

PROMISE OF A BRIGHT TOMORROW - PART 5

(Part 5 of a 10 part series)

In Parts 1-4 we learned God promised to lead all humanity out of our collective death spiral into a bright future. We learned God provided us a with peace plan to resolve the dispute between Israelis and Palestinians, and that this will initiate a process of salvation beginning in the Holy Land and then spreading worldwide.

But, in order for people to take the peace plan seriously enough to actively share it with other people, they need to have confidence in it. And to have any confidence in something called, "God's Peace Plan for the Holy Land", at a minimum, they'll have to believe God actually exists. So, in Part 4 we learned one of the purposes of prophecies—and in particular, fulfillments of prophecies—is to prove God exists. We also learned the prophecies contain guidance for us to navigate safely through these perilous times.

Part 4 ended with the following paragraph:

"Now, there are "happy" prophecies and scary sad ones. We're going to start with the scary sad ones, not because I want to scare you, but because those are the ones that are being fulfilled every day in the news, so they prove someOne must have seen this in advance. As soon as we realize the prophecies are being fulfilled right now, hopefully we'll be motivated to read and share the peace plan, and open up the path to the fulfilling the happy prophecies. So, PART 5 (the next article) will be a collection of prophecies being fulfilled in the Middle East. Probably PART 6, too. There's a lot of prophecies being fulfilled!"

After prayer, I changed my mind. We're going to have dessert before supper. We'll look at some "happy" prophecies, because if we know in advance a happy outcome is truly waiting for us, we may be more willing to look at the sad and scary prophecies which have already been fulfilled—and which we need to see in order to build up confidence God really does exist and span Time. Once we truly believe, faith moves mountains.

So, the next two articles following this one will focus on the sad and scary prophecies already fulfilled, while the rest of this article will be a reprint of a previously written article on the "happy" prophecies titled, "Beating Swords Into Plowshares" ...

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BEATING SWORDS INTO PLOWSHARES

Most, if not all, the members of this group share a belief in God and a desire for a just and lasting peace in the Holy Land. But, if Jews, Muslims, and Christians are worshipping different Gods, how would peace be possible? Fortunately for us, whether they realize it or not, all three religions worship the same God (albeit imperfectly, or there'd be far fewer troubles between them).

The Qur'an repeatedly affirms the Evangel (New Testament), the Tawrat (Torah), and Old Testament prophets. The New Testament affirms the Old Testament prophets, too. So, the sacred books of the latter two religions view the Old Testament prophets as divinely inspired, as do Jews. Beginning at this starting point, let's take a look at a wonderful prophecy regarding the time of salvation...

Isaiah 55:11-12, Hashem/the Father/ Allah swt;

11 ...my word...will accomplish what I desire
and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.

12 You will go out in joy and be led forth in peace;
the mountains and hills will burst into song before you,
and all the trees of the field will clap their hands."

Hallelujah! Instead of the world being incinerated, God's will is for us to "go out in joy and be led forth in peace". But notice, please, God's "word...will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it", i.e., that we be led out in joy and peace. God's will, expressed through the words of the prophecies, provides the guidelines for "God's Peace Plan for the Holy Land". But, is the salvation this peace plan brings meant only for Jews or those living in the Holy Land?

In Isaiah 49:6 (a prophecy foretelling the peace plan) Creator promises salvation will commence with peace in the Holy Land, and then spread to the entire world.

6 ..."It is too small a thing for you to be my servant
to restore the tribes of Jacob [God's Peace Plan]
and bring back those of Israel I have kept.
I will also make you a light for the Gentiles,
that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth."

Isaiah 49:6 depicts a process which begins with resolution to perhaps the greatest obstacle to world peace—the ongoing conflict between Israel & Palestinians. This dispute--which has proven to be unsolvable by humans--is overcome through the...

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power of the Almighty's word (which provides the guidelines for the peace plan). God's peace plan restores the rights of ALL the tribes of Jacob, which includes BOTH parties to the dispute.

God then promises the salvation received by the people of the Holy Land will spread to the "ends of the earth". So, prophecies promising peace and its attendant blessings aren't limited to the Holy Land. The promises extend everywhere on Earth, with their blessings to be enjoyed by all peoples!

An essential aspect of salvation is the lesson Creator is teaching us. Basing the peace plan on the sacred books of all three Abrahamic religions demonstrates God has spoken to humanity through more than one religion's sacred book--and that together, Creator's messages can unite humanity and miracles can happen. These miracles can and will transform the Earth into a paradise. Here is one such prophecy...

Isaiah 2:4 promises at the time of salvation.

"4 ...They will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war anymore."

Sounds like the "Peace Dividend". In a moment we'll take a look at what some of the benefits of salvation might look like as the swords and spears are transformed into "plowshares" and "pruning hooks". But before we do that, it's important we address the following crucial questions:

How is peace salvation for millions of good people who are employed in defense and related industries, if armaments are no longer needed?

Does God intend to punish good people whose sin is that they were born into an out-of-balance system and now have their livelihoods depending on jobs necessary in the times before salvation?

