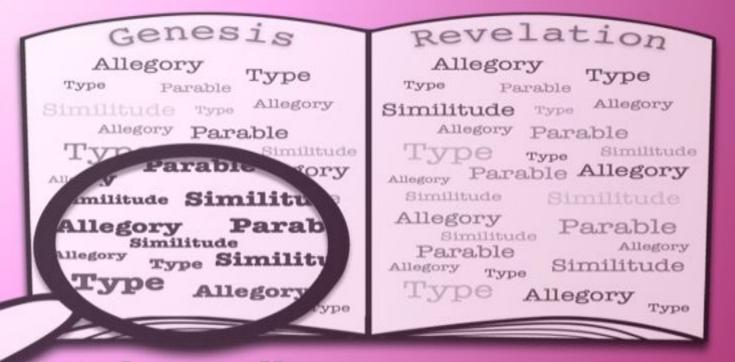
Reasoning out of the Scriptures by Allegory and Type



Esther Allegory

class 5 - Christ Exalted Gog Destroyed

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Current readings: parables are prophetic

Num 24:15-21 "(Balaam) took up his parable...there shall come a Star out of Jacob, and a Sceptre shall rise out of Israel...And when he looked on Amalek, he took up his parable, and said, Amalek was the first of the nations; but his latter end shall be that he perish for ever. And he looked on the Kenites, and took up his parable, and said..."

Current readings: parables are a higher, wiser form of reasoning Pro 1:1 "The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel"

- Strong's directly states it means "superiority in mental action." It is from the Hebrew root "to rule, govern, dominion."
- Est 7:1 So the king and Haman came to *banquet with Esther the queen. *Heb. "to drink wine"
- Est 7:2 And the king said again unto Esther on the second day at the banquet of wine, What is thy petition, queen Esther? and it shall be granted thee: and what is thy request? and it shall be performed, even to the half of the kingdom.

Est 7:3 Then Esther the queen answered and said, If I have found favour in thy sight, O king, and *if it please the king, let MY LIFE BE GIVEN ME at my petition, AND MY PEOPLE at my request: *she only asks according to His Will Est 7:4 For we are sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be slain, and to perish. But if we had been sold for bondmen and bondwomen, I had held my tongue, although the enemy could not countervail the king's damage. (10,000 talents silver)

We are Sold, to be destroyed—into sin & death. Requiring redemption Rom 7:14 "For we know that the law is spiritual: but I am carnal, sold under sin." ("both Jew and Gentile under sin" Rom 3:9) Rom 7:24 "who shall deliver me from the body of this death?"

Also represents Israel's punishment among the nations.
 "(God) sold them into the hands of their enemies round about" Jud 2:14 (Jud 3:8; 4:2; 1Sam 12:9; Isa 50:1)

Bondmen and Bondwomen—purchased for the servitude of the King Esther does not object to—best we will ever be (Romans 6)!

I and my people—no longer "hidden," Esther now openly identifies with the Jews. If there is no survival of the literal Jew, there can be no salvation of the inward or "Hidden Jew." She directly connects her own salvation with that of the Jews.

"The restoration of Israel is a most important feature in the divine economy. It is indispensible to the setting up of the Kingdom of God; for they are the Kingdom, having been constituted such by the covenant of Sinai...It is evident from this, that they (the apostles Acts 1:3-6) regarded Israel as having once possessed the Kingdom, and expected the same Israel to possess it again. No other meaning can be put upon their words"—Eplis Israel, pg. 439

Rom 11:18-23 "Boast not against the branches. But if thou boast, thou bearest not the root, but the root thee... For if God spared not the natural branches, take heed lest he also spare not thee... And they also, if they abide not still in unbelief, shall be graffed in: for God is able to graff them in again"

Est 7:5 Then the king Ahasuerus answered and said unto Esther the queen, Who is he, and where is he, that durst presume in his heart to do so?

Est 7:6 And Esther SAID, The adversary and enemy is this wicked Haman. Then Haman was afraid before the king and the queen. Enemy—"diabolos" in the Septuagint (Greek O.T.)

