

21 Prayers for Israel: Isaiah 62 Global Fast (May 7-28, 2023)

Event: *Encounter God Service (EGS)* –Friday at 7:30pm (April 28, 2023)

I. INTRODUCTION

I will speak on 21 prayers in a brief and precise way. We will not cover them in detail. I will give you a snapshot of each one of them briefly. There are well over 100 passages that could be on this list. And so these are not the most important 21 passages. It was difficult to pick only 21 out of 100+ passages to pick from. I encourage you to ask the Lord to mark your heart with about 5-6 of these passages. Do not try to learn them all and do not try to master them all, just pray “Lord, give me 5 or 6 that I will get to know and that I will pray often.

- A. Join several million who will pray for Israel for at least **1 hour a day for 21 days** (May 7-28) see Isaiah62Fast.com for details. **NOTE:** *I will record a 2 minute prayer for each of these 21 prayers on **Mike Bickle App**—see the section on my app called “**Growing in Prayer**” (to hear my EPs).*

*NOTE: Tomorrow (4/30/23) I take these 21 prayers into our studio to pray each one for 2 minutes. I put this recording on my **MikeBickle.app** where I have a section called “**Growing in Prayer**” (each month I select various biblical prayers to comment on for a few minutes and then I pray for them for a few minutes—it is not a visual recording but an audio recording for people to hear while working out, walking or driving—**I want to help give them language** for various biblical prayers. As we develop language on what to say when we pray then our hearts moves more. Biblical language is the language of God’s heart. I have taken these passages over the years and say them to God and little by little I learn how to say them more clearly. In this way, my heart has connected more to them. So, tomorrow I will pray for 2 minutes for each of these 21 prayers with the hope that a few of these prayers will touch your heart more. **These recorded prayers will be on my app** tomorrow (4/30/23). I want to help people get language because in my early days of growing in prayer a stumbling block in my prayer life was that I did not have language to express my prayers—I did not know what to say. I tried to pray for an hour but at the 2-minute mark I was out of language. Developing language in prayer is essential.*

- B. We pray that the Lord will raise up 100 million intercessors for Israel. God promised to appoint those who will not be silent until Jesus returns; this speaks directly of those who would be born in the generation that He returns! These intercessors will “remind the Lord” of His promises for Jerusalem as prophetically declared in many places throughout the Old Testament.

“On your walls, O Jerusalem, I have appointed watchmen; all day and all night they will never keep silent. You who remind the LORD [of His promises], take no rest for yourselves; ⁷And give Him no rest until He makes Jerusalem a praise in the earth [at Jesus’ return]. (Isa. 62:6-7, NAS)

We are praying for a 100 million Gentile intercessors to pray for Israel the nation and Jerusalem the city. In Isaiah 62:6 God promised to appoint or sovereignly put watchmen in place. I will only highlight a few phrases in each one of these 21 prayers in this session.

Notice in Isaiah 62:6, Isaiah said “They will never be silent in praying by reminding God of His promises. Many of these 21 passages are promises that God gave Israel to remind Him or to pray back to Him. The Lord is saying “Tell Me what I promised Israel—pray or say it back to Me.” Isaiah spoke of “reminding God of His promises.” That is the approach that we are taking here with these 21 passages. Some of these 21 passages are promises to pray back to God.

The Lord promised to sovereignly set watchmen in place that will never be silent until Jerusalem is a praise in the earth. **Jerusalem only becomes a praise in the earth when Jesus returns.** Right now Jerusalem is a controversy in the earth. When the Lord promised to set watchmen in place that will never be quiet—in essence He is saying that they will engage in prayer “until Jesus returns” and so this passage is talking about the intercessors who are alive in the generation that the Lord returns and makes Jerusalem a praise in the earth.

- C. Only one city is called “the city of the great King” (Jesus)—He loves Jerusalem with great zeal.

³⁵[Jesus said] “...**Jerusalem...is the city of the great King.** (Mt. 5:35)

²**Thus says the LORD...“I am zealous for Zion [Jerusalem] with great zeal...** (Zech. 8:2)

²**The LORD loves the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.** (Ps. 87:2)

One of the reasons that we pray for Jerusalem is because God loves Jerusalem in a special way. Zechariah 8:2 says, “I am zealous with great zeal for Jerusalem!” It is common to hear people say, “My church does not do Israel, or why are we to care so much about Jerusalem?” In just one sentence, it is because “God is very zealous for Zion” (Zech. 8:2). Zion and Jerusalem are often used interchangeably in Scripture. There are nuances with some small differences but basically Zion refers to the city of Jerusalem.

Psalms 87:2, “The Lord loves the gates of Zion or Jerusalem more than any other region in Israel or the earth. He loves Jerusalem more than any other city. That is an intense statement. Jesus referred to Jerusalem as the city of the great King” (Mt. 5:35) He is talking about Himself as the great King. He was saying, “It is My city!” There is only one city that is Jesus’ personal city forever. Earthly Jerusalem is named as the counterpart of the New Jerusalem in heaven. The New Jerusalem will come down to the earthly Jerusalem (Rev. 3:12; 21:2, 10)—that is a subject that we will cover at another time.

1. The Lord blesses those who pray for Jerusalem.

⁶**Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: “May they prosper who love you...** (Ps. 122:6)

¹⁰**Rejoice with Jerusalem...all you who love her...[and] all you who mourn for her...**

¹¹**that you may drink deeply and be delighted with the abundance of her glory.**
(Isa. 66:10-11)

In Psalm 122:6 the Lord promised to prosper anyone who prays for Jerusalem—His city. We pray for Jerusalem because God loves that city in a unique way but the Lord wants us to know He will bless any who choose to agree with Him related to His plans and purposes for Jerusalem. Isaiah 66:10-11 mentions two different groups. Those who love Jerusalem and those who mourn for Jerusalem. He said, “Rejoice with Jerusalem **if you love her** and rejoice with Jerusalem **if you mourn for her.**” That could be the same person—in one way we love Jerusalem and in another way we mourn for her feeling pain over the suffering of Jerusalem.

The Lord continues in verse 11 “If you will rejoice in My narrative over Jerusalem and engage with it” then He promised that you will drink deeply from the overflow of God touching Jerusalem. You will be delighted by the abundance of the glory of God that touches that city.” That is an interesting and important promise. I believe that as the body of Christ even in May 2023, as 5 million pray for Jerusalem at least an hour a day that the global body of Christ will be enriched by this. I have asked historians of the Prayer Movement and Messiah leaders in Israel “Have they ever seen a time where 10,000 Gentiles prayed for Israel for 10 straight days?” and the ones I talked with said “No, we have never heard of it.” We are not talking about 10,000 Gentiles praying for Jerusalem for 10 days we are talking about 5 million praying for Israel for 21 days.

My point is that what will happen in May 2023 is historic. There is a deep connection with the body of Christ on the earth praying for Jerusalem and the spirit of revival increasing globally on the body of. They do not even have to understand it all but as we align with the biblical narrative for Jerusalem and give ourselves to it—it will grow in our understanding and in our heart. There is a deep connection between the blessing of God on the global Church (the end time revival) and contending for God’s blessing on Israel and Jerusalem. The Lord says “You will be delighted by the overflow of the glory that I release on Jerusalem as you will stand for Jerusalem.

