



What Can We Learn From Noah? (Part II)

Genesis 6:9: (NASB) *Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his time; Noah walked with God.*



Several weeks ago we looked into the life and times of Noah, the righteous man of God who built the Ark upon dry ground in obedience to the will and direction of God. The flood came and destroyed a world that had not only become a society without God, it had become a society that *destroyed* God. Spirit and human beings alike took the goodness of God's creation, mixed it into a forbidden hybrid formula of intelligence and form that may have resembled God's intentions on the outside, but on the inside was a force that rebelled against all that God stood for. The Bible tells us that the resulting destruction was a preview of future destruction to come...has the full length feature of that preview arrived?

We know the original sin of Satan (named Lucifer at that time) was that of pride and covetousness. He was not content with the glory and power he had been given; he wanted the glory and power of the most high.

Satan in his power influenced other "sons of God" towards rebellion - the same rebellion that he himself had navigated:

Genesis 6:1-5: (ASV) ¹*And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the ground, and daughters were born unto them, ²that the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all that they chose.*

Notice, the "sons of God" (not "angels" or "cherubim") were dabbling in the lives of mankind of their own accord (desires) - not sanctioned by God, and were *not* acting as messengers from God.

³*And Jehovah said, My spirit shall not strive with man for ever, for that he also is flesh: yet shall his days be a hundred and twenty years. ⁴The Nephilim were in the earth in those days, and also after that, when the sons of God came unto the daughters of men, and they bare children to them: the same were the mighty men that were of old, the men of renown.*

They acted against not only *the will of God* but *the design of God*. They mixed spirit with flesh and bore a hybrid, unintended race that did not belong.

⁵*And Jehovah saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.*

This action brought the permeation of evil throughout humankind - an evil founded in not only *disobedience*, but also in *defiance* of the God-ordained order of creation, bringing their dismissal.

Once dismissed, where and how do these fallen sons operate?

Jude 1:6: (NRSV) *And the angels who did not keep their own position, but left their proper dwelling, he has kept in eternal chains in deepest darkness for the judgment of the great Day.*

The fact that these demons are *restrained in chains of darkness* and their power and influence are under constant guard indicates that they have absolutely no power for good, for they are locked out of the source of all good.



They may not have light, but they still have dark power and influence!

Ephesians 6:11-12: (NASB) ¹¹*Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil.* ¹²*For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places.*

The purpose of the flood was to remove the corrupted human race off the scene. Can the time of the flood help us to understand the Time of the End?

Why would God destroy when He really wants to create and preserve?



Introduction, End Times Apocalypse, Doomsday End of the World

- In the last few years, the world has gone from one earth-shaking crisis to another. While some say that we are on the threshold of a brave new world order, others warn that humanity now totters on the brink of unprecedented disaster and chaos.*

God knows that for humanity, the length of eternity requires the value of extreme experience to crystallize the human heart and mind in righteous obedience. Destruction is therefore a tool in the hand of God to build perfection. We will suggest four steps to this process that are in place by God to show us the parallel from the time of the flood and destruction of the world then to the time we are approaching - the time of Armageddon and the destruction of the world now. In both cases, by "destruction," we do not mean the physical destruction of the entire earth but rather the destruction of the social order.

Step 1.

**Secure righteous shoulders
upon which to lay the public weight of separating good and evil.**

God in His wisdom at the time of Noah looked for a man who would be able to be faithful to Him in the context of all of that mess:

Genesis 6:9-10: (NASB) ⁹*...Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his time; Noah walked with God.* ¹⁰*Noah became the father of three sons: Shem, Ham, and Japheth.*

Noah actually *lived* his righteousness, which was born out over years and years of selfless service to God's plan.

2 Peter 2:4-5: (NASB) ⁴*For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but cast them into hell and committed them to pits of darkness, reserved for judgment;* ⁵*and did not spare the ancient world, but preserved Noah, a preacher of righteousness, with seven others, when He brought a flood upon the world of the ungodly;*

The righteousness of Noah surpassed that of some "sons of God," therefore he and his family were spared.

