



- We live in a time of prophetic fulfillment
- The closest historical parallel to the impact of these times is when Yeshua was born
- Now, we are witnessing the return of the 10 Lost Tribes
- With this comes our duty to preserve our witness, teach it to our children, help others to grasp what is happening

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- Kiel and Delitzsch 1863: “...*but their deliverance out of all the countries...is still in the future.*”
- Jews returned to the Holy Land, but did not receive Jerusalem until around 30 years later
- God acts in steps, stages, and in using war

THE ELOHIM AND THE DIVINE COUNCIL



- “They will be My people, and I will be their Elohim”
- The only Hebrew word that directly translates to God is Yah
- The elohim are the administrators of Heaven
- The return of the scattered Israelites includes their spiritual restoration to Yehoveh
- Ezekiel 36:21 - 25

THE WAY TO BLESSING



- Zechariah 8:9 is the beginning of the 6th Oracle
- A rebuilt Temple brings a better existence
- The Judeans have experienced resistance, bad weather, and poor harvests
- God says now that the Temple is underway, they will experience blessing



FROM LACK TO BLESSING

- Zech. 8:10 “...before ...wages neither for people nor for animals...”
- Zech. 8:11 “...but now...”
- “Remnant” means all Jews who re-establish their relationship with Yehoveh
- Zech. 8:12
- *Shalom* more means divine well-being





Covenant: Key to God's Word and God's Ways

- Loyalty to God's covenants means peace and plenty
- Loyalty to a covenant is always expected
- Believers are party to a covenant
- It is obedience that reflects loyalty
- Without a set of rules, laws, terms, and conditions there is nothing to have obedience to!

HOW A COVENANT WORKS

- God gave Adam & Eve a 1-law Torah
- Can there be lawlessness if there are no laws?
- Matthew 5:17 – 19
- ***“Whoever disobeys... whoever obeys...”***
- Jesus says the terms and rules are found in the Torah
- Same rules still apply



**COVENANTAL BLESSINGS
AND
CURSES**



The Curses of Israel

ZECHARIAH 8:13

- We are living at the time of the beginning of the fullest scope of this prophecy
- The meaning is that Israel represents and identifies as a cursed people due to their covenant disobedience
- For Judah, the 70 years of curse is coming to an end
- For Israel, their curse is nowhere near the end



preferences



- Zechariah 8:14 – 15 refers back to 1:4 – 6
- Good and evil are covenant words that define morality
- Right and wrong are about secular human devised civil codes (like speed limits)
- “Our ways” refer to societal and religious norms and customs
- “Our deeds” refer to our individual behaviors

FREEDOM

FROM THE CHURCH



William Bradford

AND THE AMERICAN PILGRIMS

- Bradford feared that his group would be collateral damage if they stayed with the corrupted Church
- The Pilgrims separated themselves from the Church
- The Church acknowledged this and called them Separatists
- Pilgrim's motto: ***My people, come out of her!***

A B S O L U T E

T R U T H

Is Found Here



- Zechariah 8:16 – 17 “...speak the truth...”
- This is typical covenant language
- The truth means more than not telling lies
- The truth is God’s truth
- The truth is who God says He is, who you are, and how we are to behave
- Discover the truth; live the truth; tell people about the truth