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*In the last edition, Bro Allen began to look beyond Revelation 10 as we he went into Ezekiel 45 to look at the working of the priesthood of the temple during the Millennium. He is still reading from the Lamsa translation of the bible. We are picking up where he left off.*



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I have really gone beyond Revelation 10 now, and I have added a subtitle. Really, I am looking at the Millennium and the Eternal Age now. We are going to look back into the 45<sup>th</sup> chapter Ezekiel again. I touched on it a little

bit, but we are going to look at the measurements again. Ezekiel 45, 1<sup>st</sup> verse. **“Moreover, when ye shall divide by lot the land for inheritance.”** He is talking about the land of Israel. It will be equal to what David had. It is going to be larger than Israel is today. The building of the temple and the building of Jerusalem and preparing the land is not going to be done immediately. It is going to take time to build the city Ezekiel is talking about. The city is for the priests, the Levites. It will take time to build their places of dwelling and all. In what we are about to read, we will see there is a slice of the country given to each of the tribes of Israel. Each part will work to supply the other parts. You are not going to have farmers among the Levites. They will not be farmers. The

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Levites are going to take care of the worship of God. This is all a future setting of what it will be like in the Millennium for the natural people. This city cannot be built in a day. They will not have the supply of men and equipment as we do now to do the work. A lot of machinery we have today will be saved, but not the extent of what we have today because a lot of that stuff is going to be destroyed. It does leave some because it said they will turn swords into plowshares, and so on. So that lets us know some of the equipment survived. It will really be machinery that is going to be turned into plow shares and so on like that. There will be a lot that will take place as the Millennium begins and it will take time for God to bring the world into

the condition he desires. That is why a thousand years is given. That is time for it to be built back to what God wants it before the Eternal Age begins.

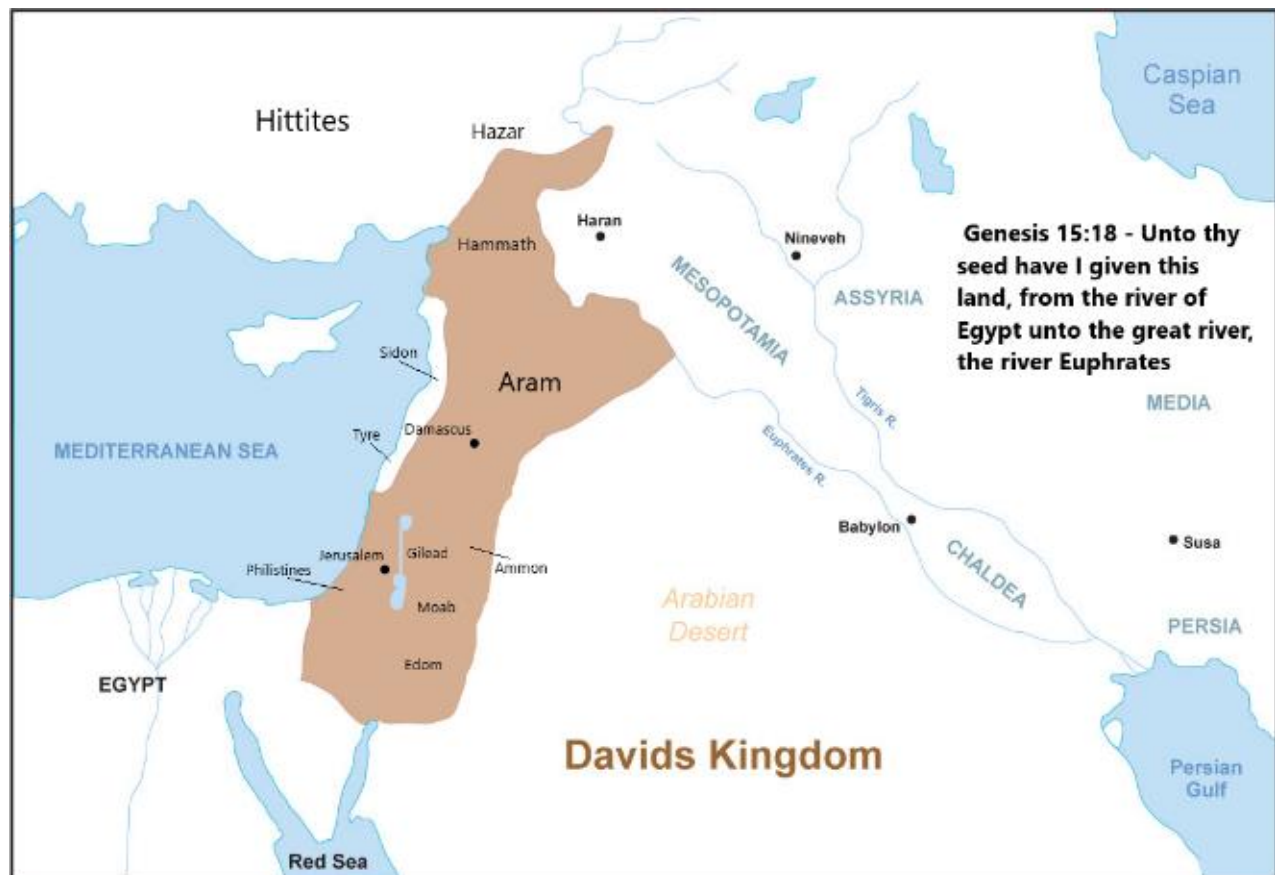
### Natural Jerusalem in the Millennium

Ezekiel 45. **“Moreover, when ye shall divide by lot the land for inheritance, ye shall offer an oblation unto the Lord,** (the oblation it speaks of is part of the land set aside for a holy purpose. I know oblations are given for sacrifice, that is one thing, but this is an oblation which is to be given for that city.) **an holy portion of the land: the length shall be the length**

**of five and twenty thousand reeds, and the breadth shall be ten thousand. This shall be holy in all the borders thereof round about.”**

This is going to be more or less the central part of Israel where this is at. Whenever Israel had their land in ancient times, it was really a hard thing for people of that time to go to Jerusalem. It was a several days journey for many people. That is why, as you read in the Old Testament, they thought it was more convenient to worship somewhere else because it was closer to their home. When we went to Beirut Lebanon in 1974, we went to a place

called Baalbek, where some of the Jews worshipped because they thought it was too far to go to Jerusalem three times a year. So they stopped off at Baalbek. But it was really an ill-famed woman that they worshiped. Some of the columns are still there, just as slick and smooth as they can be. They are still standing there. That is where they worshiped a woman god. It has always been that way. It was that way at Babel. Abraham and those with him were told to come out of Ur of the Chaldees. It was a woman that was worshiped there. We see that happening again in the United



States and around the world. Womanhood is put up before everything. The way these babies are being pulled from the womb, some by pieces, is just the same as the child sacrifice that was going on in those ancient times. Think about it: an arm, a leg, whatever. It is just like the ancient sacrifice of children. Women love that today. People march in the streets to demand the right to kill their unborn babies. In Russia, women may have seven or eight abortions. It is getting almost that bad here by some women, because they do not want fool with children. **“Of this there shall be for the sanctuary five hundred in length, with five hundred in breadth, square round about; and fifty cubits round about for the suburbs thereof.”** This is the suburbs of the temple area. This is inside the temple wall because God has a purpose in that. He has a purpose in everything God wants unity. That is why unity has been preached about here so much. We must have a conviction that we need to come together, to be together, to worship God in a holy and righteous way, to where our brothers and sisters mean as much to us as we do to them. It is not just a one-way thing. You see that in Ephesians, everything is joined together. We see how that works. **“And of this**

**measure shalt thou measure the length of five and twenty thousand,** (He goes over it again. He wants us to get it.) **and the breadth of ten thousand:** (Which is seventeen miles.) **and in it shall be the sanctuary and the most holy place.”** That is the whole compound, the whole area, the city. **“The holy portion of the land shall be for the priests the ministers of the sanctuary, which shall come near to minister unto the Lord.”** Only the sons of Zadok will be able to have that and there is going to be a noticeable difference in the way they are clothed. These are the only ones that will ever be able to wear that robe that is placed inside the sanctuary. I do not mean to keep beating on this: but God does not forget. Whenever He made this earth, when it came out, it was by memory. Whenever it came to be it was by memory, and you were in that memory. Jesus Christ was in that memory. That is what it mentions in the book of John. In the beginning was the word, or memory, which is God’s eternal security and eternal predestination. God had this all worked out before man was ever here, before the animal kingdom was here, before the prehistoric age ever came, before the Ice Age ever came.

