

# Class Five

## The New Heavens and New Earth

Isa 44:23 “Sing, O ye heavens; for the LORD hath done it: shout, ye lower parts of the earth: break forth into singing, ye mountains, O forest, and every tree therein: *for the LORD hath redeemed Jacob, and glorified himself in Israel*”

Isa 49:13 “Sing, O heavens; and be joyful, O earth; and break forth into singing, O mountains: *for the LORD hath comforted his people, and will have mercy upon his afflicted.*

Gen 2:1 Thus *the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.*

Gen 2:2 And on the *seventh* day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made.

Gen 2:3 And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made.

Gen 2:4 *These are the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens*

### **The Generations of the Heavens and Earth**

Relates to the people who will inherit it upon the accomplishment of the “seventh day” millennial Rest!

**(Gen 5:1; 6:9; 9:12; 10:1; 11:10, 27; 17:7...etc. generations)**

Mat 24:35 Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away...

37 But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

38 For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark,

39 And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be

## The Days of Noah: The Prophetic Flood

Heavens and Earth overthrown by Noahic flood

2Pet 3:1-8 “There shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, And saying, *Where is the promise of his coming?* for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation. For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water: *Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished:* But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men”

1Pet 3:20 When once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water.

21 ¶ The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ:

“Eight”—typical of flesh cut off: day of circumcision.  
Associated with Abraham.  
Covenant (Gen 17:1-14)!

## Baptism saves from the coming flood

Days of Noah likened unto Day of Lord's coming

2Pet 2:4-5 “For if God spared not the angels (*messengers*) that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment; And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly”

Heb 11:7 “By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith”

“House”—typical of Ecclesia (see: 1Tim 3:15)

Gen 9:1 ¶ And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth.

2 And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth, and upon every fowl of the air, upon all that moveth upon the earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea; into your hand are they delivered.

### The Divine Purpose

Gen 6:13 “And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me”

## Noah, His Family Over New Creation

Lower creation subjected to Noah and his family

“**Replenish**” – Command given to Adam.

Gen 1:28 “And God blessed them, and God said unto them, *Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth*”

“**Sons**” – Title reserved for the redeemed.

John 1:12 “But as many as received him, to them gave he power *to become the sons of God*” (Rom 8:14-18)

1John 3:2 “Beloved, *now are we the sons of God*, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, *we shall be like him*; for we shall see him as he is”

**“Waters”** — Rev 17:15

“The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are *peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues*”

Isa 17:12 “Woe to the *multitude of many people*, which make a noise like the noise of the seas; and to the rushing of nations...like the rushing of mighty waters!”

Isa 57:20 “*The wicked are like the troubled sea*, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt”

**Nation of Israel and the Waters of Noah**

**“Waters of Noah”** — Isa 54:5-10 “For a small moment have I forsaken thee; but with great mercies will I gather thee. In a little wrath I hid my face from thee for a moment; but with everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee, saith the **LORD** thy Redeemer. For this is as the waters of Noah unto me: *for as I have sworn that the waters of Noah should no more go over the earth; so have I sworn that I would not be wroth with thee, nor rebuke thee.* For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but my kindness shall not depart from thee, *neither shall the covenant of my peace be removed, saith the LORD that hath mercy on thee*”



## Noah goes forth from Ark

Gen 8:21 The LORD said in his heart, I will not again curse the ground any more for man's sake; for the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth; neither will I again smite any more every thing living, as I have done.

22 **(h)** While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and **(k)** day and night shall not cease.

**(h)** Margin Isa. 54:9

**(k)** Margin Jer 33:20,25

## Days of Noah—Prophecy of Latter Days

Jer 33:20-26 "Thus saith the LORD; If ye can break my covenant of the day, and my covenant of the night, and that there should not be day and night in their season; *Then may also my covenant be broken with David my servant, that he should not have a son to reign upon his throne... If my covenant be not with day and night, and if I have not appointed the ordinances of heaven and earth; Then will I cast away the seed of Jacob, and David my servant, so that I will not take any of his seed to be rulers over the seed of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob: for I will cause their captivity to return, and have mercy on them"*

Gen 6:17 And, behold, I, even I, do bring a flood of waters upon the earth, to destroy all flesh, wherein is the breath of life, from under heaven; and every thing that is in the earth shall die.