Who is He? Where is He?—the king's question requires the Bride to rightly identify the Jews' enemy—Agag! Mordecai revealed him to Her KJV has "AGAG" Num 24:7. Septuagint has "Gog"

Eze 38:1-3 "The word of the LORD came unto me, saying, Son of man, set thy face against Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him ... Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them; all of them with shield and helmet: Gomer, and all his bands; the house of Togarmah of the north quarters, and all his bands: and many people with thee"

☐ "The name Amalek is not mentioned in writings outside the Bible"—

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Saints must Understand the Prophetic Word & Symbolism—

Mat 24:15 "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:)"

Rev 1:3 "Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand"

Rev 13:18 "Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six" (17:9)

Rev 14:9-10 "And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation"... etc.

• It is vital that the bride correctly identify the Jews' enemy, as revealed to her by Mordecai; even Jesus Christ (Rev 1:1).

☐ "The future movements of Russia are notable signs of the times, because they are predicted in the Scriptures of truth. The Russian Autocracy, in its plenitude, and on the verge of its dissolution, is the Image of Nebuchadnezzar standing upon the Mountains of Israel, ready to be smitten by the Stone. WHEN RUSSIA MAKES ITS GRAND MOVE FOR THE BUILDING-UP OF ITS IMAGE-EMPIRE, THEN LET THE READER KNOW THAT THE END OF ALL THINGS, AS AT PRESENT CONSTITUTED, IS AT HAND. The long-expected, but stealthy advent of the King of Israel, will be on the eve of becoming a fact; and salvation will be to those who not only looked for it, but have trimmed their lamps by believing the gospel of the kingdom unto the obedience of faith... (Jam. 2:22; Heb. 9:28)."—Elpis Israel, 1849

Magog—Gog is "of the land of Magog" (central Europe including Germany to the Baltic).

Chief Prince—Should be translated "prince of Rosh". Bochart in his Sacred Geography:

"Ros is the most ancient form under which history makes mention of the name of Russia."

Meshech—Identified with Moscovy from where is developed the name Moscow.

Tubal—The river Tobol gives its name to the City Tobolium, or Tobolski.

"Son of Man, set thy face against Gogue, the emperor of Germany, Hungary, &c., and autocrat of Russia, Moscovy, and Tobolskoi, and prophecy against him, and say, Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I am against thee, O Gogue, autocrat of Russia, Moscovy, and Tobolskoi: and I will turn thee about, and put a bit into thy jaws, and I will bring thee forth from the north parts, and all thine army, horses and horsemen, all of them accoutred with all sorts of armour, even a great company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords: among whom shall be Persians, Ethiopians, and Libyans; all of them with shields and helmet: French and Italians, &c.; Circassians, Cossacks, and the Tartar hordes of Usbeck, &c.: and many people not particularly named besides. Be thou prepared; prepare thyself, thou, and all thy company that are assembled unto thee; and be thou Imperial Chief to them."

□ Bro. Thomas' interpretation of Eze 38: "From these premises, then, I think, there cannot be the shadow of a doubt that *the autocrat of Russia*, when he shall have attained to the plenitude of his power and dominion, is the subject of the prophecy contained in the thirty-eighth and thirty-ninth of Ezekiel."

Est 7:7 The king ARISING from the banquet of wine in his wrath went into the palace garden: and Haman STOOD UP to make request for his life to Esther the queen; for he saw that there was evil determined against him by the king. Est 7:8 Then the king returned out of the palace garden into the place of the banquet of wine; AND HAMAN WAS FALLEN UPON THE BED WHEREON ESTHER WAS. Then said the king, Will he *force the queen also before me IN THE HOUSE? As THE WORD WENT OUT of the king's mouth, they covered Haman's face. *subdue, bring into bondage (Neh 5:5)

Note chronology: Judgment in the House of God—1Pet 4:17. The Bride is need of change of nature: enemy removed from the house.
Fallen upon—diabolos. The "flesh and blood" nature of bride needed to become "spirit" nature (Heb 2:14-18; Joh 3:1-6).
Bed—translated "bier" and reps. a place of death, mortality
2Sam 3:31 "And king David himself followed the bier. And they buried Abner in Hebron" (see: Gen 49:33; 2Kin 4:32).

