# LET THEM MAKE REACE WITH ME

"In THAT day—Sing about a fruitful vineyard: I, the LORD, am its keeper; I water it every moment. So that no one will damage it, I guard it night and day. I am not angry. If only there were briars and thorns confronting me! I would march against them in battle; I would set them all on fire. Or else let them come to me for refuge; let them make peace with me, yes, let them make peace with me" (Isaiah 27:3-5).



Almighty God is rejoicing the success of His work—His people have turned to Him and they are living righteously—His vineyard is fruitful. He keeps His Holy Spirit flowing abundantly and He protects them night and day. And, if there are rebels shaking their fists at Him, He can destroy them, but first, He will appeal to them to repent of their unjustified hostility and submit to God's loving rule, but in THAT day, He sees only good.

# Royal priesthood over a holy nation

From the foundation of the world, God engineered a saving plan for all of mankind. It began at the time of Babel, when He gave highly trained, heavenly rulers sovereignty over the nations to

teach them His law and His way. At that time, He gave Himself Kingship over the descendants of Jacob (Deuteronomy 32:9).

Unfortunately, all of the heavenly rulers over the nations rebelled against Almighty God; He remained the only righteous king on earth. His plan from the beginning, was to establish a kingdom of priests—experts in righteousness, His theology ruling over a holy nation. God is preparing a model kingdom for the nations of the world to see His loving laws and peaceful ways at work. "And unto Me you shall be a **kingdom of priests and a holy nation**.' These are the words that you are to speak to the Israelites," God said to Moses (Exodus 19:6).

Despite the wayward choices of God's people, His plan cannot be thwarted (Job 42:2). What Almighty God has set out to accomplish, He will finish. Mankind's saving plan began with the redemptive sacrifice of Jesus Christ. God's people have a critical role in the completion process. They were all called to become a kingdom of men and women who are experts in His theology of love and peace. In that day, the nations of the world will witness the work of God's hands.

#### **Ancient Israel will forsake God**

God said to Moses, "Behold, you will rest with your fathers; and this people will rise and play the harlot with the gods of the foreigners of the land, where they go to be among them, and they will forsake Me and break My covenant, which I have made with them. Then My anger shall be aroused against them in THAT day, and I will forsake them, and I will hide My face from them, and they shall be devoured. And many evils and troubles shall befall them, so that they will say in THAT day, 'Have not these evils come upon us because our God is not among us?' And I will surely hide My face in THAT day because of all the evil which they have done, in that they have turned to other gods" (Deuteronomy 31:16-18).

#### **Corrupt leadership**

Many Judo-Christians today may think that Deuteronomy 31 doesn't apply to them. The Judo-Christian nations are deep into corruption of all types; their leadership lies and deceives both their people and the nations around them. They steal from the poorer countries, interfere with their elections, manipulate their economies and reduce them to poverty. All of the twelve nations that comprise of 21<sup>st</sup> century Israel today are guilty of many sins. God said, "These are rebellious people, deceitful children, children unwilling to listen to the LORD's instruction" (Isaiah 30:9).

#### **Waning Christianity**

Ancient pagan traditions have persisted in the churches of the West and western Europe into the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Sun's day worship, Christmas trees, gift exchanges, birthday candles, knocking on wood for gook luck, easter celebrations, a shallow understanding of God, their LORD and for many, a disbelief in His existence replacing creation with science and medicine. Many weak people will make idols in that day and bring them into their homes during the reign of the beastly coalition.

