## Day 6—Feast of Tabernacles Society During the Millennium

How the Old and New Testaments work together filling out the picture Fred R. Coulter—October 10, 2017

Greetings, brethren! Welcome to Day 6 of the Feast of Tabernacles!

God's calling is so fantastic, is so great, and what God is going to do with us forever. Remember, it begins with the Millennium. What we're going to see is how that the Old Testament and the New Testament work together to fill out the whole picture of God's plan. You can't have one without the other; they both work together.

Isa. 64 is a prophecy of the gospel, and a prophecies that entails us who are called as the fulfilling of this prophecy. Then we will see in the New Testament how the Apostle Paul shows even more detail with it. Then we come back to the Old Testament and back to the New Testament and it all adds up together in a fantastic, marvelous, inspiring, great and overwhelming understanding of what God is going to do with us.

Remember where we started, Proverbs 28:18<sub>[transcriber's correction]</sub>: "Where *there is* no vision, the people perish..." God has given us, not only just a vision, but a clear understanding of what it's going to be like during the Millennium. Then on days 7 & 8 we're going to see about the new heaven and the new earth and New Jerusalem.

Isaiah 64:1: "Oh that You would rend the heavens *and* come down, *that* mountains might quake at Your presence." As we know, at the return of Christ He's going to shake the heavens and shake the earth!

Verse 2: "As when the melting fire burns, the fire causes water to boil, to make Your name known to Your adversaries, *that* the nations may tremble at Your presence!" That's what's going to happens when Christ returns.

Verse 3: "When You did awesome things which we did not look for, You came down, the mountains quaked at Your presence. And from ancient times men have not heard, nor did they perceive, neither has the eye seen, a God besides you Who acts on behalf of those who wait for Him.... [that's us] ... You meet him who rejoices and works righteousness, those who remembered You in Your ways. Behold..." (vs 3-5). Then it goes on and talking about how God was angry and He had to come back.

Let's see what God says about our calling.

We will see how the Apostle Paul expands this out in a tremendous way so that we really understand and have some clear vision of what God has in store for us, and what God has in store for the world; and a glimpse into eternity!

Here we are carnal human beings, and of course with those in 1-Cor. they had a lot of troubles and difficulties and Paul had to write to them to correct them.

1-Corinthians 1:24: "But to those who are called—both Jews and Greeks—Christ *is* God's power and God's wisdom, because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men" (vs 24-25).

God has a few things that you could call a little foolish to give men wonderment! The weakness of God is stronger than men! But, of course, that is an exaggeration on both sides.

Verse 26: "For you see your calling, brethren, that *there are* not many who are wise according to the flesh, not many who are powerful, not many who are highborn *among you*. Rather, God has chosen the foolish things of the world, so that He might put to shame those who are wise; and God has chosen the weak things of the world so that He might put to shame the strong things" (vs 26-27). God works the opposite of what people think, because:

- He is the One Who gives us strength
- He is the One Who gives us power
- He is the One Who is righteous

Verse 28: "And the lowborn of the world, and the despised has God chosen—even the things that are counted as nothing—... [we're nothing in this world and this society] ...in order that He might bring to nothing the things that are; so that no flesh might glory in His presence. But you are of Him in Christ Jesus, Who was made to us wisdom from God, even righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption; so that, as it is written, 'The one who glories, let him glory in the Lord'" (vs 28-31).

Here's what's important: God has given to us, at this time in His plan, a greater understanding of His plan than has been revealed in the past, except probably to Abraham.

1-Corinthians 2:7: "Rather, we speak the

wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom that God foreordained before the ages unto our glory." The hidden wisdom of the plan of God!

We know that through the Holy Days we have an understanding of that. But I want us to try and expand our thinking, expand our understanding, and be inspired that everything that God is doing is going to be absolutely fantastic, marvelous and we understand it by faith, not by sight!

Verse 9: "But according as it is written, 'The eye has not seen, nor the ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him." Key important thing: to love God with all your heart, mind, soul and being! Very, very foundational and important.

But notice that God's plan is so great for us that we can only get glimpses of this mystery from the Word of God as He reveals the secrets that are buried within the Scriptures.

Verse 10: "But God has revealed *them* to us by His Spirit, for the Spirit searches all things—even **the deep things of God**." What a tremendous and wonderful understanding that is. What are "...the deep things of God"?

Well, if you look out and see the universe—as much of it as we can see—it's amazing what God has done! Yet, that has all been done for His Family, for His plan. So, let's open our mind and think universally, that is of the universe and all the things that are out there that God has created. That's also part of the mystery. "...for the Spirit searches all things—even the deep things of God."