This really describes the character of Noah:

Proverbs 4:18: (KJV) *But the path of the righteous is like the light of dawn, that shines brighter and brighter until the full day.*

Ezekiel 14:14: (KJV) *...even though these three men, Noah, Daniel and Job were in its midst, by their own righteousness they could only deliver themselves, declares the Lord GOD.*



Noah, Daniel and Job are described as godly men in their times, but their godliness could only deliver themselves, unlike Jesus.



Noah, the deliverer of his day



Jesus, the deliverer of all mankind

Jesus was and is the standard of righteousness, though his role is actually defined in two parts:

First part: Buy back the sinful world through his life, death and resurrection:

Luke 2:49-52: (NASB) ⁴⁹And he said to them, Why is it that you were looking for me? Did you not know that I had to be in my Father's house? ⁵⁰But they did not understand the statement which he had made to them. ⁵¹And he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and he continued in subjection to them; and his mother treasured all these things in her heart. ⁵²And Jesus kept increasing in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.

Jesus grew into the perfect man required to shoulder sin...

Isaiah 53:10-12: (NASB) ¹⁰But the LORD was pleased to crush him, putting him to grief; If he would render himself as a guilt offering, he will see his offspring, he will prolong his days, and the good pleasure of the LORD will prosper in His hand. ¹¹As a result of the anguish of his soul, he will see it and be satisfied; By His knowledge the Righteous One, my Servant, will justify the many, as he will bear their iniquities. ¹²Therefore, I will allot him a portion with the great...

Second part: Return to claim that which he bought - finish what was started:

1 Timothy 2:6: (NASB) who gave himself as a ransom for all, the testimony given at the proper time.

2 Timothy 4:6-8: (NASB) ⁶For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith; ⁸in the future there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day; and not only to me, but also to all who have loved His appearing.



Noah's **righteousness** saved humanity through the flood



Jesus' **righteousness** will save humanity through Armageddon.

1. First, he had to buy back the race;
2. Second, he returns for the purpose of cleansing and purifying the race – bringing them back to God.

What exactly did God set out to destroy?

Step 2.

Clearly identify the target of the necessary destruction and removal.

What was the target in the Old Testament? The world as it was, for dark spiritual forces came to rest in that world and needed to be removed.

Genesis 6:11-13: (NASB) ¹¹Now the earth was corrupt in the sight of God, and the earth was filled with violence. ¹²God looked on the earth, and behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted their way upon the earth. ¹³Then God said to Noah, The end of all flesh has come before Me; for the earth is filled with violence because of them; and behold, I am about to destroy them with the earth.

God is defining the object of destruction - the world - the social order of that age led by the hybrid race that had no right to life.

This next verse verifies the removal of the fallen “sons” from God’s light to a prison of darkness:

1 Peter 3:18-20: (NASB) ¹⁸For Christ also died for sins once for all, the just for the unjust, so that he might bring us to God, having been put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit; ¹⁹in which also he went and made proclamation to the spirits now in prison, ²⁰who once were disobedient, when the patience of God kept waiting in the days of Noah, during the construction of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through the water.

The ark can easily in this picture show our life reliance on the justification through Jesus. Baptism is the releasing of our life rights on and of the earth to be justified and carried in him. This “good news” picture for the true followers of Christ takes place alongside the target of destruction. There is preservation in the context of great destruction.



God allows free will for both His human and spirit creation for the purpose of eternal lessons.

What was the target in the New Testament? It was (and is) the world as it is, this time *including* the world of spiritual dominion and darkness, for this is an even more thorough cleansing!

Luke 21:33: (NKJV) *Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away.*

Not a literal destruction. *Heaven* meaning spiritual order as it relates to earth will be destroyed.