Deuteronomy 31 applies to all of the twelve nations of 21<sup>st</sup> century Israel, however, within each nation there is a remnant of strong and faithful God-fearing and God-serving people. They will lead the way to the fulfillment of seven steps. Each step in God's salvation process must be completed before the God-family is complete **in that day.** 

#### STEP ONE: Empower the remnant, the elect

In ancient times, Joseph, Jacob's oldest son born from Rachel, was sold into slavery by his brothers; he was falsely accused; and he was imprisoned for a time then released when God's gift of understanding dreams became known. His leadership while imprisoned and His Godgiven ability to interpret dreams was recognized. Pharoah's dream of an upcoming famine prompted him to give Joseph the leading responsibility to prepare Egypt. Pharoah put Joseph in charge of his whole kingdom. Unknown to Joseph, his life was a mirror of the life of our Saviour on earth. After re-uniting with his brothers who had come to Egypt to buy grain, he said, "I am your brother Joseph, the one you sold into Egypt! And now, do not be distressed and do not be angry with yourselves for selling me here, because it was to save lives that God sent me ahead of you:

- 1. To preserve for you a remnant on earth
- 2. To save your lives by a great deliverance" (Genesis 45:4, 7).

These two groups he referenced would have made little sense at that time, but in that day to come, the remnant will play a significant role, igniting a religious revival that cannot be snuffed out. They will awaken the second group to save them from spiritual decay.

Many are called. The ancient kingdom of Israel was called, but **few responded leaving only a chosen remnant** (Matthew 22:14). So, often it is the few who make things happen, but this story will prove that many will awaken and rise to their calling.

Jesus taught the chosen. "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms. For He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless in His presence. In love He predestined us for adoption in His family through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of His will, to the praise of His glorious grace, which He has freely given us in the Beloved One" (Ephesians 4:3-6).

The God of Israel foresaw the spiritual growth of His people. Their spiritual maturity is crucial to the seeding and spiritual growth of the people in the nations.

#### The chosen, the remnant—preselected

From the beginning, a remnant was preselected. Jesus taught them about Almighty God, their LORD. Jesus speaking to the Father in heaven, said, "I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word... I pray for them. I am NOT praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. All I have is yours, and all you have is mine... Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name—the name you gave me—so that they maybe one as we are one. While I

was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled" (John 17:7-12).

"And this is the will of him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all those he has given me, but raise them up at the last day" (John 6:13).

Only the small remnant sees God's love in His law, the plan of salvation in His Holy Days and living at peace with Him on His Sabbath. They will stand up against the Great Harlot and their blood will fill her cup. The rest of God's people, like much of mankind, are trapped into worldly matters and cares. A relationship with the unseen Almighty God is far from their sight; they are too asleep to awaken during times of affluence. In that day, they will awaken in terror.

STEP TWO: Bring the stubborn houses of Israel, both Judah and Israel into repentance through a chastisement—a time of trouble, Jacob's trouble. They will enter into a second captivity, before they are cleaned up and given a new heart to see the better covenant.

"In THAT DAY the glory of Jacob will fade; the fat of his body will waste away" (Isaiah 17:4).

**In THAT day,** the descendants of Jacob will become entrenched in trouble. The acquisition of great power—superpower status brought each of them down to revel in all sorts of corruption, lies and deceit. Self-reliance, self-direction and self-glory is what the ten tribes of ancient Israel craved. They wanted to be like the nations, like Egypt whose kingdom was a fair, majestic beauty with a vast army to flex its muscle, tall temples to house their heavenly gods, booming economy enriched by the Nile River. Their international status brought them great pride of their prodigious achievements made possible through the servitude to their rulers in heaven.

#### God let them go to revel in sin

So, what is wrong with that some may ask?

God's plan is not for His people to be a superpower lording over the world. He is grooming His people to become a humble kingdom of holy priests living in tents. This was not appealing to ancient Israel and likely, not appealing to most people today because the mindset continues. The living in tents was to show the nations who were ruled by rebel heavenly rulers that God's people see their kingdoms and Satan's rulership as temporary. Their focus was not of this world, but a world to come.

Ancient Israel rejected God's Kingship over them and He released them responding, "Go and serve your idols, every one of you! But afterward you will surely listen to me and no longer profane my holy name with your gifts and idols... There [back in their original homeland] you will remember your conduct and all the actions by which you have defiled yourselves, and you will loathe yourselves for all the evil you have done" (Ezekiel 20:39, 43).