Verse 11: For who among men understands the things of man except by the spirit of man, which is in him? In the same way also, the things of God no one understands except by the Spirit of God. Now, we have not received the spirit of the world... [that's of Satan the devil] ... but the Spirit that is of God, so that we might know the things graciously given to us by God" (vs 11-12)—and the Word of God complete is the greatest gift of grace so that we can know Him!

Let's see how Paul explains it here in Romans 8:14: "For as many as are led by *the* Spirit of God, these are *the* sons of God."

John writes in 1-John 3 about the love that God has for us. That when we're resurrected—when Christ returns—we will see Him like He is, and that we are the children of God!

Verse 15: "Now, you have not received a spirit of bondage again unto fear, but you have

received *the* Spirit of sonship, whereby we call out, 'Abba, Father."

As we read these Scriptures and we read about Christ, I want you to think about this: God the Father, the great Sovereign of the universe *is involved in our lives*, directly with His Spirit.

- He's the One Who has called us
- He's the One Who opens our understanding
- He's the One Who has provided—through Jesus Christ His Son—not only the sacrifice but also the understanding of the Word of God

We are the sons of God, "...whereby we call out, 'Abba, Father." That's the close term of endearment.

Verse 16: "The Spirit itself bears witness conjointly with our own spirit, testifying that we are the children of God. Now, if we are children, we are also heirs—truly, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—..." (vs 16-17). What did He inherit? All things! That means he universe! Think on that; let that sink in! I want you to set aside:

- every trouble that you may have
- every thought that is carnal
- everything that is against God that may be in our mind

—and think about what God is doing for us and His creation! That we have an active part in it that is absolutely marvelous.

"...if indeed we suffer together with Him, so that we may also be glorified together with Him" (v 17).

What is it going to be like to be a spirit being and have the ability to have glory that shines like the sun? *This is what God holds out for us!* Now you know why Christ is doing these things for us, and why Satan the devil is out there trying to take it away from us.

Here's something else, next time you watch the news, think of this first; v 19: "For the earnest expectation of the creation itself is <u>awaiting the</u> manifestation of the sons of God."

Stop and think on that statement! That means that with everything that's going on in the world, all the men—the great ones, the high ones, the low ones, the in between ones—trying to bring some sort of stability and peace and work things out, they are waiting for us and they don't even know it! Is that not special to God? or what? That applies to all of the saints down through time, "...awaiting the manifestation of the sons of God."

Verse 20: "Because the creation was subjected to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of Him who subjected *it* in hope, in order that the creation itself might be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the freedom of the glory of the children of God" (vs 20-21). That is going to be some thing to do! Think about this:

- even though we can think of it
- even though we can read the words
- even though we can explain Scripture that tell us things that are going to happen

The actual reality of it will be so great that it is going to be unbelievable for us at this time, because 'we see through a glass darkly.' We understand some things.

Verse 22: "For we know that all the creation is groaning together and travailing together until now."

- we're the ones whom God has called
- we're the ones who are going to solve the problem

Let's see how God promised this to David; promised it to Christ. It's a phenomenal thing. These two verses—Isa. 9:6-7—cover the whole plan of God; amazing when you begin to understand the reality of the Scriptures. Here's a prophecy of Christ:

Isaiah 9:6: "For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulders..." We have seen during the Feast how that's going to be as King, as Ruler. And we're assisting and helping as kings and priests.

"...and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father..." (v 6)—because between the bride and Christ, all of those in the Millennium who come into the Kingdom of God, will be the children from that union and He will be an "...Everlasting Father..." God the Father at that point will be an Everlasting Grandfather.

Verse 7: "Of the increase of *His* government and peace *there shall be* no end, upon the throne of David, and over His kingdom, to order it and to establish it with judgment and with righteousness from henceforth, even forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this"—because God has purpose, God has plans, God has all of these things for us.

We know that it tells us in Rev. 20:5 that we will reign for a thousand years as priests. Rev. 5 tells us that we will reign on the earth as kings and

priests, and many other offices and things as well.

Remember what Jesus told His disciples in John 14, 'I'm going to prepare a place for you, and when I come again...'—and that's what we're waiting for. What is it that God is doing for us?

Isa. 51—Let's apply this to ourselves and a greater understanding of what God wants done, beginning with the Millennium. Then when we get to Days 7 & 8, reaching out *into all eternity*. That's an amazing thing!

Isaiah 51:1: "Hearken to Me, you who follow after righteousness... [that's us] ...you who seek the LORD: Look to the Rock *from which* you were cut, and to the hole of the pit *from which* you were dug. Look to Abraham your father..." (vs 1-2).

Galatians 3:29 "And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise." What was the promise? The major promise was when God took Abraham out to look at the stars of heaven, and said, 'If you are able to count them, so shall your seed be!' Stop and think about that for a minute:

- every word of God is true
- every word of God will be fulfilled to the maximum

God has called us to have that part; so think on that!

