## The Commonwealth of Israel

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Good morning friends. I'm again grateful that you are taking the time to listen to the message this morning - or as many of you do - read the transcript. And, I want you to know that I'm excited that IT is spreading. And no, I'm not talking about the corona virus - I'm talking about the message of the Gospel. I had some very nice conversations this past week with a man currently living in England. I didn't ask him if I could talk about him this morning, but I don't think he'll mind.

Listen to this. This is very interesting. It's also nothing that I haven't seen before. He had written to me specifically concerning some questions related to Zechariah 14 and Acts 1. But this is what I want you to hear this morning, quote:

"When I was first saved I read the gospels over and over and much of what Jesus told His disciples I naturally understood to be in the short term... especially "this generation will not pass..." But different Bible studies etc I was told I was wrong! So I've come full circle this past year or so... especially in regards to Israel and the "rapture" the huge Zionist drive especially in the USA within evangelical circles". End quote.

It's interesting to me that the spirit of God would draw this man to Him to the point where he realizes his need to come to Christ - but almost as soon as he makes his decision to come to Christ, the "churchman" immediately begins to unravel the spirit of truth with which the man came to Christ.

As I was reading his email, I was reminded of the Words of Christ from Matthew 23,

[**13**] But woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye shut up the kingdom of heaven against men: for ye neither go in yourselves, neither suffer ye them that are entering to go in.

[14] Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye devour widows' houses, and for a pretence make long prayer: therefore ye shall receive the greater damnation.

[15] Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte, and when he is made, ye make him twofold more the child of hell than yourselves.

No way would we want to believe the Words of Christ applied specifically to the

generation He was speaking to. If that were to be the accepted belief - then Christ would be King now.

So, I'm happy to report that this man from England now is going back and listening to the Matthew 24 series and is returning to what I believe could be called his "first love" when he came to Christ simply believing what he was reading from the Word.

As I would hope all of you know by now, Kingdom Conference 2020 has been canceled for now. We are hoping to come up with a new date as soon as this ridiculous hysteria has started to calm down.

For as long as I can remember, most sane people have never looked upon the phrase "martial law" as anything other than disdain. It's never been looked at favorably by common, ordinary people - even most U.S. citizens.

This past week in Missouri, the quote "governor" and again - I put the word "governor" in quotes because governor is a Bible term - it is a specific position in the Kingdom of God in the commonwealth of Israel - the nation of God - and it is a term used to describe someone sent by King Jesus to punish evil and praise good. In nations or states where there is no King - specifically - no King Jesus - it is the height of rebellion to place the label "governor" on a man. It is usurping the Authority of God - and is another symbol of the many reasons why nations such as America - are in the shape they are in.

Anyway, my wife was showing me something on Facebook where the quote "governor" of Missouri was having some online meeting, or something like that - and there were Missouri citizens DEMANDING that the quote "governor" declare "martial law." They were demanding it. Do your job. Declare martial law now.

The grocery stores in our area are struggling to maintain food on the shelves. For some reason - the obsession for toilet paper hoarding is one of the craziest things I've ever seen. We had heard that there was talk of shutting down the interstates - and I just did not want people that were traveling to our meeting to get out on the roads and get caught up in roadblocks or checkpoints, or get stranded where they could neither get to the safety of our meeting or return safely to their homes.

We did not cancel this conference because some quote "government" somewhere demanded that we do so. I just did not want our people to get caught up in the mania of it all. Here's the reality. If we had been doing what we were supposed to be doing all along - since the first century - we wouldn't be having to travel hundreds of miles to assemble ourselves. If we were the nation of God like we are supposed to be - we would not be getting caught up with the rest of the world in the lunacy they are in.

I laughed this morning at an article that I read online and it was quoting a lady from New Mexico. I'm sure it was a typo, but it was so true. She said, "Things are pretty much normal here in New Mexico, the whole state is pretty much in lockdown."

Yeah, I get it. "Lockdown" is the new norm.

I need to go back for a second. When I said that if we had been doing what we were supposed to be doing - we wouldn't be caught up with the world's lunacy right now - for those of you who are awake - I'm not blasting you. I know that if the door to righteous living opened up in front of you right now - you'd run through that door so fast it would make your head spin. I'm not saying that right this minute - we are to blame for the chaos that has been brought on us.