2. The Lord blesses people to “the measure” that they pray or give money, mercy, service, etc.

**³⁸ Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down...and running over...
For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you. (Lk. 6:38)**

Jesus said it clearly in Luke 6:38, “Give and it will be given to you, for with the same measure that you use it will be measured back to you.” We usually apply that promise to finances and it certainly involves finances but in context it about the measure that we give mercy to others and it including the measure that we pray for them.

*Those who pray for Jerusalem will never outgive God or outrun God’s blessing. Thus, any who pray for Jerusalem (because He loves Jerusalem) will experience a greater measure of God’s blessing. Thus praying for Jerusalem will affect the body of Christ on the whole earth! The Lord says “**I will release an increased measure the blessing back to you!**” That blessing will touch your family, children, ministry, economics, business and more. We can never outdo or outrun God in giving to Him and His purposes. He says “I will measure this thing back to you—watch see what happens!” but I mean, I am thinking globally of the body of Christ. And that this thing is deeply connected not just to the five million in May 2023 but let’s just say a couple of years from now 50 million and later 100 million Gentiles who are praying for Jerusalem! That is deeply connected to the Great Commission and the end time Church and the great end time revival.*

- D. Pray apostolic prayers for messianic congregations. See my series on “**Apostolic Prayers that Shift History.**” <https://mikebickle.org/series/apostolic-prayers-prayers-that-shift-history-2020/>
- E. Prophecies concerning Israel and the nations often have two fulfillments—a partial fulfillment in history and in fullness when Jesus returns. The glory released on Israel and the nations in *fullness* at His coming is released now *in part* and in an *increasing* way as we get closer to His return.

Many prophecies in the Old Testament about Jerusalem or even about the Gentile nations often have two fulfillments. There is a partial fulfillment in history and then a complete fulfillment that occurs related to Jesus’ second coming. Some read these OT promises for Israel and get confused saying “Did that already happen?” “Yes, in part but the fullness of it will occur when Jesus returns.” We do not have to choose between the partial and complete fulfillment. We do not dismiss their future fullness because of a partial fulfillment in the past.

*I want to highlight another important principle—**whatever God does in fullness related to Jesus’ second coming He will do in part right now** and in an increasing way as we draw nearer to His return. Meaning if Jesus will pour His glory out upon Jerusalem in fullness when He comes to establish the Millennial kingdom—those very things He will do **in part right now** and in an increasing measure as we get closer to the coming of the Lord. Many of the promises on this prayer list will only happen in fullness when Jesus comes!” But since the Lord never changes (Mal. 3:6)—what He will in fullness when He returns is in My heart now! You are asking for greater “down payments” of that glory now and knowing it will increase the closer that we get to His return.*

- F. Speaking to God “about Israel” is an important aspect of “comforting Jerusalem” (Isa. 40:1-2). It leads to speaking to the nations “about Israel,” and gives us authority to speak to Israel “about Israel.” It is not best for Gentiles to stand in proxy for Israel in repenting. We seek to avoid prayers for Israel that are can be interpreted as coming from condescending Gentile voices.

*Isaiah 40:1-2 exhorts us to speak comfort to Jerusalem. The body of Christ in the earth is to tell Jerusalem the biblical narrative for Jerusalem. One way we comfort Jerusalem (not the only way) is to speak to God about Jerusalem. I have discovered that if we speak to God about Jerusalem before long we will be speaking to the nations or the church about Jerusalem. And then once we start speaking to the nations about Jerusalem **it gives us the authority to speak to Jerusalem about Jerusalem!** Because most of the people in Jerusalem do not know the biblical narrative for Jerusalem. The Lord is putting that biblical narrative into the mouths of millions of Gentiles forerunner messengers now. We first talk to God about Jerusalem, as part of comforting, and that leads to us growing in insight, and courage and zeal to talk to the nations and church about Jerusalem and that will give us the moral and spiritual authority to talk to Jerusalem about Jerusalem. Many who live in Jerusalem are not attentive to what Gentiles think about Jerusalem. What Gentiles think about Jerusalem has not gone well for them over many years so they are a little bit hesitant to listen to what Gentiles think about Jerusalem.*

The point I make here is that by IHOP praying for Jerusalem in every 2-hour prayer meeting for 21 days (that means 84 two-hour prayer meetings a week for 3 weeks so that is 252 prayer meetings in a row). He will bless us more than we imagine!” I like what Stuart Greaves said in a recent message. He said “In this 21-days of prayer in May 2023—God will reveal IHOPKC to IHOPKC! We do not know mostly what we are about, we know a little bit but there is a lot we do not even understand. We will grow in understanding our calling.

*In our 252 prayer meetings over 21 days in May, I emphasize that Gentiles are not to stand in proxy for Jerusalem, or Israel in **confessing their sin**. I say that because there are OT passages where David, Daniel Ezra, Nehemiah, Zerubbabel or various psalmists prayed—confessing the sin of Jerusalem and so some would say “I want to do this because it is biblical” I have heard Gentiles praying publicly, “Oh God, forgive Israel for their rebellion, sin and hard-heartedness!” Yes some of the Jewish prophets prayed that way—but as Gentiles, I do not believe it is right for us to publicly pray that way because **we have not suffered with Israel**. We have not borne their long history of shame and adversity. We have not suffered with them so we have no authority to confess their failure. They may confess their sins but I do not want Gentiles in our midst doing that because that would be so easily interpreted by Jewish people as a condescending voice of Gentiles who do not know their suffering nor have they bore their Israel’s burdens from the past. I have seen sincere Gentile intercessors do that over the years saying, “Well it is in the Bible! I am just praying what the Bible prayed!” I say “But you have not suffered with them.” They say “Oh yes, good point, I will focus on praying God’s promises for them!”*

- G. We pray for all Jewish people—those living in the Promise Land and in the nations (the Diaspora).

When we pray for Jerusalem, we are also praying for the Jewish people. There are almost 7 million Jewish people who live in the land but we are also praying for the 8-10 million Jewish people who live in the nations or in the diaspora (which is a big word for “the nations”). I have talked with a few Messianic Jewish leaders in the nations who said “I know you are praying for Israel do not forget the Jewish people in the nation—the diaspora. It is a hard time out here!” So let’s keep them before us. I have 21 prayers on this handout. I will give a very brief overview of each. My hope is that you will “put your name” 5 or 10 of them determining to get to know those prayers more in May 2023 and even more over the next year or two!” I have used these 21 passages over years but know that there are well over 100 passages that could have been used in this teaching.

II. 21 PRAYERS

- A. Prayer #1 (Num. 6:23-26): God instructed the priests on how He wants them to bless Israel.

²³***“Speak to Aaron...saying, ‘This is the way you shall bless the children of Israel. Say to them:***
²⁴***“The LORD bless you and keep you; ²⁵the LORD make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you; ²⁶the LORD lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace.””*** (Num. 6:23-26)

Prayer #1 Numbers 6 – God told Moses “Tell the priests of Israel how they are to bless Israel.” There are many implications to each phrase. I do not want to develop each phrase tonight. But only to point out passages to use when praying for Israel! This is a great passage to use!” Again, tomorrow I will pray each of these prayers for about 2 minutes on an EP (extended play) to give at least some language to those who might say “I have never prayed that passage so I do not have language to for that passages yet.”

- B. Prayer #2 (Isa. 60:2 with Isa. 62:1-11): that God’s glory shall be manifest openly in Jerusalem and that He would act in unprecedented ways—even by raising up 100 million intercessors for Israel.

