Mourning For The Son—Class Four

Read: Acts 7:6-19

BASF

XXII—"That the restoration of the kingdom again to Israel will involve the ingathering of God's chosen but scattered nation, the Jews; their reinstatement in the land of their fathers, when it shall be reclaimed from 'the desolation of many generations'; the building again of Jerusalem to become 'the throne of the Lord' and the metropolis of the whole earth"

XXIII—"That the governing body of the kingdom so established will be the brethren of Christ, of all generations…the collective 'seed of Abraham'…"

- **"The kingdom promised to them that love God, and are 'the called according to his purpose,' is a Hebrew Kingdom. Its *territory* is the land of Israel turned into Paradise; the *nation* to inhabit it, the twelve tribes of Israel cleansed from their iniquities, as the result of an intelligent and affectionate recognition of the Anointed Jesus; and obedience to him as their *King;* its *princes, priests, and nobles* of all ranks and degrees, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, the prophets and apostles; and those Jews under the law, 'who walked in the steps of that faith of the father Abraham, which he had, being yet uncircumcised,' or a Gentile; and those Jews after the Day of Pentecost, who continued in Abraham's faith, affectionately recognizing Jesus as the Seed promised to him and Israel, and were 'immersed for his name'—Luke 13:28; Matt 19:27-29; Rom 4:12"—*Eureka Vol 1. pg 223*** (Vol. 1, pg 217, 225, 307)

Gen 44:1 And *he commanded the steward of his house*, saying, Fill the men's sacks *with* food, as much as they can carry, and put every man's money in his sack's mouth.
Gen 44:2 And **PUT MY CUP, THE SILVER CUP**, *in the sack's mouth of the youngest*, and his corn money. And he did according to the word that Joseph had spoken.

Silver Cup—Youngest (silver used for purging: Psa 66:10).

- **"In the type it points to the 'cup of salvation' or 'of blessing' (Psa 116:13; 1Cor 10:16; Mat 26:26-27) such as was used in Passover celebrations. Being constructed of silver, it typically points to the principle of redemption, for the half shekel of silver (Exo 30:13; Lev 5:15) is described as 'the atonement money' (Exo 30:16)…*The cup of redemption is hidden in their midst*, as Israel will recognize in the Age to come. The Jewish people will be converted to Christ by the ministration of saints under his direction (Jer 3:15; Mal 4:4-6)"—*Expositor, pg. 478***

Gen 44:4 *And* when they were gone out of the city, and not yet far off, Joseph said unto his steward, Up, follow after the men; and when thou dost overtake them, say unto them, *Wherefore have ye rewarded evil for good?* ***(Psa 109:5)***
Gen 44:5 *Is* not this *it* in which my lord drinketh, and *whereby indeed he divineth*? ye have done evil in so doing.
(mg. "make trial" v. 15 translated "diligently observe")
Gen 44:6 And he overtook them, and he spake unto them these same words.

Cup—of the New Covenant related to self-inspection (1Cor 11:25-28). This is what the Jews resisted, but now brings confession!

- **1Co 11:25-29** "***This cup is the new testament in my blood***: this do ye, as oft as ye drink *it,* in remembrance of me…But ***let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup***. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body"

Gen 44:12 He searched, *and* began at the eldest, and left at the youngest: *and the cup was found in Benjamin's sack*.

Benjamin—Joseph was showing a direct connection between the "cup" and the "Son of the Right Hand": servitude in Christ.

- **It is this specific incident that marks the return of the Sons of Jacob to Joseph; and the astonishing turning point for Judah, who immediately comes to the forefront—**

Gen 44:14 And *Judah and his brethren* came to Joseph's house; for HE *WAS* YET THERE: and *they fell before him on the ground*. *(Christ has returned)*

Judah and His Brethren—Judah is at the forefront because he had personally taken responsibility for Benjamin:

- ❑ **"Once again Judah took the lead as the nation will in the last days (see: Mic. 4:8). Adversity had worked on him to his betterment, *as it will the Jews in the land at the return of the Lord*"—*Expositor, pg. 469***

Gen 44:16 And *Judah said*, What shall we say unto my lord? what shall we speak? *or* HOW SHALL WE CLEAR OURSELVES? GOD HATH FOUND OUT THE INIQUITY OF THY SERVANTS: *behold, we are my lord's servants*, both we, and *he* also with whom the cup is found.