But I will say this - we are definitely at the point where we must rise up and begin to take steps to put a stop to it. We simply cannot let another generation come along where we have been silent and allow the enemies of the Kingdom of Christ to further push Him into oblivion.

What is going on today is a huge display of what we know has been going on. The greatest amount of people alive in America today - believe that government is God. In a matter of two weeks, the quote "government" has completely shut down nearly every single thing that - just three weeks ago - people would have said - "It will never happen in America." Quote "government" has proven that it has the power to completely control everything and everyone. They first limited meetings to 500 people. Then 250, then 50, then 10. Now, quote "governors" like in California are trying to force people to stay in their homes.

But again - the answer is still really simple. Under the Laws of God, if you knowingly infected someone with harm - you'd be punished. In other words, if you are sick - you stay home. You don't breathe on people. You don't cough on people, you don't sneeze on people. It's basic common sense.

When I sent out my email canceling the conference, I made reference to the fact that I was angry about having to cancel - and I am . One of the reasons I was angry was that there is this quote "church" in Springfield and they boast about having 30,000 members that attend their quote "church." Before last weekend, when nearly everything was

getting shut down, it was in the news that the quote "pastor" had gone to the quote "city leaders" to get their quote "blessing" to go on and have their quote "church service." And even though I know it's just playing "church" and even though I know that quote "church and state" are the same - I was just so angry that these people who claim to be the spokesmen of God, the representatives of God, the mouthpiece of God, would go and bow down to the quote "city leaders" and get their blessing before they decided to go on and have their little get together.

It's God's people that should be telling everyone else what they should or should not do. Not the other way around. The voice of God should be what drives communities to act or react one way or the other. But instead, government is god - and government is placed in position over the real King - and hardly anyone sees an issue with it.

It's disgusting to me. It angers me. Government is not God. The local health department is not the final authority. I personally know the Highest Official in all the health industry and the Great Physician - I'll assure you - has never yielded His Authority to anyone or anything that does not bow down to Him.

I cannot for one minute see the disciples of Christ concerning themselves with the local health department's orders and mandates when the Greatest Physician in the history of mankind was right in their midst. Those men were surrounded by some of the most dread diseases known to man - but they were not afraid - nor did they run for cover.

I'm not at all saying we should just run careless roughshod all over the cities carelessness and recklessness is not allowed in the mindset of the citizens of the commonwealth of Israel - but it is we - those who believe in and attempt to apply the Laws of God in our lives - that should be the Authority.

In last week's message, I could see misery all over my wife's face as I continued to read one report after another of the ridiculous, maniacal, diabolical, despicable things that the men in the white coats in the labs and the universities have done to people going all the way back to the 1800s. You and I both know I could have continued on with story after story - report after report - and had I continued reading last Sonday - I'd probably still be reading today and not even covered everything they have admitted to. Who knows what they have done that they refuse to admit to.

But somehow still today, those same types of people are looked to to save the American people from what possibly is their own self-inflicted wounds. I heard a famous radio talk show mouth yesterday say that America will once again find the cure and will be the "saviour of the world."

Again, by his words a man is justified and by his words a man is condemned.

Saying that America will once again be the "saviour of the world" is one of the most blasphemist things I've ever heard come out of a man's mouth.

State of emergency? I'm still trying to figure out why a state of emergency wasn't declared in the summer of 2015 when the quote "supreme court" of the U.S. legalized sodomite unions. I'll not call them marriages. And I'm not even sure I should use the word unions. Maybe they should just be called sodomite abominations. Marriage is a wholly - w-h-o-I-I-y - holy - h-o-I-y Biblical term originating by the Creator and it means the union of a man and a woman when they testify to the community that the two have become one. Marriage and sodomy should never be used in the same sentence as if to justify wickedness.

Knowing that we have many new listeners and many new people that have found this ministry. I want to take just a few minutes this morning and recap where we started - over 80 messages ago on Missouri Liberty Radio - and where we are today.

Back in the spring of 2018, I began a series that I simply titled, "Matthew 24 series." Those messages are not the conclusion, they are not the end. They are simply the foundation. The reality is, I could still - after more than 80 messages - I could still be proving from the Scriptures that ALL Bible prophecy was fulfilled in Christ and in those people living in the first century. The end of ALL Bible prophecy - all the Law and the prophets - the end of it all - there is nothing written as far as specific prophecies that was not fulfilled in the first century.