²***“...darkness shall cover the earth, and deep darkness the people; but the LORD will arise over you, and His glory will be seen upon you.*** ³***The Gentiles shall come to your light...*** (Isa. 60:2-3)

¹***For Zion’s sake I will not hold My peace, and for Jerusalem’s sake I will not rest, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness...*** ²***The Gentiles shall see your righteousness...*** ⁴***You shall be called Hephzibah, and your land Beulah;*** ***for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married.*** ⁵***...as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.***

⁶***I have set watchmen on your walls, O Jerusalem; they shall never hold their peace...*** ⁷***till He makes Jerusalem a praise in the earth...*** ¹¹***The LORD has proclaimed to the end of the world: “Say to the daughter of Zion, ‘Surely your salvation is coming...’”*** (Isa. 62:1-11)

Prayer #2 – The glory of God will be openly displayed in the most unprecedented way in the city of Jerusalem. This happens when Jesus returns to establish His 1,000-year Millennial kingdom. However, Jesus is releasing an increase of His glory in Jerusalem in part now even before He releases it in fullness when He returns.

The reason we put Isaiah 62 in the title of this 21 day prayer initiative—calling it The Isaiah 62 Global 21-days of Prayer for Israel . Why? Isaiah 62 has 12 verses—each verse describes the glory of God in Jerusalem. There is no chapter in the Bible that equals Isaiah 62 in describing how God has promised to release glory on Jerusalem. It is my guess that about 95% of the global body of Christ are not yet familiar with Isaiah 62. That is why we put it in the title so that by the end of May 2023 there will over 10 million believers who be somewhat aware of Isaiah 62 in a new way. I do not mean that 10 million will pray an hour a day for Israel in May—yes over 5 million will. But I feel sure that another 5 million or so will stop to talk about Israel this May and they will just begin to look at Isaiah 62 and say “What is Isaiah 62?” I believe the Lord is establishing Isaiah 62 into the global conversation of the body of Christ.

Isaiah prophesied that deep darkness will cover the earth leading up to the coming of the Lord and at the same time the glory will be seen on Jerusalem (Isa. 60:2). People ask, “Are things going to get better or worse?” “Both—the darkness will get darker at the same time that the light gets brighter.” The glory of God will be seen on Jerusalem.

Isaiah 62 (only two chapters later) elaborates on what the glory of God on Jerusalem will look like. I will only mention this briefly. It would take many messages to adequately develop the 12 verses in Isaiah 62. There are many implications. For example, in verse 1 “For Zion’s sake” that is the same as “For Jerusalem’s sake” God said, “I will not hold My peace” that means that He will not be silent. Technically, God is not silent now. What He is saying in 62:1 is that “Compared to the intense way that He will intervene and speak at the end of the age through an unprecedented increase of prophetic dreams and visions and more—it will seem as though God had been silent and inactive for a long time when compared to what He will do in that hour.”

He said, “For Jerusalem sake, I will not rest” meaning I will not be inactive. On a global stage, He will intervene in power for Jerusalem in an unprecedented way that will be seen by all the nations.” God is not inactive now in the absolute sense. But compared to what He will do leading up to the glory released on Jerusalem in context to Jesus’ return to establish His throne on the earth—it will seem as though God was silent and inactive throughout much of history when compared to what He will do at the end of the age.” Verse 3, “the Gentiles will come to your light.” There is a deep connection to the favor of God on Jerusalem and the Great Commission being completed and the missions’ movement coming to fullness. They are connected. Again, I am not wanting to teach the implications of each phrase in these 21 passages in this session. He is saying, “When I release My glory in Jerusalem in a great measure, the nations will know Me! The nations will tremble!” because there is a deep connection to what happens in the nations with what happens in Jerusalem. Most Gentile believers are unaware of this connection. But soon millions more will be leaning into that conversation.

In verse 2, Isaiah prophesied, “The Gentiles” (or the nations of the world) will be impacted by what happens in Jerusalem. The nations will see righteousness in the city and people of Jerusalem. In verse 4, Isaiah in essence says “Tell Jerusalem that God calls her “Hephzibah” that is the Hebrew for “I delight in her;” we are so speak this message!” So here we pray for the spirit of revelation of the love of God (Eph. 1:17) to touch Jewish people—that is how we pray verse 4 which highlights that God calls Jerusalem “Hephzibah!” and by the way these truths of God’s affection for Israel are also true of His affection for all Gentile believers too. Whatever God feels towards Jewish people in His love and affection He also feels towards the whole body of Christ. Yes, He has special purposes for the city of Jerusalem, but since God’s heart never changes (Mal. 3:6) and because He loves only in fullness we are sure He loves all of His family in fullness.

The biblical story throughout the Old Testament is “the God story” that is told through the experience of Israel. The Lord wants the entire Gentile body of Christ to find our story in “the God story” displayed in how He leads and responds to Israel.

Israel is made up of weak, broken, rebellious humans who fail and yet God’s glory, compassion, and restoration is released in and through Israel. The Lord is saying “Gentiles, watch how I feel about Israel and see how I feel about you too! You will find your story in “this God story”—in the biblical history and story of Israel.

Verse 11, “The Lord has proclaimed to the ends of the earth (Gentiles) to say to the daughter of Zion” (which means Jerusalem)— “tell Jerusalem your salvation is coming! There is a lot more to say about Isaiah 62. The point in verse 11 is that God called Gentiles (across the earth) to proclaim the salvation message to Jerusalem. So how do we pray this? We ask God to raise up forerunner messengers across the earth—shepherds after His own heart (Jer. 3:15) who will proclaim the biblical salvation narrative to Israel since God commanded the nations to say this message to Jerusalem. We pray, “Raise up messengers! Millions of them all over the earth!”

- C. Prayer #3 (Dan. 9:4-19 with Ps. 102:13-21): that God's face would shine on Jerusalem and that He would hear, see, forgive, and act in unprecedented ways for the city that is called by His name.

⁴I prayed...and said, "Great and awesome God, who keeps His covenant and mercy with those who love Him...¹⁷cause Your face to shine on Your sanctuary...¹⁸Incline Your ear and hear; open Your eyes and see...the city which is called by Your name...because of Your great mercies. ¹⁹O Lord, hear! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, listen and act! Do not delay..." (Dan. 9:4-19)

¹³You will arise and have mercy on Zion; for the time to favor her, Yes, the set time, has come...

¹⁶For the LORD...shall appear in His glory...¹⁸This will be written for the generation to come, that a people yet to be created...¹⁹He...viewed the earth, ²⁰to hear the groaning of the prisoner, to release those appointed to death, ²¹to declare...His praise in Jerusalem... (Ps. 102:13-21)

Prayer #3 – In Daniel 9 and Psalm 102 we pray that God will act and intervene in history in dramatic ways. In a way that the whole earth will see how He intervened in the lives of people and the affairs of the nation of Israel. The first thing that Daniel does is to appeal to God's faithfulness to keep His covenant (9:4). Many prayers in the Old Testament start by appealing to God's faithfulness to keep His covenant. Many of God's people lose confidence in God's leadership. They cry out, "Where are You, Lord? Life is hard and confusing, where are You Lord?" So when we say "God, You are a covenant keeping God! We are saying, "You are reliable! You never lie! You are true!" As we keep saying that to Him, it touches our heart with that truth." It is common for an appeal to His covenant faithfulness to be highlighted in many biblical promises and prayers. In Daniel 9:17, the Daniel confessed Israel's sin but again, I do not think that is what we as Gentiles are to publicly confess Israel's sin. However, verse 17 we pray for His intervention "Shine Your face on the city of Jerusalem!" Verse 18 "Incline Your ear, open Your eyes because of Your mercies!" Verse 19 "Hear, forgive! Listen! Act!" There is more language that we can use to elaborate on each of those verbs in Daniel 9:17-19.