Isaiah 51:2: "...and to Sarah who bore you... [a type of the Church] ...for I called him alone, and blessed him, and made him many.' For the LORD shall comfort Zion; He will comfort all her waste places; and He will make her wilderness like Eden..." (vs 2-3). So the earth, when we come back to take it over, is going to be absolute desolation. Our major work will be to serve the people, help them rebuild, and God's work is to make the earth:

"...like Eden and her desert like the garden of the LORD. Joy and gladness shall be found in it, thanksgiving and the voice of melody. 'Hearken to Me, My people; and give ear to Me, O My nation..." (vs 3-4). That's us! We will be the nation of the firstborn!

"...for instruction shall proceed from Me... [we're going to be learning forever and ever] ...and I will make My justice as a light to the people. My righteousness is near..." (vs 4-5). Yes, it is coming now.

"...My salvation has gone out..." (v 5). How many people have been saved since Jesus walked the face of the earth?

"...and My arms shall judge the people; the

isles shall wait upon Me, and on My arm they shall trust. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look upon the earth beneath; for the heavens shall vanish away like smoke... [new heavens and new earth] ...and the earth shall become old like a garment; and its inhabitants shall die in the same way...." (vs 5-6). That is all of those who refuse to repent and are burned up in the Lake of Fire.

"...But My salvation shall be forever, and My righteousness shall not be abolished. Hearken to Me, you who know righteousness, the people in whose heart is My Law..." (v 7)—that's us!

David had some great understanding of the Word of God, when he was here on the earth. How many Psalms did David compose? *Fantastic and marvelous!* So, one night he was musing and he wrote this Psalm:

Psalm 8:1: "O LORD our Lord, how excellent is Your name in all the earth! You have set Your glory above the heavens!" Yet, we can see them and see the glory of it today as never before.

Verse 2: "Out of the mouths of babes and sucklings You have ordained strength because of Your adversaries, to silence the enemy and the avenger." *That's us!* We're going to do that!

Verse 3: "When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars, which You have ordained, what is man that You... [You, God!] ...are mindful of him, and the son of man that You care for him?" (vs 3-4). Not only care, but love us!

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whomever may believe on Him may not perish, but may have everlasting life! Tremendous love! What is that going to be like? What is it going to be like to look into the face of God the Father? (Rev. 22).

Verse 5: "For You have made him a little lower than God..." That's why we have the book: From a Speck of Dust to a Son of God: Why Were You Born? Read that book again. How marvelous it is from a pinpoint of life and here we are as human beings, and from that to become spirit beings! And from that to inherit the earth and then the universe! Think on that! That's why we're called!

When you do, doesn't that make all of our problems seem little, small and petty? Yes, indeed! "...You have made him a little lower than God..." Think of that! Made in His image, after His likeness and His plan is to be so that we're after the God-kind in the Family of God. That's the whole plan of God in the Bible.

"...and have crowned him with glory and

honor..." (v 5)—just even the physical things here on the earth. But what's it going to be like to receive a golden crown? Isn't it that we will receive a crown? Yes, we will receive honor as spirit beings! We're going to be given rule and dominion over the earth to work out God's plan to a greater and higher degree, with greater intensity than ever before.

I don't imagine that we're going to really do what we really need to do; inheriting the universe: there are trillions and trillions and trillions of stars and galaxies out there.

Psa. 82 is an important Psalm. This relates back to John 10 where the Pharisees wanted to stone Jesus because He said that He was the Son of God, and that was blaspheme to them. So, John quoted Psa. 82 and he also said, 'The Scripture cannot be broken.' Keep that in mind, because everything we're going to cover is Truth and it will happen. It's going to take place and we will be a part of it.

Psalm 82:1: "God stands in the congregation of the mighty; He judges among the gods." When will that be? When we're resurrected, we are going to be like Him, so we're going to be gods! That will be on the Sea of Glass, and we will see the Father and Jesus Christ, and the temple in heaven and the angels. God is going to bring it down closer to the earth.

It's not so far away out in the universe that it will take billions of years to get here. God is involved directly in the earth.

Verse 6: "I have said, 'You are gods... ['elohim'] ...and all of you are sons of the Most High"—referring to God the Father. Jesus Christ came to reveal the Father. So, the Father was not the God of the Old Testament; Jesus Christ was.

Verse 8: "Arise, O God, Judge the earth, for You shall inherit all nations." Just like in the Kingdom of God.

Let's see how it's going to be for us as kings, as priests serving the people, serving God, loving God and teaching the people the love of God. It's going to be a tremendous thing! It's not going to be like the earth today—no way!

Isaiah 61:6: "But you shall be called the priests of the LORD; it will be said of you..."—and you, and you, and you, of me and all the brethren who have ever lived and died faithful for the first resurrection: the righteous kings, the righteous prophets, all together. What a fantastic thing that is going to be.

