

***The***  
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**THE THOUSAND YEAR MESSIANIC REIGN ON EARTH**

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It is truly remarkable to observe how many of the basic doctrinal truths of the Scriptures have been ignored or completely distorted by denominational Christianity. Theological interpretations have supplanted the plain and simple Truths which were taught by our Savior and the prophets of old. Among these distortions of the true Scriptural message we must place the doctrine of the Kingdom of our Heavenly Father Yahweh and its establishment on this earth. If you have never learned the importance of this vital truth which forms an integral part of the message of salvation, you are missing one of the concepts which our Heavenly Father wishes you to understand.

From childhood almost everyone is taught that when a man dies, he goes immediately to heaven and lives forever with the Savior. However, to formulate a teaching such as this, a multitude of Scriptures are ignored which teach that a righteous government will be established on this earth. This government will restore this earth to its Edenic state. This earth-ruling government will be headed by our Savior Yahshua the Messiah at His return and assisting Him in governing will be the resurrected saints who have overcome in this life. Let us examine some of the Scriptures which teach us these doctrines.

In the first five verses of Isaiah chapter 2 is painted a beautiful picture of an earth at peace and rest. Men have decided that they have had their fill of war and have turned their instruments of hate and international murder into farming implements. They have decided that there is no gain in being lawless, making war, and so they have turned to completely lawful living. All this has come about through the intervention of Almighty Yahweh in world affairs through sending back to this earth His son, Yahshua the Messiah, our Savior. On His return from His Father's Heavenly Kingdom, Yahshua our Savior has established His capital which is to be the capital of all the world, on Mt. Zion in Jerusalem, Israel. From this central headquarters He will rule the world by His righteous laws. However, in the intervening years between now and then, there will be a terrible time of world-wide trouble, which

Yahshua tells us that if He were not to intervene in the affairs of men, there would be no human being left on the face of this earth. This is what is prophesied in the latter half of this 2nd chapter of the book of Isaiah.

In this article it will be our purpose to describe the time when the Kingdom of Yahweh will rule on this earth. We shall omit a detailed review of the current trends so evident in our decaying society, such as the immorality, lawlessness, perversion and wickedness on every hand. We wish to focus our attention to the time ahead, not so many years in the future, when the earth will be made new, when an era of true peace will be established, when righteousness will be reigning in the hearts of the people and this earth will be restored to the potential for which it was originally created. Such an era can be created through the righteous government of Almighty Yahweh that He will send directly to this earth through His son Yahshua the Messiah.

This Kingdom of the Heavens on this earth will at that time take over the reins of World Government that is depicted in the metallic image of Daniel 2, and will inaugurate righteous rule for this strife-torn earth. Let me read to you verse 44 of this 2nd chapter of Daniel. "And in the days of these kings shall the Mighty One of Heaven set up a Kingdom, which shall never be destroyed; and the Kingdom shall **not** be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume **all these Kingdoms, and it shall stand forever.**" What a great advantage will be enjoyed when a stable government rules over this earth and there will be no more military corps, no more governments rising and falling weekly, as they do now, to keep the people of the world in a state of tension wondering if their country's government is to be the next to fall. We read in Daniel 2:35, that the stone which crushed the ten toes became a great mountain and filled the whole earth. Then we read in Daniel 7:17-18, "These great beasts, which are four, are four kings, which shall arise out of the **earth**, but the saints of the Most High shall take the Kingdom and possess the Kingdom forever, even forever and ever." If we adhere strictly to the context of this passage we will have to

admit that the Kingdom which is going to be governed by the saints, which will last forever and ever, will be the Kingdom which Almighty Yahweh sets up with Yahshua the Messiah at its head. The Kingdom will be composed of the remnants of the governments that were established by men to rule this earth. These governments have allowed themselves to be influenced by the mighty one of this world, Satan the devil. Down through the annals of history since ancient Babylon, through the empires of Media-Persia, Greece and Rome, the nations of this world have been in rebellion against Almighty Yahweh, just as is prophesied in Psalm 2. In the end times worldly government will culminate in the beast empire described in Revelation 13, which will be a latter-day resurrection of the Roman Empire. When the Kingdom of Yahweh rules supreme the kings of the earth will pay homage to the capital city, New Jerusalem, and to the king, Yahshua the Messiah, Revelation 21:24. Satan will no longer be able to influence the governments of the earth because he will come to his end in the lake of fire, Rev. 20:10.

Turn with me in your own Bible and we shall read together Isaiah 11, verses 1-10.