Luke 21:22, the Words of Christ:

For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.

By no means at all does this mean that the principles we learned from the prophecies cannot and should not be applied today. Not at all. The "If you do this, then this will happen" principles in the Scripture are as applicable today as they ever were - they are not subject to time - unless - of course - you are reading from passages related to sacrifices.

But for instance, "if you obey My Laws, My Statutes, My Judgements, I will remove sickness from you...." absolutely still in effect. "If you reject my Laws, My Statutes, My Judgements, you will - at least every single one of your election years - be smitten with some sort of sickness or disease" - absolutely still in effect. "If you allow men to have sex with men...,

all these the nations are defiled which I cast out before you:

[25] And the land is defiled: therefore I do visit the iniquity thereof upon it, and the land itself vomiteth out her inhabitants.

[**26**] Ye shall therefore keep my statutes and my judgments, and shall not commit any of these abominations; neither any of your own nation, nor any stranger that sojourneth among you:

[27] (For all these abominations have the men of the land done, which were before you, and the land is defiled;)

[28] That the land spue not you out also, when ye defile it, as it spued out the nations that were before you.

[29] For whosoever shall commit any of these abominations, even the souls that commit them shall be cut off from among their people.

[**30**] Therefore shall ye keep mine ordinance, that ye commit not any one of these abominable customs, which were committed before you, and that ye defile not yourselves therein: I am Yahweh your God.

So, the principles remain. The lessons learned remain. But because the specific prophecies have been fulfilled - what this means is that certain events do not have to happen.

The tribulation period first spoken of by Daniel, then taught again by Christ - that event took place exactly the way the Scriptures prophesied. The coming of Christ in the clouds to set up His Kingdom - that already occurred exactly the way the Scriptures prophesied - which IS the conclusion of the Matthew 24 series - THAT is why we must understand Fulfilled Bible Prophecy. The prophecies were all fulfilled meaning that Christ was crowned King of kings and Lord of lords - in the first century.

In the Old Covenant World - the Bible teaches that Yahweh

He removeth kings, and setteth up kings: He giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know understanding:

He even set up bad kings. And the reality is, if you look at all the quote "kingships" in

the Old Covenant world - almost every single human king - was bad.

What was He trying to say? What was He trying to teach? You wanted a "king like all the other nations" - so I'll give you one. And nearly every single one of them was bad.

So, in the New Covenant World - the world that began - when? - in the first century - in the New Covenant World - Yahweh sent His Own Son to be King. His birth was heralded as "Where is He that is born King?" The disciples discovered Him and proclaimed,

We have found him, of whom Moses in the law, and the prophets, did write, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph. The King of Israel.

John the Baptist, prophesied from Isaiah and Malachi and confirmed by Christ in Matthew 17 - preached that the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand - and confirmed over and over that the King was coming.

And indeed, the King came and when Yahweh brought an end to the Old Covenant World with the destruction of temple at AD70 - He brought an end to the days where He set kings up and brought kings down. Those days were prophesied as coming to an end and in that day would be replaced with

But it shall be one day which shall be known to Yahweh, not day, nor night: but it shall come to pass, that at evening time it shall be light.

[8] And it shall be in that day, that living waters shall go out from Jerusalem; half of them toward the former sea, and half of them toward the hinder sea: in summer and in winter shall it be.

[9] And Yahweh shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one.

In the New Covenant World - anyone or anything that calls itself government - or a man or a woman who calls themself a king or queen - or a governor or a president or a lawmaker or a legislator - is doing so in complete defiance and rebellion to the Creator and His plan for His Creation.

This is why the quote "governments" in concert with the "churchmen" have done everything can do to teach people that Bible Prophecy has NOT been fulfilled and that since Bible Prophecy has not been fulfilled Yahweh is NOT King - and if Yahweh is NOT King - then God not only allows mere men to be kings today - but He continues to put them in place and demand that people obey them or die. That's what it's all about. For my entire ministry, I've had people tell me, "It doesn't matter what you believe about 'eschatology'" when the reality is - "eschatology" is the study of the coming of Messiah - and if a man believes that coming is in the future - then that man has never heard the Gospel.