"...'The ministers of our God'; you will eat the riches of the Gentiles, and you will boast in their glory" (v 6). God is going to give us great wealth and riches. We're going to rule the Gentiles so that they can enter into the Kingdom of God.

Sidebar: Consider all the wars, all the fighting, all the division, all the politics that go wrong, all the broken lives and broken hearts and everything like that. All of that we are going to undo!

- doesn't matter what you go through on this earth
- doesn't matter if you suffer
- doesn't matter if people don't like you
- doesn't even matter if people in the world hate you

As long as you love God, love Jesus Christ and the brethren. Here's the promise:

Verse 7: "For your shame you will have double; instead of dishonor they will rejoice in their portion; therefore, in their own land they will possess double; everlasting joy will be theirs." That can apply to the physical people that we're going to rule and reign over, teach and help. But it applies to us and all the rest of eternity.

Here's what we're going to carry out, v 8: "For I the LORD love justice, I hate robbery for burnt offering; and I will direct their work **in truth**..." Isn't that what we need? Not degrees of truth, not some truth, not a high percentage of truth, but it will be at that time *total truth*, *spiritual Truth!* 

"...and I will make an everlasting covenant with them.... [that's what it will be, *everlasting!*] ...And their seed shall be known among the Gentiles..." (vs 8-9).

Who is going to be the everlasting Father at that time? *Christ! And the seed that comes from Christ and the Bride!* That is the whole Church and all those in the first resurrection bringing it all about.

"...and their offspring among the people; all who see them will acknowledge them, that **they** *are* **the seed the LORD has blessed**" (v 9).

What are all of those blessings going to be? Just stop and think: How foolish is it for the people of God to *play* 'religion'? *Play* 'religious' games? All that has to be done away.

Verse 10: "I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul will be joyful in my God; for He has clothed me with the robes of salvation... [What will those be like?] ...He covered me with the robe of righteousness like a bridegroom adorns himself with ornaments, and like a bride adorns herself with her jewels."

Think of that, brethren! How wonderful that is going to be! And what is so fantastic about that is that we will be spirit beings with a spirit mind, and we will love God and Christ, and all those who are in the first resurrection, all of those coming into the Kingdom of God during the Millennium, all the people. There are going to be people multiplying! If you think we've had a population explosion, just wait until the Millennium. God needs billions and billions to carry out His work!

Verse 11: "For as the earth brings forth its bud, and as the garden causes that which is sown to grow; so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to grow before all the nations." That's will be the commission of what we're going to be doing.

It's quite amazing how much there is in the book of Psalm about the Millennium and what we will be doing. It makes you wonder how much of this that David really understood Himself.

Psa. 39 is us; this is what it will be. I don't even think we have a clue as to how beautiful, marvelous and fantastic and awesome that it's going to be and what God is going to do for us and give us. And what we, in turn—with the mind and love of God in us—will be able to do for all the people. It's not going to be like the world today. *Oh no!* 

Psalm 132:9: "Let Your priests be clothed with righteousness, and let Your saints shout for joy. For Your servant David's sake, turn not away the face of Your anointed. The LORD has sworn to David **in truth**... [we're going to focus in on *truth* for a little bit] ...He will not turn from it: 'Of the fruit of your body will I set upon the throne for you'" (vs 9-11). That's is Christ!

Verse 12: "If your children keep My covenant and My testimonies which I shall teach them, their sons shall also sit upon your throne forever." Come into the Kingdom of God and have eternal life.

Verse 13: "The LORD has chosen Zion; He has desired it for His habitation." I want you to think about this:

- Jerusalem chosen in the days of David
- Solomon all down through time and rejected because of sin
- re-established at the Millennium
- then the New Jerusalem

Take these Scriptures and apply them in a great way.

Verse 14: "This is My resting place forever; here I will dwell, for I have desired it." Amazing thing!

We're going to see some quite amazing things what God is telling us. I think that the two books in the Old Testament that talk more about the Kingdom of God than anything else are Isaiah and Psalms.

Sidebar: Psa. 37 says four times that the saints will inherit the earth. *The righteous shall inherit the earth!* Think about that inheritance because we're joint heirs with Christ. That's the whole world and a place in New Jerusalem forever.

Psalm 36:5: "Your loving kindness, O LORD, is in the heavens; Your faithfulness reaches to the skies. Your righteousness is like the great mountains..." (vs 5-6). Every time I see some of these pictures on documentaries showing how the mountains—how God raised up the mountains.

I saw a documentary on the Himalayan Mountains coming up from India and stretching all the way across mountain after mountain, huge mountains. When you look at some of them, you see the strata has been just turned just straight up. You look at that and think: WOW! How fantastic that is.