The Psalmist says the same thing in essence in asking for God to intervene but using differently terminology than Daniel 9. The Psalmist says "Arise! and have mercy on Jerusalem! Arise!" The imagery is of God sitting on His throne but at a critical prophetic time of history "He stands up" to act! That is what it means "Arise!" And I do not know that God actually stands up. But the imagery of "Arise" means to intervene in the earthly arena in power with miracles. The Psalmist declared "For it is the time to favor Zion (Jerusalem) yes, the set time has come!" (102:13). **There is a one primary set time in history** when God acts on a global level, He acts with zeal for Jerusalem in a way that billions see Him. That specific "set time" is coming in the days ahead. Psalm 102:13 calls this "the set time"—it occurs in the generation the Lord returns.

Beloved, I believe that in May 2023 for the first time in history—over 5 million Gentiles will be praying for Israel for at least one hour a day for 21 days. We are not we good at praying but that is okay—the Lord does not mind that part. May 2023 will be an escalation of "the set time" because there is only one set time in history that Psalm 102 is talking about. I believe that we are in the early days of that "set time" of salvation history. What will Jesus do?" He promises to appear in His glory in Jerusalem!" (102:16). Wow, that is a big statement! The Lord will appear in glory by releasing miracles and prophetic dreams and visions, and much more.

You know over the last years, thousands of Muslims have testified of having had a dream of "the Man in white." It has become a common thing to hear that "the Man in white" visited them dream resulting in many Muslims being saved. That has happened occasionally in Israel but we are entering "the set time" where Jesus will appear to Jewish people in dreams and visions even as He visited Saul of Tarsus who became the apostle Paul (Acts 9). I believe that as a result of 5 million praying for Israel in May 2023 and beyond that God will appear to Jewish people, and there will be an increase of miracles that reveal His glory.

In 102:18, the Psalmist clarified that he was praying for “a people yet been born or created” in the future. Psalm 102 was written a couple thousand years ago—all through salvation history the prophets have been waiting for the “set time.” Beloved I believe that we are in an escalation of that eschatological “set time.” In verse 21, he makes it clear that he is talking about Jerusalem. Many Old Testament prophecies are Jerusalem centric because it is the city of the great King. It is the only city that is “His city.”

- D. Prayer #4 (Isa. 11:11-16): The Lord promised to restore the remnant of Israel to God and from the land. Isaiah described areas to the north (Assyria), south (Cush), the east (Elam) and west (islands). One common view is that the “first time” that God recovered Israel was out of Egypt. The other common view is that the “first” recovery of the remnant of Israel from Babylon, Assyria, Egypt, etc. was over a 100-year period (538-444 BC), and the “second time” is associated with 1948 and continuing (possibly about 100 years?) until the end of the Tribulation with the Messiah being on earth (11:10) overseeing a final regathering patterned after the exodus under Moses (11:15-16).

¹⁰“In that day there shall be a Root of Jesse [Jesus], who shall stand as a banner to the people ¹¹...in that day that the LORD shall set His hand again the second time to recover the remnant of His people who are left, from Assyria [Jordan, Syria, Iraq] and Egypt, from Pathros [Upper Egypt] and Cush [Ethiopia], from Elam [Iran] and Shinar [Iraq], from Hamath [Syria] and the islands of the sea [Mediterranean]. ¹²He will set up a banner...and will assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth... (Isa. 11:10-12)

*Prayer #4 –In Isaiah 11, the Lord promise to set His hand a “second time” to restore (11:11). Many understand the “first time” that the Lord recovered the remnant started after Israel was in captivity for 70 years in Babylon. Under the leadership of Zerubbabel in 538 BC. **The period of that “recovery” lasted about 100 years.** It started when Zerubbabel led about 50,000 Jewish people back to Jerusalem from Babylon around 538 BC then later more came back with Ezra and later more returned under Nehemiah. About a 100 year restoration process occurred in bringing Jews back to Israel from the Babylonian captivity. My point is that the recovery was not a one day or one year process but it was nearly a 100 year process. Thus, many believed that the “second recovery” will also be over many decades acknowledge the catalytic moment as being in 1948 when Israel became a nation. Jews were returning to the land of Israel before 1948 but the rebirth of the nation in 1948 was a catalytic moment for this second “recovery.” It again may be nearly a 100 year process (I am not predicting the timing of Jesus’ return). My point is that “second time” has already begun. A million Jews returned to Israel from the former Soviet Union in the 1990s. This is a remarkable number yet it is not nearly finished. I see the return of so many Russian speaking Jews as an installment of the “second recovery” of the Lord calling the Jewish people back to Israel. Jesus will return to complete that second recovery.*

- E. Prayer #5 (Isa. 24:14-16 with Isa. 42:10-13): The Lord will inspire new songs that glorify Jesus from all nations (42:10-13) that will be connected to Jesus’ return (42:13)

¹⁴...they shall sing; for the majesty of the LORD...¹⁵glorify the LORD in the dawning light...

¹⁶From the ends of the earth we have heard songs: “Glory to the righteous!” (Isa. 24:14-16)

¹⁰Sing to the LORD a new song, and His praise from the ends of the earth...¹¹Let the wilderness and its cities lift their voice, the villages that Kedar [Saudi Arabia] inhabits. Let the inhabitants of Sela [Jordan] sing...¹³The LORD shall go forth [Jesus’ return] like a mighty man; He shall stir up His zeal like a man of war...He shall prevail against His enemies...” (Isa. 42:10-13)

Prayer #5 – This is a really good passage about the Lord releasing prophetic songs in the generation the Lord returns, but I will not spend much time on it. It speaks of the Lord calling Israel and Gentiles in the nations who love Jesus to sing songs about the majesty of God. They will sing songs for Jerusalem and from Jerusalem in the timeframe leading up to Jesus' return. We pray, "Lord, release prophetic new songs and music from heaven which highlight the majesty of Jesus and the biblical narrative of Israel.

On this very day, at the 10am prayer meeting today, we recorded a new song called "**Songs for Jerusalem.**" There were people all over the room people weeping because it was so moving. I thought "Lord, release thousands of songs like this!" From Isaiah 24 we pray, "Lord raise up thousands of new songs about Israel from many nations—from Brazil, Korea, Uganda, Taiwan, Russia, Mexico, Australia and many other places.