Jer 47:2 “Thus saith the LORD; Behold, waters rise up out of the north, and shall be an overflowing flood, and shall overflow the land, and all that is therein”

Jer 46:8-9 “Egypt riseth up like a flood, and his waters are moved like the rivers; and he saith, I will go up, and will *cover the earth*; I will destroy the city and the inhabitants thereof”

## Gentile Nations to overflow Israel

Gentile “waters” to overcome Israeli “earth”  
Symbolizes a military invasion upon a country

**“Flood of waters” – Isa 59:18-19 “When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall lift up a standard against him. And the Redeemer shall come to Zion, and unto them that turn from transgression in Jacob, saith the LORD”** (Dan 11:10, 26, 40 “overflow”)

**Dan 9:26 “After threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined”**



**Gen 6:18 But with thee will I establish my covenant; and thou shalt come into the ark, thou, and thy sons, and thy wife, and thy sons' wives with thee.**

**19 And of every living thing of all flesh, two of every sort shalt thou bring into the ark, to keep them alive with thee; they shall be male and female.**

**20 Of fowls after their kind, and of cattle after their kind, of every creeping thing of the earth after his kind, two of every sort shall come unto thee, to keep them alive.**

## **Yahweh's covenant is given to Noah**

Salvation to those who enter into Ark with Noah

**“Covenant”** — The Lord Jesus Christ is the fulfillment and subject of all covenants: Eden, Noah, Abraham and David (Gen 3:15; Gal 3:15-16; Luke 1:30-35).

**“Ark”** — The vessel of salvation (1Pet 3:21). It only had one window (single source of light) and it had only one door (single entrance) Gen 6:16.

**“Keep Alive”** — The purpose of Noah and the Ark was to save a certain class of mankind and animals for development of the “New Creation” after the flood. This fulfills Yahweh's determination to “destroy all flesh.”

Gen 7:1 ¶ And the LORD said unto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation.

2 Of every clean beast thou shalt take to thee by sevens, the male and his female: and of beasts that are not clean by two, the male and his female.

3 Of fowls also of the air by sevens, the male and the female; to keep seed alive upon the face of all the earth.

See Also: Acts 10:1-35;  
2Cor 6:14-18 (Rom1:16)

## Salvation extended to Jew & Gentile

To Jew first (clean), then to Gentile (unclean)

**“Clean-Unclean”** – Lev 20:23-26 “And *ye shall not walk in the manners of the nation, which I cast out before you...I am the LORD your God, which have separated you from other people. Ye shall therefore put difference between clean beasts and unclean, and between unclean fowls and clean: and ye shall not make your souls abominable by beast, or by fowl, or by any manner of living thing that creepeth on the ground, *which I have separated from you as unclean.* And ye shall be holy unto me: for I the LORD am holy, and *have severed you from other people, that ye should be mine*”*

3 Of fowls also of the air by sevens, the male and the female; to keep seed alive upon the face of all the earth.

4 For yet seven days, and I will cause it to rain upon the earth forty days and forty nights; and every living substance that I have made will I destroy from off the face of the earth.

Eze 39:12-14 "Seven months shall the house of Israel be burying of them, that they may *cleanse the land*...to bury ...those that remain upon the face of the earth"

## Destruction and preservation of Earth

"Face of the earth" refers to Israel in the Land

**"Face of the Earth"** – Deu 6:10-15 "When the LORD thy God shall have *brought thee into the land which he sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob*...Ye shall not go after other gods...lest the anger of the LORD thy God be kindled against thee, and destroy thee from off the face of the earth"

Eze 38:18-20 "Gog shall come against the *land of Israel*, saith the Lord GOD...For in my jealousy and in the fire of my wrath have I spoken... there shall be a *great shaking in the land of Israel*...all the men that are upon the face of the earth, *shall shake*"

6 And Noah was six hundred years old when the flood of waters was upon the earth.

7 And Noah went in, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him, into the ark, because of the waters of the flood.