The darkness **of THAT day** began when God's people rejected Him as their King, violated His law and denied His way. Their determination to live like the nations brought then deeper into the night.

## Meaning of the 24-hour day

God's use of the 24-hour day, **in THAT day**, begins at sunset. It immediately unveils a dark beginning to the first series of events with only the light of the moon for guidance. God prophesied to the descendants of Jacob into the 21<sup>st</sup> century who are now twelve nations that they will lose their military and economic strength.

"A day of wrath is **THAT day**, a day of trouble and distress, a day of destruction and desolation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness..." (Zephaniah 1:15).

#### They will make idols

The great harlot of Revelation will entice many to trade with her to acquire her exotic merchandises. Traps will be set to snap the unaware in her web of alternative science and mystery. Her theology will appeal to their drive for self-reliance, self-direction and self-glory.

The arrival of the alien, beastly coalition thrown out of heaven will usher in the new world order, where all mortals are servants to the beast. Idols will once again be made and used to beg for heavenly blessings and favours.

God foresaw the actions of His people during Jacob's trouble. "In THAT day ... O Israelites... every one of you will reject the idols of silver and gold your sinful hands have made" (Isaiah 31:7).

**In THAT day,** the history of ancient Israel will be repeated. 21<sup>st</sup> century mankind will then understand the struggles of their ancient ancestors. Powerful heavenly rulers will command worship before a great idol that will tower over the people. Those who refuse to worship it, will cause the idol-object to speak and kill them. **In THAT day,** the whole world will be in chains under the tyrannical rule of powerful, spiritual rulers.

A discovery will awaken the sleepy people of God. Regardless of how many times they may have heard the whisper of their ancient heritage that they have promptly ignored, an undeniable witness will bring them to their knees. They will see and believe that they are part of the covenant people who must complete the witness of the testimony of the gospel to all people throughout the world, before their Saviour can return and mankind can come into God's family.

Joel 2:28 "And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions..."

They will feel intense pressure to complete this great work in that day. The world will be watching. The beastly coalition and the false prophet will despise their change of heart and target them relentlessly with malicious mocking and ridicule and intense persecution.

The leaders of the nations will join with the beastly rulers and mock God's people. Their ridicule will not fall on deaf ears. The LORD GOD has vowed, "I have raised My hand in an oath that surely **the nations that are around you shall bear their own shame**" (Ezekiel 36:7).

God's people will not back down. The beastly coalition will not tolerate this opposition and God's people will be hunted, captured and sent into captivity to live among the nations as servants. There the gospel will go out. Their suffering will fortify their conviction to our loving, Almighty God and in standing strong against all odds, they will be purified and cleansed of all sin. They will become radiant in character and the apple of God's eye **in THAT day**.

#### The sheep and the goats

The people of the nations will listen to the gospel coming from the ordinary men of women of the 21<sup>st</sup> century nations during their captivity. The oppressive rule of the beastly coalition and the abusive language of the false prophet will create a world of fear where even the wicked will tire.

Jesus blessed the repenting people in the nations, prophesying to those who show kindness and love towards God's people in their time of trouble. "Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me. Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the last of these brothers of mine, you did for me'" (Matthew 25:34-40).

#### God fights for the Jews

**In THAT day** before the rebels are thrown out of heaven, they will battle among themselves, for supremacy. One will rise to lead the coalition. He will claim to be the Supreme God and the Messiah. The war in heaven will spillover onto earth. At some level, mankind will see the "little horn" battling against God's army in heaven and succeeding but only for God's appointed time. God Almighty is building His legal case against these despicable rebels.

The veil of stupor over the Jews will be lifted and they will awaken to a grave mistake. They will have accepted the wrong Saviour. Israel and Jerusalem will be completely taken captive by the blasphemous "little horn." The Jews living there will be very afraid, but God has a surprise plan. "On THAT day, when all the nations of the earth are gathered against her, I will make Jerusalem an immovable rock for all the nations. All who try to move it will injure themselves.