- **"This remarkable statement could not have referred to the incident of the cup, for they were not guilty of stealing it…They evidently recognized…*the series of unaccountable and inexplicable troubles that had fallen upon them since coming down into Egypt, were God-directed in just retribution* of their tyrannical and cantankerous behavior towards their brother some twenty-two years previously. *Their slumbering consciences were aroused by these means to reconsider their attitude*, and to recognize the evil of their ways…Certainly this will be the case with Israel after the flesh when they appear before the antitypical Joseph without recognizing who he is (Zec. 13:6)"—*H.P.M. Expositor, pg 480-481.***

The Change and Conversion of Judah—

- Confession will cause Repentance: the terms of the New Covenant *(Psa. 32:5; Psa. 51:1-4; Pro. 28:13—1John 1:8-10.)*

Eze 36:31-32 "Then shall ye remember *your own evil ways, and your doings that were not good, and shall lothe yourselves in your own sight for your iniquities*" Eze. 43:11

Eze. 39:25-26 "Now will I bring again the captivity of Jacob, and have mercy upon the whole house of Israel, and will be jealous for my holy name; *After that they have borne their shame, and all their trespasses whereby they have trespassed against me,* when they dwelt safely in their land, and none made them afraid." (Eze 16:60-63; Hos 5:14-15)

Lev. 26:40-42 "*If they shall confess their iniquity, and the iniquity of their fathers, with their trespass which they trespassed against me*…Then will I remember my covenant with Jacob…Isaac, and also my covenant with Abraham will I remember; and I will remember the land." *(backwards)*

Gen 44:18 *Then Judah came near unto him*, and said, Oh my lord, let thy servant, I pray thee, speak a word in my lord's ears, and let not thine anger burn against thy servant: *for thou art even as Pharaoh.* *(confesses Joseph's status)*

Zec 12:7 *"LORD also shall save the tents of Judah first*, that the glory of the house of David and the glory of the inhabitants of Jerusalem do not magnify *themselves* against Judah"

- "The antitype is predicted in Zechariah 12:7. ***The latter-day troubles of Jewry will induce great changes in the attitude of political Judah to Yahweh and His purpose; as they already are doing to the Jews in the land***...In such prophecies as Zechariah 12:7, "Judah" relates to those Jews in the land at Christ's coming."—*Expositor, pg. 481.*

Judah now confesses the Father's Love for the Son

Gen 44:19 My lord asked his servants…
Gen 44:20 And we said unto my lord, *We have a father, an old man, and a child of his old age, a little one; and his brother is dead, and he alone is left of his mother, and* HIS FATHER LOVETH HIM. *(prophetic mourning for son Jer 6:26; Amos 8:10)*

Zec 12:10 "And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, *the spirit of grace* and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, *and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn"*

KEY: Israel's restoration is recognizing the relationship of Father & Son!

Principle of the Father—Son—Multitude is throughout the Word:
Yahweh—Jesus—Redeemed. Abraham—Isaac—Israel.
Jacob—Joseph—Brethren. Paul—Tim/Titus—Ecclesia.

- ***Solomon: judging two harlots: one mourns for son, other does not 1Kin 3***

Gen 44:22 We said unto my lord, *The lad cannot leave his father: for if he should leave his father, his father would die.*

Hope of Israel—salvation of Israel tied to their understanding of the beautiful relationship between Yahweh and His Son.

Rom 11:26 "And so *all Israel shall be saved*: as it is written, There *shall come out of Zion the Deliverer*, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob"

- **"Now Judah freely states that Benjamin is the favorite son of his father, without manifesting the jealousy and hatred once aroused him and the others (Gen. 37:4)"—*Expositor, pg. 482***

The "trial" of the Silver Cup has purged the character of Judah:

- **Psa 66:10 "God, hast proved us: thou hast tried us, *as silver is tried*"**
- **Zec 13:9 "I will bring the third part through the fire, and *will refine them as silver is refined*, and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on my name, and I will hear them…"**

Gen 44:27 And thy servant my father SAID UNTO US, Ye know that my wife bare me *two sons:*
Gen 44:28 And the one went out from me, and I said, Surely he is torn in pieces; and I saw him not since:
Gen 44:29 And if ye take this also from me, and mischief befall him, *ye shall bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to the grave*

Two Sons—Judah now openly makes the connection between Joseph and Benjamin. Both represent the Lord in two different aspects: Rachel herself connected the two sons:

