BkEze 16 I WILL ESTABLISH UNTO THEE AN EVERLASTING COVENANT

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I Will Gather *Them That Are* Sorrowful - Zephaniah2-3 (Zep 3:16-20)

The LORD will judge Israel's enemies and restore Israel back to Himself at the Revelation of Jesus Christ. Many times, in the New Testament we are instructed to "look for His appearing" (<u>II Peter 3</u> for instance) Jesus is coming back to earth, and will gather together two types of people. (<u>Zephaniah 3:8-9</u>; <u>3:18</u>; <u>Matthew 25.31-46</u>), "That Day" that Christ comes the second time, is the "Day of His vengeance". (<u>Isaiah 34:1-8</u>). Why is this day the Day of the LORD's vengeance? Let's start at the Beginning:

I. Let's begin with Abraham, walk of faith, and the Covenants: Hebrews 11:8-19; Genesis 17:1-5

Covenant with Abraham	Covenant Extensions
Promise of a National Land – (Land) Genesis 12:1-3; 13:14-18	Palestinian Covenant – God will regather Israel from the scattering, circumcise their heart and give eternal restoration Deuteronomy 30:3-5; Ezekiel 36:16-38
Promise of Many Descendants – A Great Nation – (Seed) Genesis 12:3; 13:16;17:1-22	Davidic Covenant – David's Seed on the throne of Israel forever II Samuel 7:1-16; Jeremiah 33:19-26; 31:35-37; Exodus 3:15
Promise that God will bless the world through	New Covenant – To Israel & Judah, No psychology, Law
Abraham- (World-wide Blessing through Abraham)	written in the heart, all will know God Jeremiah 31:31-40;
Genesis 12:3; 22:1-19	Hebrews 8:1-13; Luke 1:26-38; Amos 9:11-15

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- ➤ When the Most High divided to the nations (Gentiles) their inheritance Deuteronomy 32:7-9
- Moses prophesied about God's jealousy: <u>Deuteronomy 32.16-32</u>; Romans 11:1-14
- Moses prophesied of "That Prophet" (Deuteronomy 18:15-19; He entered saying: John 12:45-49)
- > That Prophet instructed His disciples: John 20:19-23
- ➤ Moses had already instructed Israel the importance of His Word Deuteronomy 6:1-25
- > Moses, before anyone entered, said there will be 2 removals Deuteronomy 28:15-62; 63-68
- ➤ Isaiah prophesied about the first removal: Isaiah 39:1-8 —
- > Then the return at Cyrus' decree prophesied 150 years + before his birth: <u>Isaiah 44:24 45:9</u>
- When prophesying about David's line, Isaiah prophesy's the 2nd return at "That Day" Isaiah 11
- These treasures we have both old and new:

<u>Matthew 13:52</u> Then said he unto them, Therefore every scribe *which is* instructed unto the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man *that is* an householder, which bringeth forth out of his treasure *things* new and old. (<u>Isaiah 42:9-13</u>) (<u>Amos 3:7</u>) (<u>Deuteronomy 32:16-21</u>) (<u>Amos 9:11</u>) (<u>Acts 15:12-18</u>) (<u>Isaiah 44:1-8</u>)

II. Why did the LORD call these people to be His servants knowing they would walk away from Him?

- A. First of all, God prophesied He would bring back to Himself a remnant of Israel (Isaiah 1: 4-9)
- B. The LORD speaks through Isaiah giving the LORD's purpose:
 - 1. I will be glorified

<u>Isaiah 49:1</u> Listen, O isles, unto me; and hearken, ye people, from far; The LORD hath called me from the womb; from the bowels of my mother hath he made mention of my name.

Isaiah 49:2 And he hath made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of his hand hath he hid me, and made me a

polished shaft; in his quiver hath he hid me;

Isaiah 49:3 And said unto me, Thou art my servant, O Israel, in whom I will be glorified.

Isaiah 49:4 Then I said, I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nought, and in vain: *yet* surely my judgment *is* with the LORD, and my work with my God.

2. The LORD's light duty is to bring Israel back to Himself – The Gentiles also (Psalm 2:6-9; Acts 1:8)

Isaiah 49:5 And now, saith the LORD that formed me from the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob again to him, Though Israel be not gathered, yet shall I be glorious in the eyes of the LORD, and my God shall be my strength.

Isaiah 49:6 And he said, It is a light thing that thou shouldest be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved of Israel: I will also give thee for a light to the Gentiles, that thou mayest be my salvation unto the end of the earth.

