

## A Preview of Jerusalem in the Kingdom Age

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Isaiah 52:1-12

Verses 1-12 primarily deal with the second advent of Christ and His Millennial reign. Jerusalem in the Kingdom is described as...

I. **AWAKENED** (v. 1— *put on thy beautiful garments there shall no more come into thee the uncircumcised and the unclean.*)

- Israel will be awakened from her sleep of indifference, and be restored to it's beauty (Romans 11).
- Israel will never again be invaded by foreign nations.

II. **LIBERATED** (v. 2— *loose thyself from the bands* .)

A. v. 2— Sounds somewhat contradictory. The idea is for Israel to get up off the ground, shake off the dust of defeat and take assume her place of one who is redeemed.

B. v. 3— Nought = Nothing; something that is worthless or useless.

- People sell themselves out (50:1) for things that are absolutely useless! They waste their lives on things that are utterly worthless.
- If their lives are to be redeemed, it will take something more than money (Ps. 49:6-8).

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v. 3b— Redeemed without money. Symbolically, silver was a picture of redemption (Ex. 30:15 cf. 1 Sam. 9:8). A silver coin was the price of redemption. In verse 3 redemption is not with money, but with blood (1 Pet. 1:18). Predicted early when Adam and Eve made their cloths of fig leaves God replaced them with cloths of skin, teaching that it was by the shedding of innocent blood they would be covered. All prophetically pointing to the Cross.

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- v. 4— See comments at 10:5. (cf. Ex. 1:8; Acts 7:18— *another* [Gk. heteros])

meaning another king of a different kind.) This “king” is not an Egyptian Pharaoh. This is an Assyrian king, a descendent of Nimrod. He oppressed Israel “ .”<sup>1</sup> Type of the AntiChrist.

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Dr. Peter Ruckman comments under Exodus 1:8 in the —“Undoubtedly he is one of the ‘Hyksos’ kings, which is apparent from Isaiah 52:4, where an oppressed them when they were in Egypt.”<sup>2</sup>

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- v. 5—“...

(Cf. Rev. 13:1-6; 16:9, 11, 21; 17:3).

### III. ENLIGHTENED (v. 6—...*my people shall know my name in that day*

.) See Ezekiel 39:7; Hebrews 8:10-11

### IV. SUBMISSIVE (v. 7—*Thy God reigneth!*

- A. v. 7— Dual application—Church Age / Kingdom Age separated by a semi-colon [;] between and

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Quoted by Paul in Romans 10:15 pertaining to the Gospel (cf. Rom. 10:13-14). But the context of Isaiah 52 is the reign of Christ (Kingdom). The reason Paul stops short of quoting all of Isaiah 52:7 is God is NOT reigning in Zion now. But He will in the coming Kingdom Age.

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- B. v. 8— —The watchmen over Jerusalem will hail Christ’s return (21:11-12; Jer. 6:17; Ezek. 3:17).

### V. HARMONIOUS (v. 8—... *see eye to eye* .)

- “ *see eye to eye* is an idiom meaning to be in agreement with someone; to understand each other. In the Kingdom men will see things as God sees them!

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<sup>1</sup> Bullinger’s *Companion Bible* note at Exodus 1:8: “*new king*” = a fresh dynasty. “*New*” here is used in the sense of being quite different from what preceded. See Dt. 32:17; Jdg. 5:8 and compare Gk. *heteros* in Act 7:18, “another” of a different kind [not *allos*, another of the same kind]. This Pharaoh was of a different race and dynasty, as shown by Josephus, who says “the crown being come into another family” (Antiquities ii, 9). He was “*the Assyrian*” of Isaiah 52:4.

<sup>2</sup> See also “*Halley’s Bible Handbook*” (any edition prior to 1970), pp. 113-116.

VI. **JOYOUS** (v. 9— *reak forth into JOY, sing together, ye waste places of Jerusalem: for the LORD hath COMFORTED his people, he hath REDEEMED Jerusalem.*)

- (Ps. 107:2).
- v. 9—God is NOT finished with Israel. Israel is still an integral part of His plan for the future.

VII. **DEFENDED** (v. 10—

*all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.*)

- See v. 12— Israel is lead by God ( and protected by God (

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= Re-ward / rear-ward. Rear guard. God is and Israel. As when Israel departed from Egypt (Ex. 14:19). No need to be hasty when you know God is leading and He has your back!

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VIII. **SEPARATED** (v. 11- ). Israel needed to de-part from Egypt; from Babylon; from mystery Babylon (Rev. 18:2-4).

- Application: Christians today need to make a clean break from anything that would compromise their testimony (1 Cor. 6:18; 2 Cor. 6:14-17; 10:14; 1 Tim. 6;11; 2 Tim. 2:19, 22).

**SUMMATION**: Verse 12 concludes the topic of Israel in the Kingdom Age. Isaiah 52:13 ( ...) begins a new topic—A prophetic description of the crucifixion of Jesus Christ that goes into Isaiah 53.