Est 7:9 And Harbonah, one of the chamberlains, said before the king, Behold also, the gallows fifty cubits high, which Haman had made for Mordecai, who had spoken good for the king, standeth in the house of Haman. Then the king said, Hang him thereon. (Esther and Moredcai had same enemy) Est 7:10 So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then was the king's wrath pacified.

Gallows Made For Mordecai—Haman already failed to kill Mordecai on the "tree" (Est 5-6). Now he falls before the bride: if we be dead and suffer with him, we shall also live and reign with him (2Tim 2:12).

<u>1Cor 15:49-53</u> "As we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed... for this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality" "flesh and blood is mortal"—Elpis Israel

The King's Wrath—according to Scripture, this is reserved for those who walk after the manner of the natural man of the flesh, who are not subjects of salvation (see: 1The 5:19). Such are styled "vessels of wrath fitted for destruction" (Rom 9:22).

Eph 2:2-3 "Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience: Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and WERE BY NATURE THE CHILDREN OF WRATH, even as others"

For Haman and all the Jews' enemies: it is a Divine principle that those who seek destroy others will fall by the very means of the snare they set (Psa 94:22-23; 7:15-16; 10:2; 35:8; 57:6; Pro 5:22)—

Psa 9:15-16 "THE HEATHEN are sunk down in the pit that they made: in the net which they hid is their own foot taken... the wicked is snared in the work of his own hands"

Pro 26:27 "Whoso diggeth a pit shall fall therein: and he that rolleth a stone, it will return upon him"

"The term 'devil' is frequently used for sin's flesh (cp. Heb. 2:14);
BUT ONE OF ITS MANIFESTATIONS IS POLITICAL OPPOSITION TO GOD'S WAY,
the symbol of which is the Dragon. That the term devil is
sometimes used for political opposition to the Truth is shown in
such passages as Rev. 2:10; 1 Pet. 5:8 (where the term 'adversary'
signifies an opponent at law); Eph. 6:11-12; 1 Tim. 3:6. 'False
accuser' and 'adversary' are suitable descriptions of the flesh in
political manifestation, for it has falsely accused and opposed the
brethren of Christ."—HPM, Apocalypse Epitomized

Individually

Heb 2:14 Christ a partaker of flesh and blood destroyed the devil 2Tim 2:26 recover themselves out of snare of the devil (1Tim 3:7)

Jam 4:7 resist the devil and he will flee

1John 3:10 he that committeth sin is of the devil

Eph 4:27 be angry, sin not neither give place to the devil

Acts 10:38 healing all that were oppressed of the devil

John 8:44 ye are of your father the devil

Rev 2:10 devil shall cast some of you into prison

1Pet 5:8 your adversary the devil goes about (opponent at law)

Eph 6:11-12 stand against the wiles of the devil

Rev 20:10 devil that deceived them cast into lake of fire

Politically

Dragon of Apocalypse is sin manifested politically (Rev 12:3; 17:9-10; 20:2)

Chapter Eight—Yahweh Gives Authority to Christ

Est 8:1 On that did the king Ahasuerus give the house of Haman the Jews' enemy unto Esther the queen. And Mordecai came before the king; for Esther had told what he was unto her. First for himself, then brethren—Heb 7:27

Mordecai & Esther—Both having overcome *diabolos*; both receiving a reward from the King (Rev 19:7-9). This is the first time the two appear together as *relatives* in the presence the King! (Zec 14:5). All sharing a like-nature (2Pet 1:4)

That Day—a direct term signifying a specific time of reward for the saints. It is a "set time." (1The 5:4; 2The 1:10; Mat 26:29)

 While chaos is everywhere throughout the Kingdom, the Redeemer and Bride are apart in a "chamber" (Isa 26:19-21).

