

## How We Will Rule with Christ

(Feast of Tabernacles—Day 3)

*To serve, help and rule with righteousness and justice, the foundation of God's Throne*

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Greetings, brethren! Welcome to the third day of the Feast of Tabernacles!

As we covered, we're going to be kings and priests and we're going to reign on the earth with Jesus Christ for a thousand years. ***And that will just be the start!*** Think on that!

So, all you future kings, priests, administrators, mayors, governors, and everything that's necessary to run the government, and to bring peace and prosperity, and love and conversion to the whole world, ***the beginning task will be a little difficult!***

We'll back up just a little bit and then come down to the meaning of the Feast of Tabernacles.

Zechariah 14:2—The Lord God says: 'For I will gather all nations to battle against Jerusalem; and the city shall be taken, and the houses plundered, and the women raped. And half of the city shall go into exile, and the rest of the people shall not be cut off from the city.' And the LORD shall go out and fight against those nations... [the Battle of Armageddon] ...as when He fought in the day of battle. And His feet shall stand in that day upon the Mount of Olives..." (vs 2-4).

Think about that! Think about what a great day this is going to be! After we've been on the Sea of Glass from Pentecost to Trumpets, and learning everything we need to learn:

- get our new names
- the marriage of the Lamb takes place
- the wedding supper takes place
- we get all ready to come down with the war to truly, truly end all wars

### ***God alone can do that!***

Here's what's going to happen: the Mt. of Olives is where Jesus ascended the final time into heaven, so He's coming right back to the place that He left.

"...which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the Mount of Olives shall split in two, from the east and to the west..." (v 4)—*just like that!* What a thing that is going to be!

"...and make a very great valley. And half of the mountain shall move toward the north, and half of it toward the south" (v 4).

Verse 6: "And it shall come to pass in that day, that the light shall not be clear, nor dark. And it will be one day, which shall be known to the LORD, neither day nor night; but it shall come to pass that at evening time it shall be light. And it shall be in that day..." (vs 6-8). *As soon as He puts His feet on the Mt. of Olives!*

Satan will have been put away and now begins the cleansing of the physical earth, to make it into a paradise everywhere!

Verse 8: "And it shall be in that day, that living waters shall go out from Jerusalem; half of them shall go toward the eastern sea, and half of them toward the western sea. In summer and in winter it shall be." *Think of going out to start cleaning up:*

- all the destruction
- all the upheavals
- all the death

Verse 9: "And the LORD shall be King over all the earth; in that day there shall be one LORD, and His name shall be one.

What is the first thing that Jesus and the saints are going to do? *Let's see how that's going to work out!* That's going to be quite a day. We're going to be so busy we're going to be learning how:

- to rule
- to serve
- to love
- to heal

*And we will be able to do great miracles and to restore the people!*

It's going to be something, indeed! It's going to be so great and marvelous that's it's really beyond what we can comprehend now, ***but as spirit beings!*** Just think what that's going to be; we're going to help:

- the wounded
- the dismembered
- the children
- the little infants
- the old men and women

They're all going to be in a state of shell-shock that will be so traumatic that it's going to be quite a thing to heal them. Here's how it's going to be:

Psalm 45:1: “My heart overflows with a goodly matter...”—*the Truth of the Millennium and the rule of God on the earth that we’re going to bring to the world!*

“...I speak of my works to the King; my tongue is the pen of a ready writer. You are more excellent than the children of men; grace is poured upon Your lips; therefore, **God has blessed You forever**” (vs 1-2)—*this is Christ as King!*

- beautiful
- marvelous
- wonderful
- Holy
- gracious
- kind

Verse 3: “Gird Your sword upon Your thigh, O Mighty One, with Your glory and Your majesty. And ride victoriously in Your majesty in behalf of Truth...” (vs 3-4)—*because Satan will be bound!*

- the Truth of proper of government
- the Truth of the Word of God
- the Truth of the plan of God that He’s going to work our during the Millennium and beyond

“...and meekness and righteousness...” (v 4).

Just think of this: We’re going to establish a society that will be so great that it is going *obliterate* all the knowledge of the kingdoms before it, because all they ever did was fight and war!

“...and let Your right hand teach You awesome things” (v 4).

- Aren’t we going to have awesome things to teach and do, and to help the brethren to understand that?
- Help all of those coming out of captivity and so forth?

Verse 5: “Your arrows are sharp in the heart of the King’s enemies, whereby the people fall under You. **Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; a scepter of justice is the scepter of Your Kingdom**” (vs 5-6).