Here is what this period of spiritual darkness produces, even after the iron rule of Christendom (the "Dark Ages") is diminished:

Matthew 24:29: (NASB) *...the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light,*

The light of truth now begins to be obscured by the new "science" of evolution, which inherently removes the ransom price of Jesus. Also, the light of the Mosaic Law now begins to be obscured by the idolatry of our modern day that essentially says, "I am my own god."

and the stars will fall from the sky, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken.

The stars are the spiritual leaders falling to their own hypocrisy and the ecclesiastical powers being shaken:

Hebrews 12:26: (NASB) *And His voice shook the earth then, (during the flood) but now He has promised, saying, Yet once more I will shake not only the earth, but also the heaven.*

What humanity previously relied upon for its spiritual sustenance will fall apart. Those once in control were sinful and hypocritical. Only God's true kingdom will reign. The flood was a small step, a small shaking to bring people back to God. Now we are facing Armageddon.

Luke's account fits in here to help verify that the target is during the great time of trouble:

Luke 21:25-26: (NRSV) ²⁵*There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves.* ²⁶*People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken.*

Powers of the heavens - spiritual guidance and direction that has gone awry. The target of destruction for the flood was the earth and the social order. The target of the coming destruction is more than just the earth's social order, it is the earth's spiritual order as well.



When? End Times Apocalypse, Doomsday End of the World

- *The final apocalypse, Armageddon. But if you really want to know the future, exactly what's going to happen, why, even when, then you must turn to the thousands of prophecies recorded in this book, the Bible. History has proven the extraordinary, unerring accuracy of Bible prophecy, and therefore there can be no doubt that its hundreds of prophecies about the last days of our planet earth will also be fulfilled just as surely as the ones that have already been fulfilled in the past. The only question is...when?*



Of course it is much easier to look into the past and see what prophecies came true. That helps us with the prophetic future, but we still are not going to give you a date for Armageddon.

So far we have seen the parallels between the destruction of the "world that was," from Adam to the flood and the "present evil world that is" characterized by steps:

Step 1.
Secure righteous shoulders
upon which to lay the public weight of separating good and evil.

Step 2.
Clearly identify the target of the necessary destruction and removal.

With these steps in place, the planned destruction can be carried out:

Step 3.
(This step accomplishes two things simultaneously.) Destroy! Yet, execute this destruction with immediate deliverance for the faithful, for the purpose of the future redemption of the sinful!

First a look at that which is destroyed: Old Testament

Genesis 7:17-20,22-23: (NASB) (Selected Verses) ...¹⁷*Then the flood came upon the earth for forty days, and the water increased and lifted up the ark, so that it rose above the earth.* ¹⁸*The water prevailed and increased greatly upon the earth, and the ark floated on the surface of the water.* ¹⁹*The water prevailed more and more upon the earth, so that all the high mountains everywhere under the heavens were covered.* ²⁰*The water prevailed fifteen cubits higher, and the mountains were covered...* ²²*of all that was on the dry land, all in whose nostrils was the breath of the spirit of life, died.* ²³*Thus He blotted out every living thing that was upon the face of the land.*

Sin always has unintended consequences. The sin of that world required that the slate had to be wiped clean. God's plan has the *intended* consequence of redemption. In spite of unintended consequences and collateral damage, God has this covered!

The parallel comparison made by Jesus:

Matthew 24:37-39: (NASB) ³⁷*For the coming of the Son of Man will be just like the days of Noah.* ³⁸*For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark,* ³⁹*and they did not understand until the flood came and took them all away; so will the coming of the Son of Man be.*

A look at that which is destroyed: New Testament

--Jesus returns to bring an end to this corrupt world. (Should we be trying to save this corrupt world or should we let Jesus do his work?)

2 Peter 3:9-10: (NRSV) ⁹*The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance.* ¹⁰*But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed.*



We believe the fire is symbolic and not physical. There is a destruction of the spiritual order this time.