House of Haman—reps. his status (Est 7:9; 8:2). At Mordecai's exaltation, the bride is also given rulership by the king (2Tim 2:15):

2The 1:6 "Seeing it is a righteous thing with God to recompense tribulation to them that trouble you"

Est 8:2 The king took off his ring, WHICH HE HAD TAKEN FROM HAMAN, and gave it unto Mordecai. And Esther set Mordecai over the house of Haman. (bride also exalts him — v.1)

Ring Taken From Haman—The kingdoms of this world will be taken from men of the flesh and given to Yahweh's exalted One—

Rev 11:15 "And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever"

Dan 7:26-27 "The judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end. 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"

 Note the order of the prophecy: First Mordecia rewarded, then Esther given Haman's House, and finally the Jews saved. Dan 2:44 "And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever"

<u>Dan 7:22</u> "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"

Rev 5:9-10 "(Thou) hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth"

Rev 2:26-27 "And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations: And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father"

Est 8:3 And Esther spake yet again before the king, and fell down at his feet, and besought him with tears to put away the mischief of Haman *THE AGAGITE, and his device that he had devised against the Jews. *used 5x in Esther

Est 8:5 And said, If it please the king, and if I have found favour in his sight, and the thing seem right before the king, and I be pleasing in his eyes, let it be written to reverse the letters devised by Haman the son of Hammedatha the Agagite, which he wrote TO DESTROY THE JEWS which are in all the king's provinces:

Devised—used of Gog <u>Eze</u> 38:10 "Thou shalt think an *evil thought*" Reverse—the decree could not be "altered" (Est 1:19). And so also was the punishment "written" toward the Jews (Deu 28:55-61; Dan 9:11-3; Amos 3:1-2; Jer 13:10-11).

Christ and Saints responsible for Gog's destruction. Mordecai and Esther work together now for salvation of the Jews.

Est 8:8 Write ye also for the Jews, *AS IT LIKETH YOU, in the king's name, and seal it with the king's ring: for the writing which is written in the king's name, and sealed with the king's ring, MAY NO MAN REVERSE. *bride desires Jews' salvation

THE TWO LAWS: The Law of Sin and Death was brought about thru man (Adam Rom 5:12). The King cannot alter this first law (the law of sin and death —Rom 7:25; 8:2). However, Mordecai is able to offer a second law of redemption (the law of faith—Rom 3:27 or law of liberty—Jam 1:25). Only Christ can implement the Law that will save the Jews from the first law, (Rom 5:12-21). Manifesting sin (Rom 7:13), the first Law is styled "the ministration unto death" (2Cor 3:7).

• The law of Moses revealed or manifested sin and death (Rom 5:13, 20), and therefore was a schoolmaster leading to Christ (Gal 3:24). Through Adam, we inherit the "law in our members" (Rom 7:23). The second was redemption from the law, which was against us or contrary to us (Col 2:14), through Christ...(Rom 6:16).

- "It was <u>not</u> to be done by setting aside the law of sin and death, but by righteously nullifying it in one who should obtain this redemption in his own right, and who should be authorized to offer to other men a partnership in his right, subject to required conditions (of their conformity to which, he should be appointed sole judge)"—Law of Moses
- ☐ "The law of sin and death is *hereditary,* and derived from the federal sinner of the race"—*Elpis Israel*

Rom 5:12-14 "Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned: For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law. Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come"

 The law of sin and death was enhanced by the Law of Moses, and it was a covenant that could not redeem (Heb 8:7)—

THE NEW COVENANT IN CHRIST—THE LAW IN THE INWARD PARTS

THE LAW COULD NOT REDEEM MAN BECAUSE IT MANIFESTED SIN

Rom 7:4-14; 5:18-21; 1Cor 15:56-57; 1Jhn 3:4-5; Rom 3:19-21;
 4:14-15; Gal 3:19 "that sin...might become exceeding sinful"

AND PERFECT OBEDIENCE TO THE LAW WAS IMPOSSIBLE

 Gal 3:10-12; 5:3-5; Jam 2:9-11; Rom 3:19-25; 9:31-33 to "offend in one point, he is guilty of all"

THE JEWS SOUGHT JUSTIFICATION BY "WORKS" OF THE LAW (RITUAL)

 Acts 13:39 "by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses"

