

How the Millennium is Going to be Conducted

(Welcome Message)

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Greetings, brethren! Welcome to the Feast of Tabernacles, and we're still going; the end is not yet, but it is closer than it ever has been.

Here we begin the great Feast of Tabernacles, the great promise to bring the rule of God during the Millennium. Absolutely amazing what God has done to make this possible.

Let's bring us up to date to right where we are. The marriage takes place on the Sea of Glass, we all have our assignments, our horses and we come down with Christ for the final battle. The beast and the false prophet are taken and by command of Christ all the flesh from all the soldiers—whoever is fighting out there—will fall right off their skeletons.

The birds will come flying and eating to the great supper of God! Then we come down to the earth, Satan is removed, we gather up all the demons and put them in the abyss with Satan the devil and lock them up for a thousand years.

Let's see how this is described in Zech. 14, because we're going to be part of this. We're going to be coming down from the Sea of Glass to this earth. And remember this: this has been talked about throughout the Bible and prophesied over and over again. But just like everything else that God does, it's hidden, and there's more than one application to certain Scriptures. Sometimes two, sometimes three, sometimes re-occurring on a cyclical basis.

Here's what Zechariah writes about, what I just summarized:

Zechariah 14:1: "Behold, the Day of the LORD comes, and your spoil shall be divided in your midst, 'For I will gather all nations to battle against Jerusalem... [that final battle we just talked about] ...and the city shall be taken, and the houses plundered, and the women raped....'" (vs 1-2).

That's what's going to happen, because men are evil. Remember that in Rev. 9, ***in spite of everything they don't repent of their sins, their idolatries, murders, fornications, warring and killing!***

Verse 3: "And the LORD shall go out and fight against those nations, as when He fought in the day of battle."

Then the great event! Remember that it was on the Mt. of Olives where Jesus spoke to the disciples just before He ascended to heaven to be with the Father until His return.

The disciples asked Him at that time—remember, this is getting close to 2000 years ago, 1970 years—'Are you going to restore the Kingdom to Israel?' Jesus told them, ***'It's not for you to know the times or the seasons that the Father has put in His own authority!'***

Remember that everything that transpires leading up to our coming on the earth with Christ is known by God the Father, and when God the Father says to release the seals, they come one after the other. Then the trumpet plagues, the resurrection and the seven last plagues. ***Nothing happens until God declares it to be!***

Verse 4: "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 split in two, from the east and to the west, and make a very great valley. And half of the mountain shall move toward the north, and half of it toward the south."

That's quite a thing and we know from Isa. 4 that there's going to be a huge tabernacle. No temple, but a huge tabernacle

- for the glory of God and the rule of the Millennium!

for the Throne of

- Christ
- David
- the 12 patriarchs
- Abraham
- Isaac
- Jacob
- all the Prophets

Then all of us who are in the first resurrection, and the 12 thrones for the apostles.

It's going to be all setup there; it's going to be a magnificent city, nothing like it ever before in the history of the whole world!

Verse 8: "And it shall be in that day, that living waters shall go out from Jerusalem... [flowing to cleanse everything] ...half of them shall go toward the eastern sea, and half of them toward the western sea. In summer and in winter it shall be."

That will flow continuously all during the Millennium, which is a type of Rev. 22 of the living water flowing out from underneath the Throne of God the Father and Jesus Christ!!

Remember that Jesus said when He was asked, ‘Are You then a King?’ He said, ‘**For this reason I was born and this reason I came!**’ And they killed him because of that. But here it is, resurrected and having lived again and still living in heaven and coming again.

Verse 9: “And **the LORD shall be King over all the earth**; in that day there shall be one LORD, and His name shall be one.”

That’s going to be something! Let’s see what’s going to happen, and then we will see what it is that God is going to have them do right away. Quite an amazing thing!