F. Prayer #6 (Isa. 30:18-30): that He will release His grace on the people and the land of Israel.

¹⁸Therefore the LORD will wait, that He may be gracious to you; and therefore He will be exalted, that He may have mercy on you. For the LORD is a God of justice; blessed are all those who wait for Him. ¹⁹For the people shall dwelt in Zion at Jerusalem...He will be very gracious to you at the sound of your cry; when He hears it, He will answer you...²⁰your eyes shall see your teachers. ²¹Your ears shall hear a [prophetic] word behind you, saying, "This is the way, walk in it," whenever you turn to the right hand or whenever you turn to the left...²³He will give the rain for your seed which you sow the ground...your cattle will feed In large pastures...³⁰The LORD will cause His glorious voice to be heard, and show the descent of His arm... (Isa. 30:18-30)

Prayer #6 –The Lord will release His grace, not only on the people of Israel but on the land of Israel. I want to highlight the power of prayer in verse 18! The Lord desires to be gracious but He is waiting on His people to pray for a greater release of grace!" I thought we were waiting on the Lord!" Well, we are but the Lord is also waiting on us too. Who is waiting on who? Both God's people and the Lord Himself are waiting for a response. He speaks His word stirs our heart and then He waits for us to come and bring it back to Him in agreement. That is called prayer. He says, "I am waiting to be gracious!" meaning, "I have shown you grace but I will give you more grace if you will talk to Me more. Talk to Me more and the grace will increase!" And Isaiah said, "He will be exalted"—note how He defines being exalted it is "by manifesting His mercy on broken lives." The Lord says, "Talk to Me! I will exalt Myself as a God of unique love and tenderness beyond the scope of any human being. I will show you how great I am by the amount of mercy that I have on broken lives, both of Jews and Gentiles. Then he goes on in verse 19 says He will be very gracious to you, at the sound of your cry, when He hears it, He will be gracious. So, we are praying for intercessors to be raised up who will cry out more to the Lord. Yes, intercessors are supposed to pray that the Lord would release more intercessors.

Look at verse 20 "Your eyes will see your teachers"—Amos spoke of a famine of the word of God (Amos 8:11). That was a time when there was so little prophetic insight and so few prophetic messengers in Amos' day. We pray for the time when Israel will "see" their messengers—thousands of them, young and old, male and female, Jewish and Gentiles from many nations who teach unbelieving Jewish people the biblical narrative of Israel. Now again, almost 7 million Jewish people live in the land of Israel. I have been told that about 20,000 of them are born-again Jewish believers. That leaves the vast majority of the Jews in the land who do not know the biblical narrative for Jerusalem. I pray verse 20 by asking God to "Raise up messengers all over the earth who will teach Israel the truth about who they are to God." In verse 21, Isaiah referred to the prophetic ministry. Isaiah said that they will hear a word from behind them that provides prophetic correction and/or direction so that Israel would walk in God's will in a mature way. We apply verse 21 by praying for an increase of the prophetic ministry for the Jewish people including words of knowledge and words of wisdom and more!"

In verse 30, Isaiah promised that “God’s glorious voice would be heard” well, ultimately Jesus’ voice is going to be heard when He returns with a shout (Isa. 42:13; Joel 3:16; 1 Thes. 4:16)—that is the ultimate fulfillment of this promise. However, if He is going to shout then we know that He is “a God who shouts!” Meaning, He speaks clearly to His people and releases His glorious voice to them. When Jesus shouts at the time of His return, the whole earth will hear it so it will be loud since the whole earth will hear it. God’s glorious voice—since He never changes, we know that He allows people to hear His voice. We also ask the Lord to show the descent of His arm”— thus a mighty demonstration of His power and miracles.

G. Prayer #7 (Isa. 33:2-10, 17): that God imparts wisdom, the fear of the Lord, and reveals His beauty.

²**O LORD, be gracious to us...be [our] arm every morning, our salvation in the time of trouble...**

³**When You lift Yourself up, the nations shall be scattered...⁶Wisdom and knowledge will be the stability of your times, and the strength of salvation; the fear of the LORD is His treasure...**

¹⁰**“Now I will rise,” says the LORD...¹⁷Your eyes will see the King in His beauty. (Isa. 33:2-10, 17)**

¹¹**Teach me Your way...I will walk in Your truth; unite my heart to fear Your name. (Ps. 86:11)**

Prayer #7 – Let’s jump right into verse 6, there are many ways to pray this promise. We pray that “wisdom and knowledge would increase”—that the Spirit would release an increase of the knowledge of God with living understanding to the Jewish people (Eph. 1:17). Wisdom will be the stability of the body of Christ in the land of Israel and the stability of the body of Christ across the earth. We pray that the Lord would cause the fear of the Lord to be the treasure of His people.” In Psalm 86:11, the Psalmist prayed, “Lord, unite my heart to fear Your name.” Thus, we pray that the fear of God would enter the heart of the Jewish people (and also into our hearts) in a greater way. Here the Lord is calling us to pray for the Spirit to touch both unbelieving and believing Jews so that the fear of God would increase in their hearts. Of course, unbelievers get saved when the fear of God touches them. And the believers will become more mature in the Spirit

Verse 17 is fantastic—the Lord promised, “Their eyes will see King Jesus in His beauty” And again, they will see His beauty in fullness when Jesus appears but we are praying now “Father, reveal more of the beauty of Jesus to the Jewish people in the land of Israel and in the Diaspora (in the nations)! Reveal the beauty of Jesus!

H. Prayer #8 (Isa. 35:1-10): that the glory of God will be openly manifest in the midst of weak people.

¹**The wilderness...and the desert shall rejoice and blossom...²even with joy and singing...**

they shall see the glory of the LORD, the excellency of our God. ³Strengthen the weak hands,

and make firm the feeble knees. ⁴Say to those who are fearful-hearted, “Be strong, do not fear!

Behold, your God...will come and save you.” ⁵Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the

ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. ⁶Then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of

the dumb sing...⁸A highway shall be there...called the Highway of Holiness... (Isa. 35:1-10)

¹²**“...the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do...” (Jn. 14:12)**

Prayer #8 – is that the glory of God be openly manifest in the midst of weak people. From verse 2 we pray, “Let the Jewish people see the glory of Jesus referred to as “the excellency of God.” Lord release more insight into Jesus to both believers and unbelievers alike to see the glory or excellency of God’s leadership. Many believers both Jews and Gentiles are depressed and discouraged and think that God does not listen to them, and that has forgotten them. So we pray, “Lord, reveal the excellency of Your leadership to them.”

The people that the Lord promises to visit in this prophetic promise are described in 35:3-4 as those who are weak. They have feeble knees, and are filled with fear. God is calling millions of Gentile and Jewish messengers to speak the “the truth of God's excellent leadership to Israel so that fear does not dominate them! Pray for the spirit of revelation with hope that breaks the enemy’s hold over them in blinding the eyes of unbelievers—to, break the strongholds of unbelief and the fog over their mind. Lord, impart more living understanding!”

In verses 5 and 6 the blind, the deaf, the lame, the dumb being healed references Jesus’ promise in John 14:12 that God's people would see “greater works than these.” We pray “Lord, release the greater works miracles!” The miracles that Moses did in the book of Exodus and the miracles that the apostles did in the book of Acts are two different types of miracles. The miracles in Exodus were the miracles often in the created order such as the Red Sea splitting, a pillar of fire being seen, manna falling from the sky and water flowing from a rock. The miracles in the book of Acts are more miracles of healing and personal deliverance. However, the Lord will combine and multiply the miracles in Exodus and the miracles in Acts on a global level. We are praying “Lord, we thank You that You will do this when You return but do it now in an increased way leading to Your return!”

- I. Prayer #9 (Isa. 54:5-17): that God releases favor on Jerusalem in a way that impacts all the nations with the gospel. The end-time revival is connected to Gentiles praying for God's favor on Jerusalem.