Here’s how we’re going to administer the Government of God.

Sidebar: The ministry was never intended to be the Government of God. There is a governance within the Church to serve and to help, *but not to rule over!*

*Here we will serve and help as well as rule over in:*

- kindness
- righteousness
- goodness

### **The way that God wants!**

Verse 7: “You love righteousness and hate wickedness; **therefore, God, Your God, has anointed You with the oil of gladness above Your fellows.**”

This is going to how it’s going to be in the whole world:

Psalm 46:1: “God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.” *Our first mission is to end all the trouble!*

Verse 2: “Therefore, we will not fear, though the earth should change and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains shake with the swelling of it. Selah. There is a river whose streams... [we’ve talked about *living waters* coming out from Jerusalem (Zech. 14)] **...make the City of God rejoice, the Holy dwelling place of the Most High**” (vs 2-4).

Eventually that’s where it’s going to be, because the Millennium is a transition to the Last Great Day, which is a transition to New Jerusalem. It all flows from one to the other. “...**the Holy dwelling place of the Most High**” will be in New Jerusalem.

Verse 5: “God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God shall help her at the approach of the morning.” *That’s quite a thing, God intervening to do all of those things!*

Verse 7: “The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah. Come, behold the works of the LORD who makes desolations upon the earth, Who makes wars to cease to the ends of the earth” (vs 7-9). *That’s the first mission; disarm the whole world!*

Today, we need arms and ammunitions because of war, because God is going to end all wars!

“...He breaks the bow and cuts the spear in two; He burns the chariots in the fire. ‘Be still, and **know that I am God!**....’” (vs 9-10).

That’s what we’re going to teach; **God rules in Jerusalem**, and what a council He is going to have with all of the ancient patriarchs right there! That’s going to be quite a thing, indeed!

“...I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.’ The LORD of hosts is

with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah” (vs 10-11).

How is the world going to respond to that? Just think of it:

- no more wars
- no more killing
- no more attacks
- no more shootings
- no more stabbings
- no more rapes
- no more killing of children

But **peace!** And we’re the ones who are going to bring it!

I want you to think on that, because there are going to be times in the future when we will get down and depressed because of the difficulties that we are going to face. Jesus said that are going to be the worst difficulties since the creation of the world. ***We need the strength of God to endure through that!***

Here is how the world is going to react. This is something!

Psalm 47:1: “Clap your hands, all you people; shout to God with the voice of triumph, for the LORD Most High is awesome; He is a great King over all the earth” (vs 1-2). *He has not yet come to the earth, but Christ is the King under Him!* They work together hand in glove.

Verse 3: “He shall subdue the people under us and nations under our feet. He shall choose our inheritance for us, the excellency of Jacob whom He loved. Selah.” (vs 3-4).

Remember, in Rom. 8 it says that ***we’re going to be joint heirs with Christ!*** Today we have something between husband and wife in ownership of property. Joint tenants or joint heirs, meaning that the property belongs to both of them. When we are co-inheritors with Christ, that means that ***we have a part ownership in the actual Kingdom of God!*** Let that encourage you above everything.

All the pain and difficulty we go through is going to be worth every second of it, because of the joy and gladness of being able to administer the Kingdom of God to the people of the world; to bring it back to the greatest productivity that has ever been.

Verse 3: “He shall subdue the people under us and nations under our feet. He shall choose our inheritance for us, the excellency of Jacob whom He loved. Selah. God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a horn. Sing praises to

God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises” (vs 3-6).

*That’s going to be a good thing!* Instead of fighting and warring each other, we’re going to be singing praises to God. God is going to pouring down His Spirit upon all people, and upon us. As spirit being—which we’re going to be—is going to be an amazing thing!

Verse 7: “For God is King of all the earth; sing praises with understanding.”

Won’t that be something? Imagine what it’s going to be like. We’re going to be in different places in the world, and every once in a while we’re going to be back in Jerusalem and we’re going to see what kind of tabernacle that is going to be there, because there’s not going to be any temple.

Verse 8: “God reigns over the nations; God sits upon the throne of His Holiness. The rulers of the peoples are gathered together, the people of the God of Abraham for the shields of the earth are God’s; He is greatly exalted” (vs 8-9).

What is it going to be like as a spirit being to periodically go to Jerusalem and to be there with Christ and taught by Him, and whomever else: Abraham, Noah, Abel, all of the great patriarchs, Isaac, Jacob, the 12 apostles, the Apostle Paul... They will be all gathered! Imagine what it’s going to be like when Christ comes in to sit down on His Throne where we’re gathered to meet with Him, and we all stand to honor Him!