--Jesus returns to cast out Satan.

John 12:31: (NASB) *Now judgment is upon this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out.*

Are we seeing the very circumstances of this next text?

2 Peter 3:3-7: (NASB) ³*Know this first of all, that in the last days mockers will come with their mocking, following after their own lusts,* ⁴*and saying, Where is the promise of His coming? For ever since the fathers fell asleep, all continues just as it was from the beginning of creation.* ⁵*For when they maintain this, it escapes their notice that by the word of God the heavens existed long ago and the earth was formed out of water and by water,* ⁶*through which the world at that time was destroyed, being flooded with water.* ⁷*But by His word the present heavens and earth are being reserved for fire, kept for the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men.*

**We have seen the promised destruction,
but what about the promised deliverance?**

A look at that which is immediately delivered: Old Testament

Genesis 7:23: (NASB) *Thus He blotted out every living thing that was upon the face of the land, from man to animals to creeping things and to birds of the sky, and they were blotted out from the earth; and only Noah was left, together with those that were with him in the ark.*

In one way Noah may represent Christ, as he is the builder and commander of the ark of safety and the seven others may show the true followers of Christ - all of it through the seven stages of the church shown in Revelation. If you look at how the stages operate, they continually get closer to the return of Jesus. In the last stage, he is already here.

Genesis 8:18-21: (NASB) ¹⁸*So Noah went out, and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives with him.* ¹⁹*Every beast, every creeping thing, and every bird, everything that moves on the earth, went out by their families from the ark.*

Free at last! What is the first thing you would do after being delivered from incredible destruction?

²⁰*Then Noah built an altar to the LORD, and took of every clean animal and of every clean bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar.* ²¹*The LORD smelled the soothing aroma; and the LORD said to Himself, I will never again curse the ground on account of man, for the intent of man's heart is evil from his youth; and I will never again destroy every living thing, as I have done.*

A lot of Christians believe there will be a literal fire that will burn up the earth. This describes one of the reasons we believe that is symbolic: God promises here that *He will never again destroy every living thing*. This kind of destruction is not going to happen again.

Noah and his family were now established again with dominion in all the earth. They "inherited" the earth.

Massive destruction produces small deliverance.

A look at that which is immediately delivered: New Testament



Matthew 5:5: (KJV) *Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.*

--Jesus returns to gather his followers.

John 14:1-3: (NASB) *¹Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in me. ²In my Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. ³If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to myself, that where I am, there you may be also.*

Massive destruction produces initially a small deliverance; then a deliverance for the whole world.



"Battle Hymn of the Republic," (Verse 1) SheDaisy

Mine eyes have seen the glory
Of the coming of the Lord
He is trampling out the vintage
Where the grapes of wrath are stored
He hath loosed the fateful lightning
Of His terrible swift sword
His truth is marching on
Glory, Glory, Hallelujah!
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Glory, Glory, Hallelujah!
His truth is marching on

The great destruction to end this age is the very context of the deliverance of the true church!

Matthew 24:21-22: (NASB) *²¹For then there will be a great tribulation, such as has not occurred since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever will. ²²Unless those days had been cut short, no life would have been saved; but for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short.*

Daniel 12:1-4: (NIV) *¹At that time Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise. There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then. But at that time your people--everyone whose name is found written in the book--will be delivered. ²Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt. ³Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever. ⁴But you, Daniel, close up and seal the words of the scroll until the time of the end. Many will go here and there to increase knowledge.*

Two classes are awakened: 1. True followers of Jesus awaken to everlasting life; 2. "Everybody else" awakens to judgment. Here is the hint of when this would be understood: *Many will go here and there to increase knowledge.* When you look at the entire history of the world, around the middle of the 1800's begins a bell curve where knowledge spikes way up. Now the amount of knowledge in the world doubles every seven years.



**So, what is the end result,
the purpose of this massive age-ending destruction?**

Step 4.