- Gen 30:22-24 "And God remembered Rachel, and God hearkened to her, and opened her womb. And she conceived, and bare a son; and said, God hath taken away my reproach: *And she called his name Joseph; and said, The LORD shall add to me another son*"

Joseph—the Increaser, multiplier, to add

Gen 44:33 Now therefore, I pray thee, *let thy servant abide instead of the lad a bondman to my lord; and let the lad go up with his brethren.*

Gen 44:34 For how shall I go up to my father, and the lad *be* not with me? lest peradventure I see the evil that shall come on my father. *(no acceptance of the father without the son)*

NEW COVENANT—dominant word in the chapter is "servant"—Rom 6:1-23. Judah is now solely concerned for his Father and the Son he loves so greatly. Now, he is willing to become a "servant" that the relationship between Father and Son is retained. This is the whole principle of God-Manifestation:

This crisis represents the turning of Judah's by these notable things:

1. **The Father's affection for His beloved Son is acknowledged**
2. **The realization the sorrow of the father by the death of the Son**
3. **Confession of iniquity is openly made by Joseph**
4. **His appeal to the Judge is based upon mercy, not on law**
5. **Self-sacrifice is learned; the Spirit of Christ—New Covenant**

- **"Joseph sees in Judah an amazing change. This man who is prepared to become a slave himself to defend Benjamin, is the one who some twenty-two years earlier had been foremost in urging his brethren to sell him into slavery. Previously, greed and passion had guided his life, but now he is willing to pay a supreme sacrifice for the sake of another"—*Expositor, pg. 484-485* *(remember how cruel and evil)***

"Spirit of Christ"—Answers to Why Such Drama in Joseph Parable

- Heb 10:16-17 "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, *I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them;* And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more."
- Rom 11:25-27 "Blindness in part is happened to Israel… And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Zion the Deliverer, *and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob: For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins*" **(Heb 10:16-17)**

The New Covenant is based on "conscience"—far beyond the external ritual or outward exhibition of the Law (Heb. 9:8-14; 10:1-4; 1Pet. 3:20-21). This is the "inward parts"—

- Jer 31:31-33 "I will make a *new covenant* with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah: NOT according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day *that* I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the LORD: BUT this *shall be* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, *I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people.*"
- **The "stony heart" of the Law will be removed (Eze 36:25-26), which is required to have the "spirit" of grace poured upon them (Jer 33:7-19; Zec 12:10). This is Christ (see 2Cor 3:3)**

Gen 45:1 Joseph could not refrain himself before all them that stood by him; and he cried, Cause every man to go out from me. *And there stood no man with him, while Joseph made himself known unto his brethren*.

- **Stephen declares "at the SECOND TIME Joseph was made known to his brethren"—Acts 7:12-14. This represents the second manifestation of the Lord to Israel:**

❑ **"The 'second time' answers to the second advent of the Lord. For the revelation at that time, see: Rev. 1:7; Zec. 12:10; Jer. 31:34"—*Expositor, pg. 485.***

Stood No Man With Him—this is exclusively Jewish. This pertains to the Lord Jesus Christ and his revealing of himself to his natural brethren after the flesh: the Jews.

Made Himself Known—this happens when Judah's makes an acknowledgment of sin, and the relationship between the Father and the Beloved Son is understood and respected.

Gen 45:2 And he wept aloud: and *the Egyptians and the house of Pharaoh heard*.

Egyptians Heard—The prophets declare that the Gentile nations will take special notice of the conversion of the Jews—

Jer 33:7-9 "I will cause the captivity of Judah and the captivity of Israel to return…*it shall be to me a name of joy, a praise and an honour before all the nations of the earth, which shall hear all the good that I do unto them*: and they shall fear and tremble for all the goodness and for all the prosperity that I procure unto it"

Eze 36:23-24 "I will sanctify my great name, which was profaned among the heathen…*and the heathen shall know that I am the LORD,* saith the Lord GOD, *when I shall be sanctified in you before their eyes*. For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land" (Eze 39:23)

Gen 45:3 And Joseph said unto his brethren, *I am Joseph; doth my father yet live*? And his brethren could not answer him; for they were troubled at his presence. *(mouth stopped)*

Previously, Joseph spoke through a Gentile interpreter, now, he speaks directly to them in the Scriptural tongue (Zep 3:9)

Doth My Father Yet Live?—this question immediately follows Judah's appeal for Benjamin that Israel, indeed, might live! The Lord will manifest himself to save Jacob (Jer 30:17-22; Eze 34).