⁵For your Maker is your husband, the LORD of hosts is His name; and your Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel; He is called the God of the whole earth...¹⁰“My kindness shall not depart from you, nor shall My covenant of peace be removed...¹³All your children shall be taught by the LORD, and great shall be the peace of your children...¹⁵whoever assembles against you shall fall...¹⁷No weapon formed against you shall prosper, and every tongue which rises against you in judgment you shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD...” (Isa. 54:5-17)

Prayer #9 – Isaiah declared, “Your Maker is your husband” so we appeal to God’s loyal affection and deep tenderness towards His people. It was a startling new insight for Israel to see the Lord as a Bridegroom God (Isa. 54:5; 62:4-5; Jer. 2:2; 3:14; 31:32; Hos. 2:16; Mt. 9:15; 25:1-6; Jn. 3:29; 2 Cor. 11:2; Eph. 5:29-32; Rev. 19:7; 22:17). Jesus is a King with power, a Bridegroom with great desire for His people, the Lord of Hosts which means He is the Captain of the armies of heaven. Thus, He is a warrior who fights for His people. And He is a redeemer who restores broken lives, cities, nations and families. We pray, “Lord! Reveal Your affections as a Bridegroom, manifest Your power to fight for Your people and redeem broken families and cities, etc.

God promised to teach the children of His people and to impart peace to them (54:13). We pray for the children of Jewish families (and our children). If pray for Israel’s children, God's blessing comes back on our children. In verse 17, the Lord declared that “no weapon formed against you will prosper”—we are to declare that over Israel (we also ask for Divine protection for our lives). What we pray for others is released also to us (Lk. 6:38).

- J. Prayer #10 (Isa. 45:17-24 with Isa. 52:6-10): that God releases greater understanding of Jesus to Israel leading to her national salvation that will impact all the nations and that God raises up many Gentile messengers who say to Zion (Jerusalem), “Your God reigns.” (Isa. 52:7).

¹⁷Israel shall be saved by the LORD...¹⁸...“I am the LORD...¹⁹I have not spoken in secret... I, the LORD, speak righteousness, I declare things that are right...²²Look to Me, and be saved, all you ends of the earth...²³I have sworn...that to Me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall take an oath. ²⁴He shall say, ‘Surely in the LORD I have righteousness and strength.’” (Isa. 45:17-24)

6“...My people shall know My name...⁷How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news...who says to Zion, “Your God reigns!”⁸Your watchmen shall lift up their voices...they shall sing together; they shall see eye to eye when the LORD brings back Zion...¹⁰The LORD has made bare His holy arm [manifested His power] in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God. (Isa. 52:6-10)

Prayer #10 – again we see how Israel’s salvation impacts nations. In verse 22 the Lord says, “Look to Me and be saved! He is talking to Israel but He says “the nations will be saved because they are connected to Israel!” Every knee will bow to Jesus, yes all the redeemed will confess “Only in You can I receive the gift of righteousness! Only as a free gift can I receive it” (Rom. 3:24-28).

Isaiah 52 speaks of “My people” (the people of Israel) “will know My name”—so we pray for the spirit conviction (Jn. 16:8) and revelation of the beauty of Jesus (Isa. 33:17) for the Jewish people. Isaiah said, “Oh how beautiful on the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news” (52:7). These messengers are to say to Zion (Jerusalem), “Your God reigns” not “Our God reigns”—thus, these are Gentiles talking to Jews. I love the famous worship song “Our God Reigns” but the lyrics are not exactly what Isaiah said. He did not say “Our God reigns” but said “Your God reigns” indicating that Gentiles were the messengers. We pray “God, raise up messengers with prophetic understanding, with boldness who are fearless and anoint them with signs and wonders to proclaim Your message to Jerusalem!”

*In verse 8 “And your watchmen” will sing together and will see eye to eye!” Can you imagine the miracle of John 17:21 unity in the body of Christ both in Israel and in the nations in the face of so much division that currently exists with 1,000’s of denominations. Here, the Lord promised to bring His servants into deep unity” (Jn. 17:1-23). Psalm 133 speaks of God releasing the commanded blessing on in unity”
In verse 10 again we see all nations being impacted by what happens when these prayers are answered.”*

K. Prayer #11 (Isa. 43:1-4 with Zeph. 3:12-17): that God will reveal His love for His people Israel and that He would release supernatural protection for them in times of trouble.

***¹...“Fear not, for I have redeemed you [Israel]; I have called you by your name; you are Mine.
²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned...³I am... your Savior
...⁴Since you were precious in My sight...and I have loved you...” (Isa. 43:1-4)***

¹²“I will leave in your midst a meek and humble people...¹³The remnant of Israel shall do no unrighteousness...¹⁴Sing...rejoice...O daughter of Jerusalem!...¹⁵He has cast out your enemy. The King of Israel...is in your midst...¹⁷“The LORD your God in your midst, the Mighty One, will save...He will quiet you with His love, He will rejoice over you with singing.” (Zeph. 3:12-17)

Prayer #11 – we pray for God to reveal His love for His people and to supernaturally protect them. He says at the end of verse 1 “you are Mine.” Then He gives different scenarios in which He will protect them, “When you pass through the water, I will be with you. When you pass through the rivers, you will not drown because I will protect you. When you pass through the fire, you will not be burned.” Why? Verse 4, “You are precious and I love you!” There will be many miracles of supernatural protection along with the revelation of the tenderness of God’s love for His people Israel. By referencing these promises we also pray for God to bring the Jewish people back to the land of Israel and back to the Lord Himself. There are a few websites that have gathered testimonies of supernatural deliverances from trouble in Israel over the last 75 years since they became a nation in 1948.

There are many testimonies of miraculous protection in the 1948 war, in the Suez crisis in 1956, in the Six Day War in 1967, and in the Yom Kippur war in 1973. They have had over 5 military conflicts counting two Intifadas. There are websites that tell the story of how God miraculously delivered various soldiers who were facing great danger. Some of the stories are of unsaved Jewish soldiers who were delivered by angelic activity. There are many different testimonies including whole battalions being trapped by enemy armies and against all odds the enemy suddenly ran away! Years later, the enemy soldiers testified that they saw angels standing behind these Jewish soldiers. Testimony of supernatural deliverances as recorded in the OT as well as in Jewish historical accounts of the Maccabean Revolt (167-160 BC). We are praying for that kind of supernatural intervention in Israel in a way that they will understand the beauty of Jesus and His excellent leadership.

Look at Zephaniah 3:17, it is the same truth that “God will quiet Israel with His love, He will rejoice over Israel with singing. What does this include? In face of a storm of fear and despair in the hearts of many Jewish people, particularly as the Muslim nations gather around them or as Iran acquires nuclear weapons in the very near future. (Iran has promised seek to exterminate Israel after they acquire nuclear weapons)

Jewish people in the land are aware of Iran’s nuclear capacities and many other terrorist groups and many undoubtedly are feeling fear or despair. The Lord promised to raise up messengers who He will use to quiet the storm of fear and despair in the heart of Jewish people. His messengers will speak to or sing over them on His behalf. How does God sing to humans typically? There are rare occasions when some have witnessed angelic choirs. However, most often God sings to people by anointing singers to sing His songs that touches others (Heb. 2:12). Today at our 10am prayer meeting, we heard an amazing new song called “Songs for Jerusalem” that left many weeping. We pray that the Lord would release thousands of new songs that reveal His heart.

- L. Prayer #12 (Isa. 63:7-64:2): that God would supernaturally intervene and come down to save Israel.

⁷I will mention the lovingkindnesses of the LORD...the great goodness toward...Israel...

