

## Zion's King Shall Reign Victorious! - 26

It is clear from Scripture that the Kingdom of God, to be restored at Christ's return, will be on this earth, in the land which was promised to Abraham. As Daniel explained the message from God to the king of Babylon, in which he saw the Image = the kingdom of men, destroyed by the Stone -

- “You watched while a stone was cut out without hands [non-human cause of Jesus' birth], which struck the image on its feet of iron and clay, and broke them in pieces...And the stone that struck the image became a great mountain and FILLED THE WHOLE EARTH” - Daniel 2:34-35. That the kingdom of God will be on the earth is later emphasized -

- “Then the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdoms UNDER THE WHOLE HEAVEN, shall be given to the people, the saints of the Most High. His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey Him” - Daniel 7:27.

At that time the inspired words of prophecy will be fulfilled -

- “The upright will dwell in the land, and the blameless will remain in it” - Proverbs 2:21.

- “I will make them one nation in the land, ON THE MOUNTAINS OF ISRAEL; and one king shall be king over them all; they shall no longer be two nations, nor shall they ever be divided into two kingdoms again” - Ezekiel 37:22.

From our human point of view, countless generations have waited for the restoration of David's kingdom since the promise was made, that most have given up on it ever happening. But God, who is “from everlasting to everlasting” has seen to that there was never a time when there was not a descendant of David available to rule in his dynasty -

- “Thus says the Lord: David shall never lack a man to sit on the throne of the house of Israel...25 ...If My covenant is not with day and night, and if I have not appointed the ordinances of heaven and earth, 26 then I will cast away the descendants of Jacob and David My servant, so that I will not take any...to be rulers over the descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. For I will cause their captives to return, and will have mercy on them.”

Our witnessing of the large scale return of Jews to the Promised Land to the point that there about as many Jews in the reborn state of Israel as elsewhere, is a guarantee that the Restoration of the Kingdom of God is near. But we have not yet opened up the whole picture of the restored Kingdom of God - in how it will fulfill the covenant of God with David -

- He [David's seed, Jesus] SHALL BUILD A HOUSE FOR MY NAME...” - 2 Samuel 7:13.

The first aspect of this began after Jesus submitted to his immersion by John the Baptist, when -

- Now after John was put in prison, Jesus came to Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, and saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel” - Mark 1:14-15. In so doing Jesus was establishing his own house -

“Moses indeed was faithful in all His house as a servant, for a testimony of those things which would be spoken afterward, 6 but Christ as a Son over His own house, WHOSE HOUSE WE ARE if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm to the end” - Hebrews 3:5.