## Time of man, flesh reaches the end

Christ, saints joined before flood: Armageddon

**“Six”** — The number of man: created on the sixth day, the mark of the man in the Apocalypse (Gen 1:27-31; Rev 13:18).

Gen 7:16 “And they that went in, went in male and female of all flesh, as God had commanded him: and the LORD shut him in”

Isa 26:19-21 “Thy dead men shall live, together with my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in dust: for thy dew is as the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead. *Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: hide thyself as it were for a little moment, *until the indignation be overpast*...LORD cometh out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity”*

Mat 25:10 “And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut”

Gen 6:16 A window shalt thou make to the ark, and in a cubit shalt thou finish it above; and the door of the ark shalt thou set in the side thereof; with lower, second, and third stories shalt thou make it.

Acts 14:27 “When they were come, and had gathered the ecclesia together, they rehearsed all that God had done with them, *and how he had opened the door of faith unto the Gentiles*”

2Cor 2:12 “I came to Troas to preach Christ’s gospel, and a door *was opened unto me of the Lord*”

**Time allotted for repentance Ends** The 120 years of Noah Preaching is finished

2Pet 2:5 “And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly”

**“A Window”** – John 8:12 “Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life” (*only one source/window*)

**“The Door”** – John 10:7-9 “Then said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep...I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture” (Rev 3:20)

10 And it came to pass after seven days, that the waters of the flood were upon the earth

17 ¶ And the flood was forty days upon the earth; and the waters increased, and bare up the ark, and it was lift up above the earth.

From the 40 days of rain (probation), to the increasing of the waters, we understand this is a developing event. The prophetic signs upon us at present indicate the rain is beginning to fall.

## After 6,000 years of flesh: The Flood

After saints are removed, Armageddon begins

**“Seven Days”** Mg: *“On the Seventh Day”*

2Pet 3:6-9 *“Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished: But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men. But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance”*



18 And the waters prevailed, and were increased greatly upon the earth; and the ark went upon the face of the waters.

19 And the waters prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the high hills, that were under the whole heaven, were covered.

## Gentile-Waters overflow Israel-Earth

The military contest shows Gentiles prevailing

**“Prevailed”** – Hebrew: denotes warfare.

Exo 17:11 “When Moses held up his hand, that Israel prevailed: and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed”

Isa 42:13 “The LORD shall go forth as a mighty man...like a man of war...he shall prevail against his enemies”

Eze 38:8-9 “In the latter years thou shalt come into the land that is brought back from the sword, and is gathered out of many people, against the mountains of Israel, which have been always waste: but it is brought forth out of the nations, and they shall dwell safely all of them. *Thou shalt ascend and come like a storm, thou shalt be like a cloud to cover the land, thou, and all thy bands, and many people with thee*”

20 Fifteen cubits upward did the waters prevail; and the mountains were covered.

Eze 38:21-22 “And I will call for a sword against him throughout all my mountains, saith the Lord GOD: every man’s sword shall be against his brother. And I will plead against him with pestilence and with blood; and I will rain upon him, and upon his bands, and upon the many people that are with him, an overflowing rain, and great hailstones, fire, and brimstone”

## Battle of Armageddon at its height

Nations wage battle upon mountains of Israel

**“Mountains”** – Eze 39:1-5 “Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal: And I will turn thee back, and leave but the sixth part of thee, and will cause thee to come up from the north parts, and will bring thee upon the mountains of Israel: And I will smite thy bow out of thy left hand, and will cause thine arrows to fall out of thy right hand. Thou shalt fall upon the mountains of Israel, thou, and all thy bands, and the people that is with thee: I will give thee unto the ravenous birds of every sort, and to the beasts of the field to be devoured”

21 ¶ And all flesh died that moved upon the earth, both of fowl, and of cattle, and of beast, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth, and every man:

22 All in whose nostrils was the breath of life, of all that was in the dry land, died.

## Land of Israel a scene of destruction

Flesh destroyed upon the Israelitish “dry land”

**“Dry Land”** – Neh 9:11 “Thou didst divide the sea before (Israel), so that they went through the midst of the sea on the dry land; and their persecutors thou threwest into the deeps, as a stone into the mighty waters”