**Recover that which was lost.
In so doing, the true reason for and wisdom behind
the destruction is made manifest!**

The wisdom is exemplified in the fact of recovery of all mankind back to God - not just the deliverance of Noah's family or of the true church.

Genesis 9:12-15: (NASB) ¹²*God said, This is the sign of the covenant which I am making between Me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all successive generations; ¹³I set My bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a sign of a covenant between Me and the earth.*

The rainbow is a sign to all living things, all generations of mankind and the earth.

...¹⁴*It shall come about, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the bow will be seen in the cloud, ¹⁵and I will remember My covenant, which is between Me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and never again shall the water become a flood to destroy all flesh.*

This tells us that God is a God of promise and integrity. God is a God of the future. Through the sacrifices and justice He planned recovery for the human race.

So, if the rainbow was a symbol of God's everlasting promise, then how much more powerful is the redemptive power of Jesus' blood?

His blood redeemed the earth:

Luke 22:44: (NASB) *And being in agony he was praying very fervently; and his sweat became like drops of blood, falling down upon the ground.*

Jesus was redeeming the earth itself, along with all mankind.

And all things:

1 John 2:2: (NASB) *and he himself is the propitiation (satisfaction) for our sins; and **not** for ours only, but also for those of the whole world.*

There is a recovery in place, which helps us understand why the destruction is necessary.

Remember what we said earlier: God knows that for humanity, the length of eternity requires the value of extreme experience to crystallize the human heart and mind in righteous obedience. Destruction is therefore a tool in the hand of God to build perfection.

Man will have had enough time to try things his own way and realize it just does not work. There is great glory after all of this destruction, because God's plan is bigger than the destruction.



"Battle Hymn of the Republic," (Verse 2) SheDaisy

In the beauty of the lilies
Christ was born across the sea
With a glory in his bosom
That transfigures you and me
As he died to make men holy
Let us live to make men free
While God is marching on
Glory, Glory, Hallelujah!
Glory, Glory, Hallelujah!
Glory, Glory, Hallelujah!
His truth is marching on

We can rejoice even though there are dark times ahead. We can see the bigness of the power of God. He will recover what was lost!

Water and fire were tools - symbols of destruction - for the ending of the two great ages of human history. The "world that was" before the flood had to end so the next stage of God's plan could begin. For this "present evil world," Jesus' blood is the tool - the symbol of redemption - the power to recover that which was lost to the power of sin! Both of those ages had to come to an end so the next stage of God's plan could begin.

The ransom price of Jesus was paid over 2,000 years ago, but God is very patient. He allows things to happen so that when the time is right for the extreme learning experience of sin and wickedness to have taken full root, then God will usher in the new world.

2 Peter 3:6-7: (NKJV) *⁶by which the world that then existed perished, being flooded with water. ⁷But the heavens and the earth which are now preserved by the same word, are reserved for fire until the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.*

This is a symbolic fire because the symbolic heavens are destroyed as well.

So what about this Day of Judgment - haven't we had enough with all the trouble?

⁸But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. ⁹The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

Never forget that GOD WILL DELIVER IN HIS OWN TIME!!!

Psalms 46:6-11: (NASB) *⁶The nations made an uproar, the kingdoms tottered; He raised His voice, the earth melted. ⁷The LORD of hosts is with us; The God of Jacob is our stronghold. Selah. ⁸Come, behold the works of the LORD, who has wrought desolations in the earth. (It is all about destruction! Then it is all about destroying the destruction and recovery!) ⁹He makes wars to cease to the end of the earth; He breaks the bow and cuts the spear in two; He burns the chariots with fire. ¹⁰Cease striving and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth. ¹¹The LORD of hosts is with us; The God of Jacob is our stronghold. Selah.*

You can't have God exalted in the earth if it was literally burnt up!