Ezekiel 45:4, **“The holy portion of the land shall be for the priests the ministers of the sanctuary, which shall come near to minister unto the Lord.”** What is this? They are in that holy portion of the city, not in the Holy of Holies. This is where the priests who work at the temple will have their homes. 5<sup>th</sup> verse, **“And the five and twenty thousand of length, and the ten thousand of breadth, shall also the Levites, the ministers of the house, have for themselves, for a possession for twenty chambers.”** God has laid out how it will be built and how the service will work. They do not just walk in one morning off the street, so to speak, saying I am going to minister. They would die right there. **“And ye shall appoint the possession of the city five thousand broad, and five and twenty thousand long, over against the oblation of the holy portion:** (See? There will be a separate area there from the holy portion where the priests live. You have a section for the rest of Israel where they bring their livestock, where they buy and sell, where they provide for these inside the holy oblation. It is really eight and a half miles wide, by forty-two and a half miles long. That is pretty good-sized city.) **it shall be for the whole house of Israel.”** God has this other

part separated out. The other tribes do not go in holy portion of the city at any time. Just certain times of the year is this allowed. The other tribes of Israel will not just walk in and out of there. They will only enter on certain days: sabbath days, new moons, and the holy days. Verse 7, **“And a portion on the sides of the holy portion shall be for the ruler of the people and as a portion for the city, from the east side eastward and from the west side westward; and the length shall be like that of one of the portions from the east border to the west border. The land shall be an inheritance to the children of Israel; and the rulers of my people shall no more oppress them; and the rest of the land they shall give to the children of Israel according to their tribes.”** There is a designated portion for each tribe. They will deal out the land in lots, they will not just go in there and live anywhere. God knows where every tribe belongs. He wants order. What does it say, when they asked Jesus: “we who followed you, what shall we have?” He said, “in the regeneration you shall sit on twelve thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.” They are not going to be in another country judging another people. They are going to be judges, but they are going to be over these

tribes of Israel. What I am trying to express is this: all the beauty and splendor that God gives His holy city is nothing in comparison with what you and I are going to have. **“In the land shall be his possession in Israel and my *princes*...”**

Notice: the ones that he had called *priests* are now called *princes*. He called them priests before this in the King James. **“They shall no more oppress my people. The rest of the land shall they give to the house of Israel according to their tribes. Thus saith the Lord God; Let it suffice you, O princes of Israel: remove violence.”** See their obligation? They are not just going to sit on pretty thrones and eat popcorn and peanuts. **“My princes shall no more oppress my people and the rest of the land shall they give to the house of Israel according to their tribes.”**

Whenever God first brought Israel into the land, what did He do? He divided the land. Each tribe lived in a certain place, but they were all together three times a year. They claim there were possibly a hundred thousand people who lived in

Jerusalem, which was a mile square. But at these holy occasions there could be a million in there. It was built to be inhabited by those who came and worshiped. They are not going to have the same level of refined beauty in this city as they do at the temple area, because the city will be much bigger. But they are going to have transportation. That may sound silly to some, but they are going to have transportation in and out of that city. At these holy times of the year, the whole nation of Israel will be there to worship the Lord. Then once a year, every year, at the time of the seventh month, which will be late October or early November, will be the time for representatives of the whole world to come. There will be representatives because the entire world cannot go there. So we can see there has to be a great transportation system to facilitate all this coming and going.

### **Measurements and Currency** **in Israel in the** **Millennium**

<b>Biblical</b>	<b>Gallons</b>	<b>Liters</b>
Homer	86	325
Ephah	43	162
Bath	9	36
Hin	4	15

\*Approximate measurements

Let me go back to the 9<sup>th</sup> verse again. **“Thus saith the Lord God; Let it suffice you, O princes of Israel: remove violence and**

**spoil**, (Remember when Jesus went into the temple and drove out the moneychangers? He did that twice. The first time He was at Passover. He cleared the temple of the merchants and moneychangers. The next time was the fall of the year. He went in and cleared it again. They hated Him. But they were doing wrong, it was not Him. "How is it that you make my house a den of thieves and not a house of prayer?" I do not believe in keeping the Law, it is not going to give you salvation. What did Paul say, "We are a law unto ourselves." We have to control our own selves, our own thinking. Let every thought be subject unto Him. These things are all possible. I am not talking about an impossibility. These things are all possible to bring our thought into subjection unto Him. When we do that, we are a lot better off. Our life is a lot happier, a lot better. **"Ye shall have just balances, and a just ephah, and a just bath."** That is not talking about a shower. That is weights and measures. In the margin of the bible, it says an ephah is one bushel and three pints. A bath is eight gallons, a Hin is four. That is not talking about chickens. He is talking about measures and weights. He is telling the priests, you must have fair weights. The measurements have to be accurate.

**"The ephah and the bath shall be of one measure,** (This is two different things with the same measure, but one is for measuring grain and the other is for measuring oil.) **that the bath may contain the tenth part of an homer,** (A homer is eighty-six gallons.) **and the ephah the tenth part of an homer; the measure thereof shall be after the homer."** Because this is the biggest thing. This is the biggest weight, the biggest barrel. **"And the shekel** (which is money) **shall be twenty gerahs: twenty shekels, five and twenty shekels, fifteen shekels, shall be your maneh."** Maneh is another weight of money. This will all be important unto the Jewish people in that time. **"This is the oblation that ye shall offer; the sixth part of an ephah of an homer of wheat,** (He is telling there what it is weighing.) **and ye shall give the sixth part of an ephah of an homer of barley: Concerning the ordinance of oil, the bath of oil, ye shall offer the tenth part of a bath out of the cor,** (another weight) **which is an homer of ten baths; for ten baths are an homer."** As I said a while ago, the homer is the biggest measurement. He is not telling him this for no reason; he is measuring out what it is going to take to be right. Can you see how specific it is? This is God speaking

these measurements to Ezekiel. He has already said He wanted just weights. I do not mean to bore you with this, but we can learn a type from this: God expects things to be exact. Concerning the ordinance of oil, the bath of oil, he shall offer the tenth part of a bath out of the cor, which is an homer of ten baths, ten baths make one homer. See? Now he is talking about the oil. In the other, he was talking about grain. **“And one lamb out of the flock, out of two hundred, out of the fat pastures of Israel; for a meat offering, and for a burnt offering, and for peace offerings, to make reconciliation for them, saith the Lord God.”** We do this now, because you are saved by grace through faith. God has done measured our portion out to us. What did He say: we get Holy Ghost by measure. Jesus had it in full, but we get it in a measure. We get it through Him. That is why we are baptized in His name. The importance to me in all this is that it points back to Him. In the Old Testament, the law pointed forward to Christ. Then we see here in the Millennium they are repeating things of the law to point back to Him. Why? Because they missed Him. This is for reconciliation. Reconciliation is to bring them back unto a true worship of God. This is

not just a feeling. Whenever they do this, the presence of God comes into that temple. What did it say? The twelve apostles will rule over the twelve tribes of Israel. I remember when Bro. Jackson spoke on the Millennium; he said that each race would rule over their own race. As he went through that, talking about how you are not going to go just anywhere. Every people will have their own land set apart for themselves. There will not be striving and contention for land. I want to say this while I am thinking about it. You are not going to be sitting on a man-made throne. It is going to be a holy place that God has designated. The Bride of Christ will be there to correct and guide the natural people.