'O Lord God, how powerful You are! What a mighty thing it was to make those mountains!' No wonder God says that about the mountains.

"...Your judgments are like the great deep; O LORD..." (v 6). Down seven miles, the deepest part of the ocean, there's life! That's amazing!

"...You preserve man and beast. How precious is Your loving kindness, O God!...." (vs 6-7). Oh yes:

- God loves us
- cares for us
- watches over us
- blesses us
- works with us
- corrects us
- teaches us

All of these things so we can be fit through the power of the resurrection to be the sons and daughters of God. Don't worry about looking in a mirror and says, 'Oh, oh, another wrinkle.' Say: 'Another day closer to the resurrection.' That's another way of looking at it. Then you won't have any wrinkles, you won't need any makeup and you'll have the finest clothes ever, made of spirit! Then you'll have a crown of life!

"...Therefore, the children of men take refuge under the shadow of Your wings. They shall be abundantly satisfied with the richness of Your house; and You shall make them drink of the river of Your pleasures... [that is the River of Life] ...for

with You is the fountain of life; in Your light we shall see light. O continue Your loving kindness to those who know You, and Your righteousness to the upright in heart" (vs 7-10).

Let us at this Feast of Tabernacles really grasp and understand as much as we can—though it's like looking through a glass darkly—the great and marvelous things that God has created for us.

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Let's see what we are going to be doing to all nations beginning with Israel and Judah, collectively called Jacob.

Jeremiah 30:24: "...In the latter days you shall understand it." He's going to fulfill the purposes of His heart.

Jeremiah 31:1: "'At that time,' says the LORD, 'I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be My people.' Thus says the LORD, 'The people who were left of the sword found grace in the wilderness; even Israel, when I will go to give him rest.'.... [the Millennium] ... The LORD has appeared to me from afar, saying, 'Yea, I have loved you with an everlasting love..." (vs 1-3).

There's a vast difference in unconditional love and everlasting love. In order to receive salvation and the blessings of God, there are conditions. But God's love—regardless of the conditions—is everlasting.

"...therefore, with loving kindness I have drawn you. Again, I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin of Israel. You shall again put on your drums, and shall go forth in the dances of those who rejoice. You shall yet plant vines on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant, and shall eat them as common things. For there shall be a day that the watchmen on Mount Ephraim shall cry, 'Arise and let us go up to Zion to the LORD our God!" (vs 3-6).

Coming up to the Feast at Jerusalem. Think about what the Feast in Jerusalem is going to be like with the great tabernacle and the representatives of every nation of the world. All of the sons of God there at the same time. Then there will be the Feast kept in different nations all around the world. The whole world is going to do it. That's going to be amazing!

Verse 7: "For thus says the LORD, 'Sing with gladness for Jacob, and shout among the chief of the nations. Cry out, give praise and say, "O LORD, save Your people, the remnant of Israel." Behold, I will bring them from the north country and

gather them from the corners of the earth, and with *them* the blind and the lame, the woman with child and she who is in labor with child, together; a great company shall return there. They shall come with weeping, and with prayers I will lead them... [says God] ...I will cause them to walk by the rivers of waters in a straight way; they shall not stumble in it, for I am a Father to Israel, and Ephraim *is* My firstborn'" (vs 7-9). Again, the *Everlasting Father* at that time!

He's going to bring all of them; they're all going to come back.

Jer. 33 describes what's going to happen to Israel and hence all nations in the Millennium. Think about what that's going to really be. If you've got a globe at home, take that globe and look at it, and think of today! Where on earth is there really any peace? Maybe somewhere remote there is a little peace, but not much. Think what it's going to be like when the children of God are ruling as kings and priests, teaching and helping and everything is blessed of God, with His Spirit and with His love. We're going to express the love of God to them in a direct way.

Jeremiah 33:6: "Behold, I will bring it health and healing, and I will heal them and will show them the riches of peace and truth. And I will cause the return from captivity of Judah and the return from captivity of Israel, and will build them, as at the first. And I will cleanse them from all their iniquity by which they have sinned against Me; and I will pardon all their iniquities by which they have sinned, and by which they have transgressed against Me. And it shall be for Me a name of joy, a praise and an honor before all the nations of the earth, which shall hear of all the good that I do to them. And they shall fear and tremble for all the goodness and for all the peace that I bring to it" (vs 6-9).

Quite a fantastic thing! Here's how it's going to be; lots of:

- weddings
- children
- fun
- joy
- righteousness
- goodness
- work
- production
- invention

What is it going to be like with the blessing of God on everything that people set their hand to do? That's what it's going to be!

Verse 11: "The voice of joy and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom and the voice of the bride, the voice of those who shall say, "Praise the LORD of hosts, for the LORD is good, for His steadfast love *endures* forever," and the voice of those who shall bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the LORD. For I will restore the fortunes of the land, **as at the first,**' says the LORD"—the Garden of Eden. That's going to be something!

