

THERE IS NOT A “RAPTURE TO HEAVEN”!!! BUT THERE IS A WONDERFUL PHYSICAL REGATHERING OF ALL THE REMNANT OF ISRAEL TO THE SUPERNATURAL LAND OF ISRAEL AT YEHOSHUA’S SECOND COMING ON THE DAY OF YEHOVAH!!!

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With all of the differing opinions of who, when, where, and how the Messianic Kingdom of Heaven on Earth will take place, I decided to look at how just The Written Torah, The Hebrew Prophets, and The Gospels, including The Hebrew Gospel of Matthew Shem Tov manuscripts, portray it.

MY RESEARCH SHOWS NO BASIS FOR ANY “RAPTURE TO HEAVEN” OF THE BELIEVERS IN YEHOSHUA PRIOR TO HIS SECOND COMING TO EARTH FROM ANY OF THESE SOURCES!

THEREFORE, THE PREMISE OF THIS ARTICLE IS THAT THE REMNANT OF ISRAEL (ALL THE BELIEVERS IN YEHOSHUA OF THE JEWS AND THOSE FROM EVERY NATION JOINED TO THEM) WHO ARE ALIVE ON THE EARTH WILL NOT BE RAPTURED TO HEAVEN PRIOR TO THE DAY OF YEHOVAH, BUT WILL BE PHYSICALLY GATHERED BACK TO ISRAEL ACCORDING TO ALL THE PROPHECIES IN THE WRITTEN TORAH, THE HEBREW PROPHETS, AND THE GOSPELS.

I am primarily going to give the long list of scriptures that I have found that document this, although I am sure I have missed some, because there are so many!

Although I believe the Written Torah and the Hebrew Prophets are the foundation that any later revelation must concur with, Believers in Yehoshua should want to see what **HE** has to say about this from The Gospels. So, I will start with a few of His words first...

I believe The Parable of the Tares and the Wheat is remarkably clear! I actually cannot understand how anyone can even entertain the idea of a “rapture” prior to the punishment of evil after studying this one parable!

Matthew 13:24-30 and 36-43 is The Parable of the Tares and the Wheat and then the explanation. On the Day of Yehovah, it appears that Yehoshua will tell the Reapers (Angels) that **THE TARES (EVIL ONES) ARE TO BE GATHERED FIRST AND BURNT**, and **THEN** to gather the Wheat (the Righteous Ones) into the Kingdom of Heaven in Israel!

[Matthew 13:24-30 KJV] 24 Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field: 25 But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. 26 But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also. 27 So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares? 28 He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. **The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up?** 29 But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. 30 Let both grow together until the

harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, GATHER YE TOGETHER FIRST THE TARES, and BIND THEM IN BUNDLES TO BURN THEM: but GATHER THE WHEAT INTO MY BARN.

THE DEFINING VERSE IS MATTHEW 13:30 – THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT THE WORD “FIRST” IS USED OF THE TARES BEING GATHERED FOR BURNING!!!

[Matthew 13:30 KJV] "30 Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, GATHER YE TOGETHER FIRST THE TARES, AND BIND THEM IN BUNDLES TO BURN THEM: BUT GATHER THE WHEAT INTO MY BARN."

In His explanation of this parable, Yehoshua continues to make clear that the Evil Ones are gathered FIRST and cast into the furnace of fire, and THEN the Righteous Ones will shine in the Kingdom of Heaven of their Father.

[Matthew 13:36-43 KJV] 36 Then Jesus sent the multitude away, and went into the house: and his disciples came unto him, saying, Declare unto us the parable of the tares of the field. 37 He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man; 38 The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked [one]; 39 The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels. 40 AS THEREFORE THE TARES ARE GATHERED AND BURNED IN THE FIRE; SO SHALL IT BE IN THE END OF THIS WORLD. 41 The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall GATHER OUT OF HIS KINGDOM ALL THINGS THAT OFFEND, AND THEM WHICH DO INIQUITY; 42 And SHALL CAST THEM INTO A FURNACE OF FIRE: THERE SHALL BE WAILING AND GNASHING OF TEETH. 43 THEN shall THE RIGHTEOUS SHINE FORTH AS THE SUN IN THE KINGDOM OF THEIR FATHER. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

The Hebrew Matthew Shem Tov manuscripts also clear up a teaching of Yehoshua that the Greek manuscripts leave ambiguous. First, I will quote the KJV translated from the Greek and then the Hebrew Matthew.

[Matthew 24:40-41 KJV] 40 Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left. 41 Two [women shall be] grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

[Hebrew Matthew Shem Tov 24:40-41] 40 Then if there be two ploughing in a field, ONE RIGHTEOUS AND THE OTHER EVIL, the one will be taken and the other left. 41 Two women will be grinding at a mill; one will be taken and the other left. THIS IS BECAUSE THE ANGELS AT THE END OF THE WORLD WILL REMOVE THE STUMBLING BLOCKS FROM THE WORLD and will separate the good from the evil.

So, the Hebrew Matthew Shem Tov clears up that these passages are NOT ABOUT A PRIOR RAPTURE to Heaven, BUT THAT THE ONES REMOVED WILL BE THE EVIL ONES – THE STUMBLING BLOCKS!!! Not

the Righteous... The **RIGHTEOUS ONES** will be **LEFT ON EARTH** (and then physically gathered!) to inherit the Kingdom of Heaven in Israel.

Another one of Yehoshua's parables that clearly shows the wicked are first separated FROM AMONG THE RIGHTEOUS FOR BURNING is the parable of the Net:

[Matthew 13: 47-50 KJV] 47 Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a net, that was cast into the sea, and gathered of every kind: 48 Which, when it was full, they drew to shore, and sat down, and gathered the good into vessels, but cast the bad away. 49 **SO SHALL IT BE AT THE END OF THE WORLD: THE ANGELS SHALL COME FORTH, AND SEVER THE WICKED FROM AMONG THE JUST,** 50 **AND SHALL CAST THEM INTO THE FURNACE OF FIRE: THERE SHALL BE WAILING AND GNASHING OF TEETH."**

THE REASON THIS IS SUCH AN IMPORTANT ISSUE, in my opinion, is that those who are looking to be "RAPTURED TO HEAVEN" prior to "Jacob's Trouble/The Tribulation" MAY NOT BE PREPARED AND STRONG ENOUGH TO ENDURE THE HARDSHIP OF THE TRIBULATION THAT WILL BE REQUIRED to "ENDURE TO THE END" of it IN ORDER TO BE "SAVED" AT YEHOSHUA'S SECOND COMING. YEHOSHUA HIMSELF TELLS US THAT WHEN INIQUITY (LAWLESSNESS) IS INCREASED, AND PROBABLY EVEN THE PERSECUTION AGAINST BELIEVERS BY ALL THE NATIONS LED BY THE ANTICHRIST, THAT THE LOVE OF MANY WILL "EXPIRE" – THEY WILL BE ENRAGED AND WILL BETRAY THEIR FELLOW BELIEVERS AND HATE THEM – WHICH MEANS THEY WILL NOT BE SAVED WHEN YEHOSHUA RETURNS!!! WE CANNOT HATE OUR BROTHERS! (I BELIEVE THIS MEANS THEY WILL GIVE UP THEIR FAITH IN YEHOSHUA TOO!)

[Matthew 24:9-13 KJV] 9 **THEN shall they DELIVER YOU UP TO BE AFFLICTED,** and **SHALL KILL YOU:** and **YE SHALL BE HATED OF ALL NATIONS FOR MY NAME'S SAKE.** 10 And **then shall MANY be offended** (MY NOTE: HEBREW MATTHEW STATES ROOT WORD IS "RAGAZ" – TO BECOME ANGRY), and **SHALL BETRAY ONE ANOTHER, and SHALL HATE ONE ANOTHER.** 11 And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. 12 **AND BECAUSE INIQUITY SHALL ABOUND, THE LOVE OF MANY SHALL WAX COLD.** 13 **BUT HE THAT SHALL ENDURE UNTO THE END, THE SAME SHALL BE SAVED.**

This scripture lets us know we must know what to expect...

WE MUST BE PREPARED TO ENDURE THE TRIBULATION, without becoming enraged and turning on each other, AND EVEN DIE FOR YEHOSHUA'S NAME, and some will die... but not everyone.

SOME WILL CONTINUE TO ENDURE THE AFFLICTION UNTIL THE END, AND WILL BE SAVED WHEN YEHOSHUA SPLITS THE SKY OPEN AND RETURNS ON THE DAY OF YEHOVAH TO POUR OUT GOD'S WRATH ON THE EVIL AND SAVE THE RIGHTEOUS, GATHERING THEM BACK TO ISRAEL!!!

THAT IS OUR TRUE BLESSED HOPE THAT YEHOSHUA TOLD US TO WATCH AND WAIT FOR!

This is perfectly congruent with what I have found in The Written Torah and The Prophets as well!

I will continue, then, to give the scriptures/prophecies that DO PROMISE A WONDERFUL PHYSICAL REGATHERING TO THE SUPERNATURALLY RESTORED LAND OF ISRAEL AT THE END WHEN YEHOShUA RETURNS instead of a “Rapture to Heaven” beforehand!

Isaiah 65:8-10, in fact is the shortest, crystal clear description of The Remnant of Israel - the Elect/Chosen Servants of Yehovah – who will PHYSICALLY BE GATHERED and inherit the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth in Israel!!!:

[Isaiah 65:8-10 KJV] 8 Thus saith the LORD, AS THE NEW WINE IS FOUND IN THE CLUSTER, AND [ONE] SAITH, DESTROY IT NOT; FOR A BLESSING [IS] IN IT: SO WILL I DO FOR MY SERVANTS' SAKES, THAT I MAY NOT DESTROY THEM ALL. 9 And I WILL BRING FORTH a seed out of Jacob, and out of Judah an inheritor of my mountains: and MINE ELECT SHALL INHERIT IT, AND MY SERVANTS SHALL DWELL THERE. 10 And Sharon shall be a fold of flocks, and the valley of Achor a place for the herds to lie down in, FOR MY PEOPLE THAT HAVE SOUGHT ME.

THE PHYSICAL GATHERING OF THE REMNANT OF HIS PEOPLE IS WHAT MOST OF THE PROPHECIES CLEARLY POINT OUT, THOUGH, AS YOU WILL SEE IF YOU READ THROUGH THE LIST GIVEN BELOW. You will note that HE PROVIDES A HIGHWAY FOR THEM ON THEIR JOURNEY, WATER IN THE DESERT, SOME OF THEM BEING BROUGHT IN SHIPS WITH THEIR SILVER AND GOLD, ETC., BY THE GENTILE NATIONS. BUT IT IS A PHYSICAL RETURN. I believe it could be just like the people of Israel were cared for, but had to physically walk out of Egypt to the Promised Land the first time, even though Yehovah said later “I brought you on eagle’s wings...”

[Exodus 19:3-4 KJV] 3 And Moses went up unto God, and the LORD called unto him out of the mountain, saying, Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel; 4 Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, AND [HOW] I BARE YOU ON EAGLES' WINGS, AND BROUGHT YOU UNTO MYSELF.)

(So, their Return on the Day of Yehovah, THOUGH ALLEGORIZED AS FLYING, will also be physical!!!):

[Isaiah 60:8-9 KJV] 8 WHO [ARE] THESE [THAT] FLY AS A CLOUD, AND AS THE DOVES TO THEIR WINDOWS? 9 Surely the isles shall wait for me, and THE SHIPS OF TARSHISH FIRST, TO BRING THY SONS FROM FAR, THEIR SILVER AND THEIR GOLD WITH THEM, unto the name of the LORD thy God, and to the Holy One of Israel, because he hath glorified thee.)

[Isaiah 52:7-12 KJV] 7 How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth PEACE; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth

SALVATION; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth! 8 Thy watchmen shall lift up the voice; with the voice together shall they sing: for they shall see eye to eye, WHEN THE LORD SHALL BRING AGAIN ZION. 9 Break forth into joy, sing together, YE WASTE PLACES OF JERUSALEM: FOR THE LORD HATH COMFORTED HIS PEOPLE, HE HATH REDEEMED JERUSALEM. 10 The LORD hath made bare HIS HOLY ARM in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God. 11 DEPART YE, DEPART YE, GO YE OUT FROM THENCE, TOUCH NO UNCLEAN [THING]; GO YE OUT OF THE MIDST OF HER; BE YE CLEAN, THAT BEAR THE VESSELS OF THE LORD. 12 FOR YE SHALL NOT GO OUT WITH HASTE, NOR GO BY FLIGHT: FOR THE LORD WILL GO BEFORE YOU; AND THE GOD OF ISRAEL [WILL BE] YOUR REREWARD.!!!