Gen 45:4 And Joseph said unto his brethren, COME NEAR to me, I pray you. AND THEY CAME NEAR. And he said, *I am Joseph your brother, whom ye sold into Egypt*.

I am Joseph Your Brother—he first announces himself as the Son of His Father, then their Brother, based upon acknowledgement that it is the one "whom they have pierced" (Zec 12:10); *sold into Egypt*.

- **The acceptance of the Messiah, as their Saviour, also requires the Jews acknowledge that this same man "spake roughly" unto them. That is, the same one also brought Armageddon upon them! "For their good" (Jer 24:5). This punishment has been for their iniquities. Even two-thirds will be cut off (Zec 13:8).**

Lev. 26:40-42 *"If they shall confess their iniquity, and the iniquity of their fathers, with their trespass which they trespassed against me, and that also they have walked contrary unto me; And that I also have walked contrary unto them*, and have BROUGHT THEM INTO THE LAND OF THEIR ENEMIES; if then their uncircumcised hearts be humbled, and THEY THEN ACCEPT OF THE PUNISHMENT OF THEIR INIQUITY: Then will I remember my covenant with Jacob, and also my covenant with Isaac, and also my covenant with Abraham will I remember; and I will remember the land." *(2Kin. 13:22-23; Rom. 11:1; Deu. 4:25-37; 28:58-66; 30:1-4; Zec. 7:11-14; Jer. 9:16).* **Elpis Israel, pg. 446-454, *The Second Exodus***

Gen 45:5 Now therefore be not grieved, nor angry with yourselves, *that* YE *sold me hither: for* GOD *did send me before you* TO PRESERVE LIFE. *(this is the divine plan of redemption)*

To Preserve Life—what a supreme title used for redeemer of both Jew and Gentile (Isa 49); "to save his people from their sins" (Mat 1:21); the beginning of the New Creation! John 1:4; 3:15-16, 36; 5:24, 39-40; 6:35-40; 8:12; 10:10; 14:6; 20:31.

- Psa 69:4 "They that hate me without a cause are more than the hairs of mine head: they that would destroy me, *being* mine enemies wrongfully, are mighty: *then I restored that which I took not away*"
- **This was always the plan and purpose of Yahweh:**

Heb 9:26-28 "***He appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself*…So Christ was *once offered to bear the sins of many*; and unto them that look for him shall *he appear the* SECOND TIME *without sin unto salvation*" *(Rom 6:10 "he died unto sin once")***

Gen 45:6 For these two years *hath* the famine *been* in the land: and *yet there are five years*, in the which *there shall* neither *be* earing nor harvest. ***(fruit not immediate at return)***

- ❑ **"The restoration of the Jews is a work of time, and will require between fifty and sixty years to accomplish"—*Elpis Israel, 440***

- **We should not be misled that the Kingdom will flourish and immediately be filled with absolute joy and peace throughout the earth at the Lord's return. Numerous events will have to take place for this to ultimately be realized. Israel inherited the Land under Joshua—"little by little" (Deu 7:22; Exo 23:29-30).**

<u>Dan 2:35</u> **"Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshingfloors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: *and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth*"** ***(Kingdom under David slowly expanded)***

Gen 45:7 And **GOD SENT ME** *before you to preserve you a posterity in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance.* ***(Heb 3:1 Christ the great Apostle "one sent")***
Gen 45:8 So *now it was not you that sent me hither, but God*: and he hath made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, *and a ruler throughout all the land of Egypt.*

POSTERITY—same word translated "REMNANT" and is descriptive of the restoration of the Jews: (Mic 2:12; Zec 8:5-12).

Jer 31:7 "Thus saith the LORD; Sing with gladness for Jacob, and shout among the chief of the nations: publish ye, praise ye, and say, O LORD, *save thy people, the* **REMNANT** *of Israel*"

Zep 3:13 "The *remnant of Israel shall not do iniquity, nor speak lies*; neither shall a deceitful tongue be found in their mouth: for they shall feed and lie down, and none shall make *them* afraid. Sing, O daughter of Zion; shout, O Israel; be glad and rejoice with all the heart, O daughter of Jerusalem"

Gen 45:9 Haste ye, and *go up to my father*, and say unto him, Thus saith thy son Joseph, *God hath made me lord of all Egypt*: come down unto me, tarry not:

