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Sunday Sermon

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Text: Zechariah 14:1-9

Scripture Reading: Zechariah 14:1-9

Subject: 2nd Coming of Christ announced; Christ is King over all the earth

In the last message, we examined the 13th chapter of Zechariah. After the nation of Israel shall have been gathered back to their land from being scattered among the gentile nations, we saw a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sin and for uncleanness. The nation was saved in a day!! Idols and false prophets were purged from the land all of which were unclean spirits - demons. The gospel of Christ was preached. Two parts of the inhabitants of the land were cut off and one-third were brought through the fire and tried so they called on the LORD.

Now we come to the chapter fourteen to see (1) the 2nd coming of Christ **with** his saints; (2) The LORD's gathering of all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and (3) His fighting against and overcoming the beast, the false prophet, the kings of the earth and their armies of all those nations. We shall our blessed King's feet stand upon the mount of Olives which mount shall cleave in the midst.

In the next message from chapter 14 beginning at verse 10, we shall see changes in the lay of the land (the geosphere). We shall see that the LORD shall be king over all the earth. We shall see the plague upon all those who have fought against Jerusalem and against their animals. And we shall see something of Kingdom worship.

Now let us consider the first nine verses of this marvelous 14th chapter of Zechariah. Verse 1:

Zechariah 14:1 (KJV) *Behold, the day of the LORD cometh, and thy spoil shall be divided in the midst of thee.*

Behold, the day of the LORD cometh, -- Behold! Look! Observe! Beware! The expression "day of the LORD" is found at least twenty-seven times in the holy scriptures. In those references, the day of the LORD is spoken of as a day of vengeance; a day of recompense; a solemn day; a dark day; a day of destruction; a day of greatness; a day of terror; a day when mighty men shall cry bitterly; a day when men's silver and gold cannot deliver them; a day of the Lord's anger and wrath; a dreadful day; a day that shall come as a thief in the night; a day when the meek of the earth shall be hidden; a day of joy for God's people! So, ***behold, the day of the LORD cometh!***

And thy spoil shall be divided in the midst of thee. – Thy spoil, O Jerusalem! Your enemies who invaded your land will do as they desired and take a spoil. They will divide it in the midst of the city which they shall believe they have conquered.

Zechariah 14:2 (KJV) *For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city.*

For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; -- This is unique! The LORD will gather ALL nations against Jerusalem to battle. All nations, without exception will be there. This obviously means that not every individual from every nation will be there, but it means that the armies and other military forces of every nation shall be there. There is a great distinction between this invading army of ALL nations and the invasion led by Gog, chief prince of Meshech and Tubal. Gog's invasion included **SOME**

nations but not **ALL** nations. The LORD, you will recall, put “hooks in the jaws” of Gog, chief prince of Meshech and Tubal bringing him and a host of other nations to invade Israel and upon their invading the land, a thought came into their minds to take a prey. The record of that battle is recorded in Zechariah 12 and in Ezekiel, chapters 38 and 39. In this verse, we see that the LORD gathers **ALL** nations against Jerusalem to battle. Some may think this speaks of the invasion by Titus in 70A.D. but let us read on and we shall see clearly. Initially, like the siege of Titus in 70 A. D. this is bad news for Jerusalem. At this point, it is good to recall the LORD’s words written in Luke about the Jews who were to be scattered:

Luke 21:24 (KJV) *And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: **and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.***

Consider that the times (years) of the gentiles began with Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon. The **TIMES** of the gentiles is distinct from the **FULNESS** of the gentiles mentioned by the Apostle Paul in Romans, chapter 11. It is a fact that Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles until the **TIMES** of the Gentiles be fulfilled. The **TIMES** of the Gentiles shall come to an end at this time – at Armageddon. After this occurs, no more shall the gentiles tread down the city of Jerusalem.

And the city shall be taken, -- That is, the city of Jerusalem shall be captured and conquered by assault and force whereby the inhabitants of the city shall lay at the mercy of the invading soldiers.