Verse 14: "Behold, the days come,' says the LORD, 'that I will establish the good thing which I have promised to the house of Israel and to the house of Judah"—which promises blessing and physical life during the Millennium and *eternal life*. Then wait and see what we're going to find out about Israel on the Last Great Day.

Verse 15: "In those days, and at that time, I will cause the Branch of Righteousness [Christ] to grow up to David. And He shall execute judgment and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah shall be saved, and Jerusalem shall dwell safely...." (vs 15-16).

Think on that, the way that it is today. What a difference that is going to make. God is going to be there!

"...And this is the name with which she shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS" (v 16). The righteousness of the whole earth. Amazing things! Quite amazing things are going to take place.

Zech. 8—here again, God talks about how He's going to restore things, how He's going to make it all great, wonderful, nice and fantastic.

Now, in some of these things part of it is for the Millennium, part of it on into eternity. There's more than one fulfillment of many, many Scriptures in the Bible.

Zechariah 8:1: "And the Word of the LORD of hosts came to me, saying, 'Thus says the LORD of hosts, "I was jealous for Zion with great jealousy, and I was jealous for her with great fury." Thus says the LORD, 'I have returned to Zion, and will dwell in the midst of Jerusalem: and Jerusalem shall be called a city of Truth... [No more Satan, no more lies! What is the "...city of Truth..." today? A mess!] ...and the mountain of the LORD of hosts, the Holy mountain" (vs 1-3).

Then it talks about the Millennium: kids will be playing, old men and women, and so forth. It shows that they're going to live to be 100-years old (Isa. 65).

Verse 7: "Thus says the LORD of hosts, 'Behold, I will save My people from the east country, and from the west country. And I will bring them, and they shall dwell in the midst of Jerusalem. And they shall be My people, and I will be their God, in Truth and in righteousness" (vs 7-8). Truth is what we need. Isn't it something that the carnal mind hates the Truth?

Verse 9: "Thus says the LORD of hosts, 'Let your hands be strong, you who hear in these days these words by the mouth of the prophets, that in the day the foundation of the house of the LORD of hosts is laid, the temple is to be built, for before these days there was no hire for man..." (vs 9-10). Then it talks about building the second temple.

Now we're going to spend quite a bit of time in the Psalms. There is so much here concerning the Millennium, the Kingdom of God forever and living with God. It is an amazing thing!

Psalm 66:1: "Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth." I don't think we understand how fantastic the music is going to be. Not like it is today with all that satanic dirge!

Verse 2: "Sing forth the honor of His name; make His praise glorious. Say to God, 'How awesome are Your works!...." (vs 2-3).

- think of that with us and the Church now, and the resurrection
- think of that for all during the Millennium
- think of that when the New Jerusalem, and the new heaven and earth come

"...Through the greatness of Your power, Your enemies submit themselves in obedience to You. All the earth shall worship You and shall sing praises to You; they shall sing praises to Your name.' Selah" (vs 3-4)—think on that, that's what that means: stop and meditate.

What's that going to be with all nations, and we're going to be leading them in it. Isn't it going to be nice that all of those of you who don't know how to sing now are going to have marvelous voices. You're going to sing!

Verse 5: "Come and see the works of God; He is awesome in His deeds toward the sons of men." What's that going to be like? *Fantastic!* Look at what He does:

Verse 6: "He turned the sea into dry land; they went through the river on foot; there we rejoiced in Him. He rules by His power forever... [and ever and ever down through eternity] ...His eyes keep watch upon the nations; let not the rebellious exalt themselves. Selah." (vs 6-7).

We're going to have something for the rebellious, because even though all of these blessings are going to be there, God is not going to get rid of *independent free moral agency* (IFMA); everyone is going to have to choose.

Psa. 67 in a great Psalm; I love this Psalm. Notice the 'mays' and the 'let's.'

Psalm 67:1: "<u>May</u> God be gracious to us, and bless us, and cause His face to shine upon us. Selah. So that Your way may be known <u>on earth...</u>" (vs 1-2). Think about that. Who is going to make it known? *We are!* 

"...Your salvation among all nations" (v 2). Who is going to bring that? *We are!* 

Verse 3: "<u>Let</u> the people praise You, O God; <u>let</u> all the people praise You. O <u>let</u> the nations be glad and sing for joy, for You shall judge the people righteously and govern the nations upon earth. Selah." (vs 3-4).

The government shall be on Who's shoulders? *Christ's!* Think on that!

Verse 5: "<u>Let</u> the people praise You, O God; <u>let</u> all the people praise You. The earth shall yield its increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us. God shall bless us, and all the ends of the earth shall fear Him" (vs 5-7).