Then we have the greatest songfest ever in the entirety of the history of the world, praises to Christ and to God!

Now let’s see the business that needs to be done. As we saw, He’s going to end wars. How is that going to happen? We know that in Zech. 14 that it tells us very clearly that the nations are going to keep the Feast of Tabernacles. And if they don’t keep the Feast of Tabernacles, there will be plagues or drought. They will learn!

Some nations are going to be very difficult to bring to a peaceful conclusion. Let’s read about the main mission of ending the wars, the fightings and getting rid of the armaments at the beginning of the Millennium.

Isaiah is a marvelous, marvelous book! It has:

- prophecies of the Kingdom
- prophecies of Jesus
- prophecies of Israel
- prophecies of Judah

- prophecies of the Gentile nations
- prophecies concerning Satan
- prophecies concerning Babylon the Great
- prophecies concerning how the Millennium is going to be run
- prophecies concerning the wealth that will be there

Think about the Jews not having the New Testament or knowing that it's going to be a whole spiritual entourage of people who are sons and daughters of God—running the world—ruling, reigning and teaching the people the Truth of God and the love of God. That's what we find in the New Testament!

Isaiah 2:1: “The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.”

That's interesting because Isa. 1 talks about the current corruption of Israel at that time, which is also a type of the future corruption of Israel down through history. God has always pleaded with His people to repent and come to Him.

Isa. 2 suddenly shifts to a scene encompassing the whole world and God as Ruler!

Verse 2: “And it shall come to pass, in the last days **the mountain of the LORD'S house...**”—*mountain* mans government. The Mt. of Olives shall be split in two and raised to be a great mountain. “...shall be established in the top of the mountains...” *Nothing is going to be greater than that!*

“...and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow into it” (v 2). *They're all coming to learn:*

- the way of God
- the Law of God
- the commandments of God
- the Truth of God
- the love of God
- the mercy of God
- the graciousness of God
- the power of God

***Do not go out and sin!***

Verse 3: “And many people shall go and say, ‘Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob. **And He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His paths.**’...”—*instead of Satan's path; instead of their own way.* And one thing that will be for sure is what Jeremiah says:

Jeremiah 10:23: “O LORD, I know that the

way of man is not in himself; *it is* not in man who walks to direct his steps.” ***So, there will be proper education so that everything will be carried out right and good!***

Isaiah 2:3: “...For out of Zion shall go forth the Law, and the Word of the LORD from Jerusalem.”

- *one Law* for the whole world
- *one Way* for everyone

*Think of how the cities will be—the villages and cities—everyone:*

- loving God
- keeping His commandments
- keeping His Sabbaths
  - ✓ no idols
  - ✓ no blaspheming
  - ✓ honoring father and mother
    - all children loving their fathers and mothers
    - all fathers and mothers loving their children

*Think about what that's going to be like!* They can look forward to the next generation; it's going to be a marvelous thing, indeed! The Millennium is going to be the greatest things that has ever happened to the earth.

### **1. Stopping War**

Verse 4: “And He shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people... [because some will not be willing at first] ...and **they shall...** [this will be the order of the day] ...beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks...” *Look at all the metal, iron, steel, aluminum and titanium that's used in all of the weapons that men make!* All they do is either

- recovering from war
- preparing for war
- at war
- winning a war
- losing a war
- a big battle
- a small battle

***Now you're going to have to shape up and do what God says! And He will rebuke them!***

I covered this last year, so I'm not going to do it again, but a little sidebar on China and all the nations of the East:

They were the mainstay of the armies of 200-million that many of them came to Jerusalem and fought in the Battle of Armageddon and all were

killed. Many of the those armies retreated back to China and they are not going to submit for the first seven years. (Ezek. 38 & 39).

They're going to come and try to conquer Jerusalem and fight against Christ, and that will be the last war!

And it says there in Ezek. 38 & 39 that when that happens, the nations shall know that the LORD is God!

“...Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore” (v 4).

God doesn't tell us much about the tabernacle that He's going to establish in Jerusalem; it won't be a temple, we won't need a temple. It's going to be a spectacular tabernacle: **tabernacling with God and God tabernacling with men!** That's what this will be!

Isaiah 4:5: “And the LORD will create over every dwelling place of Mount Zion...”—*the whole area around Jerusalem*, the Mt. of Olives and those mountains around there.