Now, I will quote what I believe is **THE BASIS FOR ALL OF THE OTHER SCRIPTURES OF THE COMPLETE REGATHERING OF THIS REMNANT OF ISRAEL FROM ALL OVER THE EARTH AND RESTORATION TO THE LAND!**

First, Leviticus 26 was given to Moses at Mount Sinai promising the Israelites the blessings if they were obedient to Yehovah's commands and the curses, **INCLUDING EXILE FROM THEIR LAND**, if they were stiff-necked and disobey them. However, these last verses prove that **Yehovah always promised Israel, IF THEY WOULD REPENT, that HE WOULD BRING THEM BACK TO HIS LAND!!!:**

[Leviticus 26:40-46 KJV] 40 IF THEY SHALL CONFESS THEIR INIQUITY, and the iniquity of their fathers, with their trespass which they trespassed against me, and that also they have walked contrary unto me; 41 And [that] I also have walked contrary unto them, and have brought them into the land of their enemies; if then their uncircumcised hearts be humbled, and they then accept of the punishment of their iniquity: 42 Then will I remember my covenant with Jacob, and also my covenant with Isaac, and also my covenant with Abraham will I remember; AND I WILL REMEMBER THE LAND. 43 The land also shall be left of them, and shall enjoy her sabbaths, while she lieth desolate without them: and they shall accept of the punishment of their iniquity: because, EVEN BECAUSE THEY DESPISED MY JUDGMENTS, AND BECAUSE THEIR SOUL ABHORRED MY STATUTES. 44 AND YET FOR ALL THAT, WHEN THEY BE IN THE LAND OF THEIR ENEMIES, I WILL NOT CAST THEM AWAY, NEITHER WILL I ABHOR THEM, TO DESTROY THEM UTTERLY, AND TO BREAK MY COVENANT WITH THEM: FOR I [AM] THE LORD THEIR GOD. 45 BUT I WILL FOR THEIR SAKES REMEMBER THE COVENANT OF THEIR ANCESTORS, WHOM I BROUGHT FORTH OUT OF THE LAND OF EGYPT IN THE SIGHT OF THE HEATHEN, THAT I MIGHT BE THEIR GOD: I [AM] THE LORD. 46 These [are] the statutes and judgments and laws, which the LORD made between him and the children of Israel in mount Sinai by the hand of Moses.

(REMEMBER THAT YEHOASHUA'S FIRST AND MAIN MESSAGE THAT HE PREACHED WAS, "REPENT, FOR THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS AT HAND!!!" Matthew 4:17)

Then, 40 years later, just before they entered the Promised Land, this was spoken to them from Yehovah through Moses!!!:

[Deuteronomy 4:25-31 KJV] 25 When thou shalt beget children, and children's children, and ye shall have remained long in the land, and shall corrupt [yourselves], and make a graven image, [or] the likeness of any [thing], and shall do evil in the sight of the LORD thy God, to provoke him to anger: 26 I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that ye shall soon utterly

perish from off the land whereunto ye go over Jordan to possess it; ye shall not prolong [your] days upon it, but shall utterly be destroyed. **27 AND THE LORD SHALL SCATTER YOU AMONG THE NATIONS, AND YE SHALL BE LEFT FEW IN NUMBER AMONG THE HEATHEN, WHITHER THE LORD SHALL LEAD YOU.** 28 And there ye shall serve gods, the work of men's hands, wood and stone, which neither see, nor hear, nor eat, nor smell. 29 **BUT IF FROM THENCE THOU SHALT SEEK THE LORD THY GOD, THOU SHALT FIND [HIM], if thou seek him with all thy heart and with all thy soul.** 30 **WHEN THOU ART IN TRIBULATION, AND ALL THESE THINGS ARE COME UPON THEE, [EVEN] IN THE LATTER DAYS, IF thou TURN to the LORD thy God, AND SHALT BE OBEDIENT UNTO HIS VOICE;** 31 (For the LORD thy God [is] a merciful God;) he will not forsake thee, NEITHER DESTROY THEE, nor forget the covenant of thy fathers which he sware unto them.

[Deuteronomy 30:1-10 KJV] "1 And it shall come to pass, when all these things are come upon thee, the blessing and the curse, which I have set before thee, and thou shalt call [them] to mind among all the nations, whither the LORD thy God hath driven thee, 2 **AND SHALT RETURN unto the LORD thy God, and SHALT OBEY HIS VOICE ACCORDING TO ALL THAT I COMMAND THEE THIS DAY, THOU AND THY CHILDREN, WITH ALL THINE HEART, AND WITH ALL THY SOUL;** 3 **That then the LORD thy God will turn thy captivity, and have compassion upon thee, and will return and GATHER THEE FROM ALL THE NATIONS, whither the LORD thy God hath scattered thee.** 4 **IF [ANY] OF THINE BE DRIVEN OUT UNTO THE OUTMOST [PARTS] OF HEAVEN, from thence will the LORD thy God GATHER THEE, and from thence will he FETCH THEE:** 5 **And the LORD thy God will BRING THEE INTO THE LAND WHICH THY FATHERS POSSESSED,** and thou shalt possess it; and he will do thee good, and multiply thee above thy fathers. 6 **AND THE LORD THY GOD WILL CIRCUMCISE THINE HEART, AND THE HEART OF THY SEED, TO LOVE THE LORD THY GOD WITH ALL THINE HEART, AND WITH ALL THY SOUL, THAT THOU MAYEST LIVE.** 7 **And the LORD thy God will put all these curses upon thine enemies, and on them that hate thee, which persecuted thee.** 8 **AND THOU SHALT RETURN AND OBEY THE VOICE OF THE LORD, AND DO ALL HIS COMMANDMENTS WHICH I COMMAND THEE THIS DAY.** 9 **AND THE LORD THY GOD WILL MAKE THEE PLENTEOUS IN EVERY WORK OF THINE HAND, IN THE FRUIT OF THY BODY, AND IN THE FRUIT OF THY CATTLE, AND IN THE FRUIT OF THY LAND, FOR GOOD: FOR THE LORD WILL AGAIN REJOICE OVER THEE FOR GOOD, AS HE REJOICED OVER THY FATHERS:** 10 **IF THOU SHALT HEarken UNTO THE VOICE OF THE LORD THY GOD, TO KEEP HIS COMMANDMENTS AND HIS STATUTES WHICH ARE WRITTEN IN THIS BOOK OF THE LAW, [AND] IF THOU TURN UNTO THE LORD THY GOD WITH ALL THINE HEART, AND WITH ALL THY SOUL."**

However, it is ONLY A REMNANT OF ISRAEL, that will be SAVED IN THE DAY OF YEHOVAH!!!:

[Isaiah 10:20-25 KJV] 20 And it shall come to pass in that day, [that] THE REMNANT OF ISRAEL, AND SUCH AS ARE ESCAPED OF THE HOUSE OF JACOB, shall no more again stay upon him that smote them; but shall stay upon the LORD, the Holy One of Israel, in truth. 21 THE REMNANT SHALL RETURN, [EVEN] THE REMNANT OF JACOB, UNTO THE MIGHTY GOD. 22 FOR THOUGH THY PEOPLE ISRAEL BE AS THE SAND OF THE SEA, [YET] A REMNANT OF THEM SHALL RETURN:

the consumption decreed shall overflow with righteousness. 23 FOR THE LORD GOD OF HOSTS SHALL MAKE A CONSUMPTION, EVEN DETERMINED, IN THE MIDST OF ALL THE LAND. 24 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD of hosts, O my people that dwellest in Zion, be not afraid of the Assyrian: he shall smite thee with a rod, and shall lift up his staff against thee, after the manner of Egypt. 25 For yet a very little while, and the indignation shall cease, and mine anger in their destruction.

The Physical Regathering of Israel to The Land of Israel does seem to be connected to THE NEW COVENANT THAT YEHOVAH MAKES WITH THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL AND JUDAH...GIVING THEM A NEW HEART THAT LOVES HIM AND DESIRES TO OBEY HIS COMMANDMENTS, STATUTES, AND JUDGMENTS (THE WRITTEN TORAH), just as He says they will be doing in the Land during the Messianic Kingdom (Deuteronomy 32:6,8,10). The Prophet Jeremiah had spoken of only a SEVENTY YEAR EXILE for Jerusalem and the House of Judah (Jeremiah 25:11). That is what the Prophet Daniel speaks of in Daniel 9:1-2. Judah did return after seventy years (though not everyone did). However, when you read the following prophecy carefully, you will notice that IT IS SPEAKING OF A FUTURE PHYSICAL RETURN OF BOTH HOUSES OF ISRAEL, JUDAH AND EPHRAIM, from the NORTH COUNTRY and THE COASTS OF THE EARTH! This absolutely has not yet happened!! IT WILL BE THE TOTAL FULFILLMENT OF THE NEW COVENANT (Jeremiah 31:31-34) WHICH PROMISES FORGIVENESS OF SINS, THE TORAH WRITTEN ON THEIR HEART, A CLEAR RETURN PHYSICALLY BACK TO THE LAND OF ISRAEL, TOTAL ABUNDANCE AND JOY, AND EVEN THE REBUILDING OF THE HOLY CITY OF JERUSALEM! WOW!!!!

[Jeremiah 31:1-40 KJV] "1 At the same time, saith the LORD, WILL I BE THE GOD OF ALL THE FAMILIES OF ISRAEL, AND THEY SHALL BE MY PEOPLE. 2 Thus saith the LORD, The people [which were] left of the sword found grace in the wilderness; [even] Israel, when I went to cause him to rest. 3 The LORD hath appeared of old unto me, [saying], Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee. 4 AGAIN I WILL BUILD THEE, AND THOU SHALT BE BUILT, O VIRGIN OF ISRAEL: thou shalt again be adorned with thy tabrets, and shalt go forth in the dances of them that make merry. 5 Thou shalt yet plant vines upon the mountains of Samaria: the planters shall plant, and shall eat [them] as common things. 6 FOR THERE SHALL BE A DAY, [that] the watchmen upon the mount Ephraim shall cry, Arise ye, and let us go up to Zion unto the LORD our God. 7 For thus saith the LORD; Sing with gladness for Jacob, and shout among the chief of the nations: publish ye, praise ye, and say, O LORD, SAVE THY PEOPLE, THE REMNANT OF ISRAEL. 8 BEHOLD, I WILL BRING THEM FROM THE NORTH COUNTRY, AND GATHER THEM FROM THE COASTS OF THE EARTH, [and] WITH THEM THE BLIND AND THE LAME, THE WOMAN WITH CHILD AND HER THAT TRAVAILETH WITH CHILD TOGETHER: A GREAT COMPANY SHALL RETURN THITHER. 9 THEY SHALL COME WITH WEEPING, AND WITH SUPPLICATIONS WILL I LEAD THEM: I WILL CAUSE THEM TO WALK BY THE RIVERS OF WATERS IN A STRAIGHT WAY, WHEREIN

THEY SHALL NOT STUMBLE: for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim [is] my firstborn. 10 **Hear the word of the LORD, O ye nations, and declare [it] in the isles afar off, and say, HE**