### **High Priest**

**“All the people of the land shall give this oblation for the High Priest of Israel.”** The *prince*, or the *high priest*. It is the same thing here. The prince is the high priest. Whenever I first explained that years ago, I got telephone calls telling me how wrong I was. I did not do it to cause trouble. You can read it for yourself, but I am going to read it from the Lamsa translation, verse 17. **“And it shall be the high priest’s part to**



**provide burnt offerings.”** We are going to see something a little later. **“And meat offerings, and drink offerings, in the feasts, and in the new moons, and in the sabbaths.”** See? They will have a weekly worship. It lasts from Friday at six o’clock to Saturday at six o’clock. That is a long service. This will point them back to what they missed. It is going to take a thousand years to correct this. There will be children that will be born. Some of them will be renegades. That is why you have Gog and Magog rise up at the end of the Millennium, it is that old atheistic spirit. That is what motivates Russia: atheism. There is nothing good about it. **“And it shall be the High Priest’s part to give burnt offerings, and meat offerings, and drink offerings, in the feasts, and in the new moons, and in the sabbaths, in all solemnities of the house of Israel: he shall prepare the sin offering, and the meat offering, and the burnt offering, and the peace offerings, to make reconciliation for the house of Israel. Thus saith the Lord God; In the first month, in the first day of the month, (that is the new moon) thou shalt take a young bullock without blemish, and cleanse the sanctuary.”** The ones who reject what I am saying missed the key word. What does it

say? **“And the *priest*** (Notice in the King James Version, it has said prince all long, but here both the King James Version and the Lamsa say *priest*.) **shall take of the blood of the sin offering, and put it upon the posts of the house, and upon the four corners of the settle of the altar, and upon the posts of the gate of the inner court.”** Only this man can do that. What is he doing? He is taking the sin offering, putting it on the post, and putting it on the four corners of the altar. **“And so thou shalt do the seventh day of the month for every one that erreth, and for him that is simple: so shall ye reconcile the house.”** Did you see that? There are going to be simple-minded people in the Millennium because that is not the perfected age. It is not until the next age, the Eternal Age, that these things are completely gone. Then comes the perfect time where everything is perfect. No more sin. No more rebellion. This was gotten rid of. A few days before that Eternal Age begins, the white throne judgment will get rid of that. The slate wiped clean. I have said that children will be born in the Eternal Age, but it will not be through lust. You will have natural people going into that age, then there will be children born just like it would have been with Adam and Eve. It will not

be through lust. Lust is gone. Bro. Branham said this was put in man and woman for the bearing of children, not for lust. I believe that. Adam and Eve were naked, but they did not know it. Not until sin came did they know it. I do not mean that people will be naked in the Eternal Age. They have learned better. But there will be no more lust. What does it say? "Nothing defiles in all my holy mountain." We are headed for something beautiful. Something that is out of this world. **"And so thou shalt do the seventh day of the month for every one that erreth,** (See? It says for every one that erreth. That is not the perfect age. These weights and balances that I showed you, was to make sure things were done right. This is the result of it. For every one that erreth.) **and for him that is simple: so shall ye reconcile the house."** I said this is not the perfect age, but it is leading into it. You still have serpent seed here. When you get out of the Millennium, there will be no more serpent seed. There will not even be any hint of that because it was not so in the beginning. **"In the first month, in the fourteenth day of the month, ye shall have the passover,** (That is in April. The first day of the month, when the children of Israel were getting ready to leave Egypt, they had to take a lamb, put

it up for fourteen days, before it could be offered. Why? To make sure it was pure. To make sure there were no blemishes. Whenever you come to Malachi, we find that God is very angry at Israel because of that. Because of that, they never had another prophet for four hundred years. They asked, "Where have we erred? Where have we done wrong?" He said "in tithes and offerings," then he goes ahead to say that it was because they brought their sick animals for sacrifice instead of the best. That is what they were offering. If we offer a sick sacrifice to God, we are going to be a sick Christian. I am not talking physically sick, but spiritually. We cannot cut corners. We cannot come down to the end and say, "Oh, I am sorry." We have to make it right now. Ye shall have the passover...) **a feast of seven days; unleavened bread shall be eaten."** By the time that ends, that is the twenty first day of the first month. The first month would be the last of March or first of April, it varies from year to year because a year is 365 days. The earth, whenever you take the water off it, it is going to gradually shift to three hundred and sixty days, which is a complete circle, just like God. It is going to be beautiful. That is what it is going to be, a place of beauty. In the millennium, it talks about the

lion and lamb laying down together. Meat will still be ate though; it will be ate in the Eternal Age. How do I know that? Because it would be overpopulated. Why did God put seven clean animals on the ark instead of two like the unclean? That seventh one was for sacrifice. That is what Noah did after it was over. What did God do? He killed sacrificed animals. What happened whenever he made that sacrifice? What happened? The glory of the Lord came down. A lot of this stuff is logic. Be logical because the spirit of God will work in your logic if you let Him.

**“And on that day shall the High Priest prepare for himself and for all the people of the land a bullock for a sin offering.”** I wonder how you can get mixed up there and say that is not a priest? **“And seven days of the feast he shall prepare a burnt offering to the Lord, seven bullocks and seven rams without blemish daily the seven days; and a kid of the goats daily for a sin offering.”** Why one goat? Under the law, there were two goats, but here there is only one. Because the scapegoat is already gone. One hanged and one escaped. He became that scapegoat. Here you do not have a scapegoat anymore. Because Christ became our scapegoat. We

escaped, and He died. Think about it. How many animal sacrifices will happen in that time? Right here, over seven days, ninety-nine animals are killed. Let me read that 23<sup>rd</sup> verse again. Seven days of the feast he shall prepare a burnt offering to the Lord, seven bullocks and seven rams without blemish daily the seven days, and a kid of the goats daily for a sin offering. The goat is always described as a sin offering. It you add that up you see ninety-nine animals that are killed in these sacrifices. **“And he shall prepare a meat offering of an ephah (here is the weight again) for a bullock, and an ephah for a ram, and an hin of oil for an ephah.”** Which is six quarts. That will be olive oil. **“In the seventh month,** (We read that in Zechariah 14:16, it will be the fall of the year. That is when Jesus went and cleared the temple the second time. That is the time of the feast of trumpets. It said, “it shall come to pass that every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, and to keep the feast of trumpets.” As I said some time back the other two feasts, the feast of Pentecost, which is the feast of liberty. That is when the Holy Ghost came. Passover is the other feast. Passover has been

fulfilled and Pentecost has been fulfilled, but the feast of tabernacles has not yet been fulfilled. That is the reason everybody has to go, because that is when God hovers over Israel at that time. When God encamps with Israel. That is what tabernacles is all about. In the seventh month...) **in the fifteenth day of the month, shall he do the like in the feast of the seven days, according to the sin offering, according to the burnt offering, and according to the meat offering, and according to the oil.**" This is planned out. To the world this would be a silly thing. But it is a requirement of God for the Jews to be able to inherit the blessings of God upon them. There will be Jews then that will be willing to do whatever it takes for that blessing, because they know that God has done something for them.

### **Sis. Elinor Creech**

I want to spend a few minutes talking about Sis. Eleanor Creech and say a little on what her life meant to me. I guess this would be a little bit of a funeral service if I had the opportunity. But as I did not have the opportunity or either one of my brothers, I will do it now. Most of us know she wanted to have her funeral here at church. She had

already made it known, but it did not turn out that way. I am sorry about that for her sake and for family members that knew the same thing. Bro. Oscar and Sis. Beulah, I would like for you to be able to see the flowers that you presented as well as our church flowers. Brother and sister, we love you all, your family, and the family of God that have stood for truth through the years and are still standing for it. May God bless you. May He bless the family members that are really in concern. I have a scripture that I will read which does not pertain to my message. The 18<sup>th</sup> verse of John, 21<sup>st</sup> chapter. **"Verily, verily, I say unto thee, When thou wast young, thou girdedst thyself, and walkedst whither thou wouldest: but when thou shalt be old, thou shalt stretch forth thy hands, and another shall gird thee, and carry thee whither thou wouldest not."** That kind of says what I would like to say here. I remember in 1977 while Sis. Elinor was the piano player. Whenever Bro. Creech was having to miss several services because of his first wife's sickness, finally he told me he would turn the song service over to me, which I was not a song leader. Anyway, he

turned it over to me. Sis. Elinor was the piano player at that time. She always knew the right key to play when I would go to a song. When I would change from one song to another, she always knew where to pick me up. During that time, I had a dream and I told it to Bro. Jackson when it happened. I dreamed I was singing a song that I could never get right in the natural, but I sung it alright in the dream. The song was "Until Then". I had a hard time with the verses. I was singing that song and Bro. Creech's first wife, she had died by the time I had this dream, she came over to the piano and got a songbook and brought it to me and put it on the platform. I could see everything was plush, just beautiful. The songbook she brought was velvet. By that time Bro. Creech was fixing to marry Sis. Eleanor. I told the dream to Bro. Jackson. In the dream, after I had dreamed that, I dreamed about Bro. Whitler. My dream was that Bro. Whitler said to me, those are beautiful flowers, those were beautiful flowers that someone had at their funeral. I told the dream to Bro. Jackson. When I told it to him, he said, "you know that would never happen in the natural, that a woman that had a