The story of Noah and the flood is a very significant template for us to understand the destruction and deliverance at the end of this age that is almost upon us. We believe the Bible teaches deliverance and how it leads to the recovery of all mankind. The blood of Jesus is the tool of the ransom for the sin of Adam so mankind can have the opportunity for life. It is all for the purpose of bringing life eternal.

*So, what can we learn from Noah?
For Jonathan and Rick and Christian Questions,
Think about it...!*

*And now even more to think about...
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A quick review of the lessons from Noah Part I:

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Our First Noah Lesson:

When there is extreme sin and degrading of
the will of God, there rises an extreme
need for cleansing and deliverance.

God looks for those who will obey
to the extreme!

Noah walked with God!



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Our Second Noah Lesson:

To walk with God is to do all that He
commands, for He is a God of life!



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Our Third Noah Lesson:

Do the work, endure the persecution and
let God Almighty seal your salvation!



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Our Fourth Noah Lesson:

Dwell in the hands of God's protection through the
times of turbulence, uncertainty and death.



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Our Fifth Noah Lesson:

Tread upon the road of obedience
with a heart of sacrifice!



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Our Sixth Noah Lesson:
Walk with God, hear His bidding,
do His bidding with all that you possess,
preach and live righteousness,
bear up under trial and
receive His covenant!



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Next, a scriptural tour of the recovery process we talked about through the eyes of prophecy:

God let us know what was to come:

Acts 3:18-21: (NKJV) ¹⁸But those things which God foretold by the mouth of all His prophets, that the Christ would suffer, He has thus fulfilled. ¹⁹Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, ²⁰and that He may send Jesus Christ, who was preached to you before, ²¹whom heaven must receive until the times of restoration of all things, which God has spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began.

Old Testament Prophecies:

The big picture:

Daniel 2:44: (NRSV) *And in the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that shall never be destroyed, nor shall this kingdom be left to another people. It shall crush all these kingdoms and bring them to an end, and it shall stand forever;*

The release from death:

Psalms 102:18-22: (NKJV) ¹⁸This will be written for the generation to come, that a people yet to be created may praise the LORD. ¹⁹For He looked down from the height of His sanctuary; From heaven the LORD viewed the earth, ²⁰to hear the groaning of the prisoner, to release those appointed to death, ²¹to declare the name of the LORD in Zion, and His praise in Jerusalem, ²²when the peoples are gathered together, and the kingdoms, to serve the LORD.

The salvation of the nations:

Psalms 67:1-4: (NKJV) ¹God be merciful to us and bless us, and cause His face to shine upon us, Selah ²That Your way may be known on earth, Your salvation among all nations. ³Let the peoples praise You, O God; Let all the peoples praise You. ⁴Oh, let the nations be glad and sing for joy! For You shall judge the people righteously, and govern the nations on earth.

Psalms 22:27-29: (NKJV) ²⁷All the ends of the world shall remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations shall worship before You. ²⁸For the kingdom is the LORD's, and He rules over the nations. ²⁹All the prosperous of the earth shall eat and worship; All those who go down to the dust shall bow before Him, even he who cannot keep himself alive.



The process of restitution for the people:

Isaiah 35:8-10: (ASV) ⁸*And a highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for the redeemed: the wayfaring men, yea fools, shall not err therein. ⁹No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast go up thereon; they shall not be found there; but the redeemed shall walk there: ¹⁰and the ransomed of Jehovah shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their heads: they shall obtain gladness and joy, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.*

The results of the process:

Habakkuk 2:14: (KJV) *For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.*

Isaiah 65:21-25: (NKJV) ²¹*They shall build houses and inhabit them; They shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. ²²They shall not build and another inhabit; They shall not plant and another eat; For as the days of a tree, so shall be the days of My people, and My elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands. ²³They shall not labor in vain, nor bring forth children for trouble; For they shall be the descendants of the blessed of the LORD, and their offspring with them. ²⁴It shall come to pass that before they call, I will answer; And while they are still speaking, I will hear. ²⁵The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain, says the LORD.*