¹⁵Look down...where are [the manifestations] Your zeal and...the yearning of Your heart...

are they restrained? ¹⁶...You are our Father; our Redeemer... ^{64:1}Oh, that You would rend the heavens...[and] come down that the mountains might shake at Your presence...²make Your name known to Your adversaries, that the nations may tremble at Your presence!... (Isa. 63:7-64:2)

Prayer #12 – That God would break in with power. In verse 15 and the Lord does not mind us praying like Isaiah did when he asked “Where is Your zeal?” He was saying “Lord, I am not seeing Your intervention with power so I ask where is Your zeal or the yearning of Your heart? I know You as a God who is zealous for His people and who yearns for them!” The Lord wants us to ask Him to openly manifest His zeal and the yearning of His heart in a greater measure. We pray rend the heavens or break in with Your power and cause the nations to be alarmed and alerted and seized when You break in with power!” that is what that verse is talking about.

- M. Prayer #13 (Hab. 3:2 with Mic. 7:14-20): that He would revive His work as seen in the ministry of Moses, David, Elijah, Elisha, in the Gospels, and the book of Acts and again release great miracles.

²...O LORD, revive Your work in the midst of [our] years...in wrath remember mercy... (Hab. 3:2)

¹⁴Shepherd Your people...¹⁵“As in the days when you came out of Egypt, I will show them wonders.”¹⁶The nations shall...be ashamed of their [unprecedented military] might...

¹⁷They shall be afraid of the LORD... ¹⁸Who is a God like You, pardoning iniquity and passing over the transgression of the remnant of His heritage? ...He delights in mercy. ¹⁹He will again have compassion on us... ²⁰You will give truth to Jacob and mercy to Abraham [Israel]... (Mic. 7:14-20)

Prayer #13 – we pray that God would revive His work and release great miracles. Habakkuk prayed, “Oh Lord revive Your work in the midst of the years but in wrath remember mercy!” (3:2). God has released many revivals throughout the Old Testament, for example in King David’s generation there was a spirit of revival. Hezekiah, and Jehoshaphat and other leaders had seasons that some refer to as a “revival” (Ezek. 9:8-9). The book of Acts and Church history is filled with accounts of revivals. So we pray. “God, revive Your work again! Do it again Lord! The miracles that You released in the book of Acts—release them again in our day! The miracles of the first and second great awakenings in America do it again today! The miracles that You did with David, Elijah, and Elisha —do them again today! What You did through Moses, do it again! And even though You will manifest Your wrath in the days to come, we ask You to remember mercy and tenderness!”

Micah 7 has fantastic promises. In verse 14, we pray, “Lord, shepherd Your people.” How will He shepherd Israel? See verse 15, Micah prophesied, “In the days when I delivered you from Egypt, **I will show you the miracles of Egypt again!**” This is an end-time prophecy that God promised to show Israel the miracles that He did through Moses. The Antichrist’s armies will be terrified by these miracles (Mic. 7:17; Rev. 8-9; 16). Micah said in verse 16 “The nations will be ashamed of their might”—he meant their military might. The Antichrist will mobilize millions of soldiers against Jerusalem but Jesus will destroy him with the breath of His mouth (2 Thes. 2:8) and his armies will be ashamed of their great military might that is easily destroyed by Jesus’ power! We pray, “Lord, release Your power in the nations and terrify the governments in the nations that resist the plans and leadership of Jesus. Verse 18 says, “God delights in mercy!” We pray, “Lord, reveal Your heart of mercy to Israel and give release the spirit of truth to the people of Israel (7:20) .

- N. Prayer #14 (Jer. 32:37-42 with Jn. 17:21): that Israel will be unified and filled with the fear of God (Ps. 86:11). Pray that the Lord raises up an “international family of affection” of both Jewish and Gentile believers who live in love and unity as one New Man (John 17:21-23; Eph. 2:15)

³⁷**I will gather them out of all countries where I have driven them...I will bring them back to this place...**³⁹**I will give them one heart and one way, that they may fear Me forever...**

⁴⁰**I will make an everlasting covenant with them...I will put My fear in their hearts so that they will not depart from Me.** ⁴¹**Yes, I will rejoice over them to do them good, and I will assuredly plant them in this land, with all My heart...** ⁴²**I will bring on them all the good that I promised them.** (Jer. 32:37-42)

¹¹**Teach me Your way...I will walk in Your truth; unite my heart to fear Your name.** (Ps. 86:11)

²¹**...that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me.** ²²**And the glory which You gave Me I have given them...** ²³**that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me.** (Jn. 17:21-23)

Prayer #14 – That Israel will be unified and filled with the fear of God. Jeremiah prophesied that God would give His people “**one heart and one way**” (32:39). This promise is important today as Israel in experiencing so much division politically, spiritually, socially and more in context to the judicial reforms and the anarchy going on in the culture. The Lord promised to unify the nation of Israel and even to unify the body of Christ in Israel.”

We pray for unity and that God raise up an “international family of affection” so that His family would walk together with affection, honor and unity!” We pray, “Lord, release the fear of the Lord within them!” (32:40) .

- O. Prayer #15 (Ps. 80:1-19): that the Lord would release His strength and light to fully restore Israel.

¹Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel...²stir up Your strength, and come and save us! ³Restore us... cause Your face to shine, and we shall be saved!...¹⁴Return, we beseech You, O God of hosts; look down from heaven and see, and visit ¹⁵the vineyard [Israel] which Your right hand has planted, and the branch that You made strong for Yourself...¹⁸Revive us, and we will call upon Your name. ¹⁹Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; cause Your face to shine, and we shall be saved! (Ps. 80:1-19)

Prayer #15 – The Psalmist prayed, “Shepherd Your people with strength, power, miracles” (80:1-2), restore us (80:3, 19), and revive us (80:18). This is the language that we can use as we remind God of His promises to restore and revive Israel. You will easily add a few more phrases as you elaborate on those simple prayers.

- P. Prayer #16 (Ezek. 20:34-41): that the Lord would plead His case with Israel and bring them into the bond of covenant with Him as He brings them back to the land of Israel from the nations.

³⁴“I will...gather you out of the countries where you are scattered, with a mighty hand, with an outstretched arm...³⁵I will bring you into the wilderness of the peoples [the nations], and there I will plead My case with you face to face...³⁷I will bring you into the bond of the covenant...⁴¹I bring you out from the peoples and gather you out of the countries where you have been scattered; and I will be hallowed in you before the Gentiles.” (Ezek. 20:34-41)

Prayer #16 – I love this prophetic promise, well I love all of them! In verse 35 the Lord promised to plead His case with the Jewish people in the wilderness of the Gentile nations!” Almost 7 million Jews live in the land of Israel and about 9- 10 million live in Gentile nations. The Lord promised to plead His case with Israel face to face in the nations which includes the Jews who live in America, or Russia, or other nations across the earth. He will visit and plead His case with them bringing them into the bond of covenant. This is remarkable promise.

- Q. Prayer #17 (Ezek. 34:11-31 with Jer. 3:14-18): that the Lord would rescue, heal, and unify the Jewish people and release great blessing on them including their agriculture .

¹¹...“I Myself will search for My sheep...¹²As a shepherd seeks out his flock...so I will seek out My sheep and deliver them...¹⁶I will seek what was lost and bring back what was driven away, bind up the broken and strengthen what was sick...²⁶I will make them...a blessing; and I will cause showers to come down in their season; there shall be showers of blessing. ²⁷Then the trees of the field shall yield their fruit, and the earth shall yield her increase...” (Ezek. 34:11-27)

¹⁴“Return, O backsliding children...for I am married to you...I will bring you to Zion.