And the houses rifled, -- The houses shall be pillaged and everything the soldiers think worthy of taking – they shall take, perhaps destroying all else.

And the women ravished; -- The wives, widows, and virgins shall be barbarously violated by the soldiers of the invading army.

And half of the city shall go forth into captivity, -- This is plain enough for any of us to understand. Half of people of the city of Jerusalem shall go forth into captivity.

And the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city. – That is, the ones who did not go into captivity but who remained in the city shall not be cut off from it.

Zechariah 14:3 (KJV) Then shall the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle.

Then shall the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations, -- Then! The LORD – the Lord Jesus Christ shall descend from his place in heaven and fight against the armies of the nations led by the Beast and the False Prophet and shall destroy them.

As when he fought in the day of battle. -- The Lord shall fight with the inhabitants of Jerusalem (for His people, Israel,) in the same way that he fought for them at the Red Sea with the Egyptians.

Exodus 14:24-25 (KJV) And it came to pass, that in the morning watch the LORD looked unto the host of the Egyptians through the pillar of fire and of the cloud, and troubled the host of the Egyptians. 25 And took off their chariot wheels, that they drave them heavily: so that the Egyptians said, Let us flee from the face of Israel; for the LORD fighteth for them against the Egyptians.

Zechariah 14:4 (KJV) *And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south.*

Praise the name of Jesus!! Hallelujah, Jesus Christ, as King of kings and Lord of lords with all his saints descends to war against the enemies of Israel! No longer shall he be seen as the meek, humble, and lowly Jesus who went about doing good on the earth for three and half years – then gave himself to die at the hands of the wicked, unbelieving Jews of that day. No, this is “He who was dead and is alive forevermore and has the keys of hell and of death.” Jesus will then show himself to the beast and his armies as King of kings and Lord of lords! ***And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east,*** -- This is marvelous and amazing in its detail. Jesus’ feet shall stand, in that day upon the mount of Olives. If you could stand on the eastern wall of the old city of Jerusalem today looking eastward, you would be looking directly at the Mount of Olives in front of you across the Kidron Valley.

and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; -- This, to me, is a very amazing thing! This huge mountain shall cleave (split or part evenly) in the middle from east to west. That is, from Jerusalem eastward through the Mount of Olives and out to the Jordan Valley beyond. The result of that split or cleaving is that there shall be a very great valley right through the middle of the Mount of Olives which runs east and west.

and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south. – See, this is no small cleaving. Half of the Mount of Olives shall remove toward the north, and half toward the south leaving a broad valley in the midst.

Zechariah 14:5 (KJV) And ye shall flee to the valley of the mountains; for the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azal: yea, ye shall flee, like as ye fled from before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah: and the LORD my God shall come, and all the saints with thee.

And ye shall flee to the valley of the mountains: -- All this has never been. It certainly didn't happen when Titus besieged and sacked Jerusalem in 70 A. D. No, the mount of Olives is still standing today. Some of us have stood on that mountain in recent years. The cleaving of it is yet future, and the details of it will probably only be understood at the time of its fulfillment. The valley will be the avenue of escape, and the divided Mount of Olives will be ever after a witness to the literal fulfillment of God's Word.

For the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azal: -- Azal is an unknown place, but evidently shall be known by the people present in Jerusalem at that time.

Yea, ye shall flee, like as ye fled from before the earthquake in days of Uzziah king of Judah: -- This is the earthquake spoken of by the prophet, Amos.

Amos 1:1 (KJV) The words of Amos, who was among the herdmen of Tekoa, which he saw concerning Israel in the days of Uzziah king of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash king of Israel, two years before the earthquake.

And the LORD my God shall come, and all the saints with thee. – This phrase is written as if the writer (a believer, because

he says "the LORD my God shall come...) looks up and sees the LORD coming and all the saints **with** him.