husband, would never bring that in the natural, to some other woman, which goes to show you what it is in the spiritual." In the spirit life things change completely. Bro. Whitler was having a hard time at that time with his heart. Bro. Jackson said, "It looks like they could do something for somebody's heart," because he knew the dream was pointing to Bro. Whitler's death. After that, Bro. Bill and Sis. Rosie and my wife went to East Chicago. That is the first time I had been there. When I came to the service, they were playing the song, Until Then. It was all something that was a beautiful nature. It let me know that Sis. Elinor was the one who was to be the piano player because she always knew where I was at. I did not know, but she knew when I would change from one song to another. This morning, Sis. Elinor, the words on her casket said, Going Home. Sis. Elinor has gone home. I am going to miss my sister. The last time I saw her here at church a month ago, I stopped and talked to her a little while. As I did, she was always thinking she was missing too many services and people would be thinking something about it. She explained it to me. I said "Sis.

Elinor, do not worry, everybody knows your circumstances, what you are going through.” Today I read that scripture because she wanted a funeral here among the saints, she wanted the ministers here to preach her funeral. I know some of her family would not like what I have to say, but I cannot help it. She was more to me than she was to some family members because she was my sister in Christ. So today we have beautiful flowers, but as the song goes, give me my flowers while I am living. Today Sis. Elinor’s body is in the grave, but somewhere her spirit is living in the spirit world. She would never have wanted some homosexual bobbed hair woman to conduct her funeral. But that is what her family chose to do. What a shame, what a disgrace. A funeral is not a comedy. I think a funeral is something you have respect and honor in, instead of something to make somebody laugh. I know this will not be liked, but that is alright. I can take it. Today we are living in a cruel world. There is so much hatred out there, so much evil. Marching in the streets. Obama or Hillary will not say anything about it. Really, Obama glorified it the other day while he

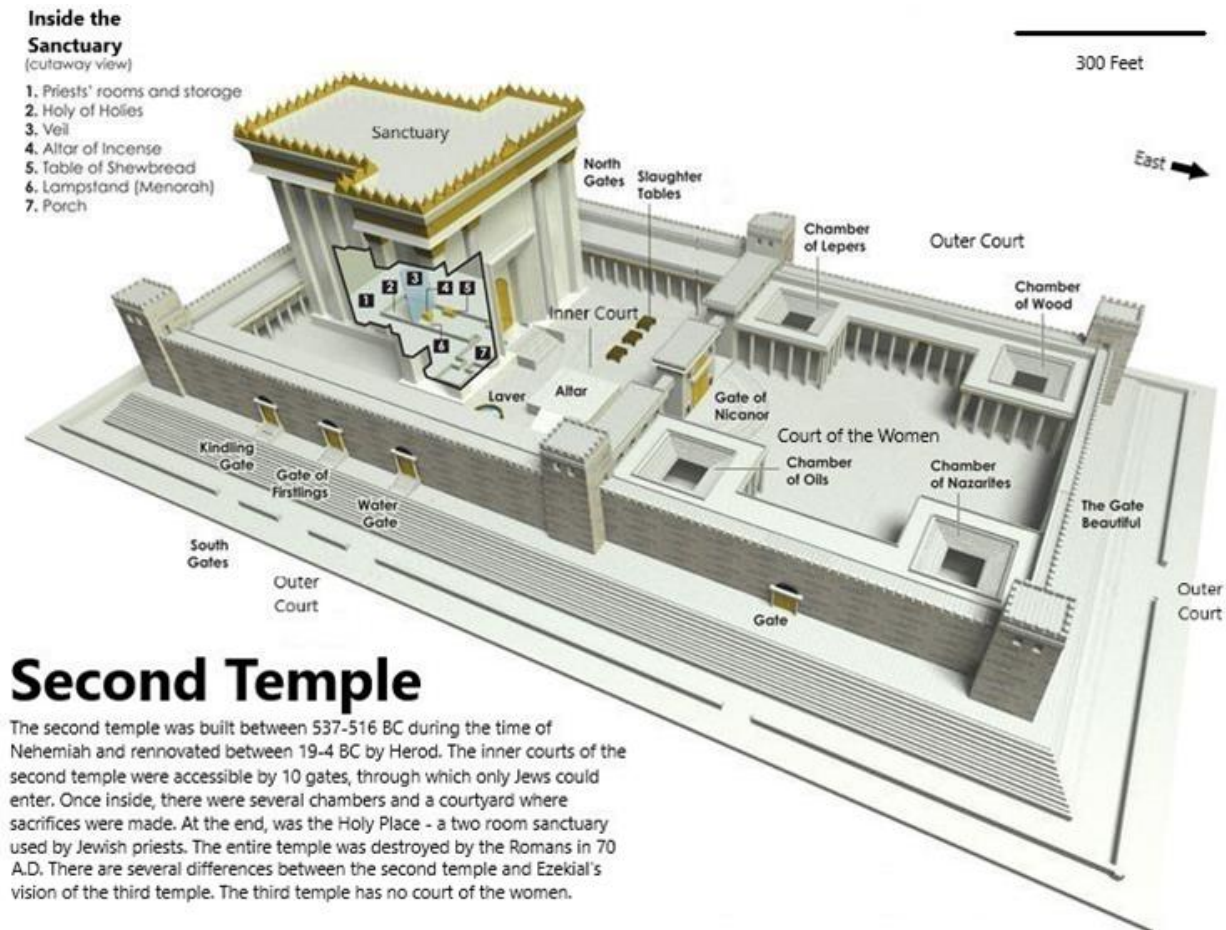
was over in another country with Merkel. This is supposed to be his last trip and I hope it is the last trip he takes to other countries. Our country is a country that does not need to be laughed at and mocked. It needs to be respected. I hope in time that it will be respected, that we can look at it as a place where it is going to take something. George Washington’s vision may be at hand. If it takes that to bring the nation to its knees, then that will be. Because this is to be the country that the Jews will come to, fleeing that diabolical Roman system. Something has to happen. So today I have read the one scripture. When a person is young, they go about doing the things they could. When they are older, then others will cause them do things against their will. I hope you can understand what I am talking about.

### **Natural People Worshipping** **At The Temple**

I am going to go to the 46<sup>th</sup> chapter of Ezekiel now. This is going to finish up looking at the temple. As I said, the temple will be built and worship service restored before the Millennium, as it is spoken of back

in Revelation 11. It said there, **“And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, Rise, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein.”** That would be include a restoration of the worship service, which would include the killing of the animals and also the singing that will be going on, which will be of the Levites. **“But the court which is without** (This is the outer court.) **the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty and two months.”** So we see the parts of the temple that are already completed when the Week of Daniel begins. But here, as we go back to the 46<sup>th</sup> chapter, we see the fully completed temple area. This completion has to take place after Armageddon is over and the Millennium begins. It is not going to be finished in one day, the temple area and all, and the city. By the time they get through building, it may take fifty to a hundred years. I am not talking about the temple itself. I am talking about the whole, the city. The temple and its grounds are going to more or less cover the

old city area. All these shrines the Gentiles have made, the churches they have built will be torn down. These are eyesores to the Jewish faith. They will be torn down. This temple and the sacrifices they will offer is not for the Bride. The Bride has nothing to do with this because it is for natural people, not for Bride people. As we look at this, we will understand where it says the *prince* in King James Version, in the Lamsa it says *high priest*. That is what it calls him in the 45<sup>th</sup> and 46<sup>th</sup> chapters. Now I am reading both translations, so you will understand. I have gotten so much criticism about this. I want you to be able to see this. **“Thus saith the Lord God; The gate of the inner court** (The inner court which is the temple area. The inner court is the temple area.) **that looketh toward the east shall be shut the six working days; but on the sabbath it shall be opened, and in the day of the new moon it shall be opened.”** Now we have here a picture of the temple. What he is talking about is not the outer gate. The eastern gate is the temple gate. It is not that wall standing over there now. That wall which is standing there today has been closed shut for all these years,



