Isaiah 2,35 - Kingdom of God

Isaiah 2 Jerusalem the Centre of God's Kingdom

The throne of David established as promised in 2 Sam 7:12-17; 1 Chron 17:11-14.

Ezekiel's temple established in Zion after Armageddon: Ezek 40-48.

Like water flowing up hill - not natural! So too with the nations flowing up to Zion.

Same message in Micah 4:1-4, but as Micah is from the country he adds an extra comment: "but they shall every man under his own vine and under his fig tree..."

Jerusalem will be the capital city of the world, "The throne of Yahweh": **Jer 3:17**.

Jesus will be king of the world, Matt 19:28, sitting on the throne of his glory. He will be a righteous judge: Psalm 72. The whole world will be under his control, Psa 2:8-11.

The Kingdom begins with God's judgments, which include great earthquakes: Zech 14:4; Ezek 38:19-20; Joel 3:16; Rev 16:16-21. There will also be an ultimatum to the nations

CHAPTER 2.

z Isalah prophesieth the coming of Christ's kingdom. zo He exhorteth to fear, because of the powerful effects of God's majesty.

THE word that 'Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

- 2 "And it shall come to pass "in the last days, that "the mountain of the LORD's house shall be 'q established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and 'all nations shall flow unto it.
- 3 And many people shall go and say, 'Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will 'teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for hout of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from lerusalem.
- 4 And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and 'they shall beat their swords into "plowshares, and their spears into opruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, p neither shall they learn war any more.
- 5 O house of Jacob, come ye, and let us q walk in the light of the LORD.
- 18 And the idols he shall utterly abolish.
- rg And b they shall go into the holes of the rocks, and into the caves of the earth, b for fear of the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth.

Responsible judged by Christ at his return: Rom 14:10; 2 Cor 5:10; 2 Tim 4:1,7-8 Saints made immortal at Christ's return: Dan 12:1-3; I Cor 15:50-58; Phil 3:20-21 Kingdom was continually taught by Paul and Jesus: Acts 1:3; 26:6-7; 28:23-31

Elements of God's Kingdom:

- King Jesus Christ: Matt 19:28; Luke 1:31-33; 2 Sam 7:12-16; Isa 32:1
- Co-rulers "Kings and priests", the immortal saints: Rev 2:26-27; 5:9-10; 20:6
- Subjects Mortal nations that remain after Armageddon: Zech 14:16
- Laws God's: Isaiah 2:3: Psa 2:7-12
- Capital City Jerusalem: Jer 3:17; Zech 14:16-18; Joel 3:20; Psa 48:1-2
- First Dominion Israel: Micah 4:6-7; Acts 1:6
- Territory/Empire Whole world: Psa 2:8-11; 72:8; Num 14:21; Isa 11:9

Colour code: Blue (God & Jesus); Red (sin/devil/judgment of wicked); Green (Kingdom); Orange (important words & phrases); Purple (Israel & return of Jews to the land); Yellow (practical exhortation).

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Isaiah 35 What it will be like in God's Kingdom

Look at how often Isaiah speaks of joy and rejoicing in God's Kingdom: Isa 12:3; 65:17-19; Matt 25:21,23.

The weak to be strengthened, especially the poor and hungry: Psa 72:12-14.

Psa 72:4 Christ's rod is for oppressors. The Saints will be involved in carrying out this judgment: Rev 2:26-27.

Imagine if we were blind, in a wheelchair, or could not speak. In God's Kingdom, these people will be healed by the saints: Heb 6:5.

The deserts will be changed, and there will be clean water for all to drink. Today, more than 1 billion people do not have clean drinking water, 12 million die each year from lack of water.

There will be a highway to walk up to Jerusalem to worship: Isa 19:23.

The animals become tame: Isa 11:6-9.

No more sorrow but incredible **JOY**: Isaiah 51:3,11; 52:9.

CHAPTER 35.

The joyful flourishing of Christ's kingdom.
The weak are encouraged.

^aTHE wilderness and ^b the solitary place shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as ^c the rose.

2°It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even with joy and singing: the glory of Lebanon shall be given unto it, the excellency of Carmel and Sharon, they shall see the glory of the LORD, and the excellency of our God.

3 ¶ kStrengthen ye the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees

4 Say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong, fear not: behold, your God will come with vengeance, even God with a recompence; he will come and saye you.

will come and save you.

5 Then "the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and "the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped.

6 Then shall othe lame man leap as an hart, and othe the dumb sing: for oin the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert.

7 And "the parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water: in "the habitation of dragons, where each lay, shall be by grass with reeds and rushes."

8 And an highway shall be there, and 'a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; 'the unclean shall not pass over it; 'but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein.

9 h No lion shall be there, nor any ravenous beast shall go up thereon, it shall not be found there; but i the redeemed shall walk there:

10 kAnd the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with msongs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

God's Kingdom to consume this world's Kingdoms, and stand forever: Dan 2:44

Dan 7:25-27; Rev 11:15-18 Kingdoms of this world become Christ's.

Luke 1:31-33 Christ to rule over the nation of Israel forever, on David's throne
Isa 26:9 When God's judgments are in the earth the world will learn righteousness
Micah 4:6-8; Amos 9:11-15; Acts 1:6; 15:13-17 Kingdom of Israel to be restored
Gen 12:1-3; 13:14-17; 15:18; Heb 11:8-13,39-40 Promises to Abraham fulfilled
Matt 19:28 Disciples will sit on 12 thrones, judging 12 tribes of Israel.

Zech 8:20-23; 14:16 People and nations come up to Jerusalem to worship

Rev 20:6-9 Rebellion at end of millennium, but rebels destroyed. Final resurrection then occurs, mortality then eliminated, death and sin removed. God will be "all in all" and His purpose totally fulfilled Rev 20:11-15; 21:1-5; 1 Cor 15:25-28; Num 14:21.