

ISAIAH 60

Vs. 1-3 The Lord will come to Jacob. Rom 11:11-29; Isa. 59:19-20

His light will shine upon them who in turn will show forth His light to the Gentile world. (He will be God's instrument in removing the spiritual darkness that covers the earth.) (Acts 26:14-18; Col. 1:12-14; 1 Pet. 2:9; Isa. 2:3

Vs. 4 The purpose of Christ's return is the national gathering of the nation.
Mt. 23:37-39

The desire of God's heart (Zech 14:1) will be realized.

Vs. 5 The Israelites will be radiant...their heart will thrill and rejoice.

The wealth of the nations will flow into her! Isa. 60:11; 61:5-7; Haggai 2:7-9;
Zech. 14:9-11, 14

Vs. 6-7

1. Midian – south of the Dead Sea.
2. Ephah – a branch of the Midianites. Gen. 25:4
3. Sheba – the Sabeans in SW Arabia. Isa. 43:3
4. Kedar – in northern Arabia.
5. Nebaioth – an Arabian tribe. Gen. 25:13
6. Tarshish – southern Spain. Isa. 23:1

NOTE: Many of the peoples of the nations pointed out by God in the Book of Genesis have survived intact throughout human history!

Some of the riches brought will be used as offerings (Isa. 56:6-7) and some will be used to beautify the temple. Isa. 60:13, Ezk 40 thru 43

Vs. 8-9 All of this wealth will be brought in haste.

Vs. 10-12 Israel will occupy the central position in the world's political, economic, religious and social structure. Jerusalem's walls will be built up by the nations. The kings of all the nations will "minister" to Israel. (Israel's experiences, both bad and good were brought upon her by her God.)

Nations will bring their offerings day and night.

Any who hesitate will perish.

Vs. 13 The temple of the Lord will be rebuilt for the fourth time.

Vs. 14 The head will become the tail and the tail will become the head! People from the nations that formerly despised Israel will recognize:

1. Zion (Jerusalem), is God's chosen city (not Mecca).
2. Zion, the place where He dwells

Vs. 15-16 Just as a nursing child gets sustenance from its mother, so Israel will be sustained by the wealth of the nations.

It will not be until this time and as a result of this time that Israel will truly realize that God is:

1. The Lord.
2. Savior – Isa. 43:11-13
3. Redeemer – Isa. 41:14
4. Mighty one of Jacob – Isa. 49:26

Vs. 17-18 Her wealth will be second to none.

Peace and joy will be hers in fullest measure.

Vs. 19-20 The Lord will be her light and glory. The Jesus of the transfiguration will dwell in their city.

Vs. 21-22 At that time:

1. Every Israelite will be righteous.
2. Every Israelite will have his or her inheritance of the land forever!

Both of the above will be the Lord's doing and it will be to the praise and glory of His grace!

Israel's future is as certain as God's eternity is.