¹⁵I will give you shepherds according to My heart, who will feed you with knowledge and understanding...¹⁸In those days the house of Judah shall walk with the house of Israel...” (Jer. 3:14-18)

Prayer #17 – This is another prayer that God would shepherd His people with His blessings. He promised to search for His lost sheep, to bind up those who are broken and to strengthen those who are sick (Ezek. 34:16). We pray the Lord would do this for Israel but we can also pray these things for ourselves—because God never changes (Mal. 3:6). So we know that if He will do this for Israel that He will also do it millions of Gentiles that His intercessors pray for. Thus, you can pray this for Jewish families and for your family and friends.

The Lord promised to give Israel shepherds after His own heart (Jer. 3:15). So we pray that He would raise up shepherds like David, who was a shepherd after God's heart (1 Sam. 13:14). We pray that the Lord would anoint these shepherds to feed the people of Israel on the understanding and knowledge of God's heart (3:15). We pray, "Lord, reveal the excellency of Jesus' leadership to Israel through the shepherds that You raise up. Raise up both Jewish and Gentile messengers to feed Your people on the knowledge of Jesus' and the excellencies of His ways." We pray that He would unify the nation heal them from great strife (3:18).

- R. Prayer #18 (Amos 9:11-15): that the Lord would restore the tabernacle of David which speaks of establishing the earthly throne of David in Jerusalem or the leadership of Jesus when He returns. We ask the Lord to magnify Jesus' leadership in all the spheres of society in Israel and the nations.

¹¹"On that day I will raise up the tabernacle of David, which has fallen down...I will raise up its ruins, and rebuild it...¹²that they may possess the remnant of Edom, and all the Gentiles who are called by My name," says the LORD who does this thing..."¹⁴"I will bring back the captives of My people Israel; they shall build the waste cities...they shall plant vineyards and drink wine from them; they shall also make gardens and eat fruit from them" (Amos 9:11-14)

*Prayer #18 – We pray that the Lord would raise up the tabernacle of David. It is a popular idea to think of the tabernacle of David as the worship and prayer movement. Yes, there is truth to this but it speaks of more than the end-time worship movement. In May 1983, the Lord spoke about what we do in IHOPKC, the Lord said in essence, "**You will have 24 hour prayer in the spirit of the tabernacle of David.**" We did not know what that really meant and then 16 years later in 1999 (24 years ago) I resigned that young adult church and started IHOPKC on May 7, 1999. My point is that the Lord said "**In the spirit of the tabernacle of David**"—because the fullness of the tabernacle of David speaks of Jesus sitting on the throne of David in Jerusalem, thus it speaks of Jesus' leadership in Jerusalem and in all the nations. When Jesus returns He will establish His throne in Jerusalem and that throne will operate with night and day prayer with worship across the nations. His throne and global leadership is deeply connected to singing and praying. So we pray, "Father, establish Jesus' leadership over Jerusalem and Israel fully when Your Son returns. But in this hour magnify Your Son's leadership more and more! Show His leadership! Cause His glory to break into the Knesset and into the Palestinian authority! Break into the University professors and into Rabbinic Judaism! Reveal the leadership of the Son of David in every sphere of society—the is the spirit of the tabernacle of David. "Lord, do this in context to the prayer and worship movement" in this hour of history more and more.*

- S. Prayer #19 (Ezek. 34:11-31): that the Lord would glorify His name as He supernaturally transforms Jewish people by His Spirit. The nations will see the holiness or transcendent greatness of God's name as they witness the miraculous work that God will do in the lives of Jewish people.

²³"I will sanctify My great name...and the nations shall know that I am the LORD...when I am hallowed in you [Israel] before their eyes. ²⁴For I will take you from among the nations...bring you into your own land...²⁶I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you...²⁷I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes...³⁰I will multiply the fruit of your trees and the increase of your fields...³⁶Then the nations which are left all around you shall know that I, the LORD, have rebuilt the ruined places and planted what was desolate. I, the LORD, have spoken it, and I will do it...³⁷I will also let the house of Israel inquire of Me to do this for them: I will increase their men...the ruined cities be filled with...men." (Ezek. 36:23-37)

Prayer #19 – In Ezekiel 36 the Lord promised to give the Jewish people a new heart and a new spirit. He will also supernaturally bless Israel's agriculture, livestock, rainfall, social structures, national economy and more. We mostly think of people coming to Jesus and that is the most important, but the Lord has determined for Israel's obedience to the gospel result in impacting every sphere of their society, government, land and more. In the Jewish mindset from the days from Abraham (4,000 years ago), Israel has seen a connection between their obedience to God and God's blessing on their nation in many different areas. They have a deeper sense of this than most Gentiles do. In Ezekiel 36, Lord is in essence saying "I will reveal Jesus to them by the Spirit and will bless their nation in many ways." So we pray, "Lord, since You will do that fully when Your Son returns then do it now in part but in an increased way among the Jewish people!" In verse 37, the Lord said that He would cause the population of Israel to grow numerically but only after they inquired of Him for this growth. Gentiles can also inquire of the Lord for Israel's population growth along with the other promises in Ezekiel 36.

- T. Prayer #20 (Ezek. 37:1-14): is to prophesy to the dry bones of unbelieving Israel (37:4) and to the breath of God (37:9) to impart spiritual life to Israel in the face of great hopelessness (37:11).

⁴Again He said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them, 'O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD...⁵surely I will cause breath to enter into you, and you shall live...'" ⁹Also He said to me, "Prophesy to the breath...say to the breath, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe...that they may live"'...¹¹He said, "...these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dry, our hope is lost, and we ourselves are cut off!' ¹²"...say..." ¹⁴I will put My Spirit in you,... I will place you in your own land." (Ezek. 37:4-14)

Prayer #20 – In Ezekiel 37 the Lord commanded Ezekiel to "prophesy to the bones" (37:4), and to "prophesy to the breath" (the wind and life the Spirit) (37:9) and to "prophesy to Israel's sense of hopelessness" (37:11).

- U. Prayer #21 (Joel 2:15-32): that the Lord establish solemn assemblies throughout the land of Israel, inspire the leaders of the Jewish people to cry out to Him (2:17), and to increase the activity of His Spirit including prophetic dreams and visions with signs and wonders in the sky and on the earth.

¹⁵Blow the trumpet in Zion, consecrate a fast, call a sacred assembly; ¹⁶Gather the people... ¹⁷Let the priests...weep between the porch and the altar; let them say, "Spare Your people, O LORD..." ²⁸"It shall come to pass afterward that I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions...³⁰I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth...³¹The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the coming of the great and awesome day of the LORD...³²whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved. For...in Jerusalem there shall be deliverance...among the remnant whom the Lord calls." (Joel 2:15-32)

Prayer #21 – To blow the trumpet in Zion (Jerusalem) means to sound the alarm through prophetic messaging in Jerusalem to call them to engage in "solemn assemblies" where the people gather for prayer and fasting (2:12-15) and where the priests (spiritual leadership) of the nation pray, "Spare Your people God" (2:17). Notice the word "afterwards" (2:28), this is related to "after" the priests fasted and prayed (2:12-17). That is "after" they pray and fast there would be an outpouring of the Spirit with signs, wonders, miracles, prophetic dreams and visions" (2:28-29). The Lord would show signs the sky and wonders on the earth (2:30). We are to pray that God would move on Jerusalem to call solemn assemblies and for their leadership to pray and that of these things would happen in their midst "before" Jesus returns (2:31). In 2:32, it is clear that Joel 2 is particularly spoken to Jerusalem, though Joel 2 has application to larger body of Christ around the world. Amen, let's stand!!!