but then it will be gone. **“And the prince shall enter by the way of the porch of that gate without,** (See? The eastern part of it will no doubt be here (pointing at the gate to the inner court). This gate will be closed, not the wall gate. This gate will be closed. So, I know the teaching on that. I know what has been said on that, but it does not match scripture. Let me go over that again. Thus saith the Lord God the *gate of the inner court*, do you get that? Gate of the inner court that looketh toward the east shall be shut

the six working days. But on the sabbath it shall be opened, and in the day of the new moon it shall be opened. The prince shall enter by the way of *the porch* of that gate without, see? There is a porch there. It is going to be something that will be covered because you will have rain during that time. (I was asked a question one time, “Will it rain in the Millennium?” If you go to Zechariah, and it says there will be rain.) The *porch* of that gate, which is where he will stand in the doorway, as the people of the land



stand outside. Nobody enters into the temple but priests and the singers. Those are all that may enter into that area, because the worship has to come from inside to the outside where the people come by. I will move on here. And the prince shall enter by the way of the porch of that gate without...) **and shall stand by the post of the gate, and the priests shall prepare his burnt offering and his peace offerings, and he shall worship at the threshold of the gate: then he shall go forth;** (He is going to go outside now where the people are.) **but the gate shall not be shut until the evening. Likewise the people of the land shall worship at the door of this gate before the Lord in the sabbaths and in the new moons."** That is the people of the land, they are going to have representatives there. The twelve apostles are going to be over the twelve tribes. Because they are going to need somebody to direct them. The Bride has her work cut out for her during the Millennium. Wherever she is at, she has a lot to do, because they are going to rule over this natural population. There are going to be people born during the Millennium that will be brought up under the

rulership of Christ and His Bride, plus the sheep people that go into that time. That is where it says a young one shall live a thousand years, because they enter into the Millennium as a young person. The sheep people will never die. They will be more than a thousand years old whenever the Millennial reign is over.

**"And the burnt offering that the prince shall offer unto the Lord in the sabbath day shall be six lambs without blemish, and a ram without blemish."** These are all male animals. Because God is male. Because He is Father. He is not Mother, He is Father. I am not trying to make anything less out of people who are mothers, but Jesus said pray, "Our Father..." **"And the meat offering** (He is talking here about grain here. If you look at this you will see. The meat offering...) **shall be an ephah for a ram,** (See, there is your meat, the ram is the meat. The ephah is a bushel and three quarts for the meal offering.) **and the meat offering for the lambs as he shall be able to give, and an hin of oil to an ephah."** Which is six quarts of oil. That is a hin. That is not talking about the

chickens running around. It is a measurement. Ephah is a measurement. A hin is a measurement, as we already went over. **“And in the day of the new moon it shall be a young bullock without blemish,** (See? It is always male...) **and six lambs, and a ram: they shall be without blemish.”** The Bride of Jesus Christ is going to be without spot or blemish, just like these offerings. Bro. Kevin has been talking about family because we cannot let family lead us. There is a distinction in family when it comes to truth. We are the family of God. What does it say in 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians chapter 12? We are knit together. We are one body. The body of Christ in the earth today is the most important thing God is looking at. He is looking at the body because it is the body of Christ. He is the head. These sacrifices are looking back at what He has already done. That is what the law always was, something to point to Christ. They could not ever live it under the Law Age. They could not keep it. Thou shalt not, thou shalt not. But in the Millennium they will keep it. 7<sup>th</sup> verse, **“And he shall prepare a meat offering, an ephah for a bullock, and an ephah for a ram,**

**and for the lambs according as his hand shall attain unto, and an hin or oil to an ephah.”** This is for people that cannot afford an animal, and it is going to be that way. Jesus said you will always have the poor among you. There will be simple minded people even into the Millennium that need cared for. So, everybody will not be able to give the whole lamb or bullock. If you go through the Old Testament, then you see that two families can get together. That was the first Passover. Two families can get together, if one family cannot afford that lamb. They will get together, but they all have to be under the same roof in order for the Passover to happen. Because outside, if somebody was outside, they were dead. Outside of the wall of protection of Jesus Christ, we are dead. **“And when the prince shall enter, he shall go in by the way of the porch of that gate, and he shall go forth by the way thereof.”** See? He is the only one that is allowed to do that. The high priest is the only one that can go in and out of the same gate. Because he is a representative of Jesus Christ. **“But when the people of the land shall come before the Lord in the**

**solemn feasts, he that entereth in by the way of the north gate to worship** (That is talking about the north gate to the temple area. Let that sink in a little bit.) **shall go out by the way of the south gate;** (I wonder why he would do that? The prince or the high priest, goes in and out the same gate. But the people of the land, they enter into the temple area by the north gate, they have to go out by the south gate. It is very simple. Because they left their offering and must go out another way. Because if he does not, his sin remains. This is a death sentence. This is God's word. He comes in by the way of the north gate and leaves by way of the south gate. He comes in by the south gate, he has to leave by the way of the north gate. He cannot go out the same way he came in. Brothers and sisters, that is a lesson to us. When we leave our sins at the altar, we cannot pick them up again. Leave them there. Our thinking, our desires have to be changed. Maybe these people will not understand that, maybe some young ones are not able to understand that, but they have to follow the motion of it because it is death if they do not. If you come into this truth and go back out the

same way, to some denominational system, it is death. God said to me in 1963 when I heard this message, Revelation 18, "come out of her my people, that ye be not partaker of her sins." If I go back to that, then I have lost my identity. My identity is to be a part of the Bride of Christ. **When the people of the land shall come before the Lord in the solemn feasts, he that entereth in by the way of the north gate to worship shall go out by the way of the south gate.** See? What has happened? He has left his load there, and somewhere inside him, he feels relieved. Whenever you came to the Lord, did you not feel relieved? Did you not feel a burden lifted? When our sisters sing their songs, sometimes I cannot contain myself. The tears that come to my eyes, I cannot help it. I do not want to help it. I am glad for the tears. I can still feel conviction whenever something is wrong.) **and he that entereth by the way of the south gate shall go forth by the way of the north gate: he shall not return by the way of the gate whereby he came in, but shall go forth over against it."** See? What it does, he is not looking back, he is looking forward because he cannot go back. He cannot turn

around. Just like Lot's wife, she turned around. Who wants to turn around? **"And the prince in the midst of them, when they go in, shall go in; and when they go forth, shall go forth."** See? He is not going to stay in there forever. That sets an allotted time that he is in there. **"And in the solemnities the meat offerings shall be an ephah to a bullock, and an ephah to a ram, and to the lambs as he is able to give, and an hin of oil to an ephah."** See? He repeats this. God wants them to get it. **"Now when the prince shall prepare a voluntary burnt offering or peace offerings voluntarily unto the Lord, one shall then open him the gate that looketh toward the east, and he shall prepare his burnt offering and his peace offerings, as he did on the sabbath day: then he shall go forth; and after his going forth one shall shut the gate."** His job is to keep things right. If he does not, he is going to die. There is nothing else to it. He shall prepare his burnt offering and his peace offerings as he did on the sabbath day, then he shall go forth and after his going forth one shall shut the gate. See? It is closed now. It is not open all the time. It is

closed. You have to be on time. There are people out there in Las Vegas, California, overseas, who are our brothers and sisters who sit and watch our services. The only change you are going to see is if God reveals it. We are not going back. Every service we are closing a gate because we are not looking back. That chapter of life that we once lived, we cut it off. I believe you are interested in this message. I hope all of you are. This is important. We are going to rule and reign with Christ. His presence, just as we feel it in the worship service, is lingering here as I preach. It is the same presence that is overseas in Norway, or the Philippines. We have new brothers and sisters in Australia. Bro. Jimmy's children are living there, three of them that I know are living in Australia now. Remember Bro. Jimmy and the saints in the Philippines in your prayers. **"Thou shalt daily prepare a burnt offering unto the Lord of a lamb of the first year without blemish:** (This is a daily thing. This is not a time for all the people to be there, but it is a time for the ministry to be there, daily. There is a song, how did you leave your room this morning? Did you forget to pray?) **thou shalt**

**prepare it every morning.”** Why not in the evening? It has to be in the morning so that it will last through the day. These priests have to eat that every day. Not a weekly reminder, not a new moon reminder, but every day.