“...and over her assemblies...” (v 5). There will be many meeting places that will be there; there will be a lot going on at Jerusalem, because everything is going to emanate out of Jerusalem.

“...a cloud and smoke by day...” (v 5). **Where did we have that before?** *The Exodus!* God's presence was always there and was known by the cloud and the fire!

“...and the shining of a flaming fire by night; for over all the glory *shall be* a canopy” (v 5)—*a great canopy covering Jerusalem!* Everything associated with what is necessary for ruling the world! Isn't that going to be a wonderful thing, indeed?

Verse 6: “And **there shall be a tabernacle**... [no temple] ...for shade by day from the heat, and for refuge, and for shelter from storm and rain.” *So, there will still be storms and rain!*

**It's quite a thing what God is going to do!** It's interesting that in Isaiah and the Psalms **there are more Scripture references to:**

- the Millennium
- the Kingdom of God
- the rule of God
- the spiritual children of God

**than anyplace else in the Bible!**

The people will hear, as well as have proper fear. If you don't have proper fear you can't have

proper love, because you need the inward desire to love God with all your heart, mind, soul and being, and **the right fear** to not transgress and break the laws and commandments of God. Those go together.

Psalms 48:1: “Great is the LORD, and highly to be praised in the city of our God, in His Holy mountain. Beautiful in its loftiness...” (v 1-2).

Think what that's going to be like with God, the Architect and Builder of this tabernacle in Jerusalem. That's a precursor to New Jerusalem.

“...the joy of all the earth is Mount Zion on the sides of the north, the city of the great King” (v 2). *Think about it today, it is the most contentious place on the face of the earth!* Everybody fighting and quarreling, killing, rocketing, shooting, stabbing and blowing up! It won't be that anymore!

Verse 3: “God in her palace has shown Himself to be a fortress, for lo, the kings assembled themselves; they advanced together” (vs 3-4). *All going to come to God!*

What is that going to be like? I imagine, brethren, that when the Millennium begins, God is going to expand the meaning of every Holy Day with remembrance looking back, with current things going on, with future things yet to take place. All of this in the Millennium is a start from that time forward.

Verse 5<sup>[transcriber's correction]</sup>: “As we have heard, so we have seen in the city of the LORD of hosts, in the city of our God. God will establish it forever. Selah. We have thought of Your loving kindness, O God, in the midst of Your temple.... [now a tabernacle] ...As is Your name, O God, so is Your praise to the ends of the earth. **Your right hand is full of righteousness**” (vs 5-10).

Just think about that, bringing righteousness to the whole world!

Verse 11: “Let Mount Zion rejoice! Let the daughters of Judah shout for joy because of Your judgments! Walk around Zion, and go all around her; count her towers; consider her ramparts, go through her palaces, so that you may tell it to the coming generation... [what a magnificent thing that is] ...for this God is our God forever and ever; He will guide us even unto death” (vs 11-14)—*or end of life!*

Psalms 49:1: “Hear this, all you people; give ear, all inhabitants of the world: both low and high, rich and poor together. My mouth shall speak of wisdom, and the thoughts of my heart shall be of understanding. I will incline my ear to a parable; I will open my dark saying upon the lyre” (vs 1-4).

*You talk about songs and singing!* I think we haven't seen anything like what it's going to be during the Millennium.

So, the first order of business is stopping wars

## 2. Bringing back the children of Israel from captivity

They will be in captivity in many nations of the world. Let's see what God is going to do. Remember, **God still loves Israel:**

Jeremiah 30:17: "For I will give health back to you, and will heal you of your wounds," says the LORD; 'because they called you an outcast, *saying*, "This is Zion; no one cares for her." Thus says the LORD, 'Behold, **I turn back the captivity of Jacob's tents**, and will have mercy on his dwelling places. And the city shall be built on her ruins, and the palace shall remain in its own place'" (vs 17-18). *Think about all the healing that's going to take place!*

Verse 19: "And out of them shall come thanksgiving, and the voice of those who rejoice. And I will multiply them, and they shall not be few; I will also honor them, and they shall not be disdained." *Complete change of everything!*

Verse 20: "Also, their children shall be as they were before, and their congregation shall be established before Me, and I will punish all who oppress them." *That's how He gets them out of captivity!*

Verse 21: "And their ruler shall be of themselves, and their governor shall come from among them; and I will cause him to draw near, and he shall approach Me. For who *is* this who pledged his heart to come near to Me?" says the LORD...."—*showing that conversion is going to come to all the children of Israel!*