THAT SCATTERED ISRAEL WILL GATHER HIM, AND KEEP HIM, AS A

SHEPHERD [DOTH] HIS FLOCK. 11 For the LORD hath redeemed Jacob, and ransomed him from the hand of [him that was] stronger than he. 12 Therefore they shall come and sing in the height of Zion, and shall flow together to the goodness of the LORD, for wheat, and for wine, and for oil, and for the young of the flock and of the herd: and their soul shall be as a watered garden; and **THEY SHALL NOT SORROW ANY MORE AT ALL.** 13 Then shall the virgin rejoice in the dance, both young men and old together: for I will turn their mourning into joy, and will comfort them, and make them rejoice from their sorrow. 14 And I will satiate the soul of the priests with fatness, and **MY PEOPLE SHALL BE SATISFIED WITH MY GOODNESS, SAITH THE LORD.** 15 Thus saith the LORD; A voice was heard in Ramah, lamentation, [and] bitter weeping; Rahel weeping for her children refused to be comforted for her children, because they [were] not. 16 Thus saith the LORD; Refrain thy voice from weeping, and thine eyes from tears: for thy work shall be rewarded, saith the LORD; and **THEY SHALL COME AGAIN FROM THE LAND OF THE ENEMY.** 17 **AND THERE IS HOPE IN THINE END, SAITH THE LORD, THAT THY CHILDREN SHALL COME AGAIN TO THEIR OWN BORDER.** 18 I have surely heard **EPHRAIM BEMOANING HIMSELF [thus];** Thou hast chastised me, and I was chastised, as a bullock unaccustomed [to the yoke]: turn thou me, and I shall be turned; for thou [art] the LORD my God. 19 Surely after that I was turned, I **REPENTED;** and after that I was instructed, I smote upon [my] thigh: I was ashamed, yea, even confounded, because I did bear the reproach of my youth. 20 **[IS] EPHRAIM MY DEAR SON? [IS HE] A PLEASANT CHILD? FOR SINCE I SPAKE AGAINST HIM, I DO EARNESTLY REMEMBER HIM STILL: THEREFORE MY BOWELS ARE TROUBLED FOR HIM; I WILL SURELY HAVE MERCY UPON HIM, SAITH THE LORD.** 21 **SET THEE UP WAYMARKS, MAKE THEE HIGH HEAPS: SET THINE HEART TOWARD THE**

HIGHWAY, [EVEN] THE WAY [WHICH] THOU WENTEST: TURN AGAIN, O VIRGIN

OF ISRAEL, TURN AGAIN TO THESE THY CITIES. 22 How long wilt thou go about, O thou backsliding daughter? for the LORD hath created a new thing in the earth, A woman shall compass a man. 23 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; As yet they shall use this speech **IN THE LAND OF JUDAH AND IN THE CITIES THEREOF,** when I shall bring again their captivity; The LORD bless thee, O habitation of justice, [and] **MOUNTAIN OF HOLINESS.** 24 And there shall dwell **IN JUDAH ITSELF,** and in all the cities thereof together, husbandmen, and they [that] go forth with flocks. 25 **FOR I HAVE SATIATED THE WEARY SOUL, AND I HAVE REPLENISHED EVERY SORROWFUL SOUL.** 26 Upon this I awaked, and beheld; and my sleep was sweet unto me. 27 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will sow **THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL AND THE HOUSE OF JUDAH** with the seed of man, and with the seed of beast. 28 **And it shall come to pass, [that] like as I have watched over them, to pluck up, and to break down, and to throw down, and to destroy, and to afflict; so will I watch over them, to build, and to plant, saith the LORD.** 29 In those days they shall say no more, The fathers have eaten a sour grape, and the children's teeth are set on edge. 30 **BUT EVERY ONE SHALL DIE FOR HIS OWN INIQUITY:** every man that eateth the sour grape, his teeth shall be set on edge. 31 **BEHOLD, THE DAYS COME, SAITH THE LORD, THAT I WILL MAKE A NEW COVENANT WITH**

THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL, AND WITH THE HOUSE OF JUDAH: 32 NOT ACCORDING TO THE COVENANT THAT I MADE WITH THEIR FATHERS IN THE DAY [THAT] I TOOK THEM BY THE HAND TO BRING THEM OUT OF THE LAND OF EGYPT; WHICH MY COVENANT THEY BRAKE, ALTHOUGH I WAS AN HUSBAND UNTO THEM, SAITH THE LORD: 33 BUT THIS [SHALL BE] THE COVENANT THAT I WILL MAKE WITH THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL; AFTER THOSE DAYS, SAITH THE LORD, I WILL PUT MY LAW IN THEIR INWARD PARTS, AND WRITE IT IN THEIR HEARTS; AND WILL BE THEIR GOD, AND THEY SHALL BE MY PEOPLE. 34 AND THEY SHALL TEACH NO MORE EVERY MAN HIS NEIGHBOUR, AND EVERY MAN HIS BROTHER, SAYING, KNOW THE LORD: FOR THEY SHALL ALL KNOW ME, FROM THE LEAST OF THEM UNTO THE GREATEST OF THEM, SAITH THE LORD: FOR I WILL FORGIVE THEIR INIQUITY, AND I WILL REMEMBER THEIR SIN NO MORE. 35 Thus saith the LORD, which giveth the sun for a light by day, [and] the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar; The LORD of hosts [is] his name: 36 IF THOSE ORDINANCES DEPART FROM BEFORE ME, SAITH THE LORD, [THEN] THE SEED OF ISRAEL ALSO SHALL CEASE FROM BEING A NATION BEFORE ME FOR EVER. 37 Thus saith the LORD; If heaven above can be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, I will also cast off ALL THE SEED OF ISRAEL for all that they have done, saith the LORD. 38 BEHOLD, THE DAYS COME, SAITH THE LORD, THAT THE CITY SHALL BE BUILT TO THE LORD FROM THE TOWER OF HANANEEL UNTO THE GATE OF THE CORNER. 39 AND THE MEASURING LINE SHALL YET GO FORTH OVER AGAINST IT UPON THE HILL GAREB, AND SHALL COMPASS ABOUT TO GOATH. 40 AND THE WHOLE VALLEY OF THE DEAD BODIES, AND OF THE ASHES, AND ALL THE FIELDS UNTO THE BROOK OF KIDRON, UNTO THE CORNER OF THE HORSE GATE TOWARD THE EAST, [SHALL BE] HOLY UNTO THE LORD; IT SHALL NOT BE PLUCKED UP, NOR THROWN DOWN ANY MORE FOR EVER."

So, here is a plethora of scriptures that speak of **THE PHYSICAL REGATHERING TO THE PHYSICAL LAND OF ISRAEL OF THE REMNANT CONGREGATION OF ISRAEL!** The scriptures will not be in any particular order:

Deuteronomy 30:1-10

Deuteronomy 33:26-29

Ezekiel 11 whole chapter

Ezekiel 20

Ezekiel 28:24-26

Ezekiel 36:22-38

Jeremiah 23:1-8

Jeremiah chapters 30, 31 whole chapters

Jeremiah 32:26-44,

Jeremiah 33 - vs. 7 shows it is future because Judah and Israel promised restoration/all sins forgiven

Ezekiel 34:23-31

Ezekiel 36:16-38 – verse 35 states **Israel will be like The Garden of Eden!**

*Ezekiel 37:1-14 and 15-28 the dry bones resurrected and the two sticks joined into one nation/fold

Ezekiel 39:22-29 – Promise of House of Israel gathered /none left behind/ The Holy Spirit poured out

Ezekiel 47 whole chapter (shows supernatural Israel and its borders)

Ezekiel 48 whole chapter (shows the tribal allotments of Land, which are different in Messianic Kingdom)

Daniel 7:7-28

*Habakkuk 3 whole chapter, vs. 11-19 says He comes in wrath to the evil, but to save His People!

Isaiah 24 - Wrath to the evil, but vs.14-16 - some people will be singing praise to Yehovah, God of Israel!

(MATTHEW 24:25-31) goes along with the above two scriptures!)

Isaiah 30:27-33 The Wrath of The Name of Yehovah on Assyrians! Vs. 29 shows those saved and singing!

Joel 2:32

Joel 3:16-20

Joel 4:20-21

Amos 1:2

Psalms 147:2

*Isaiah 10:12-34, verses 20-27 specifically – shows Day of Yehovah wrath on Assyria / Only a Remnant of Israel saved and returned

*Isaiah 11:10-16

Isaiah 27:12-13

Isaiah 29:1-8 The wrath of Yehovah on the multitude of nations that will fight against Jerusalem

*Isaiah 35 whole chapter, verse 8-10 – There will be a Highway of Holiness for their return in joy to Zion!

Isaiah 40:10-11

Isaiah 43:1-21

Isaiah 45:20-25

*Isaiah 49:7-26 verses 18, 22-23 – the gentiles will bring the Remnant of Israel's sons and daughters!!!

Isaiah 51:7-11

Isaiah 52:7-12

Isaiah 54

Isaiah 55:12-13

Isaiah 57:13 (b) through 21 - Highway built for His people to return, but no safety for the wicked!

*Isaiah 60 whole chapter, verses 4, 8-9 specifically

Isaiah 61

Isaiah 62:10-12

Isaiah 66:1-2, 5-8, 15-24- same as Isaiah 29:5-8 – Only His Servants that tremble at His Word are remembered/saved suddenly on the Day of Yehovah when His Wrath is poured out!

Isaiah 65:8-16 His servants shown to be only those who chose what Yehovah desired – goes with

Matthew 7:19-23 – Only those who do The Father's Will (Desire) will enter the Kingdom of Heaven – those who don't seem to be burned in the fire! (verse 19)

Zephaniah 2:1-3, 8-11

Zephaniah 3 whole chapter verses 11-13 and 19-20 specifically

Zechariah 8 whole chapter, verse 7-8 specifically

Zechariah chapters 1 and 2, chapter 2:10-12 KJV specifically

Zechariah 9:9-17

Zechariah 10 whole chapter

Zechariah 13:8-9 I think this speaks of the 1/3 remnant that will be saved in the Land of Israel, 2/3 sadly die.

Haggai 2:6-9,20-23 Major Messianic prophecy that shows wrath on the heathen and the glorious Temple in peaceful Israel

Jeremiah 3:16-18

Jeremiah 16:10-21

Jeremiah 50 whole chapter, verses 4-7 and 17-20 specifically

Hosea 2:1-3, 16-25

Hosea 3:4-5

Hosea 11:1-11

Hosea 14:2-10

Amos 9:11-15

Obadiah chapter 1 verses 15-21

Micah 2:12-13

Micah 4:6-8

Micah 4:11-13

Micah 5:1-4

Micah 5:7-9

Micah 7:18-20

Nehemiah 1:8-9

Psalms 50

Psalms 106:47-48

Nahum 1:7

*Matthew 3:12

PROPHECIES AND PROMISES TO THE GENTILE BELIEVERS

Isaiah 56:1-8 those joined to Yehovah by Covenant are totally joined to His People (Israel)

Isaiah 49:1-6 Yehovah's salvation will go to the ends of the earth!

Isaiah 2:1-4 The strangers will come to Zion/Jerusalem to learn Torah!

Ezekiel 47:21-23 **THE STRANGERS ARE GIVEN LAND INHERITANCE IN WHICHEVER TRIBE THEY CHOOSE!**

Zechariah 8:20-23

Zechariah 2:14-15

Micah 4:1-5

*Matthew 8:5-13

John 10:14-16 Yehoshua, the One Good Shepherd, will bring "His other sheep" from the gentiles to totally join His Messianic Jewish sheep, making them One fold of sheep!

So, the overriding question is: WHAT ABOUT "THE CHURCH"???

Is “THE CHURCH” raptured to Heaven first???

In fact, WHO, actually, is “THE CHURCH”???

First, we must remember that the Gospel was ONLY preached to the Jews during Yehoshua’s ministry on earth! THE ENTIRE “CHURCH” WAS ENTIRELY JEWISH! We would call them Messianic Jews today, but they originally were called “HaNotsriym” in Hebrew – THE NAZARENES. Yehoshua made it clear that He was only sent to “The Lost Sheep of the House of Israel”! He also told His disciples NOT to go into any of the towns of the Gentiles or the cities of Samaria when He sent them out to preach:

[Matthew 10:5-6 KJV] 5 These twelve Jesus sent forth, and commanded them, saying, Go not into the way of the Gentiles, and into [any] city of the Samaritans enter ye not: 6 BUT GO RATHER TO THE LOST SHEEP OF THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL.

However, He also made it clear that AFTER HIS RESURRECTION, THIS SAME GOSPEL THAT WAS PREACHED TO THE JEWS, THEY WERE TO PREACH TO ALL THE GENTILES! They were NOT to preach a different “Gospel” to the gentiles!!! The Gentiles who believed in Him WERE THEN TO JOIN THE JEWISH BELIEVERS TOTALLY so that there would ONLY BE ONE FOLD (OF SHEEP) with Yehoshua Himself as their ONE SHEPHERD! The “church” (“KAHAL” in Hebrew – simply means “Assembly”) would consist of both Jewish and Gentile believers who HAD THE SAME GOSPEL AND THE SAME INSTRUCTIONS (COMMANDMENTS) from their Good Shepherd. There was NOT to be “TWO SHEEP PENS”!!!