CHRIST REDEEMS FROM THE CONDEMNATION OR CURSE OF THE LAW

• Gal 4:4-6; 3:8-14; Rom 10:1-5; Col 2:12-17; Act 13:38-39 "Christ is the end of the Law for righteousness" Rom 8:1 "there is now no condemnation to those which are in Christ Jesus"

CHRIST ELEVATED THE SPIRIT OF LAW ABOVE MERE OUTWARD OBSERVANCE

Mat 5:17-19, 27-28; 23:23; 12:32-34; 15:3-8; Heb 2:1-3; 10:28-29; 12:25 "gifts and sacrifices could not make him that did the service perfect as pertaining to the conscience" (Heb 9:9-14; 10:1-2)

Jer 31:31-33 "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: 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: 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" (23:5; 33:15)

"This is the whole principle: redemption achieved in Christ for us to have, on condition of faith and obedience. It is not only that Israel are saved from the law of Moses on this principle, but it is the principle upon which we are saved from the law of sin and death, whose operation we inherit in deriving our nature from Adam. Christ partook of this nature to deliver it from death, as Paul teaches in Heb. 2:14, and other places"—Law of Moses Removing the law that was "against us" Col 2:14

Est 8:9 Then were the king's scribes called at that time in the third month, that is, the month Sivan, on the three and twentieth day thereof; and it was written ACCORDING TO ALL THAT MORDECAI COMMANDED unto the Jews, and to the lieutenants, and the deputies and rulers of the provinces which are from India unto Ethiopia, AN HUNDRED TWENTY AND SEVEN provinces, unto every province according to the writing thereof, and unto every people after their language.

3rd Month, 23rd Day—the new law went forth in the 1st Month on the 13th Day (Est 3:12). Therefore, 70 DAYS had passed. The number of THE NATIONS RELATED TO ISRAEL, (Exo 1:5; 15:27; Luke 9:1-2 cf 10:1-2). and the period of time of Gentile dominion over the Jews (Jer 25:11-12; Jer 29:10). Also the number of mortality (Psa 90:10).

According to All that Mordecai Commanded Unto The Jews—in order to be saved the Jews must accept the Greater David whom Yahweh will set up over them; the one previously rejected by them (Jer 30:7-11; 33:14-15; Eze 34:23; 37:22-25; Isa 11:11-12; 9:7).

127—Sarah: Isaac Seed. Restoration of the Jews WILL require a correct understanding of the Abrahamic Covenant; that the True "seed" of Abraham refers to "Christ" (Gal 3:16); and ALL the "seed of Abraham" must be "baptized into Christ" (Gal 3:26-29); and circumcision taught fleshly relation meant nothing apart from Christ (Rom 2:29; 4:1-25cf. Phi 3:3; Gal 6:15; Col 2:11).

Rom 11:23 "And they also, if they abide not still in unbelief, shall be graffed in..." Into the Abrahamic Root

Est 8:10 And HE WROTE IN THE KING AHASUERUS' NAME, and sealed *it* with the king's ring, and sent letters by posts... Est 8:11 Wherein the king granted the Jews which *were* in every city to *gather themselves together*, and *to stand for their life*, *to destroy*, *to slay*, *and to cause to perish*, *all the power of the people and province that would assault them*, *both* little ones and women, and *to take* the spoil of them for a prey, "together"—Eze 37:7 "the bones came together"

Gather Together—the "time of Jacob's trouble" (Jer 30:7; Dan 12:2) necessary for Israel's restoration. Pressure of Armageddon unifies the Jews (Eze 37:16-28).

Est 8:13 The copy of the writing for a commandment to be given in every province was published unto all people, and that the Jews should be ready against that day to avenge themselves on their enemies.