Notice what's going to be changed to a great and marvelous thing; v 22: "**And you shall be My people, and I will be your God.**"

Verse 23: "Behold, the whirlwind of the LORD'S wrath goes forth, a sweeping whirlwind; it shall whirl on the head of the wicked." *Get rid of them; all of those who were holding Israel and Judah captive!*

Verse 24: "The fierce anger of the LORD shall not return until He has done *it*, and until He has fulfilled the purposes of His heart. In the latter days you shall understand it." *Quite a prophecy there!*

(Break)

Let's see the great things that God is going to do to setup the Millennium and establish it. What a time that's going to be. Always keep in mind that we have been promised a part:

- in rulership
- in priesthood
- in teaching
- in government

*to help Christ rule the world during the Millennium!* Just think how many people will be brought to salvation at that time. We'll talk about that in just a bit.

Jeremiah 31:1: "At that time," says the LORD, 'I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be My people.' Thus says the LORD, 'The people *who were* left of the sword found grace in the wilderness; even Israel, when I will go to give him rest'" (vs 1-2) That's what the Millennium is:

- rest from sin
- rest from war
- peace
- love
- harmony
- goodness
- truth
- righteousness

### *All the joyous and great things of God!*

Verse 3: "The LORD has appeared to me from afar, *saying*, 'Yea, **I have loved you with an everlasting love...**'"

The love of God will be poured out upon Israel and the people of the world, and they will love Him back! That's what God wanted all along! But it has to be by free moral agency, that we choose to do so! This will give them the format to do it.

"...therefore, with loving kindness I have drawn you. Again, I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin of Israel. You shall again put on your drums, and shall go forth in the dances of those who rejoice" (vs 3-4).

This is going to be quite a thing, brethren! We have never ever ever even had anything close to resembling what God says it's going to be during the Millennium.

Verse 5: "You shall yet plant vines on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant, and shall eat *them* as common things. For there shall be a day *that* the watchmen on Mount Ephraim shall cry, 'Arise and let us go up to Zion to the LORD our

God!” (vs 5-6).

So, there will be various people who will go up from time to time, as well as all the sons and daughters of God in the spiritual family. Think about what a time that’s going to be!

Verse 7: “For thus says the LORD, ‘Sing with gladness for Jacob, and shout among the chief of the nations. Cry out, give praise and say, ‘O LORD, save Your people, the remnant of Israel.’” *That’s what God is going to do! What a time that will be!*

If you think that the coming back out of WWII was a fantastic thing, this is going to be absolutely marvelous and pale it into comparison.

Verse 8: “Behold, I will bring them from the north country and gather them from the corners of the earth, and with *them* the blind and the lame, the woman with child and she who is in labor with child, together; a great company shall return there.... [notice they’re coming and repenting]: ...They shall come with weeping, and with prayers...” (vs 8-9)—*weeping with joy that it is over!*

- no more pain
- no more sorrow

“...I will lead them. I will cause them to walk by the rivers of waters in a straight way; they shall not stumble in it, for I am a Father to Israel, and Ephraim is My firstborn” ( v 9). *Think how joyous that is going to be!*

Verse 10: “Hear the Word of the LORD, O nations, and declare *it* in the isles afar off. And say, ‘He who scattered Israel will gather him and keep him, as a shepherd *keeps* his flock.’ For the LORD has redeemed Jacob, and ransomed him from the hand of the one stronger than he. ‘Therefore, they shall come and sing in the height of Zion, and shall flow together to the goodness of the LORD, for wheat, and for wine, and for oil, and for the young of the flock and the herd. And their soul shall be as a watered garden; and they shall not pine away anymore at all” (vs 10-12).

*Think about that!* This is what all mankind really wants, isn’t it? Isn’t it something that it has to be brought the way that it is? But now you understand the power of Satan in this world **to kill, destroy, maim, lie, cheat, and all of the evil things that take place!** Here will be happiness and joy, goodness, gladness, love, obedience, and all of those good things.

Verse 13: “Then shall the virgin rejoice in the dance, both young men and old together; for I will turn their mourning into joy, and will comfort

them and make them rejoice from their affliction.”

### 3. What’s going to happen with us?

*We’re going to share in this, v 14: “And I will fill the soul of the priests with fatness... [great abundance] ...and My people shall be satisfied with My goodness,’ says the LORD.” Think how great that is going to be!*

That doesn’t mean that we’re going to rule with an iron fist. There may be times if someone is so rebellious that we have to really get stern with them, and we’ll see that later on there will be even some people who will rebel. But here at the beginning of the Millennium and down on into it, there nothing but joy, happiness and goodness.

