"The Establishment of Israel's Kingdom"

Zechariah 14:10-21

Introduction: "And the LORD will be king over all the earth; in that day the LORD will be the only one, and His name the only one." (14:9)

I. MILLENNIAL GOVERNMENT (vs. 10-15)

- A. The Exaltation and Peace of Jerusalem (vs. 10-11)
 - 1. Topographic Changes (vs. 10)

"All the land will be changed into a plain from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem;"

"but Jerusalem will rise and remain on its site from Benjamin's Gate as far as the place of the First Gate to the Corner Gate, and from the Tower of Hananel to the king's wine presses." (Isaiah 2:2-4)

2. Political Changes (vs. 11)

"People will live in it, and there will no longer be a curse,"

Joshua 6:17-18; Isaiah 43:28

for Jerusalem will dwell in security.

Jeremiah 31:40

- B. The Execration and Pandemic of Jerusalem's Enemies (vs. 12-15)
 - 1. A Great Plague (vs. 12)

"Now this will be the plague with which the LORD will strike all the peoples who have gone to war against Jerusalem;"

their flesh will rot while they stand on their feet, and their eyes will rot in their sockets, and their tongue will rot in their mouth."

2. A Great Panic (vs. 13-14)

"It will come about in that day that a great panic from the LORD will fall on them;" (Isaiah 22:5)

"and they will seize one another's hand, and the hand of one will be lifted against the hand of another."

"Judah also will fight at Jerusalem;"

"and the wealth of all the surrounding nations will be gathered, gold and silver, and garments in great abundance."

3. A Great Pestilence (vs. 15)

"So also like this plague will be the plague on the horse, the mule, the camel, the donkey and all the cattle that will be in those camps."

II. MILLENNIAL WORSHIP (vs. 16-21)

- A. Regulated Worship (vs. 16-19)
 - 1. Gentile Nations: A Sweeping Executive Order (vs. 16-17)
 - "Then it will come about that any who are left of all the nations that went against Jerusalem will go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts," (Philippians 2:10-11)
 - "and to celebrate the Feast of Booths."

 Deuteronomy 16:13-17
 - "And it will be that whichever of the families of the earth does not go up to Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, there will be no rain on them."
 - 2. Egypt: A Specific Example (vs. 18-19)

THE TYPOLOGY OF ISRAEL'S FESTIVALS

Pessach/Passover -

Bikkurim/Firstfruits -

Shavuot/Weeks/Pentecost -

Rosh Hashanah/Trumpets -

Yom Kippur/Day of Atonement -

Sukkot/Tabernacles -

- "If the family of Egypt does not go up or enter, then no rain will fall on them;"
- "it will be the plague with which the LORD smites the nations who do not go up to celebrate the Feast of Booths. This will be the punishment of Egypt, and the punishment of all the nations who do not go up to celebrate the Feast of Booths."
- B. Pervading Holiness (vs. 20-21)
 - 1. Extending to Utensils (vs. 20-21a)
 - "In that day there will be inscribed on the bells of the horses, "HOLY TO THE LORD."
 - "And the cooking pots in the LORD'S house will be like the bowls before the altar. ²¹Every cooking pot in Jerusalem and in Judah will be holy to the LORD of hosts; and all who sacrifice will come and take of them and boil in them."

Joel 3:17

2. Excluding Some Individuals (vs. 21b)

"And there will no longer be a Canaanite in the house of the LORD of hosts in that day."

Ezekiel 44:9; Isaiah 35:8; Revelation 21:27

Conclusion:

- 1) God wants, more than all else, to find holiness in every man's heart
- 2) This is possible only through the blood sacrifice of Messiah the Lord Jesus Christ.
- 3) Faith in Jesus Christ makes you acceptable to God nothing more, nothing less!

Food for Thought:

- 1) Describe the conditions of Messiah's reign.
- 2) How could there be disobedience and punishment in the millennium?
- 3) What is the millennial feast? Why?
- 4) How can Israel become holy unto the Lord?