“And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots: And the spirit of Yahweh shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of Yahweh; And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of Yahweh: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears: But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked. And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins. The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall

lead them. And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. And the suckling child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice' den. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of Yahweh, as the waters cover the sea. And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious.”

You will note that the Kingdom which is coming will be right here on **this very earth** and not floating around in space somewhere. Verse 9 of this 11th chapter of Isaiah states that the **earth** shall be filled with the knowledge of Yahweh as the waters cover the sea. Verse 4 of this same chapter states that the Branch, the rod from the stem of Jesse, will smite this **earth** with the rod of his mouth. Verses 6-8 speak of the changed nature of the animals which live on this **earth**. These animals are to be found on this earth, not in heaven! Please observe also that children are playing with the animals whose nature is naturally ferocious. Certainly there is no Scripture which explains that children will be born in Heaven, so we can only conclude that the government which will be ruled over by Yahshua the Messiah, the descendant of Jesse, the Millennial Kingdom will be on this earth. It will be a government which will demand a change of character in the people and a change of animal nature.

Many people are fond of quoting from the passage of Scripture in Matt. 5, which we commonly call the Beatitudes. Most people read right over this passage and never seem to see the importance of verse 5, which states, “Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the **earth**.” If the earth is going to be destroyed as most people today believe, then this inheritance which the meek are to receive is a rather empty promise. We might say that Almighty Yahweh is playing a joke on them. They are absorbing persecution in this world, learning humility, for a non-exist-

ent inheritance. It is time that we began to read our Bibles and believe what they say. They have a message from our Heavenly Father, whose Name is Yahweh. This message is not some mysterious jumble which has to be untangled and interpreted. The Bible can be read and believed, literally! When a passage of Scripture states that the meek shall inherit the earth, we can believe this message, because it is coming from the lips of Almighty Yahweh who created it. Almost everywhere we may open our Bibles, we find some kind of promise to the true worshipers. These promises **NEVER** refer to any life floating around in space, on some cloud playing a harp. These promises always refer to a life of everlasting existence in the Kingdom of the Heavens on this very earth. This earth will indeed be the place on which the Millennial government will be established. We read in Proverbs 11:31, "Behold, the righteous shall be recompensed in the earth: much more the wicked and sinner." How different this teaching of the Scripture is compared with that which you may have been taught from a child! And yet we can find almost numerous passages of Scripture which declare unequivocally that the earth is to be the reward of Yahweh's people. Among them we may refer to Psalm 115:16, "The heaven, even the heavens, are Yahweh's: but the earth hath he given to the children of men." In Psalm 78:69 we read, "And he built his sanctuary like high palaces, like the earth which he hath established for ever." Certainly this earth will stand forever and will be the basis for a righteous government after it has been rehabilitated. Here is where the action will be!

Some time ago I sat in an evangelistic service which was being preached by a rather well known evangelist cousin of mine. In his message he was preaching on the 21st chapter of Revelation and, I might add, making the same kind of mistakes which are so common among modern preachers. He stated, without using any Scriptures to support his theory, that this earth was going to pass away with some big bang and completely disintegrate. Then he stated that we, the saved ones, would fly off into space to the heavenly city. Next he read verse 10

which states, "And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain and shewed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of Heaven from Yahweh." I do not interrupt services which are in progress, however, I asked myself just exactly where this great and high mountain was if not on this earth? And then question number 2 came right on the heels of this one. Why will we fly away in space to this city, if it is depicted as coming down from Yahweh out of Heaven? Perhaps my cousin had never read in Heb. 11:10 that Abraham was looking for this city also in his life, and the city which he was looking for has foundations. If it was not going to land on this earth, it surely would not need foundations. For a city which will reach up into the sky for a height of about 1250 miles, the foundations would have to be very well built, and most prominent. Rev. 21:19-20 bears this out very well. We read there that there will be 12 foundations in all, each built of hard precious stones.

All Yahweh's true people, those who have accepted the Sacrifice of Messiah for their sins, who have washed their robes and made them white in the Blood of the Lamb, those who remain faithful unto death, will have a part in this world-ruling righteous Kingdom. Let me read to you the 21st verse of the third chapter of Revelation. "To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in My throne, even as I also overcame and am sat down with My Father in His throne."

Let us now go also to the fifth chapter of Revelation, verses 9-10. "And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hath redeemed us to the Mighty One by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation and hast made us unto our Mighty One, kings and priests; and we shall reign on the **Earth**." This thought is echoed also in Revelation 2:26-27 and 20:4.