What a time that's going to be, and we're the ones to help carry it out! Christ is the One Who will set the whole thing in motion. He's the One Who is going to govern the whole earth, and we'll have our part with Him as spirit beings. That's going to be something!

Psalm 66:1: "Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth. Sing forth the honor of His name; make His praise glorious. Say to God, 'How awesome are Your works!...." (vs 1-3).

Everything that God has done in the universe, on the earth, and what He's doing to bring people to conversion and add them into the Kingdom of God. That's an amazing thing.

"...Through the greatness of Your power, Your enemies submit themselves in obedience to You. All the earth shall worship You and shall sing praises to You; they shall sing praises to Your name.' Selah" (vs 3-4). A magnificent thing! Everyone is going to be able to sing.

Verse 5: "Come and see the works of God; He is awesome in His deeds toward the sons of men."

Verse 7: "He rules by His power forever;

His eyes keep watch upon the nations; let not the rebellious exalt themselves. Selah."

We'll take care of the rebellious. We'll talk about that tomorrow, because God is not going to eliminate *independent free moral agency* (IFMA); everyone is going to have to choose.

Verse 8: "O bless our God, O peoples, and make the sound of His praise to be heard, *He* Who keeps us in life and does not allow our feet to slide."

Psa. 67 tells a lot about the Millennium. Just think what it's going to be like. If you have a globe get it and look at it and see that there's trouble everywhere in the whole world. Then think what it's going to be like when there will be peace, love, Truth, harmony and all the sons of God ruling under Christ year after year; 100 years times 10, a thousand.

Psalm 67:1: "May God be gracious to us, and bless us, and cause His face to shine upon us. Selah." Not only us, but think what it's going to be for the world.

Verse 2: "So that **Your way**... [the way of God] ...**may be known on earth**... [we're the ones to teach that] ...Your salvation among all nations. Let the people praise You, O God; let all the people praise You. O let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for You shall judge the people righteously and govern the nations upon earth. Selah" (vs 2-4). That is on the shoulders of Christ.

Verse 5: "Let the people praise You, O God; let all the people praise You. The earth shall yield its increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us. God shall bless us, and all the ends of the earth shall fear Him" (vs 5-7). Wondrous thing, indeed!

Psa. 85 is quite a Psalm and worded very beautifully. Psalm 85:7: "Show us Your mercy, O LORD, and grant us Your salvation. I will hear what God the LORD will speak; for He will speak peace to His people, and to His saints, but let them not turn again to folly.... [going to learn the way of God] ...Surely His salvation is near to those who fear Him, so that glory may dwell in our land" (9vs 7-9).

Verse 10 is one of the most beautiful verses in the Bible: "Mercy and Truth have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other. Truth shall spring out of the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven" (vs 10-11). That's the administration that we're going to carry out.

- what a fantastic calling
- what a wonderful thing that that is for us
- what a fantastic thing for the whole world

Human beings under the governance of Satan the

devil and ruthless men, we don't have a clue as to what it's going to be like. But the Bible tells us, and we can look at this and be inspired and say, 'Yes! Yes! O Lord, bring it!'

Verse 12: "Yea, the LORD shall give that which is good, and our land shall yield its increase. Righteousness shall go before Him and shall set us in the way of His steps" (vs 12-13). The way of Truth; drinking of the rivers of pleasure. Isn't it amazing how much there is about the Millennium?

- some of it is a blending of returning from Babylon
- some of it a blending of the returning at the beginning of the Millennium
- some of it goes out into eternity

Psalm 138:4: "All the kings of the earth shall praise You, O LORD..." That will be us, whatever it is. The kings, the administrators, the princes and so forth.

"...when they hear the words of Your mouth" (v 4). I wonder what it's going to be when God speaks to us as spirit beings? How we're going to speak to the people so they will understand?

Verse 5: "Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the LORD, for great is the glory of the LORD. Though the LORD is high, yet, He has respect to the lowly; but the haughty He knows afar off" (vs 5-6).

Verse 8: "The LORD will perfect His work in me..."—every one of us. He wants us to be perfect.

Sidebar: what did Jesus say in John 5:48, when He first began His ministry? "Therefore, you shall be perfect, even as your Father Who is in heaven is perfect." Here is the verse in Psa. 138 where it shows that God is going to do that. God has to do that in us. That's the whole purpose of the New Testament.

Psalm 138:8: "...Your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever; do not forsake the work of Your own hands." Are we not the workmanship of God? (*Eph. 2*)! Forming and molding in our mind spiritually that which is necessary for the resurrection? You can take this verse and expand it out to everything:

- the work of God's hands in the physical creation
- the work of God's hands in all the people to be born during the Millennium
- the work of God's hands to perfect them spiritually to enter into the Kingdom of God
- the work of God's hands, as Jesus said, 'I

prepare a place for you'; and that will be in New Jerusalem

What will that be like? Brethren, we have so much to look forward to!