(see: Exo 14:21, 29; 15:19; Jos 4:18-22)

Zec 13:8 “And it shall come to pass, that in all the land, saith the LORD, *two parts therein shall be cut off and die; but the third shall be left therein*”

Zec 3:8 “Therefore wait ye upon me, saith the LORD, until the day that I rise up to the prey: *for my determination is to gather the nations, that I may assemble the kingdoms, to pour upon them mine indignation, even all my fierce anger: for all the earth shall be devoured with the fire of my jealousy*”

7:23 Noah only remained alive, and they that were with him in the ark.

Gen 8:1 God remembered Noah, and every living thing...that was with him in the ark: and God made a \* wind to pass over the earth, and the waters asswaged; \* **(ruach) Spirit**

2 The fountains also of the deep and the windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained;

3 Waters returned from off the earth continually: and after the end of the hundred and fifty days the waters were abated

Christ, Saints as “wind” drive back nations

“**Wind**” – Dan 2:34-35 “A stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet...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” \* **Spirit or divine power**

Isa 17:13 “The nations shall rush like the rushing of many waters: *but God shall rebuke them, and they shall flee far off, and shall be chased as the chaff of the mountains before \* the wind*”

**Dan 2:44** "In the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, *which shall never be destroyed*: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, *but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms*, and it shall stand for ever"

**Dan 12:1** "At that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered"

**Christ, saints to save Israel, submit Gog**

**Zec 14:1-5** "For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken...*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, 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...*the LORD my God shall come, and all the saints with thee*... the LORD shall be king over all the earth: *in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one*"

Gen 8:5 And the waters decreased continually until the tenth month: in the tenth month, on the first day of the month, were the tops of the mountains seen.

6 ¶ And it came to pass at the end of forty days, that Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made:

7 And he sent forth a raven, which went forth to and fro, until the waters were dried up from off the earth

## Gradual submission of Gentile waters

Jews exalted to rule over Gentile dark nations

**“Tops of Mountains seen”** – With the decrease of waters, the Kingdom of God now comes into view

**“Noah”** – Typical of Christ, the Lord Jesus Christ begins to make the next move to make his presence known in the Earth

**“Raven”** – This is an unclean bird, representing the Gentiles; and also a flesh eater. Israel cleaning up land from dead carcasses (Eze 39:12)

**“Waters dried up”** – This represents Israel’s redemption: when coming out of Egypt and entering the Land under Joshua.



8 Also he sent forth a dove from him, to see if the waters were abated from off the face of the ground;

9 But the dove found no rest for the sole of her foot, and she returned unto him into the ark, for the waters were on the face of the whole earth: then he put forth his hand, and took her, and pulled her in unto him into the ark.

Hos 11:11-12 "They shall tremble...as a dove out of the land of Assyria: and I will place them in their houses, saith the LORD"

## Israel still in unrest, not fully restored

Dove a representation of Israel's national state

**"Dove"** – Hos 7:10-11 "The pride of Israel testifieth to his face: and they do not return to the LORD their God, nor seek him for all this. *Ephraim also is like a silly dove without heart: they call to Egypt, they go to Assyria*" (*Ephraim is Israel*)

Deu 28:58-66 "If thou wilt not observe to do all the words of this law that are written in this book...*the LORD shall scatter thee among all people...And among these nations shalt thou find no ease, neither shall the sole of thy foot have rest*: but the LORD shall give thee there a trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and sorrow of mind"

9 But the dove found no rest for the sole of her foot, and she returned unto him into the ark, for the waters were on the face of the whole earth: then he put forth his hand, and took her, and pulled her in unto him into the ark.