### **Sin in the Millennium – Perfection in the Eternal Age**

**“And thou shalt prepare a meat offering for it every morning, the sixth part of an ephah,** (That is because you have a lamb there. You do not have a full meal like you do at other times. Because there are not going to be as many eating it.) **and the third part of an hin of oil,** (which would be two quarts) **to temper with the fine flour;** (See? You mix that with the flour to temper it.) **a meat offering** (or a meal offering) **continually by a perpetual ordinance unto the Lord. Thus shall they prepare the lamb, and the meat offering,** (meal offering) **and the oil, every morning for a continual burnt offering.”** It is a continual thing, they do not stop. They start on the first day of the week. The sabbath is the seventh day to them in this. They start on the first day of the week, and

they go that way until the sabbath again. So, it is not forgotten, because there is a continual remembrance of sin. They are not necessarily free from sin because there are people being born all along, all through the Millennium. So, they are still born under sin, sin is not gone. That is why there is this remembrance of sin. When you go from the Millennium into the Eternal Age, then all sin is gone. Then it will be back like it should have been with Adam. If Adam had never sinned, it would be an eternal day. Why? Because they would have ate off the tree of life, which is the Holy Ghost. To me this makes sense. This makes sense of what is really truth. Because they will enter into that age and there will be no more sin. Why? Because the serpent is only alive as a snake. His seed is all gone. It is still manifest in the Millennium, but what happens? This is what makes me happy. What happens when you go to the white throne judgment? Death and hell are then cast into the lake of fire. It is gone. There is no more sin. Perfection is all that is left. Some hate me to say this: every child that is born from then on will be a child of God. Everyone will eat from that

tree of life freely in the eternal age, which the Bride is living on already. In the Millennium, the Earth and natural mankind is gradually perfected. You cannot get any more perfected. The Bride of Christ is already sinless in the Millennium. But sin still lingers in the children of the sheep people. Little children will be born, because it will be appointed of God when they are to be born. Until a length of time. Earth was made for man. That is what the Bible said. When Jesus taught His disciples how to pray, he said "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven." I did not know these things always, God had to show them to me. He is my Teacher. He is your Teacher. We are all being taught together. **"Thus saith the Lord God; If the prince give a gift unto any of his sons, the inheritance thereof shall be his son's; it shall be their possession by inheritance."** He cannot take it back. If he gives it, he cannot take it back. But it has to be out of his own inheritance, which he has inherited in that city. When we go into chapters 47 and 48, we will learn a little more about the city. **"But if he give a gift of his inheritance to one of his servants, then it shall be his**

**to the year of liberty;** (or the year of Jubilee, then it goes back.) **after it shall return to the prince: but his inheritance shall be his sons' for them. Moreover the prince shall not take of the people's inheritance by oppression,** (or by force. It is his final gift, which we will find out as we go along.) **to thrust them out of their possession; but he shall give his sons inheritance out of his own possession: that my people be not scattered every man from his possession."** That is why God has a church. I cannot take somebody else's ministry. That is why there is a fivefold ministry, one cannot take it all. One cannot do it all. The only One who ever done it all was Jesus Christ. He was God's complete gift. That is why He became our example. Because He was perfect, with no guile. Whenever we get to that place, we are going to be perfect. We are. We are looking for perfection, getting rid of all the little things that make us where we are not complete. Get them out of our life, throw them away and put them behind us. Why? We are the family of God. How I love this family of God.

I want to get into Ezekiel chapter 47. I have finished looking at the temple. I have more to show you concerning the Eternal Age. I have added a subtitle to my message because I have gone beyond Revelation 10. My subtitle is "The Millennium and Beyond." So, some of this will be beyond. I know we could think there is not much that we know about what will be happening after the Millennium is over, but there is more than I thought there was. I want to get into that. I probably will mix it together, but I will tell you when I am mixing it together. There is just a lot to happen, especially in the Millennium, that God is going to help us understand and to look into. It may be things that have not been looked into before. We praise Him that He is so gracious to us to let us have understanding in this hour of time. History gives you the past, but the Bible gives you the future. That is what we are looking at here. I want to go back to where the boundaries are now, and where they will be. Israel is a little speck of a nation today, but it is going to spread out. It is going to be several hundred miles long, and some two hundred miles wide. At its narrow

point today, it is just a few miles, and the world wants to make it smaller. They are talking of tearing down Amona, a town in Israel. They want to give it to the Arabs. That is not right. The Jews are refusing to leave it. Maybe this is the time for Judah to spread forth into parts that belong to them. It is going to happen, just not on our schedule. God is well aware of what is going on. He is well aware of the leadership He needs in that country, to fulfill His will and purpose. In His time, these things will come to pass.

### **Things Old & Things New**

So, in the scripture, we have looked at the temple, but now Ezekiel goes on to look beyond that. He stopped looking at the temple in chapter 46 of Ezekiel. Now he goes into another topic. The area around the temple will not be completed until during the Millennium. That is going to take some time to finish. People do not realize that. They think it is just an instant thing, but it is going to take years for that city and the area around the temple to be rebuilt because it is such a vast thing. We will see that as we go along. They say "Rome was not

built in a day.” Well, that city is not going to be finished in a day. Only the immediate temple area, the sanctuary and the altar, will be completed before the Millennium. That is it. Whenever the Millennium comes, that is all there is. But then it as the Millennium unfolds, the rest will all be finished. God has to bring the Israeli people back there, and He has to get strangers in there to help build. We will read that. It is in here, it is in this 47<sup>th</sup> chapter, which connects to the 60<sup>th</sup> chapter of Isaiah where it talks about the sons of strangers. One prophet does not contradict the other one, but the one prophet completes what another prophet starts. What does it say in Isaiah 28? “Line upon line, line upon line, here a little and there a little.” That is speaking of how the picture comes together as you begin to look at the pieces. It is kind of like a puzzle. I never was very good at puzzles. They will have five hundred-piece puzzles, and the picture is an ocean and one little bird. Every piece looks about the same. Whenever I did a puzzle, I would force some pieces into places where they did not belong. I would have the bird someplace else. I have seen people work these Rubik

cubes, and get them done in a minute. That would be an all-day job for me. Those things are not as important as this though. This is what God has worked out. It is His word. If He had never spoke it, it would not be there. What does it say? The scripture is for our learning. It is a teacher, but it has to be learned. In Matthew 13, let us go there for a minute. Here we have these verses and seven parables. The seventh parable, verse 47 says, **“Again, the kingdom of heaven (the kingdom of heaven) is like unto a net, that was cast into the sea, and gathered of every kind: Which when it was full, they drew to shore, and sat down, and gathered the good into vessels, but cast the bad away.”** This has already happened. We are living in the end of this. Then it goes on. **“So shall it be at the end of the world: the angels shall come forth, and sever** (that hurts sometimes, sever, what do you do when you sever something? You pull it apart. It can be that way with family. God has a family, but it is not always the family we think it is. We have to trust God. I know He has done His part, we must do our part. Sever...) **the wicked from among the just.”**



Among them. Is that hard? It is hard when it comes. But it is not hard to understand. **“And shall cast them into the furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.** (My!) **Jesus saith unto them, Have ye understood all these things?** (Parables) **They say unto him, Yea, Lord.”** They did not understand, though they thought they did. They were not lying. But here, this is the verse, **“Then said he unto them, Therefore every scribe** (That is the ministry. A scribe in the Old Testament was someone that wrote the Bible, but he was also someone that interpreted the Bible. So, they were both a scribe to write it and a scribe to understand it. Therefore, every scribe...) **which is instructed unto the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder,** (That is the ministry of Bro. Branham. It said the scribe is like unto that householder. He brought truths out that the people hated. It was the truth. One minister in that hour, his son has a television show now, said serpent seed was from hell. They began to say Bro. Branham said Eve had a relationship with the devil. He never said that. He said the serpent. I remember him explaining that. It was easy to

understand. But it was not for them.) **which bringeth forth out of his treasure things new and old.”**