And I'm telling you that basically all America - and the rest of the world for that matter has heard for over the last 200 years or so - is that the King is coming in the future. Jesus is not King now - He is a King to come. And, I would absolutely expect this to be the message from people who refuse to submit themselves to ordinance - they refuse to submit themselves to the Laws of God - and they proclaim themselves to be the saviour of the world - and it total open defiance to the Only One capable of making such a claim.

Now, since all Bible prophecy has been fulfilled. And Christ was anointed as King in Israel. Israel must still be in existence today. There is an imposter out there. They've actually made themselves easy to identify. They don't even call themselves Israelites - but rather Israelis.

Those who claim Christ - they are supposed to be living according to the Kingship of Yahweh - which includes all His Laws that were not clearly done away with by the final sacrifice of Christ - and they are supposed to be living as citizens of the nation that Abraham, Isaac and Jacob only hoped for. That nation has a name. It is the commonwealth of Israel - so named in Ephesians 2.

Turn with me please this morning, to Isaiah 45. In the last couple of weeks, I have shown you how that - particular from Isaiah 43, 44, now 45 - Isaiah is prophesying concerning the New Covenant World. I would suggest even going a little further back to chapter 42. In fact, let's just do that quickly. Go to Isaiah 42. Let's clearly show that Isaiah is prophesying concerning the days of the Messiah in the first century.

Behold my servant, whom I uphold; mine elect, in whom my soul delighteth; I have put my spirit upon him: he shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles.[2] He shall not cry, nor lift up, nor cause his voice to be heard in the street.[3] A bruised reed shall he not break, and the smoking flax shall he not quench: he shall bring forth judgment unto truth.

[4] He shall not fail nor be discouraged, till he have set judgment in the earth: and the isles shall wait for his law.

[5] Thus saith God the LORD, he that created the heavens, and stretched them

out; he that spread forth the earth, and that which cometh out of it; he that giveth breath unto the people upon it, and spirit to them that walk therein: [6] I, Yahweh have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles; [7] To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house.

Without going into more detail on the word Gentiles - let's keep it there for a second and keeping our finger here in Isaiah, let's go to Luke 2. Now, we've looked at this before, but let's look at it again. To me, this is really cool because we're looking at something that prophesied many years before, and we see the fulfillment. The fulfillment, specifically in Christ - at a specific time. Luke 2:9:

[9] And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.

You should recognize this as the angel of the Lord and the shepherds abiding in the fields at the time of the birth of Christ.

[**10**] And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

[11] For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

[12] And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

[**13**] And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

[14] Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

[15] And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.

[16] And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

[**17**] And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

[18] And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

[19] But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

[20] And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things

that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

[**21**] And when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, his name was called JESUS, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

[22] And when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were accomplished, they brought him to Jerusalem, to present him to the Lord;[23] (As it is written in the law of the Lord, Every male that openeth the womb shall be called holy to the Lord;)

[24] And to offer a sacrifice according to that which is said in the law of the Lord, A pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons.

[**25**] And, behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon; and the same man was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy Ghost was upon him.

Now here's Simeon. A just man and a devout man. There's not a lot to study there to know what kind of man this Simeon was. He was a Godly man. He was someone who was trying to live a Godly life. He had a good testimony - before God. That's why he made the book. But it says he was waiting for the consolation of Israel. Let's stop here for a second and look at consolation. It comes from 3874 in Strong's and Strong's says the word "paracleses" is translated as, consolation (14x), exhortation (8x), comfort (6x), intreaty(1x). He says it's a a calling near, summons, (esp. for help)

1. importation, supplication, entreaty

2.exhortation, admonition, encouragement

3.consolation, comfort, solace; that which affords comfort or refreshment

1.thus of the Messianic salvation (so the Rabbis call the Messiah the consoler, the comforter)

4. persuasive discourse, stirring address

1. instructive, admonitory, conciliatory, powerful hortatory discourse

Simeon was waiting for the salvation of Israel. Simeon was waiting for the Messiah to be revealed in Israel. This is the reason why Simeon made the book. This is why Simeon was called just and devout. Simeon was a student of the Word and knew that the timing of the Messiah according to the prophecies was at hand. Simeon knew that the time of the summons - the calling near - was on his day. Verse 26.

[26] And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ.