[Matthew 24:14 KJV] 14 And THIS GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM shall be preached in all the world for a witness UNTO ALL NATIONS; and then shall the end come.

[John 10:16 KJV] 16 And OTHER SHEEP I HAVE, WHICH ARE NOT OF THIS FOLD: THEM ALSO I MUST BRING, AND THEY SHALL HEAR MY VOICE; AND THERE SHALL BE ONE FOLD, [AND] ONE SHEPHERD.

THIS HAS BEEN SO MISUNDERSTOOD FOR MILLENNIA!!! THERE ARE NOT “TWO SHEEP PENS” OF YEHOSHUA! There is NOT a Messianic Jewish sheep pen and a Gentile believer sheep pen with different commandments and promises!!!

The problem all started with a later apostle named PAUL (who was NOT one of Yehoshua’s Twelve Apostles) who influenced many of these early Jewish leaders in Jerusalem to MAKE A DISTINCTION between themselves, the Jewish believers, and the Gentile believers. This was NOT YEHOSHUA’S INSTRUCTION in John 10:16!

I point out that he was a later apostle, because many others (after the Twelve) who were “sent out” to preach the gospel were also called “apostles,” which is what the word means. His counterpart, Barnabas, was also “sent out,” with Paul (originally named Saul) from a congregation in Antioch, so Barnabas was also an apostle. So, not every time the word “apostle” is used in the New Testament writings is it referring to the Twelve Apostles of Yehoshua that He chose who are promised to rule over the Twelve Tribes of Israel with Him in the Messianic Millennial Kingdom (Matthew 19:27-28).

*** (See Chapter 17 about how Paul is the problem with Christianity and Chapter 18 about The Nazarenes [“HaNotsrim”] in my book *THE HOLY ARM OF THE LORD*, downloadable as a free pdf on my website: www.TheHolyArmoftheLord.com. I give a DETAILED EXPLANATION of my opinion on Paul’s faulty doctrine from his own letters and A HISTORY OF THESE FIRST JEWISH BELIEVERS, THE NAZARENES, WHO DID INCORPORATE THE GENTILE BELIEVERS TOTALLY INTO THEIR FOLD!)***

Now, let’s look at the Hebrew prophecies that declare how these gentiles truly will be joined to Israel!

[Isaiah 56:1-8 KJV] 1 Thus saith the LORD, Keep ye judgment, and do justice: **FOR MY SALVATION [IS] NEAR TO COME, AND MY RIGHTEOUSNESS TO BE REVEALED.** 2 Blessed [is] the man [that] doeth this, and the son of man [that] layeth hold on it; that keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and keepeth his hand from doing any evil. 3 **NEITHER LET THE SON OF THE STRANGER, THAT HATH JOINED HIMSELF TO THE LORD, SPEAK, SAYING, THE LORD HATH UTTERLY SEPARATED ME FROM HIS PEOPLE:** neither let the eunuch say, Behold, I [am] a dry tree. 4 For thus saith the LORD unto the eunuchs that keep my sabbaths, and choose [the things] that please me, and take hold of my covenant; 5 Even unto them will I give in mine house and within my walls a place and a name better than of sons and of daughters: I will give them an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off. 6 **ALSO THE SONS OF THE STRANGER, THAT JOIN THEMSELVES TO THE LORD, TO SERVE HIM, AND TO LOVE THE NAME OF THE LORD, TO BE HIS SERVANTS, EVERY ONE THAT KEEPETH THE SABBATH FROM POLLUTING IT, AND TAKETH HOLD OF MY COVENANT;** 7 **EVEN THEM WILL I BRING TO MY HOLY MOUNTAIN,** and make them joyful in my house of prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices [shall be] accepted upon mine altar; for mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people. 8 **THE LORD GOD WHICH GATHERETH THE OUTCASTS OF ISRAEL SAITH, YET WILL I GATHER [OTHERS] TO HIM, BESIDE THOSE THAT ARE GATHERED UNTO HIM.**

(NOTE: THE GENTILES THAT ARE IN COVENANT WITH YEHOVAH WILL BE GATHERED TO THE OUTCASTS OF ISRAEL THAT ARE BEING GATHERED BACK TO THE LAND!!!)

(NOTE: THIS MAKES ISAIAH 56:1-8 AS IMPORTANT AS ISAIAH 53 FOR UNDERSTANDING THE FULL SCOPE OF THE NEW COVENANT FOR GENTILE BELIEVERS!!!)

Note that there is one specific verse quoted above, Isaiah 56:3, that clearly states that ANY GENTILES WHO HAVE COME INTO THE COVENANT OF YEHOVAH, THE GOD OF ISRAEL, ARE NOT TO CONSIDER OR SAY OF THEMSELVES that they are "SEPARATE" (DISTINCT) from Yehovah's People (ISRAEL). THIS CONFIRMS THAT THERE IS ONLY ONE BELIEVING REMNANT FOLD OF ISRAEL, JUST AS ACCORDING TO YEHOASHUA!!! THERE IS ONLY ONE "KAHAL" – "ASSEMBLY" WHICH IS THE HEBREW ROOT OF THE WORD TRANSLATED AS "CHURCH"! THE JEWISH BELIEVERS DO NOT LOSE THEIR STATUS AS ISRAELITES – THE GENTILE BELIEVERS LOSE THEIR "GENTILE-NESS" AND BECOME PART OF THE REMNANT OF ISRAEL... BY THE NEW COVENANT! THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS "THE CHURCH" THAT IS SEPARATE FROM "THE REMNANT OF ISRAEL"!

SO, ACCORDING TO ISAIAH 56:8, I ABSOLUTELY BELIEVE THE GENTILE BELIEVERS WILL ALSO "BE GATHERED" WITH THE REST OF THE REMNANT OF ISRAELITES! I

believe this entire passage is speaking of the New Covenant ratified through the blood of Yehoshua. That is because it HAS TO BE SPEAKING OF THE END TIMES when it speaks of the tribes of Israel being gathered (Isaiah 56:8), and when His Salvation and Righteousness is revealed (Isaiah 56:1)!!! ANOTHER CLUE TO THAT is that the "EUNUCHS" are also addressed as BEING FULLY ACCEPTED IN ISRAEL AT THIS FUTURE TIME, but they were not allowed into the Temple in the Mosaic Covenant:

[Deuteronomy 23:1 KJV] 1 He that is wounded in the stones, or hath his privy member cut off, shall not enter into the congregation of the LORD.

However, even under the Mosaic Covenant, the "STRANGERS" who joined Israel in Covenant with their God, Yehovah Tsavaot Elohey Yis'ra'el (which I believe literally translates to "YEHOVAH OF ANGEL ARMIES, THE GOD OF ISRAEL") were always considered part of THE CONGREGATION OF ISRAEL. THEY WOULD EVEN GO UP EVERY SEVEN YEARS AT THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES TO HEAR THE WRITTEN TORAH READ IN ORDER TO OBEY IT ALONG WITH ALL THE REST OF THE CONGREGATION OF ISRAEL (DEUTERONOMY 31:10-13)!!! Ezekiel 47:21-23 makes it clear that, in the Messianic Kingdom, strangers joined to Yehovah and His people Israel are TO BE TREATED AS NATIVE-BORN ISRAELITES and AT THAT FUTURE TIME, WILL EVEN BE GIVEN AN INHERITANCE IN THE LAND OF ISRAEL IN THE TRIBE IN WHICH THEY CHOOSE TO DWELL! ISAIAH 56:1-8 states that NO DIFFERENCE will be made between THESE OTHERS that Yehovah gathers and the Israelites He gathers from the twelve tribes!!! THAT MEANS HE WILL PHYSICALLY GATHER BOTH – ALL THAT ARE JOINED TO HIM BY COVENANT!

[Zechariah 2:10-13 KJV/also see 2:14-15 JPS translation] 10 Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion: for, lo, I come, and I will dwell in the midst of thee, saith the LORD. 11 AND MANY NATIONS SHALL BE JOINED TO THE LORD IN THAT DAY, AND SHALL BE MY PEOPLE: AND I WILL DWELL IN THE MIDST OF THEE, AND THOU SHALT KNOW THAT THE LORD OF HOSTS HATH SENT ME UNTO THEE. 12 And the LORD shall inherit Judah his portion in the holy land, and shall choose Jerusalem again. 13 Be silent, O all flesh, before the LORD: for he is raised up out of his holy habitation.

[Zechariah 8:20-23 KJV] 20 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; [It shall] yet [come to pass], that there shall come people, and the inhabitants of many cities: 21 And the inhabitants of one [city] shall go to another, saying, Let us go speedily to pray before the LORD, and to seek the LORD of hosts: I will go also. 22 Yea, many people and strong nations shall come to seek the LORD of hosts in Jerusalem, and to pray before the LORD. 23 THUS SAITH THE LORD OF HOSTS; IN THOSE DAYS [IT SHALL COME TO PASS], THAT TEN MEN SHALL TAKE HOLD OUT OF ALL LANGUAGES OF THE NATIONS, EVEN SHALL TAKE HOLD OF THE SKIRT OF HIM THAT IS A JEW, SAYING, WE WILL GO WITH YOU: FOR WE HAVE HEARD [THAT] GOD [IS] WITH YOU.

It is important to note, at this point, that FAITH IN YEHOSHUA IS NECESSARY FOR ANYONE, JEWISH OR GENTILE, to enter the Kingdom of Heaven, according to the following scriptures!!! THE GOSPEL WAS TO START BEING PREACHED TO THE GENTILES AFTER YEHOSHUA'S RESURRECTION, BUT THE JEWS ARE STILL SUPPOSED TO HEAR THE GOSPEL PREACHED IN THE CITIES OF ISRAEL EVEN UP UNTIL THE TIME OF HIS RETURN!!!:

[Isaiah 49:1-6 KJV] 1 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. 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; 3 And said unto me, Thou [art] my servant, O Israel, in whom I will be glorified. 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. 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. 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.**

*****(I believe this makes clear that it is the Messiah's mission to restore, regather, and offer salvation to both the Tribes of Israel and to the Gentiles by the New Covenant, accessible only by FAITH IN HIM!)*****

[Matthew 8:5-13 KJV] "5 And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion, beseeching him, 6 And saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented. 7 And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him. 8 The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed. 9 For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this [man], Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth [it]. 10 WHEN JESUS HEARD [IT], HE MARVELLED, AND SAID TO THEM THAT FOLLOWED, VERILY I SAY UNTO YOU, I HAVE NOT FOUND SO GREAT FAITH, NO, NOT IN ISRAEL. 11 AND I SAY UNTO YOU, THAT MANY SHALL COME FROM THE EAST AND WEST, AND SHALL SIT DOWN WITH

ABRAHAM, AND ISAAC, AND JACOB, IN THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN. 12 BUT THE CHILDREN OF THE KINGDOM SHALL BE CAST OUT INTO OUTER DARKNESS: THERE SHALL BE WEeping AND GNASHING OF TEETH. 13 And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, [so] be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour."

(THIS IS ONE OF THE SADDEST VERSES IN THE GOSPELS TO ME: THAT THE ISRAELITES WHO SHOULD BE INHERITING THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN, BUT DO NOT COME TO FAITH IN YEHOSHUA AS THE MESSIAH, THE SON OF GOD, TO ENTER INTO THE NEW COVENANT SEALED BY HIS BLOOD WHICH OFFERS FORGIVENESS OF THEIR SINS, WILL ACTUALLY GO TO WHERE THERE IS WEeping AND GNASHING OF TEETH...THAT IS NOT HEAVEN OR THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN!!!)

[Matthew 10:23 KJV] 23 But when they persecute you in this city, flee ye into another: for verily I say unto you, YE SHALL NOT HAVE GONE OVER THE CITIES OF ISRAEL, TILL THE SON OF MAN BE COME.

(THIS LETS US KNOW THAT THE MINISTRY TO THE JEWS WAS NOT FINISHED WHEN THE MINISTRY TO THE GENTILES WAS ALLOWED TO START!!! IT WILL NOT BE FINISHED UNTIL YEHOSHUA RETURNS AT HIS 2ND COMING!)

