Isaiah Lesson 12

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Introduction: We studied last week about the brilliant fore view of the coming King in His kingdom during the thousand year Millennial kingdom. It will be a reign of righteousness, and in His kingdom, the Jews dispersed throughout the world will return to their land.

This next chapter continues along the same thoughts as chapter 11 in describing the spiritual condition in which will prevail during the millennial reign of Christ. Here, the focus is more upon the people and their worship of God "in that day."

I. The Lord Is My Strength and My Song

Isa 12:1 And in that day thou shalt say, O LORD, I will praise thee: though thou wast angry with me, thine anger is turned away, and thou comfortedst me.

The descriptive here seems to be of the converted Jews perhaps at the beginning of the Millennium. The converted Jews in the Millennium are reflecting over their history. They had learned the hard way about God's anger during their various chastisements in times past. His anger is just.

This may include events such as the Holocaust and the many other atrocities that the Jewish people endured. It without doubt includes the wrath which they will face during the Tribulation. They will however recognize and turn to their Messiah. They will know without a doubt that they have before them their promised Messiah. Though God had chastened them, this has now passed, and He comforts them.

God never leaves his people. Jesus promised the disciples before he died that there would be a comforter to come after him which we have today in the Holy Ghost.

Joh 14:15 If ye love me, keep my commandments.

Joh 14:16 And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;

Joh 14:17 Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for

he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

Joh 14:18 I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.

Joh 14:19 Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also.

Joh 14:20 At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.

Isa 12:2 Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD JEHOVAH is my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation.

Isa 12:3 Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation.

The song which redeemed Israel will sing in that day is profound. "Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD JEHOVAH is my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation."

Because God is their salvation, they can trust and not be afraid. The same is true for us. Furthermore, the Lord Jehovah is both theirs and our strength and song. He is also our salvation.

Israel can be a dry and weary land. Yet, a well of cool water is a source of life and joy. The prophet eloquently likens our salvation as a well wherein the water of life may be drawn. The account of Jesus at the well in Samaria has a direct relation to verse 3.

Joh 4:7 There cometh a woman of Samaria to draw water: Jesus saith unto her, Give me to drink.

Joh 4:8 (For his disciples were gone away unto the city to buy meat.)

Joh 4:9 Then saith the woman of Samaria unto him, How is it that thou, being a Jew, askest drink of me, which am a woman of Samaria? for the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans.

Joh 4:10 Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water.

Joh 4:11 The woman saith unto him, Sir, thou hast nothing to draw with, and the well is deep: from whence then hast thou that living water?

Joh 4:12 Art thou greater than our father Jacob, which gave us the Page 2

well, and drank thereof himself, and his children, and his cattle?

Joh 4:13 Jesus answered and said unto her, Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again:

Joh 4:14 But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.

Joh 4:15 The woman saith unto him, Sir, give me this water, that I thirst not, neither come hither to draw.

Joh 4:16 Jesus saith unto her, Go, call thy husband, and come hither.

Joh 4:17 The woman answered and said, I have no husband. Jesus said unto her, Thou hast well said, I have no husband:

Joh 4:18 For thou hast had five husbands; and he whom thou now hast is not thy husband: in that saidst thou truly.

Joh 4:19 The woman saith unto him, Sir, I perceive that thou art a prophet.

Joh 4:20 Our fathers worshipped in this mountain; and ye say, that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship.

Joh 4:21 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father.

Joh 4:22 Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews.

Joh 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

Joh 4:24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

Joh 4:25 The woman saith unto him, I know that Messias cometh, which is called Christ: when he is come, he will tell us all things.

Joh 4:26 Jesus saith unto her, I that speak unto thee am he.

II. In that Day, People will Praise the Lord

Isa 12:4 And in that day shall ye say, Praise the LORD, call upon his name, declare his doings among the people, make mention that his name is exalted.

Isa 12:5 Sing unto the LORD; for he hath done excellent things: this is known in all the earth.

Isa 12:6 Cry out and shout, thou inhabitant of Zion: for great is the Holy One of Israel in the midst of thee.

Once again, the phrase is made "and in that day".

"And in that day shall ye say, Praise the LORD, call upon his name, declare his doings among the people, make mention that his name is exalted."

Again we find that the specific context is of redeemed Israel praising God in the Millennium. The Jews from Jesus' day to the present have rejected Him, In that day, they will not only receive Him, but they will also praise Him for His excellence. They will become His greatest witness. Their praise will be known worldwide.

Redeemed Israel will have much to sing about in that day, however, the object of their song is singular. It is unto the Lord. The reason is that "he hath done excellent things." Furthermore, the entire earth will know of His doings in that day. The prophet exhorts Israel to "cry out and shout, thou inhabitant of Zion: for great is the Holy One of Israel in the midst of thee."

The inhabitant of Zion refers to those living in Jerusalem. The term "Holy One of Israel" appears thirty-one times in the Bible and refers to none other than Jehovah God. Clearly implicit here is that the Holy One of Israel is none other than the Messiah—Jesus Christ.

What is apparent is that Jesus Christ is none other than the Holy One of Israel. We know that now. In that day, redeemed Israel will know it and proclaim it throughout Jerusalem.

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Prov 4:18 But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.

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