Their enemies—those instrumental in devouring the Jews will find themselves destroyed, and "all people" will witness it. This represent a reversal of such nations regarding Israel

Jer 30:16-20 "All they that devour thee shall be devoured; and all thine adversaries... they that spoil thee shall be a spoil, and all that prey upon thee will I give for a prey. For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the LORD; because they called thee an Outcast, saying, This is Zion, whom no man seeketh after... their congregation shall be established before me, and I will punish all that oppress them"

- "LIKE AS I PLEADED WITH YOUR FATHERS IN THE WILDERNESS OF THE LAND OF EGYPT" (Isa 11:16; Mic 7:14-20; Eze 20:34-38)
- ☐ "Now the days of coming out of Egypt under Moses were forty years. This is the typical period pointing to the exodus from 'the Great City figuratively called Egypt'... The carcases of the adult generation fall in the wilderness, as it is written, 'And they shall not enter into the Land of Israel,' which is equivalent to 'they shall not enter into my rest' (Psa 95:11)...'The bonds' or 'discipline of the covenant' purges the rebels out and trains up their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, so that the second generation of the emancipated nation takes possession of the promised land under the new covenant"—J. Thomas, Mystery of the Covenant of the Holy Land Explained

Bro. Thomas notes it will be the greater Joshua, who "circumcised" the next generation the "second time" (Jos 5:2), under whom they "enter into covenant" when they occupy the Land (Deu 29:10-13; Jere 31:31). This circumcision of "heart" is required for them to become true children of Abraham (Deu 30:6; Eze 36:26-27; Gen 17:11).

Isa 11:15-16 "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. 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"

"I quote (Isa 11:12-16) this passage here by way of a hint to the reader that if he would understand how Jehovah will arbitrate between Israel and the existing nations when He grafts them in again, he must give himself to know the particulars of their deliverance under Moses; for the exodus under him is the type, or representation, of their future exodus under the Lord of Hosts." Elpis Israel, pg 286-287 Rev 15:3

(Elpis Israel "Second Exodus" pg. 438-457)

Est 8:14 So the posts that rode upon *MULES and CAMELS went out, being hastened and pressed on by the king's commandment. And the decree was given at Shushan the palace. *Unclean animals—into the land of the Gentiles

Went Out—message goes forth from the Capital city—Jerusalem. We will considered this detail later

<u>Isa 60:9</u> "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"

Jer 30:9-10 "But they shall serve the LORD their God, and David their king... Therefore fear thou not, O my servant Jacob, saith the LORD; neither be dismayed, O Israel: for, lo, I will save thee from afar, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and shall be in rest, and be quiet, and none shall make him afraid." (Jer 46:27)

Est 8:15 And Mordecai WENT OUT FROM THE PRESENCE OF THE KING in royal apparel of blue and white, and with a great crown of gold, and with a garment of fine linen and purple: and the city of SHUSHAN rejoiced and was glad.

Royal Apparel—the immortal nature of God (1Tim 6:16; 2Tim 1:10)
Blue—the Law and commandments of Yahweh (Num 15:38-39)
White—purity, righteousness (Rev 19:8-11; 3:5)
Purple—royalty, authority (Mar 15:17-20)

The King - Priest

"In Jesus, therefore, is united the combined kingly and highpriestly offices of the nation of Israel... as a priest upon the throne, after the order of Melchisedec, being without predecessor or successor in the United Office of King and Priest"—John Thomas

Shushan rejoiced and was glad—expression used for Jerusalem:

<u>Isa 65:17-19</u> "Behold, I create new heavens and a new earth... behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy. And I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in my people: and the voice of weeping shall be no more heard in her, nor the voice of crying"

Crown of Gold—victory thru trial (Rev 14:14; 1Pet 1:7; 5:4). A different word than the King's crown of gold (Est 6:8). Went Out from the Presence of the King—the Son will come in his "father's kingdom" (Mat 26:29), and in the "glory of the Father" (Mat 16:27; Luke 9:2).

Est 8:16 The Jews had *light*, and gladness, and joy, and honour.