All of this has been prophesied and put in the Scripture for us to know what God is going to do. His plan is so marvelous! Many of you have seen the television show *Water’s World* where he takes his microphone and camera and goes out and asks people: What you think? Who is this? Who is that? Who is the first President? *and so forth!* If you did that today, and went to those people and say:

- Do you believe there’s a God?’ *Many will say yes!*
- Can you tell me what He’s doing?’ *Very few will even know!*
- Can you tell me what’s going to happen when Jesus returns?’ *I don’t think that mainstream Christianity has a clue!*

***Unless you keep the Sabbath, Holy Days and Feasts of God, you don’t know! That’s how God has hidden it!*** The only way to understand is with love and obedience to God in keeping His Sabbath, Feasts and Holy Days.

Verse 20: “‘*Is Ephraim My dear son? Is he a delightful child?* For as often as I spoke against him, I earnestly remember him still. Therefore, My heart yearns for him; I will surely have mercy on him,’ says the LORD. ‘Set up way marks, make sign posts for yourself. Set your heart toward the highway, even the way that you went. Return again, O virgin of Israel, **return to these your cities**” (vs 20-21).

We’re going to see that they’re going to go back and they’re all in desolation. They going to have to rebuild them; we’ll see that tomorrow.

Verse 22: “How long will you go to and fro, O faithless daughter? For the LORD has created a new thing in the land; a woman shall court a man.” *Why? Because there will be few men!*

After every war there are more women; watch that when you see the repair of Germany after

WWII. All the women were out there getting the bricks, scraping them and cleaning them and passing the buckets of bricks, etc.

Verse 23: “Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, ‘Again they shall speak this word in the land of Judah and in its cities, when I shall bring them back from their captivity: “The LORD bless you, O habitation of righteousness and mountain of Holiness.”’” *That’s going to be something!* Blessings flowing like we can’t even imagine here today!

Verse 24: “And farmers, and those going forth with flocks, shall dwell in Judah itself, and in all the cities of it together. For I have satiated the weary soul, and I have replenished every sorrowful soul” (vs 24-25). *That’s what God is going to do!*

We will be the agents to comfort every one of them. That’s why God has called us, and why we go through the difficulties and problems that we do. We will have the value of redemption and consolation, and bringing them back and restoring joy to them. We will be the ones to do it, brethren! *Think of that!* That’s why we have to be spirit beings.

Verse 26—*Jeremiah says:* “On this I awoke and looked up; and my sleep was sweet to me.”

One of the moments in the life of Jeremiah, who had to bring such a sorrowful, doleful destructive message to the people of Israel and Judah!

Verse 27: “Behold, the days come,’ says the LORD, ‘that I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of man and with the seed of animal. And it shall come to pass, as I have watched over them to pluck up, and to break down, and to throw down, and to destroy, and to afflict; so I will watch over them to build and to plant,’ says the LORD.” (vs 27-28).

Verse 31: “Behold, **the days come,**’ says the LORD, ‘that **I will make a New Covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah,** not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which covenant of Mine they broke, although I was a husband to them,’ says the LORD; ‘but this *shall be* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel: After those days,’ says the LORD...” (vs 31-33).

Just like with us today! This is what brings *peace, love, joy, wisdom and understanding!*

“...‘I will put My Law in their inward parts...’” (v 33). That’s why God gave us a

brain/mind and the spirit of man, and He gives the Holy Spirit to us. This is the purpose for what our minds were created for. Think about how fulfilling it’s going to be for them:

- no Satan
- no evil
- no more destruction
- no more killing
- no more lying
- no more adultery
- no more false gods and images

*What a day that’s going to be!*

“...and write it in their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. And they shall no more teach each man his neighbor and each man his brother, saying, “Know the LORD”; for they shall all know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them,’ says the LORD. ‘For **I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sins no more**’ (vs 33-34).

Verse 35: “Thus says the LORD, who gives the sun for a light by day and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, who stirs up the sea when its waves roar; (the LORD of hosts is His name), ‘If those ordinances depart from Me,’ says the LORD... [which they won’t, *never*] ...‘the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before Me forever’” (vs 35-36). *What guarantee! That’s something!*

Now let’s see what God is going to do, because human nature the way it is today is desperately evil and wicked above all things.

