

The Future Glory of Tziyon ~ Part 2

Yesha'yahu 54:9-17

In my last post, we moved forward to learn about **The Future Glory of Tziyon** in **Yesha'yahu 54:1-8**. In this post, we are on a journey in learning about **The Future Glory of Tziyon** in **Yesha'yahu 54:9-17**.

⁹ *"For Me, this is like Noach's flood. Just as I swore that no flood like Noach's would ever again cover the earth, so now I swear that never again will I be angry with you or rebuke you. ¹⁰ For the mountains may leave and the hills be removed, but My grace will never leave you, and My covenant of peace will not be removed," says Adonai, who has compassion on you.*

After the flood, **Adonai** said: *I will remember my covenant which is between myself and you and every living creature of any kin, and the water will never again become a flood to destroy all living beings.* ~ Genesis 9:15 (CJB) **Adonai** declares in these verses that though **Isra'el** may sin, He will not completely eradicate His people. He may make the hills shake, but He will not utterly destroy them. Thus, **Adonai** is compassionate in not treating **Isra'el** as they deserve because of their transgressions. The covenant of peace may be an allusion to the covenant with **Noach**, symbolized by the rainbow.

The mountains may leave, and the hills be removed recalls for many of us when Mt. St. Helens near Seattle erupted. Four billion cubic tons of earth was moved in thirty minutes. That's a lot of dirt! Therefore, whatever mountain is looming over you is no problem for Him.

¹¹ *"Storm-ravaged [city], unconsoled, I will set your stones in the finest way, lay your foundations with sapphires, ¹² make your windows shine with rubies, your gates with garnet, your walls with gemstones.*

Yerushalayim is now personified as a **storm-ravaged** city that **Adonai** will restore to unprecedented splendor, made of precious stones and metals, which anticipates new **Yerushalayim** in Revelation 21:15-21.

¹³ *All your children will be taught by Adonai; your children will have great peace.*

The children of **Yerushalayim** are its inhabitants who will be taught by **Adonai**. The **new covenant** of Jeremiah 31:31-34 anticipated a time when **Adonai's** people would no longer need a teacher, **for all will know Me.**

¹⁴ *In righteousness, you will be established, far from oppression, with nothing to fear; far from ruin, for it will not come near you.*

What glorious promises verses 11-14 are - especially in light of the problems **Isra'el** is facing today. *"Your kids will be taught of the Lord. They'll experience peace. And terror won't come near you."*

¹⁵ *Any alliance that forms against you will not be My doing; whoever tries to form such an alliance will fall because of you.*

Those who attacked **Yerushalayim** (the **Ashurim** in 701 BCE and the **Bavlim** in 605, 597, and 586 BCE.) did so with **Adonai's** permission, but after the restoration, their enemies will not be **Adonai**-sent and will fall for that reason.

¹⁶ *It is I who created the craftsman who blows on the coals and forges weapons suited to their purpose; I also created the destroyer to work havoc. ¹⁷ No weapon made will prevail against you. In court, you will refute every accusation. The servants of Adonai inherit all this; the reward for their righteousness is from Me," says Adonai.* ~ Isaiah 54:1-17 (CJB)

Using both military (**weapon**) and legal (**accusation**) metaphors, **Adonai** proclaims that His people will withstand all attacks because of His protection. As servants of the Lord, this promise is also for us. But it's not our righteousness that qualifies us to claim it. Instead, it's because we're in the righteous One, **Yeshua HaMashiach** (see 2 Corinthians 5:21).

In my next post, we will move on to **Yesha'yahu 55** to learn about **A Call to Seek the Lord**.