Verse 12: “And this shall be the plague with which the LORD will smite all the people who have fought against Jerusalem. **Their flesh shall consume away while they stand on their feet**, and their eyes shall consume away in their sockets. And their tongue shall consume away in their mouth. And it shall be in that day *that* a great panic from the LORD shall be among them. And they shall each one lay hold of his neighbor, and his hand shall rise up against the hand of his neighbor” (vs 12-13). ***Isn’t that the way God always fights? He:***

- blinds them
- confuses them
- sends hornets after them
- sends them to fight against each other

*When He says that God will fight our battles for us, remember that **God has a lot of ways to fight those battles!***

Verse 14: “And Judah also shall fight at Jerusalem; and the wealth of all the nations all around shall be gathered—gold, and silver, and clothing in great abundance.” *That’s going to take place over a period of time!*

Verse 15: “And likewise shall be the plague of the horse, the mule, the camel, and the donkey, and of all the beasts which shall be in these camps—*it shall be as this plague.*”

Now notice the first thing God is going have them do; v 16: “And it shall come to pass that everyone who is left of all the nations which came up against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and **to keep the Feast of Tabernacles.**”

These Feasts are not like a lot ne’er-do-well Christians say, that they’re just ritual feasts. ***NO!*** the Feasts of God are Feasts—when we keep them—that He gives us understanding. ***You can’t have any true understanding unless you do!***

Verse 17: “And it shall be, whoever... [any

individual anywhere] ...will not come up from all the families of the earth to Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, even upon them shall be no rain.” **Does God mean business?** *Think about it!*

Verse 18: “And if the family of Egypt that has no rain, does not come up to present themselves, *this* shall be the plague with which the LORD shall strike the nations that do not come up to keep the Feast of Tabernacles.”

That’s going to be something, brethren! Let’s also answer a question that pertains to us. We read this and we find out who is going to be right there in Jerusalem. How do we know that we’re going to be there? *Let’s look at Psa. 15; that also important for us to understand, because it tells us!*

Everything that we read about what we’re going to do, always remember: ***The Word of God is true!*** If we don’t understand it, there’s nothing wrong with the Word of God; *it’s our understanding that is lacking!* That’s why we need to pray, study, continue to do the things of God, ***and He will reveal it!***

So, here is David, and he’s asking a question, because even he didn’t understand the things that we understand.

Psalm 15:1: “LORD, who shall dwell in Your tabernacle?...” *Isn’t it interesting that he didn’t say **temple!*** Read Isa. 4 again.

“...Who shall dwell upon Your Holy hill?... [this much David knows] ...**He who walks uprightly, and works righteousness, and speaks the Truth in his heart.**”

Think about that! That is total conversion when you understand it. Why? *Because:*

Jeremiah 17:9: “**The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked;** who can know it?”

Here’s the true conversion; here is the absolute pinnacle of this, ***the Truth in his heart!*** That is after we’re resurrected and spirit beings. *Think about that!*

Let’s see how a Proverb lines up with this. There has to be ***truth, love and righteousness*** to rule in the Kingdom of God.

Proverbs 14:34: “Righteousness exalts a nation....” *That’s what it’s going to be, **all** nations of the world!* You look at it today and it’s not that way.

“...but sin *is* a reproach to any people” (v 34).

Look at it this way: **the more sin there is,**

the darker it becomes and the more sin is generated, the deeper and darker the sins become, until finally the nation collapses! That's where we are today! Think about that for just a minute! Think how that is!

What's going to happen is that all the sons and daughters of God will be righteous, ***truly righteous***, because they will be the sons and daughters of God.

Let's see what we're going to do, and let's look at the promises in the book of Revelation. This is the special message from God the Father to Jesus Christ, to the angel and to John—***the very words of God the Father!*** Here's what John wrote, because he was told to write.

Revelation 1:4: "John to the seven churches that *are* in Asia: Grace and peace *be* to you from Him Who is, and Who was, and Who *is* to come; **and from the seven spirits that are before His Throne.**"

Those seven spirits are there that go to and fro on the earth searching out those who are looking for God.

Verse 5: "And from Jesus Christ, the faithful Witness, the Firstborn from the dead, and the Ruler of the kings of the earth. To Him Who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood."

Think about that! What a great and wonderful thing that He did for us! Now notice the end result of everything that we do as Christians, and keep this in mind and never forget it:

Verse 6: "And **has made us kings and priests to God and His Father; to Him be the glory and the sovereignty into the ages of eternity.** Amen." *Projected that we will be; kings and priests!*

Rev. 5—here's the song that we will sing, I'm sure on the Sea of Glass, and also many times after that. As spirit beings were all going to have beautiful voices! No more joyful noises! So, all of those of you who are off tune today, don't worry, God will solve that problem for you.

Revelation 5:9: And they... [the saints in their prayers] ...sang a new song, saying, 'Worthy are You to take the book, and to open its seals because You were slain, and **did redeem us to God by Your own blood**, out of every tribe and language and people and nation... [this reaffirms what we're going to do]: ...and **did make us unto our God kings and priests; and we shall reign on the earth**'" (vs 8-10).