### **Waters From Beneath Temple**

I will go now to chapter 47 of Ezekiel. This part is after he has talked about the rebuilding of the temple, of the land, and of the city. *Afterward*, after all that now he is going into something else. **“Afterward he brought me again unto the door of the house;** (the door of the house. We have a picture of the Mount of Olives here. The picture is looking over at the Mount of Olives from the temple mount. It is a great mountain. You can see it here. We have walked down it. The bus takes you to the top, but then you have to walk down. It is very steep.) **behold, waters issued out from under the threshold of the house eastward: for the forefront of the house stood toward the east,** (He is talking about the temple.) **and the waters came down from under from the right side of the house, at the south side of the altar.”** Now for us to understand this, we must go to Zechariah, chapter 14:3 **“Then shall the Lord go forth, and fight against those**



**nations, as when he fought in the day of battle. And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, (His feet stood upon the Mount of Olives, that is where He left from.) and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south.”** What am I saying? Half of it toward the north and half toward the south. It will split right down the middle. Why? You will see who is with Him. This

mountain is going to be split in half. When is that? When the Lord comes back and stands on the Mount of Olives. Now the 5<sup>th</sup> verse, **“And ye shall flee to the valley of the mountains; for the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azal: yea, ye shall flee, like as ye fled from before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah: and the Lord my God shall come, and all the saints with thee.”** See? There you are. You are right there with him as he returns. That is before the resurrection of the rest of the white robed saints, but it is after the resurrection of the Bride, which has happened some seven years

before this. This mountain is going to cleave down the middle, and there is a reason for it. To divert attention off of it, he goes into something else here. He just completely leaves that topic alone until later. He says, **“And it shall come to pass in that day, that the light shall not be clear, nor dark: But it shall be one day which shall be known to the Lord, not day, nor night: but it shall come to pass, that at evening time it shall be light.”** See? He completely dismisses the cleaving of the Mount of Olives and goes to this. What is this verse? What is this evening light? When is it? 1963. I know Bro. Branham talked a lot about this. But let us just leave those two verses out for now which are for a different topic, and let us continue the thought he was expressing back in the 5<sup>th</sup> verse and we will see what happens here. Verse 8 **“And it shall be in that day, that living waters shall go out from Jerusalem;** (Where? From the temple area. What are the waters going to do? Go right through that pass that was opened in the Mount of Olives. That is why it is opened up. I think from the temple through to the other side of the pass that will be made in the Mount of Olives is a little over a

mile. It says living waters, that is not spiritual, that is physical.) **half of them toward the former sea, and half of them toward the hinder sea: in summer and in winter shall it be.”**

There is another part of this. Let us go to the book of Joel, 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter, starting with the 17<sup>th</sup> verse. **“So shall ye know that I am the Lord your God dwelling in Zion, my holy mountain: then shall Jerusalem be holy, and there shall no strangers pass through her any more. And it shall come to pass in that day, that the mountains shall drop down new wine, and the hills shall flow with milk, and all the rivers of Judah shall flow with waters, and a fountain shall come forth of the house of the Lord, and shall water the valley of Shittim.”** We know where that is. That is the entrance into the Dead Sea. You can see on the map how far it is Jerusalem to the Dead Sea. You can picture what this will look like. Living waters, a fountain shall flow from the house of the Lord. Let us go back to Ezekiel. I brought in these other scripture in order to make the picture clear. This valley is not just a valley to be a valley, it

*And it shall be in that day, that living waters shall go out from Jerusalem; half of them toward the former sea, and half of them toward the hinder sea: in summer and in winter shall it be. — Zechariah 14:8 (KJV)*



will be an entrance for living waters to flow through towards the Dead Sea. What does it say in Zechariah? It says it will flow to the former sea and the hinder sea. The hinder sea is the Dead Sea and former sea is the Mediterranean. Ezekiel 47:1 again. **“Afterward he brought me again unto the door of the house; and, behold, waters issued out from under the threshold of the house eastward.”** See? He did not see the complete picture. That is why I said, you must go from one to another to get the complete picture. Ezekiel just saw it flowing eastward into the

Dead Sea. But Zechariah saw it flowing into both seas, and there is a reason for that. We will see the reason. Somewhere under Jerusalem today there is a great fountain of water. It has got to be there, just waiting for God to remove the cork. **“Then brought he me out of the way of the gate northward, and led me about the way without unto the utter gate by the way that looketh eastward; and, behold, there ran out waters on the right side. (Or the right side of the altar.) And when the man that had the line in his hand went**



**forth eastward, he measured a thousand cubits, (which would be fifteen hundred feet) and he brought me through the waters; the waters were to the ankles."**

Why is the water shallow here? Because it is so steep from up there down into the valley. The first time we went to Israel we went to Jericho. I remember the water that came out there. That was Elisha's stream there that was healed. It is still healed today. That valley has trees and is beautiful, because of one spring of water. This will be similar, but much greater. **"Again, he measured a thousand, and brought me through the waters; the waters were to the knees.** (See? It is getting deeper as it moves on out.) **Again, he measured a thousand, and brought me through; the waters were to the loins.** (It is leveling out now and the water is running more slowly and pooling deeper. You are going through the Mount of Olives at this point.) **Afterward he measured a thousand; and it was a river** (I know preachers have preached that this is a spiritual thing. It is not spiritual. This is physical. Do not listen to them. This has nothing to do with a spiritual thing. It was a

river...) **that I could not pass over: for the waters were risen, waters to swim in, a river that could not be passed over."** See where he is now? He has gone a thousand cubits, he did that that four times, so that is six thousand feet. Where does that put him? It takes you through the new valley in the Mount of Olives out to the other side. Now you are down in the valley toward the Dead Sea. The temple mount is only about twenty miles from the Dead Sea. As the waters slow down a spread out, it gets deeper. But in Zechariah it goes both ways, both east and west. So, one stream goes to the Dead Sea and another to the Mediterranean. God has a purpose in everything He does. **"And he said unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen this? Then he brought me, and caused me to return to the brink of the river."** Back at the beginning at Jerusalem. I am interested because God is doing something. **"Now when I had returned, behold, at the bank of the river were very many trees on the one side and on the other."** God is healing the land. The weather is changing. What is happening in these verses could not happen if the weather was like it is now, but here

we can see in that time the weather has changed. **“Then said he unto me, These waters issue out toward the east country, and go down into the desert, and go into the sea: which being brought forth into the sea, the waters shall be healed.”** The Dead Sea will not be dead any longer. God is doing something. He is healing the Dead Sea. People like to go down there and get in that mud. Then they go and wash it off, and it is supposed to have a healing effect on their body. No. That is not healing. What we are reading is real healing. God’s word is healing. **“And it shall come to pass, that everything that liveth, which moveth, whithersoever the rivers shall come, shall live: and there shall be a very great multitude of fish, because these waters shall come thither: for they shall be healed; and everything shall live whither the river cometh.”** Why? Because it comes out of the throne. The throne at Jerusalem. That is not the throne of the Bride of Christ. Natural Jerusalem is God’s gift to Israel. “Oh, I thought I was going to live in Jerusalem.” You are not. You are going to live and rule and reign in your homeland. We will rule and

reign in this land. Others will rule and reign in their lands. Natural Jerusalem is for the Jews. **“And it shall come to pass, that the fishers shall stand upon it from Engedi even unto Eneglaim; (This is from the Jordan close to the Dead Sea, on into the Dead Sea, where these waters run.) they shall be a place to spread forth nets; their fish shall be according to their kinds, as the fish of the great sea, exceeding many.”** What is he saying? The fish from the great sea are going to come across to the Dead Sea. How are they going to do it? You have fresh water and salt water. God is God. It said the same kind. It said the waters will be healed. **“But the miry places thereof and the marshes thereof shall not be healed; they shall be given to salt.”** The marshland around the edges of the Dead Sea will still be salty, but the interior will be healed and full of fish for them to eat. Someone may say, “Well, I thought when we go into the Millennium we do not eat meat.” Natural people are going to eat something. They are going to eat animals. “Oh, I did not know that.” What are the animals going to do, overspread the earth? No. If something does not happen, the fish

will multiply where all you have is fish and no water, just fish. God does not have any problem with eating animals. Only foolish men do. But God does not. Did it not say they will have nets? Why would they have nets unless they were going to catch fish? **“And by the river upon the bank thereof, on this side and on that side, shall grow all trees for meat,** (or for food. They are not going to be growing squirrels. They are going to be growing fruit. That is why I said that the weather is going to change because they get snow in Jerusalem at times. Last winter Israel had snow six inch deep. Shall grow all trees for meat...) **whose leaf shall not fade,** (See? There will be no cold winter season anymore. In South Africa where we visited, the way they know the spring season has come I by the blooming of the flowers. The leaf never falls off. It stays the same year-round. This is what is going to happen at Jerusalem.) **neither shall the fruit thereof be consumed: it shall bring forth new fruit according to his months,** (every month of the year, it said they will not be consumed, see, because of the fresh water running, according to his

months...) **because their waters they issued out of the sanctuary:** (That is wonderful. There is nothing coming out of the sanctuary that is going to be polluted.) **and the fruit thereof shall be for meat,** (or food) **and the leaf thereof for medicine.”** Not only will the fruit be great, the leaves are going to be for medicine. Can you understand that? It is going to put a lot of doctors out of business. That is for the natural person. Think about it, they will live a thousand years. There is something. You are talking fantastic. The word of God is fantastic.