**On THAT day**, I will strike every horse with panic and its rider with madness," declares the LORD.

"I will keep a watchful eye over the house of Judah [the Jews], but I will blind all the horses of the nations. Then the leaders of Judah will say in their hearts, 'The people of Jerusalem are strong, because the LORD Almighty is their God.' On that day, I will make the leaders of Judah like a fire pot in a woodpile, like a flaming torch among sheaves. They will consume right and left all the surrounding peoples, but Jerusalem will remain intact in her place... **On THAT day,** the LORD will shield those who live in Jerusalem, so that the feeblest among them will be like David, and the house of David will be like God, like the Angel of the LORD going before them. **On THAT day,** I will set out to destroy all the nations that attack Jerusalem."

Repenting Jews will receive what they thought was a sign of weakness. "And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a **spirit of grace** and supplication" (Zechariah 12:3-10).

The Jewish people will receive what the Christians begged for when Jesus walked on earth—mercy and forgiveness. The Jews embraced law, but without mercy. James wrote, "Speak and act as those who are going to be judged by **the law that gives freedom**. For judgment without mercy will be shown to anyone who has not been merciful. **Mercy triumphs over judgment**" (James 2:12-13).

The Christians have long accepted God's grace. They have written songs praising His amazing grace. They were the brothers who were at one time divorced from the covenant family and longed to return after many years of living in depravity. They were the prodigal son.

**In THAT day,** God will extend grace to the Jews who stubbornly rejected Jesus' teachings. They wanted only the law as the saving grace, but God is teaching them that law without grace is tyranny. Righteous rulership is a marriage of God's law and His theology of grace, kindness, compassion, patience and enduring love.

God will give them grace for their mistakes. They will realize that they killed the greatest prophet, Jesus Christ and in doing so, they also pierced their LORD, their God. They crucified God's only heir, His beloved Son. "They will mourn for him as one mourns for an only child, and grieve bitterly for him as one grieves for a firstborn son. On that day, the weeping in Jerusalem will be great, like the weeping of Hadad Rimmon in the plain of Megiddo" (Zechariah 13:10-11).

#### The second Exodus

The people of both houses: Judah [the Jews] and Israel—ten tribes [the West and western Europe], will cry out to their God of Israel to save them. All of the rulers will become their smothering reality. The rebel sons of God thrown out of heaven will torture mankind. The leaders of the nations will hold an iron grip over their people and life will become so painfully oppressive that the spirit of the ordinary people will be crushed, if they don't get relief.

God hears the cries of His people and He turns to rescue them. Step two of God's salvation plan is taking hundreds of years, if not over two thousand years to be fulfilled.

A second rescue is on its way. "Then it will happen **on THAT day** that the Lord will again recover the **SECOND TIME** with His hand, the remnant of His people, who will remain, from Assyria, Egypt, Pathros, Cush, Elam, Shinar, Hamath, and from the islands of the sea" (Isaiah 11:11).

The people will cry, "Ransom/redeem Israel, O God, from all their troubles!" (Psalm 25:22)

A second exodus will occur that will be so great that it will outshine the first exodus forever.

Jeremiah wrote, "It will no longer be said, 'As the LORD lives, who brought up the sons of Israel out of the land of Egypt,' but, 'As the LORD lives, who brought up the sons of Israel from the land of the north and from all the countries where He had banished them.' For I will restore them to their own land which I gave to their fathers" (Jeremiah 16:14-15, Jeremiah 23:7-8).

The second exodus will bring God's people from over all the earth, not just Egypt and it will number in hundreds of millions of people.

#### The God of Israel is great

"Since you are precious and honored in my sight, and because I love you, I will give men in exchange for you, and people in exchange for your life... I will say to the north, 'Give them up!' and to the south, 'Do not hold them back'" (Isaiah 43:4-6).