Judah will assume the preeminent place in Israel's restoration. They will be sent with a message to the "four winds" or "four corners" of the earth where the Jews have been scattered: *Deu 30:3-4; Isa 11:11, 16; 27:12-13; Mat 24:30-31*

Gen 45:10 Thou shalt dwell *in the land of Goshen*, and thou *shalt be near unto me*, thou, and thy children, and thy children's children, and thy flocks, and thy herds…
Gen 45:11 And *there will I nourish thee*; for yet *there are* five years of famine… ***(Goshen: "to be near")***

Goshen—the Jews will be settled closest to Christ of all nations in the Kingdom Age (Eze 48). As representing the nucleus of the Kingdom of God, this land will be glorious (Isa 51:1-3; Isa 35).

Nourish Thee—Israel in the future Age will be "fed" by Christ and the Saints, as foretold in the words of the Prophets:

Jer 3:15 "And *I will give you pastors* according to mine heart, *which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding*."

Jer. 23:1-6 "…And I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all countries whither I have driven them, and will bring them again to their folds; and they shall be fruitful and increase. And *I will set up shepherds over them which shall feed them*…" (Zep 3:13)

Eze 34:13-14 "I will bring them out from the people, and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own land, and feed them upon the mountains of Israel by the rivers, and in all the inhabited places of the country. *I will feed them in a good pasture*…"

Gen 45:12 And, *behold, your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin*, that *it is* my mouth that speaketh unto you. *(Benjamin is included with Judah) Extra Slide Zec 12:10*

Gen 45:13 And ye shall *tell my father of all my glory in Egypt, and of all that ye have seen*; and ye shall haste and bring down my father hither.

- ❑ **"The Truth is, there are two stages in the restoration of the Jews, the first is before the battle of Armageddon; and the second after it; but both pre-millennial. God has said, 'I will save the tents of Judah first.' This is the first state of restoration …*It remains, then, after Judah's tents are saved to make use of them as apostles to their brethren of the other tribes, to preach to them to come out from the nations,* and to rendezvous in 'the wilderness of the people,' preparatory to a return to a land flowing with milk and honey, in which Judah is dwelling safely under the sceptre of the Seed promised to their fathers—*Elpis Israel, pg. 441***

- **Judah has seen the Messiah, but "the remnant of Jacob" had yet to see him. They will be required to heed the invitation of Judah to come unto Yahweh's Anointed and King.**

Gen 45:16 And *the fame thereof was heard in Pharaoh's house*, saying, Joseph's brethren are come: and it pleased Pharaoh well, and his servants.
Gen 45:17 And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, Say unto thy brethren, This do ye; lade your beasts, and go, get you unto the land of Canaan;
Gen 45:18 And *take your father and your households, and come unto me: and* I WILL GIVE YOU THE GOOD OF THE LAND *of Egypt, and ye shall eat* THE FAT OF THE LAND.

- ❑ **"This description can likewise apply to the inheritance of Israel in the Age to come"—*Expositor, pg. 489***
- **The Land of Inheritance is described as a "land that floweth with milk and honey" (Deu 6:3), the "glorious land" (Dan 11:41), a "good land…of brooks of waters…a land of wheat, barley, vines, figs" (Deu 8:7-10), "the glory of all lands" (Eze 20:6); and the future, "the Garden of Yahweh"—"Eden" (Isa 51:3; Eze 36:35).**

Judah First

"And the *men of Judah* came, and there they anointed David king over the house of Judah" 2Sam 2:4

"Then came *all the tribes of Israel* to David unto Hebron, and spake, saying, Behold, we *are* thy bone and thy flesh…he reigned *over Judah seven years* and six months: and in Jerusalem he reigned *thirty and three years over all Israel and Judah*" 2Sam 5:1-5

- "Solomon and David were types of the Christ, who was to descend from them after the flesh…Hence, as David reigned several years over Judah before he became the recognized sovereign of the whole nation; it behooves that his Son and Lord reign as King of Judah before he becomes monarch of all the tribes of Israel and kingdoms of the earth. This ***typical indication is sustained by the testimony of Zec 12:7,*** that 'Yahweh shall save the tents of Judah first'…" *Eureka, Vol 5, pg 39*

Judah To Help Regather Jews Outside the Land

2Ch 30:1, 10-12 "Hezekiah *sent to all Israel and Judah*…that they should come to the house of the LORD at Jerusalem, *to keep the passover*…So the posts passed…through the country of Ephraim and Manasseh even unto Zebulun: but they laughed them to scorn, and mocked them. *Nevertheless divers of Asher and Manasseh and of Zebulun humbled themselves, and came to Jerusalem*"