### **Division of the Land of Israel**

Now it goes to dividing the land in the 48<sup>th</sup> chapter. I have a reason to go down this part. **“Thus saith the Lord God; This shall be the border, whereby ye shall inherit the land according to the twelve tribes of Israel: Joseph shall have two portions.”** Whenever it divides the land out in chapter 48, Joseph is not mentioned, but his sons are. That is his two portions, Manasseh and Ephraim. Because really there will be thirteen portions. Joseph will get two, one for each son. The

thirteenth part goes unto Levi, which will be Jerusalem. There will be twelve parts beside that, so Joseph, his sons, Ephraim and Manaseh, shall have those two parts of Joseph. That is why Joseph is mentioned here in two parts. **“And ye shall inherit it, one as well as another: concerning the which I lifted up mine hand to give it unto your fathers:** (He lifted his hand to give it to their fathers. David and Solomon are the only ones that had the whole of Israel.) **and this land shall fall unto you for inheritance. And this shall be the border of the land toward the north side, from the great sea, the way of Hethlon, as men go to Zedad; Hamath, Berothah, Sibraim, which is between the border of Damascus and the border of Hamath; Hazar-hatticon, which is by the coast of Hauran.”** These places are on our map. **“And the border from the sea shall be Hazarenan, the border of Damascus, and the north northward, and the border of Hamath. And this is the north side.”** It goes from the Euphrates river all the way south down to the river Egypt. This is what David and Solomon ruled over. I have a map in my Bible that shows the whole

thing. This was David’s kingdom. Really, the kingdom is even a little larger than what this map shows, **“And the east side ye shall measure from Hauran, and from Damascus, and from Gilead, and from the land of Israel by Jordan, from the border unto the east sea. And this is the east side.”** This is the east border of Israel. So, it is not going to be little. Israel is a small thing today compared to this. But all this is going to be their inheritance. **“And the south side southward, from Tamar even to the waters of strife in Kadesh, the river to the great sea. And this is the south side southward. The west side also shall be the great sea from the border till a man come over against Hamath. This is the west side. So, shall ye divide this land unto you according to the tribes of Israel. And it shall come to pass, that ye shall divide it by lot for an inheritance unto you, and to the strangers** (Strangers, see? I read a while ago where there will be no strangers, but there is a difference. To the strangers...) **that sojourn among you, which shall beget children among you: and they shall be unto you as born in the country among the children of**



**Israel; they shall have inheritance with you among the tribes of Israel.”** Now why would he say that? Let us go to Isaiah 60. Let us start with verse 8. **“Who are these that fly as a cloud, and as the doves to their windows? Surely the isles shall wait for me, and the ships of Tarshish first, to bring thy sons from far, their silver and their gold with them, unto the name of the Lord thy God, and to the Holy One of Israel, because he hath glorified thee.”** Now listen to this next verse. You will see why he mentions it here as I read this. **“And the sons of strangers shall build up thy walls,** (This is a special group of strangers. It is not just strange people walking through the land. It will not be the strangers that come from abroad once a year. They are not are going to inherit it, but it is the sons of the strangers that build up thy walls.) **and their kings shall minister unto thee: for in my wrath I smote thee, but in my favour have I had mercy on thee.”** That is why I said you have to go to different scriptures to get the answer. Let me go back and read verse 22 again, from Ezekiel. **“And it shall come to pass, that ye shall divide it by lot for an inheritance**

**unto you, and to the strangers** (Strangers, the ones that build up thy walls. They are going to be as important to Israel as the home-grown Jews. God did not forget them because they helped to build up the walls. They were volunteers. Do you get it? To the strangers...) **that sojourn among you, which shall beget children among you: and they shall be unto you as born in the country among the children of Israel; they shall have inheritance with you among the tribes of Israel.”** It goes on further and says they will not only have inheritance in the land, but it is wherever they go. Whatever tribe they choose to live in. **“And it shall come to pass, that in what tribe the stranger sojourneth, there shall ye give him his inheritance, saith the Lord God.”** God does not forget their favor.

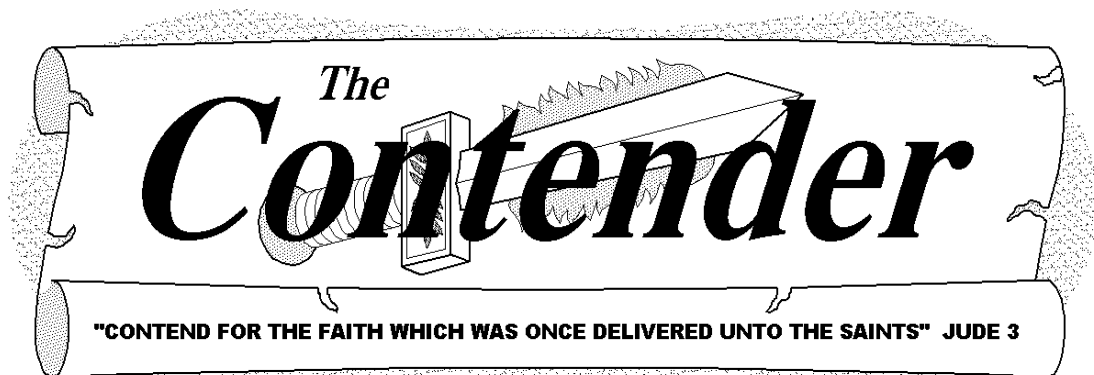
### **Heavenly Jerusalem: The Bride of Christ**

God does not forget His Bride, either. In Revelation 21 and 22, which is talking about the Bride, what does it say there? Natural Jerusalem is a replica of the Bride. Let's look at that a minute. So, we

do not forget. Chapter 22, **“And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.”** See? He is talking about another river, which is the river of life. That is where the tree of life is. Are you glad for what God is doing among us? Why is he? Because you are saints of God. Why do you doubt your experience? Why do you doubt your inheritance? Is it because the devil says you are not His? Because somebody has been standing on your shoulder, talking in your ear? I say, get some ear plugs, spiritual ear plugs. Whenever you do, then say, **“In the name of the Lord, get away from me Satan.”** He showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb. This is not the same as Ezekiel saw, because Ezekiel saw a natural river running out from underneath the side of the throne. But this which John saw, this is the Bride experience. There is nothing to compare to it. Natural Jerusalem is a replica of how God views the Bride. You have the natural, and then you have the supernatural. We are humans with a supernatural experience that only God can give. It sounds much the

same. **“In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits,** (spiritual fruits, three more than what we have now: love, peace, longsuffering, joy, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, and temperance. We have these now, but there are going to be three more added. Bro. Jackson said we will not know what they are until that time.) **and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree** (were not for your healing) **were for the healing of the nations.”** They are there to take away that old spirit and give healing to the nations, which will all be accomplished after the Millennium is over. It will all be healed because at the end of the Millennium, after Gog and Magog and those who come with them are devoured by fire. God will get rid of all that. Then you go into the Eternal Age. That is for the healing the nations of the bitterness, the strife, the envy that now is upon the earth. **“And there shall be no more curse:** (See? You are going into the Eternal Age then. You are out of the age of the Millennium. There will be no more curse. The curse will be taken away. This connects to Isaiah

66. The serpent will still have dust for its meat, still be eating bugs because of what he did. But he will still be there. God does not lose anything. He will never talk again, he will never deceive again.) **but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him: And they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads.”**



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