When Mordecai goes forth salvation comes to the Jews—Zec 14:1-9. Light—dawn of a new hope (Amplified Bible). Note use elsewhere:

Isa 26:19 "Thy dead men shall live, together with my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in dust: for thy dew is as the <u>dew of *herbs</u>, and the earth shall cast out the dead" *light

<u>Joel 3:16</u> "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 Lord Jesus Christ at his appearing in his kingdom *finds*Judah inhabiting the land. Not all the Jews, but a goodly
number of them"—Elpis Israel

Remember: they enter the Land for survival, not for a desire to seek Yahweh manifested in the Son of His Right Hand:

☐ "There is, then, a partial and primary restoration of Jews before the manifestation, which is to serve as the nucleus, or basis, of future operations in the restoration of the rest of the tribes after he has appeared in the kingdom. The preadventual colonization of Palestine will be on purely political principles; and the Jewish colonists will return in unbelief of the Messiahship of Jesus, and of the truth as it is in him. They will emigrate thither as agriculturists and traders, in the hope of ultimately establishing their commonwealth, but more immediately of getting rich in silver and gold by commerce with India, and in cattle and goods by their industry at home under the efficient protection of the British power." Elpis Israel Est 8:17 And in every province, and in every city, whithersoever the king's commandment and his decree came, THE JEWS HAD JOY AND GLADNESS, *a feast* and a good day. And many of the people of the land BECAME JEWS; for the fear of the Jews fell upon them (Act 15:14-16; Eph 2)

Became Jews—salvation has always required Gentiles to become Jews (John 4:22-24; Rom 2:28-29; Gal 2-6); being graft into Israel (Rom 10-11). Thus, only one nation will ultimately exist (Jer 30:11).

Zec 8:22-23 "Many people and strong nations shall come to seek the LORD of hosts in Jerusalem, and to pray before the LORD. 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" Isa 2:1– 5; Zec 2:11-12 (Isa 14:1; Mal 1:11)

Restoration of Jews will convert the world

Feast—banquet of wine! (Est 1:1-9; 2:18; 5:4-14; 6:14...etc)

Zep 3:14-20 "Sing, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel; BE GLAD AND REJOICE with all the heart, O daughter of Jerusalem. The LORD hath taken away thy judgments, he hath cast out thine enemy: the king of Israel, even the LORD, is in the midst of thee: thou shalt not see evil any more. In that day it shall be said to Jerusalem, Fear thou not: and to Zion, Let not thine hands be slack. The LORD thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; he will save, he will rejoice over thee with joy; he will rest in his love, he will joy over thee with singing. I will gather them that are sorrowful for the solemn assembly, who are of thee, to whom the reproach of it was a burden. Behold, at that time I will undo all that afflict thee: and I will save her that halteth, and gather her that was driven out; and I will get them praise and fame in every land where they have been put to shame. At that time will I bring you again, even in the time that I gather you: for I will make you a name and a praise AMONG ALL PEOPLE OF THE EARTH, when I turn back your captivity before your eyes, saith the LORD"

"When thy judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness"—<u>Isa 26:9</u>

The lowly servant now exalted converts the world thru the Jews

Mic 5:1-6 "Thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel... then the remnant of his brethren shall return unto the children of Israel. And he shall stand and feed in the strength of the LORD, in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God; and they shall abide: for now shall he be great unto the ends of the earth. And this man shall be the peace, when the Assyrian shall come into our land: and when he shall tread in our palaces, then shall we raise against him seven shepherds, and eight principal men. And they shall waste the land of Assyria with the sword, and the land of Nimrod in the entrances thereof: thus shall he deliver us from the Assyrian, when he cometh into our land, and when he treadeth within our borders"

Joy and Gladness—represents the pleasure of the redeemed:

<u>Isa 35:10</u> "And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away"

Isa 51:1-3,11 "Hearken to me, ye that follow after righteous-ness, ye that seek the LORD: look unto the rock whence ye are hewn, and to the hole of the pit whence ye are digged. Look unto Abraham your father, and unto Sarah that bare you: for I called him alone, and blessed him, and increased him. For the LORD shall comfort Zion: he will comfort all her waste places; and he will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody... Therefore the redeemed of the LORD shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; and sorrow and mourning shall flee away"

Heb 11:1 "Now faith is the SUBSTANCE of things hoped for, the EVIDENCE of things not seen"

"Faith is *reality and proof*. The person who has it, embraces certain things promised as realities, and certain transactions as things proved. Hence, faith is *the assured* hope of things promised, the *conviction of the truth* of transactions not witnessed by the believer"—*Eureka Vol 1, pg. 284*