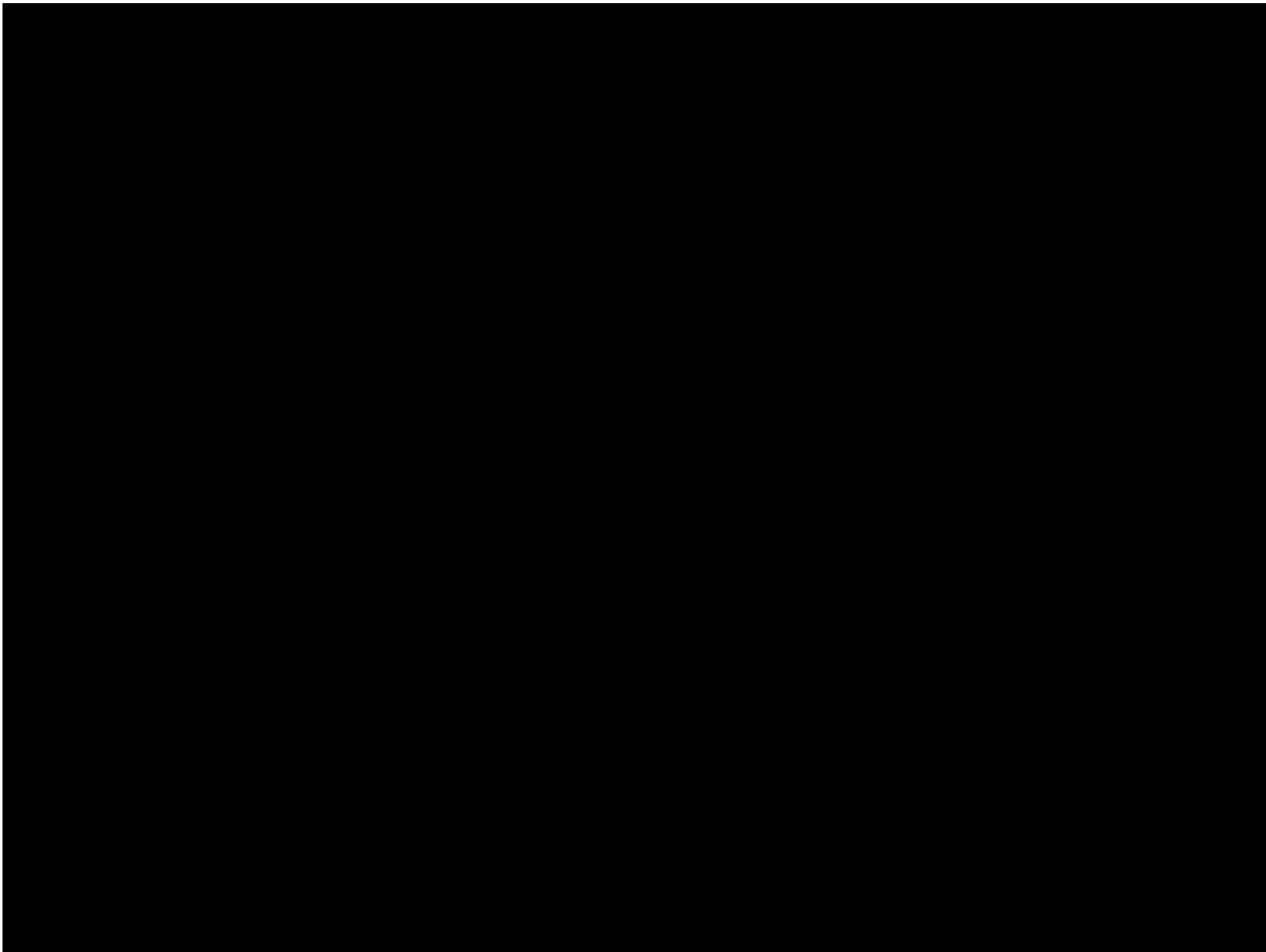
My View of the OT's Theme

The Old Testament narrates

God's restoring man to participate in His kingdom rule for His own glory

mandated in Eden but lost in the Fall
and accomplished by redeeming man
through Israel as a kingdom of priests
and ultimately through the Messiah,
who will reign as Savior and King
to fulfill the Abrahamic Covenant






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