There it is right there! No roaming around heaven chasing clouds or anything like that. It's going to be on the earth!

Let's see how all of this is going to work. Psa. 68 talks about something that will be during the Millennium.

Psalm 68:32: "Sing unto God, you kingdoms of the earth..."

There's going to be a lot of singing, rejoicing and everything is going to be the way God wants it to be! Think how people are going to develop and grow and understand. Not having their minds filled with all the stupidity and rottenness of Satan the devil.

"...O sing praises unto the LORD. Selah. To Him Who rides upon the heaven of heavens which are of old; lo, He sends out His voice, a mighty voice. Ascribe power to God: His majesty is over Israel, and His strength is in the clouds. O God, You are awesome from Your Holy sanctuary; the God of Israel is He who gives strength and power to the people. Blessed be God" (vs 32-35). *That's going to be a theme all during the Millennium!*

Psa. 85 is another one that's interesting. As I said, God has it spread throughout the whole Bible.

Psalm 85:1: "O LORD, You have shown favor to Your land; You have brought back Jacob from exile.... [we'll talk about that tomorrow] ...You have forgiven the iniquity of Your people; You have covered all their sins. **Selah**"—*stop and meditate on that!*

Think about what that's going to be like! All the descendants of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, God is going to forgive all their sins. A clean start, a new slate.

Satan the devil isn't there, evil is removed and the righteous sons and daughters of God will be reigning as kings, priests, teachers and administrators over cities and areas. It's going to be wonderful, indeed!

Verse 3:"You have taken away all Your wrath; You have turned from the fierceness of Your anger. Restore us, O God of our salvation, and cause Your anger toward us to cease. Will You be angry with us forever? Will You draw out Your anger to all generations? Will You not give us life again... [that's also a prophecy of the 2nd resurrection] ...so that Your people may rejoice in You? Show us Your mercy, O LORD..." (vs 3-7).

The mercy of God is going to be over all the earth in every aspect of it.

“...and grant us Your salvation” (v 7).

Think about what it’s going to be, all of the adults in the process of repentance and baptism; think about the amount of baptisms we’re going to have.

- they will receive the Spirit of God
- they will be converted
- take away the hostility of the carnal mind
- take away the enmity against God

Think about what that’s going to be like, because of the mercy of God!

Verse 8: “I will hear what God the LORD will speak; for **He will speak peace to His people, and to His saints**, but let them not turn again to folly. Surely His salvation is near to those who fear Him, so that glory may dwell in our land” (vs 8-9).

Listen to these next verses, because this tells us how the Millennium is going to be conducted. Never has there ever been this. Maybe once in a while in the Church we get some of it, ***IF*** we:

- believe God
- trust God
- love God
- trust in His grace
- trust in His forgiveness
- trust in His mercy

And there is peace among the brethren! Think of what it’s going to be to have peace on earth, the whole earth without Satan the devil and the demons!

Verse 10: “Mercy and Truth have met together... [very poetic] ...righteousness and peace have kissed each other.”

All of these things now combined together is the rule of God on earth through his sons and daughters, the kings and priests and administrators, the firstfruits of the first resurrection.

Verse 11: “**Truth shall spring out of the earth...** [no more evil] ...and righteousness shall look down from heaven. Yea, the LORD shall give that which is good, and our land shall yield its increase. **Righteousness shall go before Him and shall set us in the way of His steps**” (vs 11-13).

- that’s how you bring peace to the earth
- that’s how the Millennium is going to be run

That is a great and marvelous thing for us to understand! Brethren:

- that’s why we’re called
- that’s why we’re here
- that’s why we keep the Feast

So that:

- God can instruct us
- we can learn more of His way
- we can love Him more
- we can rejoice in His mercy
- we can rejoice in His Sabbath
- we can rejoice in His Holy Days
- we can rejoice in His kindness and forgiveness

Think about that!

Again, spread throughout everything, we have this throughout the whole Bible. I would have to say that it’s one of the most important things that’s in the Bible:

- the Millennium
- peace on earth
- good will
- love
- Truth
- righteousness
- faith
- Holiness
- goodness

For everyone!

- think how the children will be blessed and prosper and learn
- think about what kind of character that they will have when they come of age

Being educated by all of God’s servants, and by their mothers and fathers who are converted! This is going to be something! It’s going to be a time of happiness and joy!