YEHOSHUA EVEN IS VERY CLEAR THAT "THE GOSPEL" OF THE NEW COVENANT WILL SEPARATE, AS A SWORD DOES, THE JEWISH BELIEVERS IN HIM FROM THE UNBELIEVING JEWS, EVEN AMONG THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS (JUST AS IT WILL GENTILE BELIEVERS FROM THEIR UNBELIEVING FAMILY MEMBERS). ITS ACTUALLY A HARD SCRIPTURE TO SWALLOW. Yehoshua makes clear that THE COVENANT OF PEACE (discussed later) IS ONLY FOR BELIEVERS IN HIM, NOT ALL MANKIND:

[Matthew 10:34-37 KJV] 34 Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword. 35 For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law. 36 And a man's foes [shall be] they of his own household. 37 He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me.

Therefore, I do believe there will be ONE FOLD (The Remnant of Israel, made up of obedient Jewish believers in Yehoshua and the gentile believers fully joined to them) with ONE SHEPHERD (Yehoshua) that will be SAVED ON THE DAY OF YEHOVAH and GATHERED TO SUPERNATURALLY RESTORED ISRAEL!!! (Jeremiah 31:10, John 10:16, Isaiah 40:9-11)

[Isaiah 40:9-11 KJV] 9 O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift [it] up, be not afraid; SAY UNTO THE CITIES OF JUDAH, Behold your God! 10 BEHOLD, THE LORD GOD (MY NOTE: ADONAI YEHOVAH) WILL COME WITH STRONG [HAND], AND HIS ARM (MY NOTE: YEHOSHUA!) SHALL RULE FOR HIM: BEHOLD, HIS REWARD [IS] WITH HIM, AND HIS WORK

BEFORE HIM. 11 HE SHALL FEED HIS FLOCK LIKE A SHEPHERD: HE SHALL GATHER THE LAMBS WITH HIS ARM, AND CARRY [THEM] IN HIS BOSOM, [AND] SHALL GENTLY LEAD THOSE THAT ARE WITH YOUNG.

THE HOUSE OF JUDAH and THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL, CORPORATELY CALLED THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL (OR SOMETIMES THE HOUSE OF JACOB), WHICH INCLUDES THE STRANGERS JOINED TO THEM, I BELIEVE IS THE REMNANT CONGREGATION OF ISRAEL. (Note in the following long list of scriptures/prophecies from the Tanach HOW MANY SPEAK OF THE SHEPHERD GATHERING HIS SHEEP IN HIS ARM, and WE KNOW FROM YEHOSHUA THERE IS ONLY ONE FOLD OF SHEEP OF BELIEVERS – THIS IS WHY I TRULY BELIEVE THE REMNANT OF ISRAEL THAT WILL BE GATHERED WILL ONLY BE BELIEVERS IN YEHOSHUA!)

THE REMNANT CONGREGATION OF ISRAEL WILL BE GIVEN A COVENANT OF PEACE (“SHALOM” which means total wholeness) which will only be totally fulfilled in the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. AS I HAVE STATED, I TRULY BELIEVE THIS IS THE NEW COVENANT THAT WAS STARTED WITH YEHOSHUA’S BLOOD SACRIFICE FOR SINS, AS YEHOSHUA HIMSELF SAID HE WAS GIVING HIS DISCIPLES HIS PEACE THEN, EVEN AS HE WAS LEAVING THEM! (BUT, THE PEACE WILL NOT BE TOTALLY MANIFEST EVEN IN ISRAEL, UNTIL THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN COMES!)

[John 14:27 KJV] 27 PEACE I LEAVE WITH YOU, MY PEACE I GIVE UNTO YOU: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

[John 16:33 KJV] 33 These things I have spoken unto you, THAT IN ME YE MIGHT HAVE PEACE. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

WHY WOULD YEHOSHUA SAY THIS???

I BELIEVE THE KEY IS FOUND IN THE AWESOME ISAIAH 53 PROPHECY OF THE MESSIAH’S FIRST COMING TO SHED HIS BLOOD THAT SEALS THE NEW COVENANT/COVENANT OF PEACE!!!

Isaiah 53 actually starts further up in Isaiah 52:13 where Yehovah starts speaking of “MY SERVANT” that will be exalted from a very low status. He will actually be the Holy Arm of Yehovah who grows up before Him as a sucking baby (“yonek”) and will be despised and rejected by His own people. He will bear terrible torture and die, but it will be as a guilt offering (“ASHAM”) for the forgiveness of their crimes, iniquities, and sins. Almost hidden in part of this prophecy is the promise that He will bring them SHALOM!

[Isaiah 53:1-12 KJV] 1 Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the LORD revealed? 2 For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant (MY NOTE: “caYONEK” – literally translates to “as A SUCKING BABY”!) and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, [there is] no beauty that we should desire him. 3 He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were [our] faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not. 4 Surely he hath borne

our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. 5 But he [was] wounded for our transgressions, [he was] bruised for our iniquities: **THE CHASTISEMENT OF OUR PEACE [WAS] UPON HIM**; and with his stripes we are healed. 6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. 7 He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth. 8 He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare his generation? for he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my people was he stricken. 9 And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because he had done no violence, neither [was any] deceit in his mouth. 10 Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put [him] to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin (ASHAM), he shall see [his] seed, he shall prolong [his] days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand. 11 He shall see of the travail of his soul, [and] shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities. 12 Therefore will I divide him [a portion] with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

THE HEBREW MASORETIC TEXT (Western Leningrad Codex) TRANSLATES THE WORDS IN VERSE 5 THIS WAY:

מוֹסַר שְׁלוֹמֵנוּ עָלָיו

“MUSAR SHELOMENU ALAYV” – this phrase can be literally translated as “CHASTISEMENT OF OUR PEACE WAS UPON HIM.”

ISAIAH 53:5 (JPS) translates the phrase as: ...HE BORE THE CHASTISEMENT THAT MADE US WHOLE (“SHELOMENU”)

The KJV quoted above translates “SHELOMENU” AS “OUR PEACE”!

That is because the word is from the masculine noun SHALOM with a possessive suffix that means “our”!

The KJV translates Strong's Concordance #H7965 (emphasis added) in the following manner: PEACE (175X)

שָׁלוֹם shâlôwm, shaw-lome'; or שָׁלֹם SHÂLÔM; from H7999; safe, i.e. (figuratively) well, happy, friendly; also (abstractly) welfare, i.e. health, prosperity, peace:—× do, familiar, × fare, favour, friend, × great, (good) health, (× perfect, such as be at) peace(-able, -ably), prosper(-ity, -ous), rest, safe(-ty), salute, welfare, (× all is, be) well, × wholly.

Yehoshua told us He was sealing THE NEW COVENANT in His blood:

[Matthew 26:26-28 KJV] 26 And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed [it], and brake [it], and gave [it] to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body. 27 And he took the

cup, and gave thanks, and gave [it] to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; 28 FOR THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW TESTAMENT, WHICH IS SHED FOR MANY FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS.

The Hebrew Matthew Shem Tov manuscripts of tell us more clearly that it is THE NEW COVENANT:

“THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW COVENANT, WHICH WILL BE POURED OUT FOR MANY FOR THE ATONEMENT OF SINS.”

Matthew 8:14-17 states:

[Matthew 8:14-17 KJV] 14 And when Jesus was come into Peter's house, he saw his wife's mother laid, and sick of a fever. 15 And he touched her hand, and the fever left her: and she arose, and ministered unto them. 16 When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with [his] word, and healed all that were sick: 17 THAT IT MIGHT BE FULFILLED WHICH WAS SPOKEN BY ESAIAS THE PROPHET, SAYING, HIMSELF TOOK OUR INFIRMITIES, AND BARE [OUR] SICKNESSES.

This is referring to Isaiah 53:4:

[Isaiah 53:4-6 KJV] 4 SURELY HE HATH BORNE OUR GRIEFS, AND CARRIED OUR SORROWS: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. 5 But he [was] wounded for our transgressions, [he was] bruised for our iniquities: THE CHASTISEMENT OF OUR PEACE [WAS] UPON HIM; and with his stripes we are healed. 6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.

So, Matthew 8: 14-17 confirms that YEHOSHUA was fulfilling the entire Isaiah 53 prophecy with his suffering that GAVE US PEACE!!!

I BELIEVE THIS IS THE SAME NEW COVENANT THAT IS DESCRIBED IN JEREMIAH 31:31-34 THAT PROMISES FORGIVENESS OF SINS AS PART OF THE ENTIRE PROPHECY OF JEREMIAH CHAPTER 31 OF THE COMPLETE RESTORATION OF THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL AND THE HOUSE OF JUDAH, INCLUDING THE PHYSICAL REGATHERING BACK TO THE LAND!

THAT MEANS THAT THE MANY REFERENCES IN THE HEBREW PROPHETS TO A COVENANT OF PEACE (BRIYT SHALOM) AT THE DAY OF YEHOVAH IS THIS SAME NEW COVENANT!!!

[Isaiah 54:7-10 KJV] 7 For a small moment have I forsaken thee; BUT WITH GREAT MERCIES WILL I GATHER THEE. 8 In a little wrath I hid my face from thee for a moment; but with everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee, saith the LORD thy Redeemer. 9 For this [is as] the waters of Noah unto me: for [as] I have sworn that the waters of Noah should no more go over the earth; so have I sworn that I would not be wroth with thee, nor rebuke thee. 10 For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but my kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall THE COVENANT OF MY PEACE be removed, saith the LORD that hath mercy on thee.

[Ezekiel 37:15-28 KJV] 15 The word of the LORD came again unto me, saying, 16 Moreover, thou son of man, take thee one stick, and write upon it, For Judah, and for the children of Israel his companions: then take another stick, and write upon it, For Joseph, the stick of Ephraim, and [for] all the house of Israel his companions: 17 And join them one to another into one stick; and they shall become one in thine hand. 18 And when the children of thy people shall speak unto thee, saying, Wilt thou not shew us what thou [meanest] by these? 19 Say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will take the stick of Joseph, which [is] in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel his fellows, and will put them with him, [even] with the stick of Judah, and make them one stick, and they shall be one in mine hand. 20 And the sticks whereon thou writest shall be in thine hand before their eyes. 21 And say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I WILL TAKE THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL FROM AMONG THE HEATHEN, WHITHER THEY BE GONE, AND WILL GATHER THEM ON EVERY SIDE, AND BRING THEM INTO THEIR OWN LAND: 22 And I will make them ONE NATION IN THE LAND UPON THE MOUNTAINS OF ISRAEL; and ONE KING SHALL BE KING TO THEM ALL: and they shall be no more two nations, neither shall they be divided into two kingdoms any more at all: 23 NEITHER SHALL THEY DEFILE THEMSELVES ANY MORE WITH THEIR IDOLS, NOR WITH THEIR DETESTABLE THINGS, NOR WITH ANY OF THEIR TRANSGRESSIONS: BUT I WILL SAVE THEM OUT OF ALL THEIR DWELLINGPLACES, WHEREIN THEY HAVE SINNED, AND WILL CLEANSE THEM: SO SHALL THEY BE MY PEOPLE, AND I WILL BE THEIR GOD. 24 And DAVID MY SERVANT [SHALL BE] KING OVER THEM; and THEY ALL SHALL HAVE ONE SHEPHERD: THEY SHALL ALSO WALK IN MY JUDGMENTS, AND OBSERVE MY STATUTES, AND DO THEM. 25 And they shall dwell in the land that I have given unto Jacob my servant, wherein your fathers have dwelt; and they shall dwell therein, [even] they, and their children, and their children's children for ever: and MY SERVANT DAVID [SHALL BE] THEIR PRINCE FOR EVER. 26 I will make MOREOVER A COVENANT OF PEACE WITH THEM; IT SHALL BE AN EVERLASTING COVENANT WITH THEM: and I will place them, and multiply them, and WILL SET MY SANCTUARY IN THE MIDST OF THEM FOR EVERMORE. 27 MY TABERNACLE ALSO SHALL BE WITH THEM: YEA, I WILL BE THEIR GOD, AND THEY SHALL BE MY PEOPLE. 28 And the heathen shall know that I the LORD do sanctify Israel, when my sanctuary shall be in the midst of them for evermore.