2Ch 15:9 "(Asa) gathered all Judah and Benjamin, and the strangers with them out of Ephraim and Manasseh, and out of Simeon: *for they fell to him out of Israel in abundance*, when they saw that the LORD his God *was* with him"

Mat 24:30-31 "Then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall ALL THE TRIBES OF THE EARTH MOURN, and they shall see the Son of man *coming in the clouds* of heaven with power and great glory. And *he shall send his angels* with a great sound of a trumpet, and *they shall gather together his elect from the four winds*, from one end of heaven to the other" *Mal 4:5-6*

Gen 45:19 Now thou art commanded, this do ye; *take you wagons out of the land of Egypt for your little ones, and for your wives, and bring your father, and come.*

- **"The history of Joseph in Egypt is the never failing type of the revelation to be made to the house of Israel, when the Lord Jesus is discovered to be the Redeemer. A tremendous reversal in Gentile policy towards the Jews is assured by the following verses (Isa 49:22-23)."—*C.C. Walker Ministry of the Prophets, Isaiah, pg 607-608***

Isa 49:22-23 "Thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, *I will lift up mine hand to the Gentiles, and set up my standard to the people: and they shall bring thy sons in their arms, and thy daughters shall be carried upon their shoulders..."* *(After the type of Solomon's reign 1Kin 5)*

- ***Although some nations will resist the return of the Jews (Mic 7:15-20; Eze 20:33-38; Isa 11:11-16) others will assist (Isa 60)***

Gen 45:21 And the children of Israel did so: and Joseph gave them wagons, *according to the commandment of Pharaoh, and gave them provision for the way*.
Gen 45:22 To all of them he *gave each man changes of raiment*; but to Benjamin he gave *three hundred pieces of silver, and five changes of raiment*.

- ❑ **"In the antitype, Israel after the flesh will not merely be brought back into the land, but there will constitute a priestly community (Zec. 14:20-21; Isa. 66:20-21; Eze. 48:19), providing a channel of grace for all mankind who worship there (Zec. 14:16)"—*Expositor, pg. 490.***

- **SILVER is *redemption* (Exo. 26:19, 32; 30:12-16; 38:25-27; 21:29-31; Mat. 27:3-9; 1Pet. 1:18).**
- **CHANGE OF RAIMENT denotes *atonement* or *a covering* upon these sons of Jacob (see: Rev. 3:5, 18; 7:13-14; Psa. 45:12-14; Mat. 28:3). Acknowledging Benjamin is favored in status.**

Gen 45:24 So he sent his brethren away, and they departed: and he said unto them, *See that ye fall not out by the way.*

- **The restoration of Yahweh's people under the hand of Christ will be to unify them—**

<u>Eze 37:22</u> "I will make *them one nation in the land upon the mountains of Israel; and* ONE KING *shall be king to them all: and they shall be no more two nations,* neither shall they be divided into two kingdoms any more"

<u>Isa 11:12-13</u> "He shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall *assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.* The *envy* also of Ephraim shall depart, and the adversaries of Judah shall be cut off: Ephraim shall not *envy* Judah, and Judah shall not *vex* Ephraim"

Two nations become one in hand of Ezekiel "Son of Man"—Eze 37:16-28

Gen 45:27 And they told him all the words of Joseph, which he had said unto them: and when he saw the wagons which Joseph had sent to carry him, *the spirit of Jacob their father revived*: *(Wycliffe/Young's "lived again")*
Gen 45:28 And *Israel said*, *It is* enough; Joseph my son *is* yet alive: I WILL GO AND SEE HIM BEFORE I DIE.

Revived—the nation of Israel will awake when the "spirit-breath" enters into them (Eze 37:1-5); at the realization that the rejected Son rules the earth!