Both houses will be oppressed at the same time. This is never occurred previously. "The **people** of Israel are oppressed, and the **people** of Judah as well. All their captors hold them fast, refusing to let them go. Yet the Redeemer is strong; Yahuah/YHWH Almighty is His name. He will vigorously defend their cause so that he may bring rest to their land, but unrest to those who live in Babylon" (Jeremiah 50:33-34).

The beastly coalition will not compare to the power of the Great, Supreme God of Israel. There will be no doubt. The people of the nations will witness the unlimited strength of their Creator and they will ponder their choices.

Jeremiah recorded this incredible future event. "For the LORD has **ransomed** Jacob, and **redeemed him from the hand of him who was stronger than he**" (Jeremiah 31:11).

Isaiah saw it too. "So, the **ransomed** of the LORD will return, and come with joyful shouting to Zion, and everlasting joy will be on their heads. They will obtain gladness and joy, and sorrow and sighing will flee away" (Isaiah 51:11, 35:10).

#### A re-united kingdom

No more a divided kingdom, the Hebraic Jews and the Hebraic Christians complete with all of the ten nations of 21<sup>st</sup> century Israel will join and return to their God, weeping with an eternal-dedication to serving and obeying mankind's loving Creator, Father.

"In those days, at **THAT time**, the **people of Israel** and the **people of Judah together** will go **in tears to seek the Yahuah/YHWH, their God**. They will ask the way of Zion and turn their faces toward it. They will come and bind themselves to the Lord in an **everlasting covenant** that will not be forgotten" (Jeremiah 50:4-5).

Almighty God in His kindness and compassion will forgive them and give them a double blessing. He will RESCUE them from captivity and give them VICTORY **in THAT day.** 

#### A Rescue and a great Victory

The wayward people of the West, western Europe and the Jews will repent and God will bless them with the great victory over their oppressors. "I will **strengthen the house of Judah** and **save the house of Joseph**. I will restore them because I have compassion on them. They will be as though I had not rejected them, for I am the LORD their God and I will answer them. The Ephraimites will become like mighty men, and their hearts will be glad as with wine" (Zechariah 10:6-7).

How amazing is God's grace to people. Who is like the God of Israel in His enduring love?

God promises them their rescue and blesses them DOUBLE, with a great victory. "As for you, because of the blood of My covenant, I will release your prisoners from the waterless pit. Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; even today I declare that I will restore to you double. For I will bend Judah as My bow and fit it with Ephraim. I will rouse your sons, O Zion, against the sons of Greece. I will make you like the sword of a mighty man." (Zechariah 9:11-13).

Almighty God will fight with them as He did in ancient times. "He will appear over them; his arrow will flash like lightning. The Sovereign LORD will sound the trumpet; he will march in the storms of the south and the LORD Almighty will shield them. They will destroy and overcome with slingstones" (Zechariah 9:14-15).

#### Slingstones—God's supernatural assistance and the sword—God's word

David killed Goliath with a slingstone. It images the taking down of giants through the help of Almighty God. God's guiding power will supernaturally disarm the giant forces making it possible for His people to decapitate the enemy. Goliath was beheaded by his own sword by David.

The bow and arrows work in the same way. The house of Judah and the house of Israel will bend their knee before their God and together, they will overthrow the "sons of Greece" who are a hybrid offspring on earth.

#### **Exhilarating excitement**

The victory will be exhilarating. They will shout as if they are drunk. They will be overwhelmed with the joy of victory and the realization that the Supreme God is on their side and that He would even consider them a second time as His people.

"They will drink and roar as with wine; they will be full like a bowl used for sprinkling the corners of the altar. The LORD their God will save them on that day as the flock of his people. They will sparkle in his land like jewels in a crown" (Zechariah 9:15b-16).

Almighty God, the Great Creator won't be able to take His eyes off of them. He will say, "How attractive and beautiful they will be!" (Zechariah 9:17a)

God promises them abundant blessings beyond anything they deserve. God's grace is amazing.

## God's people return home

Many of God's people will die during Jacob's trouble where only a remnant will survive and return home. This loss is primarily due to their refusal to repent.