Isn't it interesting that the Holy Ghost revealed to Simeon that he would not see death until he saw Christ - then just a short time later - it happened. And the nearly exact same Words were used by Christ to His disciples - that some of them would not taste of death - till they see the Son of man coming in His Kingdom - but we are somehow to believe that Jesus/Yeshua was telling those guys - with the same language as was used with Simeon - but with them - supposedly 1,000s of years were separated from His Words to the fulfillment. Makes no sense. Verse 27.

[27] And he came by the Spirit into the temple: and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him after the custom of the law,[28] Then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said,

Now, hearing what Simeon says next - please keep in mind what we just read from Isaiah 42. Verse 29.

- [29] Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word:
- [30] For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,
- [**31**] Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
- [**32**] A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel.

Simeon's words from Luke 2 are nearly identical from the Isaiah 42 passage. Go back to Isaiah 42, look at verse 7 again.

To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house.

Turn with me to Matthew 9. Let's begin in verse 1. The act of Jesus giving sight to a single blind man - was symbolic in that Christ was clearly showing that He was the fulfillment of Isaiah 42 - and we are just talking about Isaiah 42. There are other prophecies from other prophets saying the same things. Verse 1, Matthew 9.

[1] And as Jesus passed by, he saw a man which was blind from his birth.[2] And his disciples asked him, saying, Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind?

[3] Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him.

In other words, so that the fulfillment of Isaiah 42 is going to be made manifest or

revealed right in front of your face.

[4] I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.

[5] As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.

[6] When he had thus spoken, he spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and he anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay,

[7] And said unto him, Go, wash in the pool of Siloam, (which is by interpretation, Sent.) He went his way therefore, and washed, and came seeing.

[8] The neighbours therefore, and they which before had seen him that he was blind, said, Is not this he that sat and begged?

[9] Some said, This is he: others said, He is like him: but he said, I am he.

[10] Therefore said they unto him, How were thine eyes opened?

[11] He answered and said, A man that is called Jesus made clay, and anointed mine eyes, and said unto me, Go to the pool of Siloam, and wash: and I went and washed, and I received sight.

[12] Then said they unto him, Where is he? He said, I know not.

**[13]** They brought to the Pharisees him that aforetime was blind.

[14] And it was the sabbath day when Jesus made the clay, and opened his eyes.

[**15**] Then again the Pharisees also asked him how he had received his sight. He said unto them, He put clay upon mine eyes, and I washed, and do see.

[**16**] Therefore said some of the Pharisees, This man is not of God, because he keepeth not the sabbath day. Others said, How can a man that is a sinner do such miracles? And there was a division among them.

[17] They say unto the blind man again, What sayest thou of him, that he hath opened thine eyes? He said, He is a prophet.

[18] But the Jews did not believe concerning him, that he had been blind, and received his sight, until they called the parents of him that had received his sight.[19] And they asked them, saying, Is this your son, who ye say was born blind? how then doth he now see?

[20] His parents answered them and said, We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind:

[21] But by what means he now seeth, we know not; or who hath opened his eyes, we know not: he is of age; ask him: he shall speak for himself.

[**22**] These words spake his parents, because they feared the Jews: for the Jews had agreed already, that if any man did confess that he was Christ, he should be put out of the synagogue.

[23] Therefore said his parents, He is of age; ask him.

[24] Then again called they the man that was blind, and said unto him, Give God the praise: we know that this man is a sinner.

[25] He answered and said, Whether he be a sinner or no, I know not: one thing I know, that, whereas I was blind, now I see.

[26] Then said they to him again, What did he to thee? how opened he thine eyes?

[27] He answered them, I have told you already, and ye did not hear: wherefore would ye hear it again? will ye also be his disciples?

[28] Then they reviled him, and said, Thou art his disciple; but we are Moses' disciples.

[29] We know that God spake unto Moses: as for this fellow, we know not from whence he is.

[**30**] The man answered and said unto them, Why herein is a marvellous thing, that ye know not from whence he is, and yet he hath opened mine eyes.

[**31**] Now we know that God heareth not sinners: but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth his will, him he heareth.

[**32**] Since the world began was it not heard that any man opened the eyes of one that was born blind.

[**33**] If this man were not of God, he could do nothing.

[**34**] They answered and said unto him, Thou wast altogether born in sins, and dost thou teach us? And they cast him out.

[**35**] Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had found him, he said unto him, Dost thou believe on the Son of God?