- no sin ruling the land
- no problems with the climate
- no problems with the soil
- no problems with the conduct of people

Psalm 47:1: “Clap your hands, all you people; shout to God with the voice of triumph.” *That’s something!*

- Satan removed
- the demons removed
- terrible dictators removed

Truth, mercy, righteousness, and everything from God!

Verse 2: “For the LORD Most High is awesome; He is a great King **over all the earth.**” *Just let that sink in for a minute!*

Verse 3: “He shall subdue the people under us and nations under our feet... [tie in Zech. 14] ...He shall choose our inheritance for us, the

excellency of Jacob whom He loved. Selah” (vs 3-4).

Remember this: *the promises began with the calling of Abraham (Gen. 12)! You need to know how far back that God has done this. When you read this **without the knowledge of God’s plan and without the knowledge of the Truth and what God is going to do**, remember that Jesus said to the scribes and Pharisees *that you shall see Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the Kingdom of God, and you yourselves thrust out!* Why?*

- because of their sin
- because of their satanism
- because of their self-righteousness

Notice what God said, *and this reaches from that time clear to the end of the second resurrection!* Keep that in mind!

Genesis 12:1: “And the LORD said to Abram, ‘Get out of your country, and from your kindred, and from your father’s house into a land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation....’” (vs 1-2).

Think about how great it’s going to be when everything is all done and New Jerusalem comes to the earth.

“...And I will bless you and make your name great.... [during the Millennium and on into eternity] ...And you shall be a blessing. And I will bless those that bless you and curse the one who curses you. And **in you shall all families of the earth be blessed**” (vs 2-3).

It didn’t say nations, it said *families!* All the families shall be blessed! Take that through with what God did with:

- Abraham, Isaac, Jacob
- Israel down to the time of Christ
- Christ
- the Church/the Church Age
- finishing up with the return of Christ and the resurrection of all

Think about what Christ is going to show Abraham standing on the Sea of Glass, looking down at all the warring nations.

Here on the Sea of Glass are also all the promises to that the children of God—through Abraham—that are in the first resurrection. I can just visualize Christ taking Abraham over to the edge of the Sea of Glass and saying:

Look down there and see all those nations fighting. Most of them are going to die because of the war. But I’m going to resurrect them at the

end of the thousand years, and they’re going to live and they will receive the blessing that I promised to you when I first called you out of Mesopotamia and told you to leave your household and your father, and I will do this for you. Here’s the promise. And, Abraham, there’s more to come!

Think about that!

Psalm 47:8: “God reigns over the nations; God sits upon the Throne of His Holiness. The rulers of the peoples are gathered together, the people of the God of Abraham for the shields of the earth are God’s; He is greatly exalted” (vs 8-9).

So, you see, the Feast of Tabernacles is so much greater than we’ve ever thought. So much greater than we ever pictured before. It’s all there!

As we look at these things and keep the Feast of Tabernacles fellowshiping with one another, let’s leave all the carnality of the world out there, not in with us!

- love one another
- be with one another
- fellowship with one another
- praise God
- love Him
- keep His commandments
- let God’s blessing be upon you

Psalm 50:1: “The mighty God, God, the LORD, has spoken and called the earth from the rising of the sun to its going down. Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty...” (vs 1-2).

When that tabernacle is there in Zion, it’s going to be “...the perfection of beauty...”

“...God has shined forth. Our God shall come, and He shall not keep silent; a fire shall devour before Him, and it shall be very tempestuous all around Him. He shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth, so that He may judge His people” (vs 2-4).

Of course, all during the Millennium that’s going to be happening, because we will be doing that. *Think of that!*

Verse 5: “Gather My saints unto Me, those who have made a covenant with Me by sacrifice. And the heavens shall declare His righteousness, **for God Himself is judge**. Selah.” (vs 5-6).

Look at the great meaning of the Feast of Tabernacles! We’ll be living with God! All the nations of the earth will be living under the rule of God and the saints!

- no more war
- no more battles
- no more killing
- no more vast sex problems
- no more lying

None of that!

There will be some sin, we will see that a little later on. But not like it is today! This is the hope; ***we're the hope of the world!*** The world doesn't know it! The world doesn't know us! We are nothing to them except some small little group that believes kind of some 'odd things.' ***But those odd things are the greatest truths of God!***

Brethren, have a great and wonderful Feast of Tabernacles!

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