God said, "I will whistle for them to gather them together, For I have redeemed them; And they will be as numerous as they were before. When I scatter them among the peoples, they will remember Me in far countries, and they with their children will live and come back" (Zechariah 10:8-9).

The nations of the world will be amazed! So few against a sea of so many, and yet, the people dedicated to the God of Israel will win the battle because their God is the Almighty God and Satan and the beastly coalition have no power to stop the Great God.

People from the nations will abandon their homelands and walk with God's people to their original homeland.

"The LORD will have **compassion on Jacob; once again he will choose Israel** and will settle them in their own land. **Foreigners will join them and unite with the descendants of Jacob**" (Isaiah 14:1).

Israel and Judah will go home together. "I will bring back from captivity My people Israel and Judah," says Almighty God. 'And I will cause them to return to the land that I gave to their fathers and they shall possess it"" (Jeremiah 30:3).

**In THAT day when the great trumpet is blown**, the repentant descendants of Jacob will be gathered carefully and lovingly.

"In THAT day the LORD will start His threshing from the flowing stream of the Euphrates to the brook of Egypt, and you will be gathered up one by one, O sons of Israel. It will come about also in THAT day that a great trumpet will be blown, and those who were perishing in the land

of Assyria and who were scattered in the land of Egypt will come and worship the LORD in the holy mountain at Jerusalem" (Isaiah 27:12-13).

"In THAT day, declares the LORD, "I will assemble the lame, and gather the outcasts, even those whom I have afflicted. I will make the lame a remnant, and the outcasts a strong nation, and the LORD will reign over them in Mount Zion from now on and forever" (Micah 4:6-7).

**In THAT day** the LORD will reign over the descendants of Jacob forever.

God prophesied way back in Jeremiah's time, "These are the words concerning Israel (the northern house – 10 tribes) and Judah (the southern house – 2 tribes)... How awful **THAT day** will be! No other will be like it. It will be a time of trouble for Jacob, but he will be saved out of it" (Jeremiah 30:4,7).

God's people will be saved physically, more importantly spiritually because now they are dedicated to obeying Him for all eternity. Indeed, God's people from all twelve tribes will be saved.

STEP 3: The Great Tribulation will bring many people from all nations into repentance. "After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands" (Revelation 7:9).

# STEP 4: The resurrected saints will rule with Christ and establish God's law and His way on earth.

The Apostle Paul wrote, "If we endure, we will also reign with him. If we disown him, he will also disown us" (II Timothy 2:12).

And, "Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory" (Romans 8:17).

Jesus said, "Blessed and holy are those who share in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them, but **they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with him for a thousand years**" (Revelation 20:6).

# STEP 5: Set before the world, the 21<sup>st</sup> century descendants of ancient Israel will become a model nation, an example of all the ways of God.

Who is the true Great-Creator God is a common conundrum today? Every religion on earth claims their God is the Great-Creator God. Mankind will get to choose the style of leadership they submit to. The tyranny of Satan's rule will appeal only to nasty people given power and license to be cruel and selfish. The beastly coalition of rebel angels will exercise supernatural strength and power beyond any military strength on earth. The nations will say, "Who is like the beast? Who can make war against it?" (Revelation 13:4b)

Yet, a beaten and bruised, humbled people, victims of the cruelty of the beastly coalition will rise up and overthrow the rebel, heavenly rulers because the Great-Creator God will shield them and fight with them along with Jesus Christ, King over all kings and Lord over all lords.

God's people along with all the people from the different nations who join with them will live in the homeland given to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. They will keep God's laws and live righteously. They will rest and enjoy peace.

"Many peoples will come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the temple of the God of Jacob. He will teach us his ways, so that we may walk in his paths.' The law will go out from Zion, the word of the LORD from Jerusalem" (Isaiah 2:3).