[36] He answered and said, Who is he, Lord, that I might believe on him?

[**37**] And Jesus said unto him, Thou hast both seen him, and it is he that talketh with thee.

[**38**] And he said, Lord, I believe. And he worshipped him.

[**39**] And Jesus said, For judgment I am come into this world, that they which see not might see; and that they which see might be made blind.

[**40**] And some of the Pharisees which were with him heard these words, and said unto him, Are we blind also?

[**41**] Jesus said unto them, If ye were blind, ye should have no sin: but now ye say, We see; therefore your sin remaineth.

Isaiah 42:7

To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house.

Listen, Matthew 4:12-17

[**12**] Now when Jesus had heard that John was cast into prison, he departed into Galilee;

[**13**] And leaving Nazareth, he came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is upon the sea coast, in the borders of Zabulon and Nephthalim:

[14] That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying,[15] The land of Zabulon, and the land of Nephthalim, by the way of the sea,beyond Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles;

[16] The people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up.

[17] From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Jesus/Yeshua was the fulfillment of the Isaiah 42 prophecy. Back to Isaiah 42, verse 8:

[8] I am Yahweh: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images.

[9] Behold, the former things are come to pass, and new things do I declare: before they spring forth I tell you of them.

[**10**] Sing unto Yahweh a new song, and his praise from the end of the earth, ye that go down to the sea, and all that is therein; the isles, and the inhabitants thereof.

I want you to remember this. I want you to mark this. Particularly when we get to chapter 45.

You say, "Yeah, Charlie, we see that. Of course, Isaiah 42 is fulfilled in Christ. That's pretty easy." And yes, I absolutely agree. But let's go back to Isaiah 45, where we were originally going here. Now that we have established that we are clearly talking about the times of Christ - in the first century - at His coming - during His ministry - His purpose, let's see what it means for us.

Let's begin in verse 1 of Isaiah 45. Now we really need to buckle our seat belts here. These are prophecies that for the New World, for the New Covenant. These are everlasting principles that are meant to guide His people in the New Covenant World. Verse 1.

[1] Thus saith Yahweh to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have holden,

to subdue nations before him; and I will loose the loins of kings, to open before him the two leaved gates; and the gates shall not be shut;

Before we go any further, I want to say that I believe that Cyrus - king Cyrus - here in Isaiah - is a type of Christ. And oh my, to say that Trump, or any other man is a type of Cyrus - again - to me - that's very very careless at best - and flat out rebellious at worst. Cyrus is a type of Christ - he is pointing to Christ.

[2] I will go before thee, and make the crooked places straight: I will break in pieces the gates of brass, and cut in sunder the bars of iron:

[3] And I will give thee the treasures of darkness, and hidden riches of secret places, that thou mayest know that I, Yahweh, which call thee by thy name, am the God of Israel.

[4] For Jacob my servant's sake, and Israel mine elect, I have even called thee by thy name: I have surnamed thee, though thou hast not known me.

Alright. Here we go. Here is Yahweh calling His chosen, His elect, Israel. I have surnamed thee. Yes. And the name is Israel. And in the New Covenant World - it's still Israel - the commonwealth - a political term - of Israel. This is the name we should be going by. One might say, "A name's not that important." Well, I certainly believe it is important to Yahweh.

[5] I am Yahweh, and there is none else, there is no God beside me: I girded thee, though thou hast not known me:

[6] That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside me. I am Yahweh, and there is none else.

[7] I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I, Yahweh do all these things.

[8] Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness: let the earth open, and let them bring forth salvation, and let righteousness spring up together; I, Yahweh have created it.

[9] Woe unto him that striveth with his Maker! Let the potsherd strive with the potsherds of the earth. Shall the clay say to him that fashioneth it, What makest thou? or thy work, He hath no hands?

Who do we think we are setting ourselves up to be lawmakers. To be lawgivers. Who do people think they are that they can define what is good and what is evil? That is exactly what the quote "nations" of the earth are doing today. For all intents and purposes, all the way back in the 60s - the Beatles got it right - God is dead. As far as the world's

"nations" are concerned - Yahweh - the God of the Bible - is dead. Today - government is God. And it matters not what quote "nation" you find yourself in - as in a particular piece of the earth - the "nations" of this world believe that they are gods - and as such they will determine what is good and what is evil - and they will force all those around them to obey their definitions.