Ezekiel 16 - the care and love of our faithful and holy Creator God

- Eze 16:1 Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
- Eze 16:2 Son of man, cause Jerusalem to know her abominations,
- **Eze 16:3** And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD unto Jerusalem; Thy birth and thy nativity *is* of the land of Canaan; thy father *was* an Amorite, and thy mother an Hittite.
- **Eze 16:4** And *as for* thy nativity, in the day thou wast born thy navel was not cut, neither wast thou washed in water to supple *thee*; thou wast not salted at all, nor swaddled at all.
- **Eze 16:5** None eye pitied thee, to do any of these unto thee, to have compassion upon thee; but thou wast cast out in the open field, to the lothing of thy person, in the day that thou wast born.
- **Eze 16:6** And when I passed by thee, and saw thee polluted in thine own blood, I said unto thee *when thou wast* in thy blood, Live; yea, I said unto thee *when thou wast* in thy blood, Live.
- **Eze 16:7** I have caused thee to multiply as the bud of the field, and thou hast increased and waxen great, and thou art come to excellent ornaments: *thy* breasts are fashioned, and thine hair is grown, whereas thou *wast* naked and bare.
- **Eze 16:8** Now when I passed by thee, and looked upon thee, behold, thy time *was* the time of love; and I spread my skirt over thee, and covered thy nakedness: yea, I sware unto thee, and entered into a covenant with thee, saith the Lord GOD, and thou becamest mine.
- **Eze 16:9** Then washed I thee with water; yea, I throughly washed away thy blood from thee, and I anointed thee with oil.
- **Eze 16:10** I clothed thee also with broidered work, and shod thee with badgers' skin, and I girded thee about with fine linen, and I covered thee with silk.
- **Eze 16:11** I decked thee also with ornaments, and I put bracelets upon thy hands, and a chain on thy neck.
- **Eze 16:12** And I put a jewel on thy forehead, and earrings in thine ears, and a beautiful crown upon thine head.
- **Eze 16:13** Thus wast thou decked with gold and silver; and thy raiment *was of* fine linen, and silk, and broidered work; thou didst eat fine flour, and honey, and oil: and thou wast exceeding beautiful, and thou didst prosper into a kingdom.
- **Eze 16:14** And thy renown went forth among the heathen for thy beauty: for it *was* perfect through my comeliness, which I had put upon thee, saith the Lord GOD.

Eze 16:15 But thou didst trust in thine own beauty, and playedst the harlot because of thy renown, and pouredst out thy fornications on every one that passed by; his it was.

Eze 16:16 And of thy garments thou didst take, and deckedst thy high places with divers colours, and playedst the harlot thereupon: *the like things* shall not come, neither shall it be *so*.

Eze 16:17 Thou hast also taken thy fair jewels of my gold and of my silver, which I had given thee, and madest to thyself images of men, and didst commit whoredom with them,

Eze 16:18 And tookest thy broidered garments, and coveredst them: and thou hast set mine oil and mine incense before them.

Eze 16:19 My meat also which I gave thee, fine flour, and oil, and honey, *wherewith* I fed thee, thou hast even set it before them for a sweet savour: and *thus* it was, saith the Lord GOD.

Eze 16:20 Moreover thou hast taken thy sons and thy daughters, whom thou hast borne unto me, and these hast thou sacrificed unto them to be devoured. *Is this* of thy whoredoms a small matter,

Eze 16:21 That thou hast slain my children, and delivered them to cause them to pass through *the fire* for them?

Eze 16:22 And in all thine abominations and thy whoredoms thou hast not remembered the days of thy youth, when thou wast naked and bare, *and* wast polluted in thy blood.

Eze 16:23 And it came to pass after all thy wickedness, (woe, woe unto thee! saith the Lord GOD;)

Eze 16:24 That thou hast also built unto thee an eminent place, and hast made thee an high place in every street.

Eze 16:25 Thou hast built thy high place at every head of the way, and hast made thy beauty to be abhorred, and hast opened thy feet to every one that passed by, and multiplied thy whoredoms.

Eze 16:26 Thou hast also committed fornication with the Egyptians thy neighbours, great of flesh; and hast increased thy whoredoms, to provoke me to anger.

Eze 16:27 Behold, therefore I have stretched out my hand over thee, and have diminished thine ordinary *food*, and delivered thee unto the will of them that hate thee, the daughters of the Philistines, which are ashamed of thy lewd way.

Eze 16:28 Thou hast played the whore also with the Assyrians, because thou wast unsatiable; yea, thou hast played the harlot with them, and yet couldest not be satisfied.

Eze 16:29 Thou hast moreover multiplied thy fornication in the land of Canaan unto Chaldea; and yet thou wast not satisfied herewith.

Eze 16:30 How weak is thine heart, saith the Lord GOD, seeing thou doest all these *things*, the work of an imperious whorish woman;

Eze 16:31 In that thou buildest thine eminent place in the head of every way, and makest thine high place in every street; and hast not been as an harlot, in that thou scornest hire;

Eze 16:32 But as a wife that committeth adultery, which taketh strangers instead of her husband!

Eze 16:33 They give gifts to all whores: but thou givest thy gifts to all thy lovers, and hirest them, that they may come unto thee on every side for thy whoredom.