Isa 11:10-13 "The Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left...And 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"

## Rest for the Dove is only in the Land

Israel only to find true safety in Land of Promise

**"Sole of Foot" – Deu 11:23-24** "Ye shall possess greater nations and mightier than yourselves. Every place whereon the soles of your feet shall tread shall be yours: *from the wilderness and Lebanon, from the river, the river Euphrates, even unto the uttermost sea shall your coast be*"

Jos 1:1-5 "The LORD spake unto Joshua ...go over this Jordan, thou, and all this people, unto the land which I do give to them...Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto you...From the wilderness and this Lebanon even unto the great river, the river Euphrates...unto the great sea toward the going down of the sun, shall be your coast"

10 And he stayed yet other seven days; and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark;

11 And the dove came in to him in the evening; and, lo, in her mouth was an olive \* leaf pluckt off: so Noah knew that the waters were abated from off the earth.

12 And he stayed yet other seven days; and sent forth the dove; which returned not again unto him any more.

\* "olive leaf" is translated "olive branches" Neh 8:15 – "fetch olive branches"

**Gentiles subdued and Israel is restored**  
**"Olive"** – Rom 11:23-27 "(Israel) if they abide not still in unbelief, shall be grafted in: for God is able to graff them in again. For if thou wert cut out of the olive tree which is wild by nature, and wert grafted contrary to nature into a good olive tree: how much more shall these, which be the natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree? *For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in. And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob: For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins"*

13 ¶ And it came to pass in the six hundredth and first year, in the first month, the first day of the month, the waters were dried up from off the earth: and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and, behold, the face of the ground was dry

### SPECIAL DAY—

First Day of the First Month: sanctification of the Temple (2Chr 29:7); giving up of foreign wives (Ezra 10:17); cleansing of Temple in Future Age (Eze 45:18).

## The New Beginning of the Future Age

The Gentile Waters dried up from Jewish Earth

**“First Day..First Month”** — Exo 40:2 “On the first day of the first month shalt thou *set up the tabernacle of the tent of the congregation*”

Rev 21:1-3 “And I saw *a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.* And I John saw the holy city, *new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.* And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, *Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God*”

18 And Noah went forth, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him:

19 Every beast, every creeping thing, and every fowl, and whatsoever creepeth upon the earth, after their kinds, went forth out of the ark.

20 ¶ And Noah builded an altar unto the LORD; and took of every clean beast, and of every clean fowl, and offered burnt offerings on the altar.

Complete dedication of head, fat, inwards and legs—Lev 1:1-9

## The Redeemed are offered in Sacrifice

Both Jew, Gentile offered as a burnt offering

**“Burnt Offering”** – Mark 12:32-34 “And the scribe said unto him, Well, Master, thou hast said the truth: for there is one God; and there is none other but he: And *to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the soul, and with all the strength, and to love his neighbour as himself, is more than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices.* And when Jesus saw that he answered discreetly, he said unto him, Thou art not far from the kingdom of God”

Why go through so much to save, only to offer in sacrifice? Principle: We are redeemed for God Manifestation; total dedication to Yahweh (see: Rev 4:11)

Gen 9:1 ¶ And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth.

2 And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth, and upon every fowl of the air, upon all that moveth upon the earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea; into your hand are they delivered

## New Creation & Abrahamic Covenant

Gen 17:4-8 “My covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of many nations.

*Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee.*

And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, and *I will make nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee.* And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee” (Gen 28:1-5)

Gen 35:10-12 “God said...Thy name is Jacob: thy name shall not be called any more Jacob, but Israel shall be thy name: and he called his name Israel...I am God Almighty: be fruitful and multiply; a nation and a company of nations shall be of thee, and kings shall come out of thy loins; *And the land which I gave Abraham and Isaac, to thee I will give it, and to thy seed after thee will I give the land*”



**The Parabolic Method**— “A parable is the setting forth of a certain thing as a representative of something else. Hence, it is a comparison, or similitude... *Whether spoken or acted, parables are dark and unintelligible to those who are not skilled in the things of the kingdom; but when once they come to know these, the things they resemble immediately appear...* For certain features of the kingdom to be illustrated parabolically is to speak, or act, allegorically; and is a mode of instruction more calculated to keep up the attention, and to impress the mind permanently, than a set discourse, or formal disquisition. The scriptures are constructed *after this ingenious plan, by which they are made so much more interesting, and capable of containing so much more matter, than any other book on the same subject, and of the same size.*” —

*J. Thomas, Elpis Israel, pg. 274-275*