And the people obey because their "churchmen" have told them it is so. Bible Prophecy has not been fulfilled in Christ - therefore Yahweh is NOT KING. And if Yahweh is not King - then men still are - and they operate with the full force and authority of Yahweh - and men everywhere are bound to submit or die. And this is why we are in the shape we are in. Everything that Yahweh did under the Old Covenant world was designed to show us that the way of earthly kings does not work. He sent His Son - the heir of all things to be King - and the people took Him and killed Him and tried to take His inheritance. There were some who saw what they had done and they repented and embraced the Son. Those who repented and embraced the Son received the new nation - the New Covenant - the New World. That is the Gospel That was the Gospel - the Gospel of the Kingdom in the first century - and it's still the Gospel today.

No man is going to get to the Father without embracing these truths. The Gospel - the saving Gospel - is built on a system of belief in truth - and without that truth - man is hopelessly lost and without God in the world. Verse 10.

[**10**] Woe unto him that saith unto his father, What begettest thou? or to the woman, What hast thou brought forth?

[**11**] Thus saith Yahweh, the Holy One of Israel, and his Maker, Ask me of things to come concerning my sons, and concerning the work of my hands command ye me.

[**12**] I have made the earth, and created man upon it: I, even my hands, have stretched out the heavens, and all their host have I commanded.

[**13**] I have raised him up in righteousness, and I will direct all his ways: he shall build my city, and he shall let go my captives, not for price nor reward, saith Yahweh of hosts.

[14] Thus saith Yahweh, The labour of Egypt, and merchandise of Ethiopia and of the Sabeans, men of stature, shall come over unto thee, and they shall be thine: they shall come after thee; in chains they shall come over, and they shall fall down unto thee, they shall make supplication unto thee, saying, Surely God is in thee; and there is none else, there is no God.

[15] Verily thou art a God that hidest thyself, O God of Israel, the Saviour.

[16] They shall be ashamed, and also confounded, all of them: they shall go to

confusion together that are makers of idols.

[17] But Israel shall be saved in Yahweh with an everlasting salvation: ye shall not be ashamed nor confounded world without end.

If the name isn't important, I sure wish He would have quit causing it to be said so many times. I keep reading these Scriptures, the God of Israel, the Holy One of Israel, the King of Israel, the Saviour of Israel - and my heart just breaks for those who love to be called by other names. Listen, if you want to be something other than Israel - for instance - you love to be called a U.S. citizen - then - I get it - Trump is going to have to be your saviour. Or Nancy Pelosi. Or Joe Biden. Or maybe Barack and Michael were saviours, I don't know. But friends, I don't want any of those as saviour. I want the Holy One of Israel. The God of Israel. The Saviour of Israel, the King of Israel.

For with our words we are justified, and with our words we are condemned. We better choose our words carefully. Verse 18.

[**18**] For thus saith Yahweh that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited: I am Yahweh; and there is none else.

[**19**] I have not spoken in secret, in a dark place of the earth: I said not unto the seed of Jacob, Seek ye me in vain: I, Yahweh speak righteousness, I declare things that are right.

Everything I have said this morning has been said to get us to verse 20. Surely you have agreed with the Scriptures that what we are seeing in Isaiah is prophecies concerning the New Covenant World. These apply to us. This is where we are. This is what we are supposed to be doing. We aren't just supposed to be aimlessly wondering around waiting for the world to collapse. Or waiting for Yahweh to collapse it for them. Here it is. This is what we are supposed to be doing. Verse 20.

[20] Assemble yourselves and come; draw near together,

Assemble yourselves. Look. We as simple sheep, may not understand what this means. And up until today, this morning, I'll give it a pass. But after this morning, no more. Assemble yourselves is a political term. It is used in the Bible to refer to the assemblies for the purpose of doing the business of the nation. Here, it is talking about the initial establishment of the nation foretold in I Peter 2. Forsake not the assembling of yourselves together. But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels, [23] To the general assembly and ecclesia of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect,

To the General Assembly - that is a political term. That is not spiritual, pie-in-sky application of the heavens only. This is what we are supposed to be doing. This is what the enemies of Christ declared war on as soon as it was established and this is what they have continued to war against and we aren't prevailing against it because we don't even know it's what we're supposed to be doing. We still haven't figured out that citizenship or friendship with the world is enmity with God.

