

The Kings of the Earth and Jesus Delivering All Jewish Refugees and Captives

I. THE HOSTILITY OF THE KINGS OF THE EARTH TOWARDS THE LORD

- A. David prophesied that the kings of the earth would rise up against the God of Israel (Ps. 2:2).
²*The kings of the earth set themselves...together, against the Lord and against His Anointed...* (Ps. 2:2)
- B. The phrase “the kings of the earth” is mentioned 7x in the book of Revelation in context to them expressing rebellion or hostility towards the Lord (Rev. 6:15; 16:14; 17:2; 17:18; 18:3, 9; 19:19).
- C. The kings of the earth will participate in and promote spiritual and physical immorality.
¹*Come, I will show you...the great harlot...²with whom the kings of the earth committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth were made drunk with...fornication...⁶I saw the woman, drunk with the blood of the saints...[and] the martyrs of Jesus. (Rev. 17:1-2, 6)*
¹⁸*The woman [harlot Babylon]...reigns over the kings of the earth. (Rev. 17:18)*
³*...the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her [harlot Babylon]...⁹The kings of the earth who committed fornication...with her will weep and lament for her... (Rev. 18:3, 9)*
- D. Jesus will judge and defeat the kings of the earth will make war against Him
¹⁴*For they are spirits of demons, performing signs, which go out to the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day... (Rev. 16:14)*
¹⁹*I saw the beast, the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against Him...²⁰The beast [Antichrist] was captured...²¹And the rest were killed... (Rev. 19:19-21)*

II. JESUS WILL DELIVER ALL JEWISH REFUGEES AND CAPTIVES WHEN HE RETURNS

- A. The prophets made reference to Jewish people being scattered as refugees, persecuted, and/or taken captive as prisoners (Ps. 102:20; Isa. 11:11-12, 16; 14:2-3; 27:12-13; 42:7, 22-25; 49:9, 21-26; 60:14; 61:1; Jer. 30:3, 8-10, 17-18; 31:16-17, 23; Ezek. 34:27-29; 39:23-29; Hos. 11:10-11; Joel 3:1-3; Amos 9:14; Mic. 4:6-7; 7:12; Zeph. 3:19-20; Zech. 9:11-12; 10:10-11; 13:8; 14:2; Lk. 21:24).
- B. Moses’ prophecy that “*some*” in Israel would be scattered and/or in captivity (Deut. 28:64) was partially fulfilled after the invasions by Assyria (721 BC), Babylon (586 BC), and Rome (AD 70)—its ultimate fulfillment will be in the end times. *Many Jews will remain in the land during this time.*
- C. God called the body of Christ to stand with Israel in persecution as part of His plan *to provoke Israel to jealousy by the love of God* shown to them through Gentile believers (Rom. 10:19; 11:11). Israel will desire to have *what Gentile believers possess spiritually*. This will happen as Gentile believers show love for Israel including risking their lives to *provide refuge* for Jewish people in flight, *perform miracles* reminding them of their prophets, and to be *fearless* in the face of death. The Lord requires the Church to stand with Israel like the Corrie ten Boom’s family did in WWII.
¹¹*...to provoke them [Israel] to jealousy, salvation has come to the Gentiles. (Rom. 11:11)*

- D. Some Jews and Gentiles will be killed and some imprisoned under the Antichrist's reign. The Antichrist's plan is to torment the *human race* in a way that will be more intense than the Nazi holocaust—**11 million perished**—6 million Jews plus 5 million Gentiles (3 million Poles).
²¹There will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world...no, nor ever shall be. ²²Unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved... (Mt. 24:21-22)
- E. Zechariah prophesied terrible events occurring in Jerusalem in the generation the Lord returns.
²I will gather all the nations to battle against Jerusalem; the city shall be taken...half of the city shall go into captivity, but the remnant...shall not be cut off from the city. (Zech. 14:2)
- F. Luke 21:20 was partially fulfilled in AD 70 when 1 million died—but the holocaust was far worse.
**²⁰But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation is near...
²²For these are the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled...
²⁴And they will fall by the edge of the sword, and be led away captive into all nations. And Jerusalem will be trampled by Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled. ²⁵And there will be signs in the sun, in the moon, and in the stars; and on the earth distress of nations...
²⁶men's hearts failing them from fear...[seeing] things which are coming on the earth...
²⁷Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. (Lk. 21:20-27)**

III. SOME BIBLICAL PROPHECIES OF JEWISH PEOPLE AS REFUGEES OR IN CAPTIVITY

- 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 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 Jerusalem. (Ps. 102:18-21)**
- ⁶I will...give You [Jesus] as a covenant to [Israel]...⁷to bring out prisoners from the prison, those who sit in darkness from the prison house...²²[Israel] is a people robbed and plundered; all of them are snared in holes, and are hidden in prison houses...²³Who will listen and hear for the time to come? (Isa. 42:6-7, 22-23)**
- ³I will bring back from captivity My people Israel...⁷Alas! For that day is great, so that none is like it; it is the time of Jacob's trouble. ⁸It shall come to pass in that day...I will burst your bonds; foreigners shall no more enslave them. ⁹They shall serve the Lord...¹⁰I will save you...from captivity. (Jer. 30:3-10)**
- ⁷I will cause the captives of Judah and the captives of Israel to return, and will rebuild those places...
¹⁶In those days Judah will be saved, and Jerusalem will dwell safely... (Jer. 33:7, 16)**
- ²³The Gentiles shall know that the house of Israel went into captivity for their iniquity...²⁵I will bring back the captives of Jacob, and have mercy on the whole house of Israel...²⁶after they have borne their shame...they were unfaithful to Me, when they dwelt safely in their own land [38:8]...²⁸Then they shall know that I am the Lord...who sent them into captivity among the nations, but brought them back ... and left none of them captive...²⁹for I shall have poured out My Spirit on Israel... (Ezek. 39:23-29)**
- ¹...in those days and at that time, when I bring back the captives of Judah and Jerusalem,
²I will also gather all nations, and bring them down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat [Jerusalem]...
¹⁴Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the LORD is near... (Joel 3:1-3, 14)**