Eze 16:34 And the contrary is in thee from *other* women in thy whoredoms, whereas none followeth thee to commit whoredoms: and in that thou givest a reward, and no reward is given unto thee, therefore thou art contrary.

Eze 16:35 Wherefore, O harlot, hear the word of the LORD:

Eze 16:36 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thy filthiness was poured out, and thy nakedness discovered through thy whoredoms with thy lovers, and with all the idols of thy abominations, and by the blood of thy children, which thou didst give unto them;

Eze 16:37 Behold, therefore I will gather all thy lovers, with whom thou hast taken pleasure, and all *them* that thou hast loved, with all *them* that thou hast hated; I will even gather them round about against thee, and will discover thy nakedness unto them, that they may see all thy nakedness.

Eze 16:38 And I will judge thee, as women that break wedlock and shed blood are judged; and I will give thee blood in fury and jealousy.

Eze 16:39 And I will also give thee into their hand, and they shall throw down thine eminent place, and shall break down thy high places: they shall strip thee also of thy clothes, and shall take thy fair jewels, and leave thee naked and bare.

Eze 16:40 They shall also bring up a company against thee, and they shall stone thee with stones, and thrust thee through with their swords.

Eze 16:41 And they shall burn thine houses with fire, and execute judgments upon thee in the sight of many women: and I will cause thee to cease from playing the harlot, and thou also shalt give no hire any more.

Eze 16:42 So will I make my fury toward thee to rest, and my jealousy shall depart from thee, and I will be quiet, and will be no more angry.

Eze 16:43 Because thou hast not remembered the days of thy youth, but hast fretted me in all these *things*; behold, therefore I also will recompense thy way upon *thine* head, saith the Lord GOD: and thou shalt not commit this lewdness above all thine abominations.

Eze 16:44 Behold, every one that useth proverbs shall use *this* proverb against thee, saying, As *is* the mother, *so is* her daughter.

Eze 16:45 Thou *art* thy mother's daughter, that lotheth her husband and her children; and thou *art* the sister of thy sisters, which lothed their husbands and their children: your mother *was* an Hittite, and your father an Amorite.

Eze 16:46 And thine elder sister *is* Samaria, she and her daughters that dwell at thy left hand: and thy younger sister, that dwelleth at thy right hand, *is* Sodom and her daughters.

Eze 16:47 Yet hast thou not walked after their ways, nor done after their abominations: but, as *if that were* a very little *thing*, thou wast corrupted more than they in all thy ways.

Eze 16:48 As I live, saith the Lord GOD, Sodom thy sister hath not done, she nor her daughters, as thou hast done, thou and thy daughters.

Eze 16:49 Behold, this was the iniquity of thy sister Sodom, pride, fulness of bread, and abundance of idleness was in her and in her daughters, neither did she strengthen

the hand of the poor and needy.

Eze 16:50 And they were haughty, and committed abomination before me: therefore I took them away as I saw *good*.

Eze 16:51 Neither hath Samaria committed half of thy sins; but thou hast multiplied thine abominations more than they, and hast justified thy sisters in all thine abominations which thou hast done.

Eze 16:52 Thou also, which hast judged thy sisters, bear thine own shame for thy sins that thou hast committed more abominable than they: they are more righteous than thou: yea, be thou confounded also, and bear thy shame, in that thou hast justified thy sisters.

Eze 16:53 When I shall bring again their captivity, the captivity of Sodom and her daughters, and the captivity of Samaria and her daughters, then *will I bring again* the captivity of thy captives in the midst of them:

Eze 16:54 That thou mayest bear thine own shame, and mayest be confounded in all that thou hast done, in that thou art a comfort unto them.

Eze 16:55 When thy sisters, Sodom and her daughters, shall return to their former estate, and Samaria and her daughters shall return to their former estate, then thou and thy daughters shall return to your former estate.

-Eze 16:56 For thy sister Sodom was not mentioned by thy mouth in the day of thy pride, **Eze 16:57** Before thy wickedness was discovered, as at the time of *thy* reproach of the daughters of Syria, and all *that are* round about her, the daughters of the Philistines, which despise thee round about.

Eze 16:58 Thou hast borne thy lewdness and thine abominations, saith the LORD.

Eze 16:59 For thus saith the Lord GOD; I will even deal with thee as thou hast done, which hast despised the oath in breaking the covenant.

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Eze 16:60 Nevertheless I will remember my covenant with thee in the days of thy youth, and I will establish unto thee an everlasting covenant.

Eze 16:61 Then thou shalt remember thy ways, and be ashamed, when thou shalt receive thy sisters, thine elder and thy younger: and I will give them unto thee for daughters, but not by thy covenant.

Eze 16:62 And I will establish my covenant with thee; and thou shalt know that I am the LORD:

Eze 16:63 That thou mayest remember, and be confounded, and never open thy mouth any more because of thy shame, when I am pacified toward thee for all that thou hast done, saith the Lord GOD. (Zec 12:9-10; Re 1:7-8)

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