#### STEP 6: The nations of the world will repent

The nations will know why Israel was punished. "From **THAT day** forward the **house of Israel** will know that I am Yahuah/YHWH, are their God. And the nations will know that the people of Israel **went into exile for their sin, because they were unfaithful to me**. So, I hid my face from them and handed them over to their enemies, and **they ALL fell by the sword**. I dealt with them according to their uncleanness and their offenses, and I hid my face from them" (Ezekiel 39:22-24).

God Almighty loves creation on earth. He gave His only heir, the Son who created everything in heaven and on earth through the power of Almighty God, so that "whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16).

When God says that "all of Israel fell by the sword" He is referring to them falling from God's word. They ALL sinned. Judgement was brought against them all. God demonstrated to the nations of the world that He will not let His people get away with sinning. They received double the punishment because they knew better.

The Apostle Paul said, "For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart" (Hebrews 4:12).

He warned God's people to protect themselves from the rogue heavenly rulers, powers and principalities in heaven and dark ones on earth by taking the "sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God" (Ephesians 6:17).

God has a salvation plan for all of mankind. Nobody will be left behind. If there is spiritual death, it will be the personal choice of the one dying.

"'Do I take any pleasure in the death of the wicked?' declares the Lord GOD. 'Wouldn't I prefer that he turn from his ways and live?'" (Ezekiel 18:23)

"For I take no pleasure in anyone's death, declares the Lord GOD. So repent and live!" (Ezekiel 18:32)

"In THAT day there will be an altar to Almighty God in the heart of Egypt, and a monument to Yahuah/YHWH at its border... the Lord will make himself known to the Egyptians, and in THAT day, they will acknowledge Him... The Egyptians and Assyrians will worship together. In THAT day, Israel will be the third, along with Egypt and Assyria, a blessing on the earth. The Yahuah Almighty will bless them, saying 'Blessed by Egypt my people, Assyria my handiwork, and Israel my inheritance'" (Isaiah 19:19-25).

God declares His house of prayer open to all people from all nations across the whole earth. "Let no foreigner who has joined himself to the LORD say, 'The LORD will surely exclude me from his people...' For this is what the LORD says, 'Foreigners who bind themselves to the LORD to serve him, to love the name of the LORD, and to worship him, all who keep the Sabbath without desecrating it and who hold fast to my covenant—these I will bring to my holy mountain and give them joy in my house of prayer... For My house will be called a **house of prayer for all the peoples**" (Isaiah 56:3, 6, 7b).

"In THAT day men will look to their Maker and turn their eyes to the Holy One of Israel" (Isaiah 17:7).

## O Death you will be no more

When mankind stops sinning, through the righteous and teaching reign of Jesus Christ, the law will be silent because no one is sinning. When the law is silent, there is no death—penalty of sin.

Christ will reign until death no longer exists. "For He [Christ] must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet. The last enemy that will be abolished is death" (I Corinthians 15:26).

Sin is our last enemy. "**He [Christ] will swallow up death for all time**, And the Lord GOD will wipe tears away from all faces, and He will remove the reproach of His people from all the earth; for the LORD has spoken" (Isaiah 25:8).

"Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire This is the second death, the lake of fire" (Revelation 20:14).

Finally, all of mankind will be judged where only the righteous live eternally. With sin come to its end—death has no victory.

"Where, O death, is your victory?
Where, O death, is your sting?
The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law"
(Corinthians 15:55).

STEP 7: All creation will be at peace with the Creator and He will dwell with us. "Then, when all things are under his authority, the Son will put himself under God's authority, so that God, who gave his Son authority over all things, will be utterly supreme over everything everywhere," so that God will be all in all (I Corinthians 15:28).

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"Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'Now the dwelling of God is with men, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God'" (Revelation 21:1-3).

**In THAT day**, it will be busy. After the night hours, the sun will rise. God said, "For you who revere my name, the sun of righteousness will rise with healing on its wings" (Malachi 4:2). Mankind will come to know the Almighty God and revere Him. Creation on earth will say, Abba, Father, not Master. There will be no turning back from God's love and His peace. Everyone will be at peace with God **in THAT day**.

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