When there is that change, conversion and the release from all the troubles, and the overflowing of joy, love, kindness, repair, goodness and healing, it’s going to be quite a thing! Then they will understand how bad it was, how bad that they got that they had to be carried off into captivity by their enemies.

Ezekiel 36:24: “For I will take you from among the nations and gather you out of all countries, and will gather you into your own land. And I will sprinkle clean waters upon you, and you shall be clean. I will cleanse you from all your filthiness... [spiritually speaking] ...and from your idols. And I will give you a new heart, and I will put a new spirit within you...” (vs 24-26).

What a wonderful thing that is, they’re going to be given the Holy Spirit of God, and human nature is going to be far less violent, evil and deceptive!



“...And I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you a heart of flesh. And I will put My Spirit within you...” (vs 26-27). *It's going to be great!*

Brethren, this is our job, what we're going to do! Just think of how much more is going to be written about God and the Word of God. Listen! The Bible that we have today is going to be a very small part of that, the beginning foundation of it. Think about what it's going to be *when the world is overflowing*

- with the knowledge of God
- with the Truth of God
- with the love of God

All men, women and children—young and old—and all the animals of the world, the birds and everything like that. It is going to be so fantastic and glorious that it is just mind-boggling.

Verse 27: “And I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you shall keep My ordinances and do *them*. And you shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers. And **you shall be My people, and I will be your God.** I will also save you from all your uncleannesses, and I will call for the grain, and will increase it, and will lay no famine upon you. And I will multiply the fruits of the tree and the increase of the field, so that you shall never again receive the curse of famine among the nations” (vs 27-30).

When all of that transpires and they see all the goodness that God is doing for them, to bring them all of this greatness at the beginning of the Millennium—and it's going to go out to the whole world—to all nations, all people wherever they are. Think of that! Here's going to be their response:

Verse 31: “And **you shall remember your own evil ways, and your doings that were not good, and shall loathe yourselves in your own sight for your iniquities and for your abominations.**”

They will understand how evil and treacherous they were, *and how merciful and gracious that God is!* Brethren, *we are the ones who will administer that:*

- to teach them
- to help them
- to guide them
- to direct them
- to always keep them pointing toward God

Verse 32: “I do not do *this* for your sake,” says the Lord GOD, “be it known to you. Be

ashamed and confounded for your ways, O house of Israel.’ Thus says the Lord GOD, ‘In the day that I cleanse you from all your iniquities, I will also cause *you* to dwell in the cities, and the waste *places* shall be rebuilt. And the wasteland shall be tilled, instead of being desolate before all who pass by. And they shall say, “This land that was desolate **has become like the Garden of Eden**.... [the whole world] ...And the wasted, desolate and ruined cities now *are* fenced and inhabited.” And the nations that are left all around you shall know that **I the LORD build the ruined places and planted that which was desolate. I the LORD have spoken it, and I will do it**” (vs 32-36).

It will get done, because it will be delegated to us to accomplish it. This is our mission statement as to how we're going to operate as sons and daughters of God as kings, priests, administrators, governors, mayors councils, etc. This is what we're going to do; all of it will go to God.

It will always be true, and it doesn't matter what time in the history of mankind, this is always true: **God created us, all nations of one blood, and made us and created us in such a way that in Him always**—whether we know it or not, converted or not, but much more so when we are converted:

- *we live*, because we have life and His Spirit, and He created the world for us to live in
- *we move*, everything about how He made us:
  - ✓ how we act
  - ✓ how we walk
  - ✓ how we talk
  - ✓ how we sit
  - ✓ how we think
- *have our being in Him*

*Every human being on earth!*

Think about what it's going to be like when it's all done properly, *when it's all done with the love of God!*

Verse 37: “Thus says the Lord GOD, ‘I will yet be sought by the house of Israel to act for them. I will increase them with men like a flock. As a Holy flock, as the flock of Jerusalem **in her appointed Feasts**... [that's how we understand the plan of God, by His appointed Feasts] ...so shall the waste cities be filled with flocks of men. **And they shall know that I am the LORD**” (vs 37-38). *That's a marvelous thing indeed!*

Ezekiel 37:21: “And say to them, “Thus says the Lord GOD, ‘Behold, I will take the children of Israel from among the nations where they have gone,

and will gather them on every side, and will bring them into their own land.”