Jude 14-15 (KJV) *And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints, **15** To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.*

The Lord shall come with his saints in that day. This is the day when the LORD shall have gathered the kings of the earth and of the whole world to the battle of that great day of God Almighty – into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon. Notice this passage from the 16th chapter of Revelation just before the pouring of the seventh and final vial of wrath.

Revelation 16:13-16 (KJV) *And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. **14** For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty. **15** Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame. **16** And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.*

The saints of God shall have been resurrected and changed with the surviving ones at the last trump. This was the first resurrection. Are we not eagerly looking forward to that time when we shall see Jesus as He is and be made like him? Those resurrected saints shall come with Jesus when he descends out of heaven as King of

kings and Lord of lords – when both He and they ride white horses out of heaven. Let's read that:

Revelation 19:11-21 (KJV) *And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. **12** His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. **13** And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God. **14** And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. **15** And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. **16** And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS. **17** And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God; **18** That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond, both small and great. **19** And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army. **20** And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone. **21** And the remnant were slain with the sword of*

him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh.

Zechariah 14:6-7 (KJV) *And it shall come to pass in that day, that the light shall not be clear, nor dark:*

This passage speaks of the physical phenomena in nature which are always connected with the day of the Lord (**Am.** 5:18; 8:9; **Joe.** 2:31; **Mat.** 24:30, and other passages).

Amos 5:18 (KJV) *Woe unto you that desire the day of the LORD! to what end is it for you? the day of the LORD is darkness, and not light.*

Amos 8:9 (KJV) *And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Lord GOD, that I will cause the sun to go down at noon, and I will darken the earth in the clear day:*

Joel 2:31 (KJV) *The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and the terrible day of the LORD come.*

Now in connection with the darkness of the day of the LORD, let us read Matthew 24:27-31.

Matthew 24:27-31 (KJV) *For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. 28 For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together. 29 Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: 30 And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. 31 And he shall*

send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

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

This shall be one day which is known to the LORD. This truth restrains man's curiosity and teaches us to wait the Lord's own time. The details are not given us, but we can see that changes will then occur which means that the present order of day and night are superseded by another order, so that when the evening time comes it will be light. **This day shall be a unique day.**

Zechariah 14:8 (KJV) *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.*

There is no doubt in my mind that this speaks of the waters which flow out from the altar of the millennial temple eastward to become a huge river of living water. That river of living waters is described in Ezekiel 47:1-12:

Ezekiel 47:1-12 (KJV) *Afterward he brought me again unto the door of the house; and, behold, waters issued out from under the threshold of the house eastward: for the forefront of the house stood toward the east, and the waters came down from under from the right side of the house, at the south side of the altar. 2 Then brought he me out of the way of the gate northward, and led me about the way without unto the utter gate by the way that looketh eastward; and,*

*behold, there ran out waters on the right side. **3** And when the man that had the line in his hand went forth eastward, he measured a thousand cubits, and he brought me through the waters; the waters were to the ankles. **4** Again he measured a thousand, and brought me through the waters; the waters were to the knees. Again he measured a thousand, and brought me through; the waters were to the loins. **5** Afterward he measured a thousand; and it was a river that I could not pass over: for the waters were risen, waters to swim in, a river that could not be passed over. **6** And he said unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen this? Then he brought me, and caused me to return to the brink of the river. **7** Now when I had returned, behold, at the bank of the river were very many trees on the one side and on the other. **8** Then said he unto me, These waters issue out toward the east country, and go down into the desert, and go into the sea: which being brought forth into the sea, the waters shall be healed. **9** And it shall come to pass, that every thing that liveth, which moveth, whithersoever the rivers shall come, shall live: and there shall be a very great multitude of fish, because these waters shall come thither: for they shall be healed; and every thing shall live whither the river cometh. **10** And it shall come to pass, that the fishers shall stand upon it from En-gedi even unto En-eglaim; they shall be a place to spread forth nets; their fish shall be according to their kinds, as the fish of the great sea, exceeding many. **11** But the miry places thereof and the marishes thereof shall not be healed; they shall be given to salt. **12** And by the river upon the bank thereof, on this side and on that side, shall grow all trees for meat, whose leaf shall not fade, neither shall the fruit thereof be consumed: it shall bring forth new fruit according to his*

months, because their waters they issued out of the sanctuary: and the fruit thereof shall be for meat, and the leaf thereof for medicine.