A study of the Kingdom of the Heavens is not complete without a study of the events which will precede the setting up of this Kingdom. Matt. 24, Luke 21, Daniel 12 and almost the entire book of Revelation predict a time of very great trouble just before the end when Yahshua the Messiah returns to set up

this Kingdom. We find in Hosea 1 that the entire 12 tribes of Israel would again be joined into one union to form a world government which was to be invincible, standing as a mighty power bloc to force peace upon the world. It would be a new type of the old "Pax Romana" or "peace of Rome." Just as Rome was involved in numerous bloody wars in trying to subdue the civilized earth, so this coming government will also have trouble almost from the very day it begins. The only way men's hearts can be changed so that they may truly find peace, is by the second coming of the Savior, Yahshua the Messiah, the Mighty Prince of Peace Himself. All human efforts at trying to establish a lasting peace on this earth will be futile, since the very nature of man is a lust for power and position. A change in the heart of man must take place, his very outlook on life must be changed before we can have any kind of lasting peace on this earth.

The next prominent event of prophetic importance will take place imminently. It will be the return of our Savior to establish law and order on this earth after the great era of iniquity or lawlessness which is just ahead for us, just prior to the Kingdom being established. Many people today are deceived into believing that they are living in subjection to the Almighty, when in fact, disobedience is being preached from almost every pulpit. By breaking even one of the Commandments of Almighty Yahweh we are, in fact, breaking every one of them. Breaking just one makes us just as guilty and carries the same penalty as if we had broken them all. The mystery of iniquity had already begun to work in Paul's day, but the retarding force of the Holy Spirit was and still is today acting as a brake on this situation and will soon be removed to test the people of this earth.

#### **THE LAWS OF THE KINGDOM**

Pick up your Bible. When you hold your Bible in your hand, you are actually holding the greatest code of laws which has ever been assembled on this earth. The Pentateuch or the first five books of your Bible contain a code of laws which would make any society happy, contented, and prosperous, if they would be obeyed. These books contain laws

and statutes which apply to almost every situation which might conceivably occur in life. They would regulate our conduct in our daily lives and if we were to obey each and every one of them, they would steer our lives into a completely different course than what we find in our world today.

As Yahshua the Messiah returns from Heaven He will send His Holy angels to gather all the true worshipers to Him for the marriage supper of the Lamb. This will be the resurrection for which we all so eagerly await. Not that we all will be dead at that time, but this will be the time we shall have the faith which we hold so dear within us rewarded by being made into Spirit beings. All the suffering which the true worshipers have endured in the past and in the present, as a witness for the Faith which was once delivered to the Saints, will be **nothing** compared to the joys of life eternal that awaits us in the Kingdom.

As Yahshua Messiah returns with His Saints who have met Him in the air, He will sweep over the hills of Meggido where the nations of this earth are squaring off for the decisive battle of the ages, as they try to annihilate each other. But rather than welcoming Him with open arms as the only solution to the problems on this earth, they will actually turn their weapons toward the heavens to fight against Him. Perhaps they will presume that an attack from outer space is occurring.

Your Bible actually predicted that in the end time, just prior to the second coming of our Savior, man would fall into the trap of lawlessness from which there would be no escape except for our Savior, Yahshua Messiah to return.

This modern anarchy which now holds our world in its death grip can be traced to only one source. That is to the men who were to teach Israel the laws of the Almighty. Please read from Ezekiel 22:23-31. Notice just how applicable these words are for our day.

"And the word of Yahweh came unto me saying, 'Son of man, say unto her, Thou art the land that is not cleansed, nor rained upon in the day of indignation. There is a conspiracy of her prophets in

the midst thereof, like a roaring lion ravening the prey; they have devoured souls; they have taken the treasure and precious things; they have made her many widows in the midst thereof. Her priests have violated my law, and have profaned mine holy things; they have put no difference between the holy and profane, neither have they shewed difference between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from my sabbaths, and I am profaned among them. Her princes in the midst thereof are like wolves ravening the prey, to shed blood, and to destroy souls, to get dishonest gain. And her prophets have daubed them with untempered mortar, seeing vanity, and divining lies unto them, saying, Thus saith Yah-Yahweh, when Yahweh hath not spoken. The people of the land have used oppression, and exercised robbery, and have vexed the poor and needy: yea, they have oppressed the stranger wrongfully. And I sought for a man among them, that should make up the hedge, and stand in the gap before me for the land, that I should not destroy it: but I found none. Therefore have I poured out mine indignation upon them: I have consumed them with the fire of my wrath: their own way have I recompensed upon their heads,' saith Yah-Yahweh."