(Notice how complete this prophecy is of the Kingdom of Heaven in Israel! The Righteous Branch of David, YEHOSHUA, (Jeremiah 23:1-8) is THE KING over all Israel who is also the ONE SHEPHERD over all of the Tribes of Israel that He has GATHERED BACK TO THE LAND FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD TO BE ONE NATION [ONE FOLD] to live in the COVENANT OF PEACE with YEHOVAH HIMSELF over them in His Tabernacle. All of Israel gathered will be

obeying His Statutes (CHUKOT) and Judgments (MISHPATIYM) and not defiling themselves any more with their idolatry, abominations, or any other transgressions!)

A very important prophecy that shows BOTH COMINGS OF THE MESSIAH is Isaiah 9:6-7 KJV/5-6 JPS - FIRST AS A SUCKING BABY (ISAIAH 53:1-2) who grows up before Yehovah and dies for the sins of His people who then is resurrected and ASCENDED TO HEAVEN, AND THEN HIS RETURN (PSALM 110) as the King of the World ruling on the throne of David!:

[Isaiah 9:6-7 KJV] 6 FOR UNTO US A CHILD IS BORN, UNTO US A SON IS GIVEN; and THE GOVERNMENT SHALL BE UPON HIS SHOULDER: and HIS NAME SHALL BE CALLED Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, THE PRINCE OF PEACE. 7 OF THE INCREASE OF [HIS] GOVERNMENT AND PEACE [THERE SHALL BE] NO END, UPON THE THRONE OF DAVID, AND UPON HIS KINGDOM, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts (YEHOVAH TSAVAOT) will perform this.

[Psalm 110:1-7 KJV] 1 [[A Psalm of David.]] The LORD ("YEHOVAH" – which is GOD) said unto my Lord ("ADONIY – "my Lord/Master" - WHICH IS ACTUALLY YEHOSHUA), Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool. 2 The LORD shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion: RULE THOU IN THE MIDST OF THINE ENEMIES. 3 Thy people [shall be] willing in the day of thy power, in the beauties of holiness from the womb of the morning: thou hast the dew of thy youth (MY NOTE: I BELIEVE THIS POINTS TO HIS RESURRECTION!) 4 The LORD hath sworn, and will not repent, Thou [art] a priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek (MY NOTE: "after the order of Melchizedek" IS THE HEBREW TEXT "AL-DIV'RATIY MAL'CIY TSEDEK" which is translated literally as "MY RIGHTEOUS KING UPON MY DECREE."). 5 The Lord at thy right hand shall strike through kings in the day of his wrath. 6 HE SHALL JUDGE AMONG THE HEATHEN, he shall fill [the places] with the dead bodies; he shall wound the heads over many countries. 7 He shall drink of the brook in the way: therefore shall he lift up the head.

THIS IS A CONFIRMATION THAT YEHOVAH'S DECREED COMING RIGHTEOUS KING/PRIEST, THE MESSIAH, WAS CALLED UP TO HEAVEN UNTIL HE IS SENT BACK BY YEHOVAH TO CARRY OUT HIS WRATH AND THEN JUDGE AND RULE THE WORLD!!!

(This is a topic for another time, but it is obvious that the Messiah will be The King who rules in the midst of his enemies from verse two and four, but Yehovah will also swear an oath that He will not change to also make The Messiah The High Priest forever from verse 4. This confirms the prophecy in Zechariah 6:9-13 that "The Man who is called The Branch" will be both King and Priest!)

Although there is much to analyze in Isaiah 9 about how YEHOVAH TSAVAOT called His Name all these awesome things, the point I am confirming here is that HIS NAME BEING CALLED THE PRINCE OF PEACE MEANS THAT THE NEW COVENANT THE MESSIAH SEALED IN HIS BLOOD IS THE SAME AS THE COVENANT OF PEACE FOR HIS PEOPLE!!!

SO, YEHOSHUA HAS STARTED THE FULFILLING OF THE NEW COVENANT/COVENANT OF PEACE, BUT THE COVENANT OF PEACE IS DESCRIBED IN ITS FULLNESS BY THE HEBREW PROPHETS TO

BE OF THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN ON EARTH AFTER THE MESSIAH YEHOSHUA'S SECOND COMING – HIS RETURN FROM HEAVEN (Psalm 110). THE LAND OF ISRAEL WILL BE MADE LIKE THE GARDEN OF EDEN, EVEN SUPERNATURAL IN MANY, MANY WAYS! THE PROPHECIES CONCERNING THIS ARE AMAZING!!!

EXPLANATION OF THE PHYSICAL GATHERING OF “THE RIGHTEOUS ONES” FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT(NEW COVENANT)/YEHOSHUA’S WORDS IN THE GOSPELS:

See Matthew 7:19-23 as discussed with Isaiah 66:8-16

Because it is so crucial to understand exactly what Yehoshua said about how the Kingdom of Heaven will be manifested on the earth, I will reiterate some of what was presented at the beginning of this article:

Matthew 13:24-30 and 36-43 Parable of the Wheat and the Tares. On the Day of Yehovah, it appears that Yehoshua tells the Angels that **THE TARES (EVIL ONES) ARE TO BE GATHERED FIRST AND BURNT**, and **THEN to gather the Wheat (the Righteous ones) into “My Barn” - the Kingdom of Heaven in Israel!**

[Matthew 13:24-30 KJV] 24 Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field: 25 But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. 26 But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also. 27 So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares? 28 He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. **The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up? 29 But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. 30 Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together FIRST the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.**

THE DEFINING VERSE IS MATTHEW 13:30 – THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT THE WORD “FIRST” IS USED OF THE TARES BEING GATHERED FOR BURNING!!!

[Matthew 13:30 KJV] 30 Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, **GATHER YE TOGETHER FIRST THE TARES, AND BIND THEM IN BUNDLES TO BURN THEM: BUT GATHER THE WHEAT INTO MY BARN.**

In His explanation of this parable, Yehoshua continues to make clear that the Evil Ones are gathered **FIRST** and cast into the furnace of fire, and **THEN** the Righteous Ones (who are gathered into His Barn) will shine in the Kingdom of Heaven of their Father.

[Matthew 13:36-43 KJV] 36 Then Jesus sent the multitude away, and went into the house: and his disciples came unto him, saying, Declare unto us the parable of the tares of the field. 37 He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man; 38 The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked [one]; 39 The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels. 40 As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world. 41 The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; 42 And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. 43 **THEN** shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

The Hebrew Matthew Shem Tov manuscripts also clear up a teaching of Yehoshua that the Greek manuscripts leave ambiguous about who is gathered first. First, I will quote the KJV translated from the Greek and then the Hebrew Matthew.

[Matthew 24:40-41 KJV] 40 Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left. 41 Two [women shall be] grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

[Hebrew Matthew Shem Tov 24:40-41] 40 Then if there be two ploughing in a field, ONE RIGHTEOUS AND THE OTHER EVIL, the one will be taken and the other left. 41 Two women will be grinding at a mill; one will be taken and the other left. THIS IS BECAUSE THE ANGELS AT THE END OF THE WORLD WILL REMOVE THE STUMBLING BLOCKS FROM THE WORLD and will separate the good from the evil.

So, the Hebrew Matthew Shem Tov clears up that these passages are NOT ABOUT A PRIOR RAPTURE TO HEAVEN, but that the ones removed will be the EVIL ONES – THE STUMBLING BLOCKS – leaving the RIGHTEOUS ONES to inherit the Kingdom of Heaven on earth.

Another one of Yehoshua's parables that clearly shows the wicked are separated from among the righteous FIRST FOR BURNING is the Parable of the Net:

[Matthew 13: 47-50 KJV] 47 Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a net, that was cast into the sea, and gathered of every kind: 48 Which, when it was full, they drew to shore, and sat down, and gathered the good into vessels, but cast the bad away. 49 **SO SHALL IT BE AT THE END OF THE WORLD: THE ANGELS SHALL COME FORTH, AND SEVER THE WICKED FROM AMONG THE JUST,** 50 **AND SHALL CAST THEM INTO THE FURNACE OF FIRE: THERE SHALL BE WAILING AND GNASHING OF TEETH."**

Then, in Matthew 24:13 Yehoshua states that whoever "endures to the end" will be saved. They are saved from the wrath that will come on the wicked, but it is at the end!

[Matthew 24:13 KJV] "13 BUT HE THAT SHALL ENDURE UNTO THE END, THE SAME SHALL BE SAVED."

[Matthew 10:22 KJV] 22 And ye shall be hated of all [men] for my name's sake: BUT HE THAT ENDURETH TO THE END SHALL BE SAVED.

The following prophecy shows that Yehoshua truly will bring the wrath first on the evil (heathen/tares) on the Day of Yehovah and then will bring His salvation to His Anointed Ones who are “enduring to the end”!!! (It is written in the Prophetic Past Tense as many of the prophecies are. They are written in the past tense but obviously about the future).

[Habakkuk 3:3-19 KJV] 3 God came from Teman, and the Holy One from mount Paran. Selah. His glory covered the heavens, and the earth was full of his praise. 4 And [his] brightness was as the light; he had horns [coming] out of his hand: and there [was] the hiding of his power. 5 Before him went the pestilence, and burning coals went forth at his feet. 6 He stood, and measured the earth: he beheld, and drove asunder the nations; and the everlasting mountains were scattered, the perpetual hills did bow: his ways [are] everlasting. 7 I saw the tents of Cushan in affliction: [and] the curtains of the land of Midian did tremble. 8 Was the LORD (YEHOVAH) displeased against the rivers? [was] thine anger against the rivers? [was] thy wrath against the sea, that thou didst ride upon thine horses [and] thy chariots of salvation? 9 Thy bow was made quite naked, [according] to the oaths of the tribes, [even thy] word. Selah. Thou didst cleave the earth with rivers. 10 The mountains saw thee, [and] they trembled: the overflowing of the water passed by: the deep uttered his voice, [and] lifted up his hands on high. 11 The sun [and] moon stood still in their habitation: at the light of thine arrows they went, [and] at the shining of thy glittering spear. 12 THOU DIDST MARCH THROUGH THE LAND IN INDIGNATION, THOU DIDST THRESH THE HEATHEN IN ANGER. 13 THOU WENTEST FORTH FOR THE SALVATION OF THY PEOPLE, [EVEN] FOR SALVATION WITH THINE ANOINTED; thou woundedst the head out of the house of the wicked, by discovering the foundation unto the neck. Selah. 14 Thou didst strike through with his staves the head of his villages: they came out as a whirlwind to scatter me: their rejoicing [was] as to devour the poor secretly. 15 Thou didst walk through the sea with thine horses, [through] the heap of great waters. 16 When I heard, my belly trembled; my lips quivered at the voice: rottenness entered into my bones, and I trembled in myself, that I might rest in the day of trouble: when he cometh up unto the people, he will invade them with his troops. 17 Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither [shall] fruit [be] in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and [there shall be] no herd in the stalls: 18 Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation. 19 The LORD God [is] my strength, and he will make my feet like hinds' [feet], and he will make me to walk upon mine high places. To the chief singer on my stringed instruments.

(THERE IS NO MENTION OF ANY “RAPTURE” AHEAD OF THIS FOR THOSE LIVING ON THE EARTH. Those saints who have already died, even killed during the Tribulation, may be resurrected in the first resurrection and quite possibly be coming with Yehoshua to carry out the wrath. I am not exploring that in this article, however. **THE PREMISE OF THIS ARTICLE IS THAT THOSE ALIVE ON THE EARTH WILL NOT**

BE RAPTURED TO HEAVEN PRIOR TO THE DAY OF YEHOVAH BUT WILL BE PHYSICALLY GATHERED BACK TO ISRAEL ACCORDING TO ALL THE PROPHECIES IN THE TANACH AND THE GOSPELS).

Matthew 24:27-31 uses the term “elect” which is the same as “the chosen servants” of Isaiah 65:8-10, 13-25. **The Isaiah passage shows that it is a gathering of the elect/chosen servants to the physical Land of Israel, which will be supernaturally restored.**

[Matthew 24:27-31 KJV] "27 For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. 28 For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together. 29 **IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE TRIBULATION OF THOSE DAYS** shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: 30 And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. 31 And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other."