Think about this as our part in it as spirit beings: Psalm 145:1: "I will extol You, my God, O King; and I will bless Your name forever and ever. Every day I will bless You; and I will praise Your name forever and ever. Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; and **His greatness is unsearchable**" (vs 1-3).

Just think about it! For all eternity we are going to be learning, and we will never ever, ever catch up with God the Father and Jesus Christ. But what's that going to be like?

Here's part of the Millennium, v 4: "One generation shall praise Your works to another and shall declare Your mighty acts. I will speak of the glorious splendor of Your majesty and of Your wondrous works" (vs 4-5). We'll actually see it; not only speak of it, but see it!

Verse 6: "And men shall speak of the might of Your awesome works; and I will declare Your greatness." Can you imagine what kind of Sabbath services we're going have? It's going to be awesome!

Verse 7: "They shall pour forth the memory of Your great goodness and shall sing of Your righteousness. The LORD is gracious and full of compassion; slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love" (vs 7-8). That's the administration that we are going to be enacting upon all the nations, all people, everywhere! Families, communities, cities, areas, countries, everywhere in the world.

Verse 9: "The LORD is good to all, and His tender mercies are over all His works. All Your works shall praise You, O LORD; and Your saints shall bless You. They shall speak of the glory of Your kingdom and talk of Your power, to make known to the sons of men His mighty acts, and the glorious majesty of His kingdom. Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom..." (vs 9-13).

It's going to go on through all eternity. What is it going to be like to be a spirit being and live into eternity? I think we can compare the difference this way: A fully grown, fully educated, well mature, well aged human being talking to a newborn baby and saying, 'You've got a whole life ahead of you.' That baby won't know a thing! That's the best comparison that I can give.

You might want to do a study of all the Psalms that relate to the Millennium, to the kingdom, those things forever, living as spirit beings

with God. All of that together; just think what that's going to be like.

Psalm 49:1: "Hear this, all you people; give ear, all inhabitants of the world: both low and high, rich and poor together. My mouth shall speak of wisdom, and the thoughts of my heart shall be of understanding. I will incline my ear to a parable; I will open my dark saying upon the lyre. Why should I fear in the days of evil..." (vs 1-5). There won't be any days of evil there.

Psalm 48:1: "Great is the LORD, and highly to be praised in the city of our God, in His Holy mountain. Beautiful in its loftiness, the joy of all the earth..." (vs 1-2)—and soon the joy in New Jerusalem and of all the universe.

"...is Mount Zion on the sides of the north, the city of the great King. God in her palace has shown Himself to be a fortress, for lo, the kings assembled themselves; they advanced together" (vs 2-4).

Let's see what we're going to do, and how it's going to be for the average person. What a tremendous thing when you think that the average person today has very little indeed. Think of it in the world, think of how it's going to be when we bring all of this. Here's what the society is going to be like. We don't know how advanced it will be, greater than what we have today; probably a whole lot more. But we have no idea how that's going to work, because it says that 'every man is going to sit under his own vine and fig tree. And none will make him afraid.'

Isaiah 60:16: "You will also suck the milk of nations, and suck the breast of kings; and you shall know that I the LORD am your Savior and your Redeemer, the mighty One of Jacob."

When you look at all the poverty-ridden places in the world, this is what God is going to bring. It's going to be overwhelmingly successful, mentally, physically, spiritually, economically, environmentally—everything!

Verse 17: "For bronze I will bring gold, and for iron I will bring silver; and for wood I will bring bronze, and for stones, iron. I will also make your overseers to be peace, and your rulers to be righteousness.... [that's us] ... Violence will no more be heard in your land..." (vs 17-18). No! We'll find out tomorrow how God's going to take care of that.

"...neither wasting nor ruin within your borders; but you will call your walls Salvation, and your gates Praise.... [that's how it's going to be] ...The sun will no more be your light by day; nor the brightness of the moon give light to you... [this gets

into New Jerusalem]: ...but the LORD will be to you for an everlasting light, and your God your glory. Your sun will no more go down, nor your moon withdraw; for the LORD will be your everlasting light, and the days of your mourning shall be ended. Your people also will all be righteous; they will inherit the land forever, the branch of My planting, the work of My hands, so that I may be glorified. A smallest will become a thousand, and the least one a strong nation: I the LORD will hasten it in its time" (vs 18-22).

That tells us what we will be doing and how the Millennium will be. Brethren, it's been a wonderful Feast. I hope that it's been helpful, enjoyable and inspiring to you, and that you've had good fellowship and everything up to this point.

We'll see you tomorrow for Day 7, which ends the Feast of Tabernacles for seven days, and then we have one more, which is the Last Great Day.

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