Now let's see what else God is going to do; v 22: And I will make them one nation in the land on the mountains of Israel, and one king shall be king over them all. And they shall no longer be two nations, nor shall they be divided into two kingdoms any more at all. Nor shall they be defiled with their idols, nor with their detestable things, nor with all of their transgressions. But I will save them out of all their dwelling places, wherein they have sinned, and will cleanse them. And they shall be to Me for a people, **and I will be their God**” (vs 22-23).

Now notice a promise given to David way back when he was king of Israel, where God told David that he would be king forever over Israel. Here is, right here:

Verse 24: “And David My servant *shall be king over them...*” *Christ will be over all of those;* it's going to be a marvelous setup indeed!

“...And there shall be one shepherd to all of them. And they shall walk in My ordinances and obey My laws, and do them. And they shall dwell in the land that I have given to Jacob My servant, the land in which your fathers have dwelt. And they shall dwell in it, even they and their children, and their children's children forever. **And My servant David shall be their ruler forever**” (vs 24-25). *That means that he's a spirit being!*

Verse 26: “Moreover, I will make a covenant of peace with them. It shall be an everlasting covenant with them. And I will place them, and multiply them, and will set My sanctuary in their midst forever. And **My tabernacle** shall be with them. Yea, I will be their God, and they shall be My people. And the nations shall know that I the LORD do sanctify Israel, when My sanctuary shall be in their midst forever” (vs 26-28). *Just like we saw in Isa. 4; that's quite a thing!*

Let's see that this is going to be in all the world everywhere. If we can just keep in mind that God has selected us to:

- give us of His Spirit
- to teach us
- to train us
- to give us of His Word

***So, that we can participate in bringing about the greatest thing that God is going to do on this earth with people in the Millennium with everything that's going to be for the whole world!***

Psalms 96: 1: “O sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, **all** the earth. Sing to the

LORD, bless His name; proclaim His salvation from day to day. Declare His glory among the nations, His wonders among all people” (vs 1-3). *What a thing that's going to be!*

How much of this can we really grasp? *As much as we can!* This is one of those things that we have to go over and over to really learn. God's Word is like this: ***the more we go over it and the more we study it with different things of the Scriptures and put it together, the more we understand!***

Verse 4: “For the LORD is great, and greatly to be praised; **He is to be feared** above all gods for all the gods of the nations are idols; but the LORD made the heavens. Honor and majesty are before Him; strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.... [I wonder what that's going to be like?] ...Ascribe to the LORD, O you kindreds of the people; give to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due to His name; bring an offering and come into His courts. O worship the LORD **in the beauty of Holiness...**” (vs 4-9).

What is that going to be like? *All the spiritual sons and daughters of God coming into Jerusalem to worship God!* All of us together to worship Him in “...**the beauty of Holiness...**” ***because we're the spirit sons and daughters of God!***

“...tremble before Him, all the earth. Say among the nations, ‘The LORD reigns, and the world shall be established; it shall not be moved; He shall judge the people with righteousness.’ Let the heavens rejoice... [I don't know how that's going to be] ...and let the earth be glad; let the sea roar, and the fullness of it. Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it; then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy before the LORD; for He comes, for He comes to judge the earth; **He shall judge the world with righteousness and the people with His Truth**” (vs 9-13).

This is what the Millennium is all about. Quite a marvelous and wonderful thing for us to grasp and understand.

- **This is our calling!**
- **This is our goal!**

Just as God gave to Adam and Eve and all human beings—the whole world—He is giving to us the responsibility to carry out and fulfill everything that we have been reading and studying today for joy, gladness in everything!

Psalms 97:1: “The LORD reigns; let the earth rejoice... [everything in the earth] ...let the

multitude of islands be glad. Clouds and darkness are all around Him; **righteousness and justice are the foundation of His Throne**” (vs 1-2). *From a God of truth and love:*

- Who cannot lie
- Who cannot sin
- Who is righteous in everything

Verse 3: “A fire goes before Him and burns up His enemies round about. His lightnings light up the world; the earth saw and trembled. The mountains melted like wax at the presence of the LORD, at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth. **The heavens declare His righteousness, and all the people see His glory**” (vs 3-6) *What a thing that is, brethren!*

Psa. 100—one of the most glorious little Psalm in the book of Psalms.

Psalm 100:1: “Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Serve the LORD with gladness; come before His presence with singing. **Know that the LORD, He is God.** He has made us, and we are His; we are His people and the sheep of His pasture. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise; give thanks unto Him and bless His name, **for the LORD is good; His steadfast love is everlasting; and His faithfulness endures to all generations**” (vs 1-8)—*throughout the whole of the Millennium and on into the ages of eternity! Amen!*

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