Verse 28 alludes to the fact that there will be MASS CARNAGE that will be eaten by the vultures. That happens on the Day of Yehovah!!! (See Ezekiel 39:17-21; Jeremiah 25:33).

[Joel 3:15-16 KJV] 15 The sun and the moon shall be darkened, and the stars shall withdraw their shining. 16 The LORD also shall roar out of Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem; and the heavens and the earth shall shake: but the LORD [will be] the hope of his people, and the strength of the children of Israel. ...

The following scriptures also show Yehoshua, The Lord (Master), **RETURNING TO EARTH** and making judgments between His servants who obeyed Him and get to (physically) go into the Kingdom of Heaven and those who did not...and don't get to enter, instead being cast out and punished with fire and gnashing of teeth!

First, in Matthew 24:42-51 Yehoshua judges His shepherds on how they treat His sheep, and those who treated them badly will be separated to where there is gnashing of teeth (fire). Ezekiel 34:10-16 prophesies the same.

[Matthew 24:42-51 KJV] 42 Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come. 43 But know this, that if the goodman of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up. 44 Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh. 45 **Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over his household, to give them meat in due season?** 46 **Blessed [is] that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.** 47 **Verily I say unto you, That he shall make him ruler over all his goods.** 48 **BUT** and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, **My lord delayeth his coming;** 49 **And shall begin to smite [his] fellowservants, and to eat and drink with the drunken;** 50 **The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for [him], and in an hour that he is not aware**

of, 51 And shall cut him asunder, and appoint [him] his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

[Ezekiel 34:10-16 KJV] 10 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I [am] against the shepherds; and I will require my flock at their hand, and cause them to cease from feeding the flock; neither shall the shepherds feed themselves any more; for I will deliver my flock from their mouth, that they may not be meat for them. 11 For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I, [even] I, will both search my sheep, and seek them out. 12 AS A SHEPHERD SEEKETH OUT HIS FLOCK IN THE DAY THAT HE IS AMONG HIS SHEEP [THAT ARE] SCATTERED; SO WILL I SEEK OUT MY SHEEP, AND WILL DELIVER THEM OUT OF ALL PLACES WHERE THEY HAVE BEEN SCATTERED IN THE CLOUDY AND DARK DAY. 13 And I will bring them out from the people, and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own land, and feed them upon the mountains of Israel by the rivers, and in all the inhabited places of the country. 14 I will feed them in a good pasture, and upon the high mountains of Israel SHALL THEIR FOLD BE: there shall they lie in a good fold, and [in] a fat pasture shall they feed upon the mountains of Israel. 15 I will feed my flock, and I will cause them to lie down, saith the Lord GOD. 16 I WILL SEEK THAT WHICH WAS LOST, and bring again that which was driven away, and will bind up [that which was] broken, and will strengthen that which was sick: BUT I WILL DESTROY THE FAT AND THE STRONG; I WILL FEED THEM WITH JUDGMENT.

Matthew 25:1-13 Parable of how Yehoshua also judges all his servants as to whether they are **WATCHING AND READY** – those who are get to go into the Kingdom of Heaven and those who are not are dismissed.

Matthew 25:14-30 – Parable of how YEHOSHUA RETURNS FROM HEAVEN AND REQUESTS AN ACCOUNTING FROM ALL HIS SERVANTS (SO THEY OBVIOUSLY HAVE NOT BEEN RAPTURED TO HEAVEN BUT ARE STILL ON EARTH!!!) YEHOSHUA rewards His productive servants with entrance into the Kingdom of Heaven, but Verse 26 MAKES IT CLEAR THAT HE CALLS HIS UNPRODUCTIVE SERVANTS “LAZY AND WICKED” AND CUTS THEM OFF TO GO TO THE DARKNESS OF THE LOWEST PLACES WHERE THERE IS GNASHING OF TEETH!!!

Matthew 25:31-46 – This passage is NOT a parable. Yehoshua, on his throne (in Israel), will judge all peoples as sheep or goats based on how they treated his disciples (and each other)! He rewards the sheep who treated his disciples (for believers, their brothers and sisters) well and tells them to enter the Kingdom of Heaven prepared for them since the creation of the world and eternal life. But, He curses those who did not with eternal fire in the place prepared for them and for satan and his angels and calls it eternal abhorrence! **THIS IS THE MOST SERIOUS JUDGMENT TO ME! (Ezekiel 34:17-22 – confirms this judgment of how believers treat each other!)**

[Ezekiel 34:17-24 KJV] 17 And [as for] you, O my flock, thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I judge between cattle and cattle, between the rams and the he goats. 18 [Seemeth it] a small thing unto you to have eaten up the good pasture, but ye must tread down with your feet the residue of your pastures? and to have drunk of the deep waters, but ye

must foul the residue with your feet? 19 And [as for] my flock, they eat that which ye have trodden with your feet; and they drink that which ye have fouled with your feet. 20 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD unto them; Behold, I, [even] I, will judge between the fat cattle and between the lean cattle. 21 Because ye have thrust with side and with shoulder, and pushed all the diseased with your horns, till ye have scattered them abroad; 22 Therefore will I save my flock, and they shall no more be a prey; and I will judge between cattle and cattle. 23 And I will set up **ONE SHEPHERD OVER THEM, AND HE SHALL FEED THEM**, [even] my servant David; he shall feed them, and he shall be their shepherd. 24 And I the LORD will be their God, and my servant David a prince among them; I the LORD have spoken [it].

THEREFORE, IT IS OBVIOUS THAT YEHOSHUA NEVER SPEAKS OF A “RAPTURE” OF BELIEVERS TO HEAVEN BEFORE THE DAY OF YEHOVAH, ACCORDING TO THE ABOVE SCRIPTURES.

QUITE HONESTLY, I BELIEVE THE ONLY ONE WHO EVEN SPEAKS OF A “RAPTURE” AT ALL IS **PAUL IN FIRST THESSALONIANS**. With all of the Torah and Hebrew Prophets only referring over and over to a physical gathering into the Messianic Kingdom of Heaven in the Land of Israel, I personally would not believe one prophecy of Paul’s over all of them! (I personally don’t subscribe to Paul’s teaching anyway; I only subscribe to Yehoshua’s teaching in the Gospels). **However, if you read it carefully, you will notice that EVEN PAUL is not prophesying of a “secret rapture to Heaven” but is speaking ONLY OF A GATHERING ON THE DAY OF YEHOVAH AT YEHOSHUA’S 2ND COMING FROM HEAVEN ON THE CLOUDS TO RULE THE EARTH FROM JERUSALEM, ISRAEL.** Why? BECAUSE THE SAINTS WHO HAVE BEEN RESURRECTED (THE FIRST RESURRECTION SAINTS) ARE COMING WITH HIM! THAT WILL ONLY HAPPEN AT THE SECOND COMING OF THE MESSIAH! Paul does speak of the gathering being “in the sky,” however, which I don’t see at all from any other scriptures, so I sincerely question it:

[1 Thessalonians 4:13-17 KJV] "13 But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. 14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. 15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive [and] remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. 16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and THE DEAD IN CHRIST SHALL RISE FIRST: 17 THEN we which are alive [and] remain shall be CAUGHT UP (RAPTURED) together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord."

The Strong’s concordance defines the Greek word #G726 that is translated as “CAUGHT UP” in verse 17 as:

ἀρπάζω harpázō, har-pad'-zo; from a derivative of [G138](#); to seize (in various applications):—catch (away, up), pluck, pull, take (by force).

(To reiterate, I do not believe this is the way it will happen, according to The Written Torah, The Hebrew Prophets, and Yehoshua's Words in The Gospels!!! I only see from these scriptures that it will be a Physical Regathering to the Land of Israel.)

So, let us look at **Daniel 7** in a moment for a pretty descriptive account **from the Prophet that Yehoshua stated that we SHOULD LOOK TO to understand the end times** (Matthew 24:15-22). But first, notice Yehoshua is telling US when the great tribulation will start (which is when the Abomination of Desolation is set up in the Holy Place of a rebuilt Temple. **He tells His followers to flee to the mountains physically if they happen to be in Judea at that time, not that they will be "raptured" ahead of time!** He lets us know that many will die but **SOME OF THE ELECT/CHOSEN ONES WILL BE SAVED** (AT HIS RETURN!)

[Matthew 24:15-22 KJV] 15 **When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:) 16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:** 17 Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house: 18 Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes. 19 And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days! 20 But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day: (MY NOTE: OBVIOUSLY THE SABBATH DAY IS STILL IN FORCE!) 21 **FOR THEN SHALL BE GREAT TRIBULATION**, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. 22 **And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.**

So then **DANIEL 7** very clearly describes the 2nd Coming of Yehoshua, the Son of Man, and His receiving the Kingdom authority from His Father Yehovah, the Ancient of Days. **IT SPEAKS NOTHING OF THE SAINTS THAT ARE ALIVE ON EARTH BEING "CAUGHT UP" TO MEET HIM IN THE AIR! BUT, IT DOES SAY THAT THE SAINTS WILL POSSESS THE KINGDOM WHEN THE SON OF MAN COMES, AFTER BEING HARASSED AND OVERCOME BY THE LITTLE HORN/BEAST/KING OF THE NORTH (ANTICHRIST) (DANIEL 11:21-40) FOR A TIME, TIMES, AND HALF A TIME (THE GREAT TRIBULATION – JACOB'S TROUBLE – PROBABLY 3 ½ YEARS)! DANIEL 7:21 STATES THE SCENARIO**

CONCISELY! Also, verse 9-12 shows the Wrath of Yehovah coming on the Beast and other beast nations (See also Jeremiah 25:15-38). The Beast will be slain but other beast nations are allowed to survive. However, their dominion is taken away, because Yehoshua will rule the entire earth!

[Daniel 7:7-28 KJV] "7 After this I saw in the night visions, and **behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it [was] diverse from all the beasts that [were] before it; and it had ten horns.** 8 I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up **AMONG THEM ANOTHER LITTLE HORN**, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn [were] eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things. 9 **I beheld till the thrones were cast down, AND THE ANCIENT OF DAYS DID SIT**, whose garment [was] white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne [was like] the fiery flame, [and] his wheels [as] burning fire. 10 A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand

times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened. 11 I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld [even] till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame. 12 As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away: yet their lives were prolonged for a season and time. 13 **I SAW IN THE NIGHT VISIONS, AND, BEHOLD, [ONE] LIKE THE SON OF MAN CAME WITH THE CLOUDS OF HEAVEN, AND CAME TO THE ANCIENT OF DAYS, AND THEY BROUGHT HIM NEAR BEFORE HIM. 14 AND THERE WAS GIVEN HIM DOMINION, AND GLORY, AND A KINGDOM, THAT ALL PEOPLE, NATIONS, AND LANGUAGES, SHOULD SERVE HIM: HIS DOMINION [IS] AN EVERLASTING DOMINION, WHICH SHALL NOT PASS AWAY, AND HIS KINGDOM [THAT] WHICH SHALL NOT BE DESTROYED.** 15 I Daniel was grieved in my spirit in the midst of [my] body, and the visions of my head troubled me. 16 I came near unto one of them that stood by, and asked him the truth of all this. So he told me, and made me know the interpretation of the things. 17 **These great beasts, which are four, [are] four kings, [which] shall arise out of the earth. 18 But the saints of the most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever.** 19 Then I would know the truth of the fourth beast, which was diverse from all the others, exceeding dreadful, whose teeth [were of] iron, and his nails [of] brass; [which] devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with his feet; 20 And of the ten horns that [were] in his head, and [of] the other which came up, and before whom three fell; even [of] that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake very great things, whose look [was] more stout than his fellows. 21 **I BEHELD, AND THE SAME HORN MADE WAR WITH THE SAINTS, AND PREVAILED AGAINST THEM; 22 UNTIL THE ANCIENT OF DAYS CAME, AND JUDGMENT WAS GIVEN TO THE SAINTS OF THE MOST HIGH; AND THE TIME CAME THAT THE SAINTS POSSESSED THE KINGDOM.**

23 **Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces. 24 And the ten horns out of this kingdom [are] ten kings [that] shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings. 25 And he shall speak [great] words against the most High, and SHALL WEAR OUT THE SAINTS OF THE MOST HIGH, and think to change times and laws: and THEY SHALL BE GIVEN INTO HIS HAND UNTIL A TIME AND TIMES AND THE DIVIDING OF TIME.** 26 But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy [it] unto the end. 27 **AND THE KINGDOM AND DOMINION, AND THE GREATNESS OF THE KINGDOM UNDER THE WHOLE HEAVEN, SHALL BE GIVEN TO THE PEOPLE OF THE SAINTS OF THE MOST HIGH, WHOSE KINGDOM [IS] AN EVERLASTING KINGDOM, AND ALL DOMINIONS SHALL SERVE AND OBEY HIM.** 28 **Hitherto [is] the end of the matter.** As for me Daniel, my cogitations much troubled me, and my countenance changed in me: but I kept the matter in my heart."