The priests or ministers of Yahweh are to be the teachers of the law. They are to make Israel understand the laws which will give them happy fruitful lives. They are not just to feed themselves, they are to feed the flock of Yahweh, His congregation of worshipers, spiritual food. We read in Malachi 2:7-9, "For the priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth: for he is the messenger of Yahweh of hosts. But ye departed out of the way; ye have caused many to stumble at the law; ye have corrupted the covenant of Levi, saith Yahweh of hosts. Therefore have I also made you contemptible and base before all the people, according as ye have not kept my ways, but have been partial in the law."

During the reign of the righteous King in

Jerusalem, law and order will be established which will never be destroyed. This law is not some yoke of bondage which is used to make life miserable for people, as some ministers state. James the Apostle was confronted with similar arguments in his day. He answers advocates of lawlessness in this way. James 1:21-25, "Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls. But be ye doers of the word and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if any be a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed." We are to live by every word which proceeds out of the mouth of Yahweh, we read in Matt. 4:4 and Deut. 8:3. This is exactly what the Apostle James illustrates in his reference to the mirror. We are not to look at our lives in comparison with the Scriptures and then walk away and forget about it all. We are to compare our lives to the pattern laid down for us in the Scriptures and then do something about it. We are to obey the wishes of our Heavenly Father which are His commandments. If we persist in disobedience we are children of the devil says Romans 6:16. If ministers persist in preaching a doctrine of disobedience to the commandments of Almighty Yahweh, they become ministers of Satan, as we read in 2 Cor. 11:13-15. "For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Yahshua. And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.

Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works." What a wonderful world this would be if only the forces of Satan were held in check so that the carnal natures of the people could be controlled completely. Did you know that this will be one of the blessings of Yahweh to occur in the Millen-

nium? In Revelation 20:1-3 we read, "And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season." Notice in this passage that Satan will be held in check so that he will not be able to deceive the nations. These nations are people on this earth! We could hardly say that unconverted carnal people would be in heaven, but these will be human beings who constitute the nations of this earth.

For many centuries in the past, the world has not understood the importance of the thousand-year reign on this earth because they have not observed the commanded Holy Days which are listed in Leviticus 23. This list of Holy Days or Feasts begins with the weekly Sabbath, Lev. 23:2-3. While the Ten Commandments are committed to memory by multitudes of people, and their strict adherence is urged repeatedly by public officials in times of national moral decay, only a few people seem to comprehend that the fourth commandment dictates that we observe the twenty-four hours of the seventh day of the week as a day of rest and worship for our Heavenly Father. This special day of rest which He alone has set apart for this purpose will make His people who observe it for worship, a bright beacon of witness against the theory of evolution, since we proclaim to the world that we believe in a Creator Mighty One. Observance of this Sabbath of rest points to the last thousand-year (the 7th) era in the age of man on this earth. We are rapidly approaching the end of the sixth thousand-year period in which man has sought to establish his own government on this earth apart from the direction of the Heavenly Father Yahweh. When the next thousand years begins, the seventh, our Heavenly Father Yahweh will take a hand in the affairs of men and enforce a time of rest for this earth, Isaiah 35. Please pay special attention to this concept which is explained in

Hebrews 4:3-11. "For we which have believed do enter into rest, as He said, As I have sworn in My wrath, if they shall enter into My rest: although the works were finished from the foundation of the world. For He spake in a certain place of the seventh day in this wise, And Elohim did rest the seventh day from all His works. And in this place again, if they shall enter into My rest. Seeing therefore it remaineth that some must enter therein, and they to whom it was first preached entered not in because of unbelief: Again, He limiteth a certain day, saying in David, To day, after so long a time; as it is said, To day if ye will hear His voice, harden not your hearts. For if Yahshua had given them rest, then would He not afterward have spoken of another day. There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of Elohim. For he that is entered into His rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as Yahweh did from His. Let us labor therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief." Do you need more incentive to observe the Sabbath now, before you are forced to keep it then?

The Feast Day which bears special meaning for the thousand-year reign of the Kingdom on this earth is the Feast of Tabernacles, Lev. 23:34-36. This Feast depicts a time of great rejoicing, an era of peace and plenty such as this world has never known in its Adamic history. After the battle of Armageddon in which all of the armies of the world will be destroyed by a returning Messiah so that His righteous rule can be established, all the world will be forced to keep the Feast of Tabernacles or suffer severe penalties for continued disobedience. You may read this prophecy in Zechariah 14:16-19. Please read the entire chapter to gain the full impact of the context. It is imperative that we consider the fact that those people who will be spared from the end-time judgment of the wicked will be keeping this Feast, and it will have special significance for us throughout the Millennium, Hosea 12:9.

In this present life we are actually in training to become the spiritual army which will rule with Yahshua the Messiah, our