These living waters shall go out through the valley created by the cleaving of the Mount of Olives and will flow down the Jordan Valley southward. As this verse tells us, half shall go on to the Former Sea (the Mediterranean) and half to the Hinder Sea (the Dead Sea).

This is described as a mighty river over which one could not pass – therefore will it flow in both summer and winter. This confirms the truth of the LORD’s word concerning this present earth from Genesis 9. Let’s read that:

Genesis 8:22 (KJV) *While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.*

This shows us we are considering this present earth – and not the new earth. The New Earth shall have no more sea – but the river flows southward from Jerusalem and empties into both the Mediterranean and the Dead Seas. It is clear that seas are still present on the earth, therefore it is not the New Earth, because the New Earth has no more sea. Some have tried to explain this away – but this preach believes it means exactly what it says.

Revelation 21:1 (KJV) *And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; **and there was no more sea.***

This present earth and the works therein shall be destroyed at the end of the 1000-years-reign of Christ on earth – which reign begins with his return with his saints, the conversion of Israel, the destruction of the Beast, the False Prophet, the kings of the earth and their armies, and the judgment of the living gentile nations.

Zechariah 14:9 (KJV) *And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one.*

And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: -- The Lord Jesus Christ, Jehovah, then shall be King over all the earth. His throne is established over the earth and He shall rule the nations in righteousness and with a rod of iron. As king over all the earth, the Lord Jesus Christ shall sit on the throne of His glory which is the throne of David, his father (according to the flesh). Let's notice that promise along with some companion passages.

Luke 1:26-33 (KJV) *And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, 27 To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. 28 And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. 29 And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be. 30 And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. 31 And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. 32 He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: 33 And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.*

Let us consider the place of the apostles in His kingdom. This passage from Matthew 19 is the first of two places where the expression "throne of His glory" is mentioned. We are here told that it shall be "in the regeneration." The Greek word which is translated regeneration is: παλιγγενεσια paliggenesia *pal-ing-ghen-*

es-ee'-ah. It is a combination of two words, which are: (1) *παλιν* *palin pal'-in* and (2) *γενεσις* *genesis ghen'-es-is*. It means in the aneuing, renewal, new beginning. The Oxford English Dictionary defines regeneration as "The act of regenerating; the fact of being regenerated; re-creation, re-formation, etc." Notice that Jesus tells these apostles that when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, they also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. If Jesus is now sitting on the throne of His glory, how can this be true? It is not. This comes when the LORD sits on the throne of his father, David, and is king over all the earth.

Matthew 19:27-30 (KJV) *Then answered Peter and said unto him, Behold, we have forsaken all, and followed thee; what shall we have therefore? 28 And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me, **in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory**, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. 29 And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life. 30 But many that are first shall be last; and the last shall be first.*

Not only are the twelve apostles (the eleven originals plus Matthais, who was chosen by the Jerusalem church), but another thing happens when the Son of Man sits on the throne of His glory. Let us notice the 2nd place where this expression is used in scripture. Please note that this happens when the Son of man comes in his glory – that is, when he returns with his saints and the holy angels. This has not happened yet. Those who claim Jesus is now sitting on the throne of His glory will have great difficulty explaining this. It is after his coming with his saints that He shall sit on the throne of his

glory which is the throne of His father, David, in Jerusalem as king over all the earth – this present earth.