"Hitherto is the end of the matter" ... Although Daniel is shown more prophecies in Daniel chapters 8-12, this seems to be a good place to end!!!

IN SUMMARY, I FIND NO BIBLICAL BASIS FOR A "RAPTURE TO HEAVEN" OF THE SAINTS PRIOR TO THE SECOND COMING OF YEHOSHUA!!!

WE BETTER STRENGTHEN OUR RESOLVE TO STAND FIRM IN OUR FAITH AND OBEDIENCE THROUGH THE GREAT TRIBULATION OF THE LITTLE HORN ALL THE WAY TO THE END SO WE WILL BE SAVED FROM THE WRATH ON THE DAY OF YEHOVAH!

REMEMBER IT IS ONLY THE REMNANT OF ISRAEL, HIS ELECT/CHOSEN SERVANTS, THAT WILL BE SAVED AND GATHERED:

[Numbers 23:7-10 KJV] 7 And he took up his parable, and said, Balak the king of Moab hath brought me from Aram, out of the mountains of the east, [saying], Come, curse me Jacob, and come, defy Israel. 8 How shall I curse, whom God hath not cursed? or how shall I defy, [whom] the LORD hath not defied? 9 For from the top of the rocks I see him, and from the hills I behold him: LO, THE PEOPLE SHALL DWELL ALONE, AND SHALL NOT BE RECKONED AMONG THE NATIONS. 10 WHO CAN COUNT THE DUST OF JACOB, AND THE NUMBER OF THE FOURTH [PART] OF ISRAEL? Let me die the death of THE RIGHTEOUS, and let my last end be like his!

SO, THESE ARE THE ONES IN JACOB (IN ISRAEL) HE IS COMING TO REDEEM!!!

THE RIGHTEOUS!!!:

וְבָא לְצִיּוֹן גּוֹאֵל וְלִשְׁבִּי פֶשַׁע
בִּיעֶקֶב נָאֻם יְהוָה:

[ISAIAH 59:20 KJV] 20 AND THE REDEEMER SHALL COME TO ZION, AND UNTO THEM THAT TURN FROM TRANSGRESSION IN JACOB, SAITH THE LORD.

SEE ALL OF THESE SCRIPTURES ABOUT THOSE WHO WILL BE REDEEMED!!!:

Numbers 23:7-10; Zechariah 13:8-9 one-third remnant in The Land saved; Isaiah 66:2,5; Isaiah 1:24-28; Isaiah 10:20-27 – Only a remnant will return to Mighty God; Isaiah 1:9; Jeremiah 50:20, Isaiah 55:6-7, Isaiah 59:20; Isaiah 62:11-12; Zephaniah 3:9-13; Isaiah 60:21-22; Isaiah 65:8-10, 13-16 – His Chosen Servants who chose what He desired; Isaiah 61:1-9, Daniel 7:21, Amos 9:8,11-15; Isaiah 28:5; Nahum 1:7 and more.

BUT, REBELS, EVEN IN JACOB/ISRAEL, WILL NOT BE REDEEMED!!!: Ezekiel 20:38; Isaiah 57:3-13, 20-21; Isaiah 65:1-7, 11-16 – those who chose what He did not want; Isaiah 66: 3-6,24; Amos 9:7-10; Malachi 3:5-7, 13-24; Zephaniah 1 – 2:3; Jeremiah 6:10-21, Matthew 3:1-12 – even Israelites who are unrepentant and do not bring forth good “fruit” - and possibly more.

Isaiah 65:8-10, in fact, is the shortest, crystal clear description of only The Remnant of Israel saved from destruction - The Elect/Chosen Servants of Yehovah – who seek Him!!!

[Isaiah 65:8-10 KJV] 8 Thus saith the LORD, AS THE NEW WINE IS FOUND IN THE CLUSTER, AND [ONE] SAITH, DESTROY IT NOT; FOR A BLESSING [IS] IN IT: SO WILL I DO FOR MY SERVANTS' SAKES, THAT I MAY NOT DESTROY THEM ALL. 9 And I will bring forth a seed out of Jacob, and out of Judah an inheritor of my mountains: and MINE ELECT SHALL INHERIT IT, AND MY SERVANTS SHALL DWELL THERE. 10 And Sharon shall be a fold of flocks, and the valley of Achor a place for the herds to lie down in, FOR MY PEOPLE THAT HAVE SOUGHT ME.

MORE COVENANT OF PEACE SCRIPTURES!

I do want to list some scriptures that goes **further to describe the COVENANT OF PEACE (BRIYT SHALOM) and its benefits** that the Remnant Congregation of Israel (YEHOVAH'S “Chosen,” which I believe are Jewish Believers and the Gentile believers who are joined to them) will experience in the supernaturally restored Israel, too, in the Kingdom of Heaven! This Covenant of Peace (Briyt Shalom), which is spoken of so many times in the Prophets, actually IS the New Covenant (Briyt Chadasha), which is only mentioned a few times in the Prophets, in its complete fulfillment in the Messianic Kingdom of Heaven on earth, according to my research. **I believe the New Covenant was started and sealed with the life, death as the sacrifice for sin, and resurrection of Yehoshua over 2000 years ago, and its promise of the Remnant of Israel's restoration to the Land, which was started in earnest approximately in the mid-1800's. HOWEVER, THE NEW COVENANT/COVENANT OF PEACE WILL ONLY CULMINATE GLORIOUSLY WITH THE RETURN OF THE MESSIAH, YEHOSHUA!!!**

I will quote a few examples of the description of the Covenant of Peace to start with and then a list of some of the other scriptures that describe it. There are many more!:

[Isaiah 11:1-16 KJV] 1 **AND THERE SHALL COME FORTH A ROD OUT OF THE STEM OF JESSE, AND A BRANCH SHALL GROW OUT OF HIS ROOTS:** 2 And the spirit of the LORD 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 the LORD; 3 And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the LORD: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears: 4 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. 5 And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins. 6 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. 7 And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. 8 And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice' den. 9 **THEY SHALL NOT HURT NOR DESTROY IN ALL MY HOLY MOUNTAIN:** for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea. 10 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. 11 And it shall come to pass **IN THAT DAY**, [that] **THE LORD SHALL SET HIS HAND AGAIN THE SECOND TIME TO RECOVER THE REMNANT OF HIS PEOPLE**, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea. 12 **AND HE SHALL SET UP AN ENSIGN FOR THE NATIONS, AND SHALL ASSEMBLE THE OUTCASTS OF ISRAEL, AND GATHER TOGETHER THE DISPERSED OF JUDAH FROM THE FOUR CORNERS OF THE EARTH.** 13 The envy also of Ephraim shall depart, and the adversaries of Judah shall be cut off: Ephraim shall not envy Judah, and Judah shall not vex Ephraim. 14 But they shall fly upon the shoulders of the Philistines toward the west; they shall spoil them of the east together: they shall lay their hand upon Edom and Moab; and the children of Ammon shall obey them. 15 **And the LORD shall utterly destroy the tongue of the Egyptian sea; and with his mighty wind shall he shake his hand over the river, and shall smite it in the seven streams, and MAKE [MEN] GO OVER DRYSHOD.** 16 **AND THERE SHALL BE AN HIGHWAY FOR THE REMNANT OF HIS PEOPLE, WHICH SHALL BE LEFT, FROM ASSYRIA; LIKE AS IT WAS TO ISRAEL IN THE DAY THAT HE CAME UP OUT OF THE LAND OF EGYPT.**

(NOTICE ALSO THE PHYSICAL GATHERING OF THE REMNANT OF HIS PEOPLE!!! Remember also that includes the gathering of the “strangers” joined to Yehovah by the New Covenant that He will gather to His People Israel (Isaiah 56:1-8). As I pointed out earlier, it seems to be just like the people of Israel had to physically walk to the Promised Land, even though Yehovah said “I brought you on eagle’s wings...” in Exodus 19:3-4)

[Ezekiel 34:23-31 KJV] 23 And **I WILL SET UP ONE SHEPHERD OVER THEM**, and he shall feed them, [even] my servant David; he shall feed them, and he shall be their shepherd. 24 And **I the LORD will be their God, and my servant David a prince among them; I the LORD have spoken [it].** 25 **AND I WILL MAKE WITH THEM A COVENANT OF PEACE**, and will cause the evil beasts to cease out of the land: and they shall dwell safely in the wilderness, and sleep in the woods. 26 And I will make them and the places round about my hill a

blessing; and I will cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing. 27 And the tree of the field shall yield her fruit, and the earth shall yield her increase, and they shall be safe in their land, and shall know that I [am] the LORD, when I have broken the bands of their yoke, and delivered them out of the hand of those that served themselves of them. 28 And they shall no more be a prey to the heathen, neither shall the beast of the land devour them; but they shall dwell safely, and none shall make [them] afraid. 29 And I will raise up for them a plant of renown, and they shall be no more consumed with hunger in the land, neither bear the shame of the heathen any more. 30 Thus shall they know that I the LORD their God [am] with them, and [that] they, [even] THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL, [ARE] MY PEOPLE, saith the Lord GOD. 31 AND YE MY FLOCK, THE FLOCK OF MY PASTURE, [ARE] MEN, [and] I [AM] YOUR GOD, saith the Lord GOD.

[Ezekiel 37:26 KJV] 26 Moreover I will make A COVENANT OF PEACE with them; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them: and I will place them, and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary in the midst of them for evermore.

Some of the following scriptures specifically mention the Covenant of Peace, and some simply describe how absolutely wonderful it is!!!:

Deuteronomy 30:1-10

Ezekiel 34:23-31

Ezekiel 37:26-28

Isaiah 11:1-10

Isaiah 25:6-12 (shows supernatural Israel, with God destroying the physical land of Moab)

*Isaiah 29:17-24

*Isaiah 30:18-26

*Isaiah 35 whole chapter

Isaiah 54:10 (whole chapter shows shalom)

Isaiah 55 whole chapter (verses 3-5 New Covenant like David)

*Isaiah 60, 61, and 62 awesome descriptions of restored Israel and Jerusalem

*Isaiah 65:17-25 (Physical Jerusalem renewed)

*Isaiah 66:5-14; 18-24 (His servants saved will enjoy the physical renewed Jerusalem)

Jeremiah 31:12-14; 23-28

Jeremiah 33

Daniel 2:44-45

Hosea 2:14-23 KJV/16-25 JPS

Hosea 3:4-5

Hosea 5:15 to 6:3

Hosea 14:5-10

Joel 2:18-27

Amos 9:13-15

Ezekiel 34:11-16

Ezekiel 36 whole chapter!

Ezekiel 39:25-29
Micah 4:1-5
Zechariah 3:10
Zechariah 8:11-15
Zechariah 9:16-17 to 10:1
Zechariah 14:8-9
Malachi 3:16-24

BLIEVERS IN YEHOSHUA ARE ENJOYING SOME OF THE BENEFITS OF THE NEW COVENANT NOW, BUT WE ARE AWAITING THE TOTAL FULFILLMENT OF THE NEW COVENANT/ COVENANT OF PEACE IN THE AWESOME KINGDOM OF HEAVEN ON EARTH IN ISRAEL AT YEHOSHUA'S 2ND COMING ON THE DAY OF YEHOVAH!!! THERE WILL BE A PHYSICAL GATHERING OF THE ENTIRE REMNANT CONGREGATION OF ISRAEL (ALL OF YEHOVAH'S ELECT/CHOSEN SERVANTS WHO SOUGHT HIM) TO THE LAND OF ISRAEL THAT IS SUPERNATURALLY RESTORED LIKE THE GARDEN OF EDEN!!!

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