<u>Eze 37:12-13</u> "Therefore prophesy and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, O my people, *I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel*. And ye shall know that I *am* the LORD, when I have opened your graves, O my people, and brought you up out of your graves"

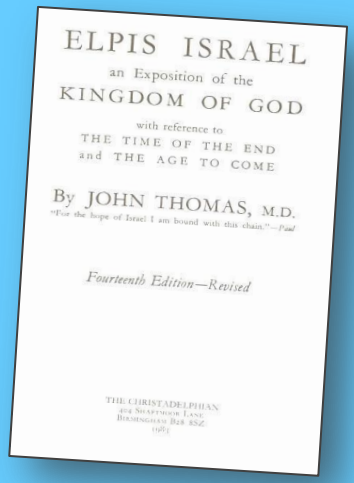
- **Two phases: national revival (v. 1-8) then spiritual (v. 9).**

Israel Gathered from Nations—Rebels Purged

Eze. 20:33-38 "As I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out, will I rule over you: And I will bring you out from the people, and will gather you out of the countries wherein ye are scattered, with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out. *And I will bring you into the wilderness of the people, and there will I plead with you face to face.* Like as I pleaded with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so will I plead with you, saith the Lord GOD. *And I will cause you to pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant: And I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgress against me:* I will bring them forth out of the country where they sojourn, and they shall not enter into the land of Israel" (Zec 13:9-10)

Zec 10:9 "I will sow them among the people: and *they shall remember me in far countries*; and they shall live with their children, and turn again" (Isa 48:10) *Hos 2:14-18; Zec 13:1-2*

- **"The New Covenant being made with the house of Judah, the Kingdom is established…but the kingdom in its small beginning, as when David reigned in Hebron over Judah only. The Lord Jesus, as King of Judah, will have to bring the ten tribes and the nations to generally acknowledge him as King of Israel and Lord of the whole earth"—*Elpis Israel, pg 448***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- **"'In the regeneration when the Son of Man shall sit on the throne of his glory' (Mat. 19:28), *the children in Isaac* will reign as 'sons,' while *the children of the flesh* will be the king's subjects, or 'servants'…(Eze. 46:16-17) If the natural Israel are not restored to Canaan, the spiritual Israel…would inherit a kingdom without subjects to serve them"—*Elpis Israel, pg. 254-255***

Gen 44:26 And we said, *We cannot go down: if our youngest brother be with us*, then will we go down: for we may NOT SEE THE MAN'S FACE, except our youngest brother *be* with us. *(the Jews must identify with the Son)*

- **Why is it critical that Israel understand the Father's love for His son? Because this is the basis for all other "sonship"—**

Rom 8:29 "For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate *to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren*"

Joh 1:11-12 "He came unto his own, and his own received him not. *But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even* to them that believe on his name"

Gal 4:6 "Because ye are sons, God hath sent forth *the Spirit of his Son* into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father" **(Jew/Gentile)**

- *1John 3:1-3—Phi 2:15—Gal 4:28*

- **"Benjamin stands for Judah and Jerusalem, as well as for its own particular canton; for the kingdom of Judah included Benjamin, and Jerusalem was one of the cities that fell by lot to it when Joshua subdued the country (Jer 40:1; Jos 18:21-25). Ephraim represents the rest of the tribes, or kingdom of Israel as distinguished from that of Judah, inasmuch as Samaria, the seat of government, belonged to Ephraim and Manasseh"—*John Thomas, Rachel Weeping for Her Children***

Ephraim represents Israel

Hos 6:10 "I have seen an horrible thing in the house of Israel: there *is* the whoredom of *Ephraim, Israel is defiled*"

Hos 5:3 "I know *Ephraim, and Israel* is not hid from me: for now, *O Ephraim*, thou committest whoredom, *and Israel is defiled*"

Hos 7:1 "When I would have *healed Israel*, then the iniquity of *Ephraim was discovered*…" (Hos 11:8-12)

Mic 4:8 "And thou, O tower of the flock, the strong hold of the daughter of Zion, unto thee shall it come, *even the first dominion; the kingdom shall come to the daughter of Jerusalem*" *(The parabolic helps us grasp the literal)*

Gen 45:14 And he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck, and WEPT; and Benjamin WEPT upon his neck.
Gen 45:15 Moreover *he kissed all his brethren*, and WEPT upon them: and after that his brethren talked with him.

- **During the kings, the nation was divided *politically* into two separate kingdoms—Israel in the *north* and Judah in the *south,* which consisted of principally Judah and Benjamin. However, some among other tribes did identify with Judah (2Chr. 15:9; 30:1-2, 10-12). This division led to the terms "Israel" and "Judah": the Jews scattered abroad and the Jews in the Land. "Israel," "Ephraim" & "the remnant of Jacob" are synonymous terms for the nation of Israel in dispersion Zec. 9:13; Eze. 20:27-39; Mic. 5:7-8.**