[24] And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.

[**25**] See that ye refuse not him that speaketh. For if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth, much more shall not we escape, if we turn away from him that speaketh from heaven:

[**26**] Whose voice then shook the earth: but now he hath promised, saying, Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven.

[27] And this word, Yet once more, signifieth the removing of those things that are shaken, as of things that are made, that those things which cannot be shaken may remain.

[28] Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear:

The General Assembly and the ecclesia is the same as the Kingdom. It's spiritual, yes, in that it comes from God, but it is intended to be administered in the flesh, through our bodies - throughout his physical Creation.

## Isaiah 45:20

[**20**] Assemble yourselves and come; draw near together, ye that are escaped of the nations: they have no knowledge that set up the wood of their graven image, and pray unto a god that cannot save.

Oh my goodness. This is the consolation of Israel that Simeon was talking about. This is the ecclesia of Christ. This is the nation of God, the chosen generation, the royal priesthood, the holy nation. These are the people who had not obtained mercy but now had obtain mercy through Christ. These were those who were not a people, but are now the people of God.

Assemble yourselves and come; draw near together, ye that are escaped of the nations:

These are they who understood the consolation, the plea for help, the intreaty for a Saviour, Come out from among them and be ye separate - why? - so that you can be My people and I will be your God.

How many followers of Christ today have escaped the nations? Sadly, I'd have to say very few. Because most people today - and as I've said many many times - most people have not heard the Gospel. Most people do not understand their need to escape the nations. Most people have never heard that a major part of the Gospel is becoming a citizen of a new nation. But I've been showing week after week now - from the pages of the Word - not from my wild-eyed, crazy perspective - I've shown from the Word of God over and over concerning this nation that was established in the first century. I've shown how this was the nation that Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, David, Moses, Noah, all those that died in the faith - were looking for a new country - a new city - a better country - a heavenly country - and that country was revealed in I Peter 2 and Ephesians 2. All those men had ever known was Israel or the promise of Israel. That nation who has a King. That nation that believes in ordinance. That nation that believes in the Laws, Commandments, Judgements, Statutes and Perfect Will of God.

That's the nation where we who claim to have embraced Christ are to have our sole citizenship with today. Look, I've heard about all of America's problems. I've seen it my whole life. America's got problems, just like England has problems. Just like Italy, Spain, and Germany have problems. They've all got problems because they have refused to bow their knee and confess with their tongues. They are still living in the Old Covenant World and have refused to give up their statuses and become citizens of the only God Ordained nation in existence today.

Let's close today with the last verses of Isaiah 45, verse 21. Let's add verse 20 here because it is just so vitally important that we see what is being said here.

Assemble yourselves and come; draw near together, ye that are escaped of the nations:

[**21**] Tell ye, and bring them near; yea, let them take counsel together: who hath declared this from ancient time? who hath told it from that time? have not I,

Yahweh? and there is no God else beside me; a just God and a Saviour; there is none beside me.

[22] Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else.

[23] I have sworn by myself, the word is gone out of my mouth in righteousness, and shall not return, That unto me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear.

Isn't this nearly Word for Word what was said concerning the New Covenant World?

[24] Surely, shall one say, in Yahweh have I righteousness and strength: even to him shall men come; and all that are incensed against him shall be ashamed.[25] In Yahweh shall all the seed of Israel be justified, and shall glory.

Friends, I'm telling you and I sure hope you see this. It doesn't say any other nation by name. There is only one nation named that is justified. In the New Covenant World - God does not allow the nations to walk in their own ways. Acts 14:16. I'm telling you, those were the days of the Old Covenant World. In the New Covenant World - there is one nation that legitimately has the Authority from God to exist - and that nation is the commonwealth of Israel.

Today, in the New Covenant World - we need a Saviour. What is the purpose of that Saviour? I'm telling you that the Saviour is needed to help us escape from the nations. The rulers of the people have caused them to err (e-r-r) and they that are led of them are destroyed. Escaping the nations is the same as "Come out from among them and be separate." The King created a new nation. A holy nation. It's the nation the old covenant saints only dreamed about. It's a reality for us today.

I want to remind you again to go to the website and read Michael's Minutes. His latest is called "Who Owns You?" I know that you'll be enlightened and blessed by what you read there.