Thankfully, God is known as the most Wise, Merciful, and Compassionate.

The prophecy calls for converting war production to peaceful uses, meaning people employed in defense industries will still have good jobs. It's just that humanity won't constantly waste valuable resources rebuilding what we've just destroyed. If resources aren't being wasted, they can be used to make life better in parts of the world suffering from lack of resources.

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For instance, I have a friend who lives in Lagos, Nigeria. In the past three years, he's lost his home and subsequent lodgings to floods when the Niger River overflows in the rainy season. Of course, hundreds of thousands of his neighbors lost their homes along with him. Meanwhile, in northern Nigeria many farmers have too little water for crops, and as the fertile land becomes desert there is less and less arable land. Desertification is a deadly problem in many places. It causes famine and conflict for scarce resources. And yet, the prophecies promise...

Isaiah 35:6;

"...Water will gush forth in the wilderness and streams in the desert."

Isaiah 44:3;

For I will pour water on the thirsty land, and streams on the dry ground;"

Isaiah 41:18'

I will make rivers flow on barren heights, and springs within the valleys.

I will turn the desert into pools of water, and the parched ground into springs."

Isaiah 35:1;

The desert and the parched land will be glad; the wilderness will rejoice and blossom."

Isaiah 32:15;

till the Spirit is poured on us from on high,

and the desert becomes a fertile field, and the fertile field seems like a forest."

Perhaps the same equipment militaries presently use for building defenses could be used to build a dam on the upper Niger to save the homes downstream in Lagos while providing life-giving water to the farms in the north.

Speaking of water, our out of balance climate is causing sea levels to rise, flooding low lying, desperately needed farmland and entire island nations. What if solar and tidal powered desalinization plants were constructed along coastlines, and seawater presently drowning farms and islands sent onto arid land, transforming it into a blessing allowing plants of all kinds to flourish there. These plants would consume vast quantities of carbon dioxide (which causes global warming) while creating oxygen, rebalancing the atmosphere. The minerals extracted from seawater could be used for many beneficial purposes, and the canals carrying water into the desert could serve as a fishery. Sound far-fetched?

Isaiah 43:19;

See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?

I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland."

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Isaiah 33:21;

There the Lord will be our Mighty One.

It will be like a place of broad rivers and streams.

No galley with oars will ride them, no mighty ship will sail them."

Ezekiel 47:9-10

9 Swarms of living creatures will live wherever the river flows.

There will be large numbers of fish...

10 Fishermen will stand along the shore:...

The fish will be of many kinds—like the fish of the Mediterranean Sea."

Clearly, part of God's salvation comes in the form of water sent to desert areas.

While the next prophecy is specifically aimed at the people of Jerusalem, once again, it's important we remember the salvation beginning in the Holy Land spreads worldwide. So, what's promised to the people of Jerusalem is also promised to the entire world.

Isaiah 65:17-25;

17 "See, I will create new heavens and a new earth.

The former things will not be remembered,

nor will they come to mind.

18 But be glad and rejoice forever in what I will create,
for I will create Jerusalem to be a delight and its people a joy.

19 I will rejoice over Jerusalem and take delight in my people;
the sound of weeping and of crying will be heard in it no more.

20 "Never again will there be in it an infant who lives but a few days,
or an old man who does not live out his years;

the one who dies at a hundred will be thought a mere child;

the one who fails to reach a hundred will be considered accursed.

21 They will build houses and dwell in them; they will plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

22 No longer will they build houses and others live in them, or plant and others eat.

For as the days of a tree, so will be the days of my people;

my chosen ones will long enjoy the work of their hands.

23 They will not labor in vain, nor will they bear children doomed to misfortune;

for they will be a people blessed by the Lord, they and their descendants with them.

24 Before they call I will answer; while they are still speaking I will hear."

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Isaiah 65:17-25, cont.:

25 The wolf and the lamb will feed together,
and the lion will eat straw like the ox,
and dust will be the serpent's food.
They will neither harm nor destroy on all my holy mountain,"
says the Lord."

This is what the peace plan leads to.

When salvation comes to the Holy Land, salvation spreads to the "ends of the earth".

Now, let's talk about you. You must be special. You are special, because for some reason, God put you in the right time and place to be one of the first to receive word of "God's Peace Plan for the Holy Land"--the specific instrument through which God's salvation will commence to flow. You've been given an honor beyond comprehension—if you accept it. Or, you can cast it aside as something meaningless and kick yourself for that for the rest of eternity.

God put you in a position where you can make a real difference. But, will it please God if you share the peace plan? Here's God's response to this question...

Isaiah 52:7;

7 How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news,
who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation,
who say to Zion, "Your God reigns!"

(When people do what the scriptures in God's Peace Plan say they should do,
they're obeying God, which means God is reigning.)

And Jesus has this to add...

Matthew 5:9;

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."

A suggestion:

Share the peace plan and the parable with everyone.

Post them on your homepage. Now is the time! And please, let the other group members know some of what you're doing to help encourage them, too!

Thank you, and God bless you!

ps: There's plenty more positive prophecies out there.

But, this article is long enough as it is.

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