Matthew 25:31-46 (KJV) *When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: **32** And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats: **33** And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. **34** Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: **35** For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: **36** Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me. **37** Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink? **38** When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee? **39** Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee? **40** And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me. **41** Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels: **42** For I was an hungred, and ye gave me no meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me no drink: **43** I was a stranger, and ye took me not in: naked, and ye clothed me not: sick, and in prison, and ye visited me not. **44** Then shall they also answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee?*

45 Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me. **46** And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

Notice there is no resurrection mentioned. Can anyone doubt that the first resurrection shall have already occurred? the church resurrected and caught up to meet the Lord in the air? That the rest of the dead shall remain in their graves till the thousand years is completed? These are living nations who are gathered before the king to be judged based on their treatment of "these my brethren." This speaks of both the church and Israel. By this time, the nation of Israel has been brought into the bond of the covenant as we studied last time in chapter thirteen. This is not the same as the great white throne judgment which occurs **after** the 1000-years-reign is over. No, the LORD is gathering "**out of his kingdom** all things that offend" as he said in Matthew 13. Let me read a couple of passages from that chapter.

Matthew 13:36-43 (KJV) Then Jesus sent the multitude away, and went into the house: and his disciples came unto him, saying, Declare unto us the parable of the tares of the field. **37** He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man; **38** The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked one; **39** The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels. **40** As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world. **41 The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; 42 And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be**

wailing and gnashing of teeth. 43 *Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.*

Matthew 13:47-50 (KJV) *Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a net, that was cast into the sea, and gathered of every kind: 48 Which, when it was full, they drew to shore, and sat down, and gathered the good into vessels, but cast the bad away. 49 So shall it be at the end of the world: the angels shall come forth, and sever the wicked from among the just. 50 **And shall cast them into the furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.***

Let us remember that the gentile nations, like Israel, shall not have been resurrected, but the sheep nations (who are saved gentiles) shall also, like Israel go into the 1000-years-reign in their natural bodies. After this judgment, it is clear to me that there will not, at that point, be an unconverted person on the earth. All those who were wicked and who offended were cast into the furnace of fire where there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Praise God, Jesus will sit on the throne of His glory as King over all the earth – and the law shall go out from Jerusalem. The whole earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. The Lord Jesus and His saints in glorified bodies shall reign over the nations with a rod of iron.

Isaiah 32:1 (KJV) *Behold, a king shall reign in righteousness, and princes shall rule in judgment.*

The nations shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks.

Isaiah 2:4 (KJV) *And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords*

into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

Both the LORD and his people who had part in the first resurrection shall rule over the nations with a rod of iron.

Revelation 19:15 (KJV) *And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.*

Revelation 2:26-27 (KJV) *And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations: **27** 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.*

In that day there shall be one LORD, and his name one. -- In that day after his coming His Name will be revealed as the One who on earth declared "I and the Father are One." He will be known as the One Lord and God and worshipped as such. All idolatry is at an end and the abominations connected with idolatry shall be abolished.

Our LORD has always been one and his name one as we read from the Old Covenant,

Deuteronomy 6:4-5 (KJV) *Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD: **5** And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.*

But it is here promised that he shall be so by actual possession of the hearts of his subjects; he shall be acknowledged as King by all in all places; his authority shall be believed, understood, and

submitted to. As we read from this passage ([Re 11:15](#)), as the seventh trumpet sounds signaling the third WOE on the inhabitants of the earth: *The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord and of his Christ.* The kingdom shall be a united kingdom: *There shall be one Lord, and his name one.* All shall worship one God only, and not idols, and shall be unanimous in the worship of him. All false gods shall be abandoned, and all false ways of worship abolished; and as God shall be the center of their unity, in whom they shall all meet, so the scripture shall be the rule of their unity, by which they shall all walk. Nations of the gentiles will come to Jerusalem to worship the King. The whole earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea! What a great blessing that will be – when Satan is bound; when the demons (evil spirits) and false prophets are put away; when all Israel is saved and the sheep nations of the gentiles inherit the kingdom prepared for them from the foundation of the world. Christ is King and his saints – all who had part in the first resurrection shall be priests of God and of Christ and shall reign with him a thousand years on this earth. MAY JESUS CHRIST BE PRAISED AND MAGNIFIED!!