An Everlasting Covenant

Amos 9:11-15 "On that day I will raise up **The tabernacle of David, which has fallen down**, And repair its damages; I will raise up its ruins, And rebuild it as in the days of old; ¹²That they may possess the remnant of Edom, And all the Gentiles who are called by My name," Says the LORD who does this thing. ¹³"Behold, the days are coming," says the LORD, "When the plowman shall overtake the reaper, And the treader of grapes him who sows seed; The mountains shall drip with sweet wine, And all the hills shall flow *with it*. ¹⁴I will bring back the captives of My people Israel; They shall build the waste cities and inhabit *them;* They shall plant vineyards and drink wine from them; They shall also make gardens and eat fruit from them. ¹⁵I will plant them in their land, And no longer shall they be pulled up From the land I have given them," Says the LORD your God.

<u>Assyrian Empire Conquers Northern Israel,722 B.C.</u>

Isaiah 55:3-5 Incline your ear, and come to Me. Hear, and your soul shall live; And I will make **an everlasting covenant with you**—The sure mercies of David. ⁴Indeed I have given him as a witness to the people, A leader and commander for the people. ⁵Surely you shall call a nation you do not know, And nations *who* do not know you shall run to you, Because of the LORD your God, And the Holy One of Israel; For He has glorified you."

Babylonian Exile (586-539)

Solomon's Temple destroyed 586 B.C.

Jeremiah 33:17-26 "For thus says the LORD: 'David shall never lack a man to sit on the throne of the house of Israel; ¹⁸ 'nor shall the priests, the Levites, lack a man to offer burnt offerings before Me, to kindle grain offerings, and to sacrifice continually.' "

¹⁹And the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah, saying, ²⁰"Thus says the LORD: 'If you can break My covenant with the day and My covenant with the

Branch Isa 11:1,10, Jer 23:5-6, 33:15-16 Horn Ps 132:17 Lamp/Light Ps 132:17 Key Isa 22:22, Rev 3:7 Tent/Hut Isa 16:5, Amos 9 Shepherd Jer 34:23-24, Prince/King Jer 37:24-25 Fountain Zech 13:1 Resting Place Ps 132:14

night, so that there will not be day and night in their season, ²¹ then My covenant may also be broken with David My servant, so that he shall not have **a son to reign on his throne**, and with **the Levites, the priests, My ministers**. ²² As the host of heaven cannot be numbered, nor the sand of the sea measured, so will I multiply the descendants of David My servant and the Levites who minister to Me.' "

²³Moreover the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah, saying, ²⁴"Have you not considered what these people have spoken, saying, '**The two families** which the LORD has chosen, He has also cast them off'? Thus they have despised My people, as if they should no more be a nation before them.

²⁵"Thus says the LORD: 'If My covenant *is* not with day and night, *and if* I have not appointed the ordinances of heaven and earth, ²⁶'then I will cast away the descendants of Jacob and David My servant, *so* that I will not take *any* of his descendants *to be* rulers over the descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. **For I will cause their captives to return, and will have mercy on them**.'"

70 years of Exile (605 B.C. - 537 B.C.)

Persian Empire (539 B.C. -

Ezra 1:1-5 Cyrus' Decree

Ezra 2:2 Ezra the priest and Zerubbabel the priest

Ezra 3 Rebuilding the Zerubbabel's Temple (539 / Mar 12, 516 B.C.)

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Ezra 5:1-2 The Prophets Haggai, Zechariah

Nehemiah (the governor) rebuilds the wall on the 3rd return to Jerusalem

Haggai 2

In the seventh month, on the twenty-first of the month, the word of the Lord came by Haggai the prophet, saying: 2"Speak now to Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, saying: 3'Who is left among you who saw this temple in its former glory? And how do you see it now? In comparison with it, is this not in your eyes as nothing? 4'Yet now be strong, Zerubbabel,' says the Lord; 'and be strong, Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; and be strong, all you people of the land,' says the Lord, 'and work; for I am with you,' says the Lord of hosts. 5'According to the word that I covenanted with you when you came out of Egypt, so My Spirit remains among you; do not fear!'

6"For thus says the Lord of hosts: 'Once more (it is a little while) I will shake heaven and earth, the sea and dry land; 7'and I will shake all nations, and they shall come to the Desire of All Nations, and I will fill this temple with glory,' says the Lord of hosts.

8'The silver is Mine, and the gold is Mine,' says the Lord of hosts. 9'The glory of this latter temple shall be greater than the former,' says the Lord of hosts. 'And in this place I will give peace,' says the Lord of hosts."...

23'In that day,' says the Lord of hosts, 'I will take you, Zerubbabel My servant, the son of Shealtiel,' says the Lord, 'and will make you like a signet ring; for I have chosen you,' says the Lord of hosts."

Zechariah 6:9-13

9Then the word of the Lord came to me, saying: 10"Receive the gift from the captives—from Heldai, Tobijah, and Jedaiah, who have come from Babylon—and go the same day and enter the house of Josiah the son of Zephaniah. 11"Take the silver and gold, make an elaborate crown, and set it on the head of Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the high priest. 12"Then speak to him, saying, 'Thus says the Lord of hosts, saying:

"Behold, the Man whose name is the BRANCH! From His place He shall branch out, And He shall build the temple of the Lord; 13 Yes, He shall build the temple of the Lord. He shall bear the glory, And shall sit and rule on His throne; So He shall be a priest on His throne, And the counsel of peace shall be between them both"

Zechariah 9:9ff

9 "Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to you; He is just and having salvation, Lowly and riding on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey.

Zechariah 11:4-17 Two Shepherds!

4Thus says the Lord my God, "Feed the flock for slaughter, 5"whose owners slaughter them and feel no guilt; those who sell them say, 'Blessed be the Lord, for I am rich'; and their shepherds do not pity them. 6"For I will no longer pity the inhabitants of the land," says the Lord. "But indeed I will give everyone into his neighbor's hand and into the hand of his king. They shall attack the land, and I will not deliver them from their hand."

7So I fed the flock for slaughter, in particular the poor of the flock. I took for myself two staffs: the one I called Beauty, and the other I called Bonds; and I fed the flock. 8I dismissed the three shepherds in one month. My soul loathed them, and their soul also abhorred me. 9Then I said, "I will not feed you. Let what is dying die, and what is perishing perish. Let those that are left eat each other's flesh." 10And I took my staff, Beauty, and cut it in two, that I might break the covenant which I had made with all the peoples. 11So it was broken on that day. Thus the poor of the flock, who were watching me, knew that it was the word of the Lord. 12Then I said to them, "If it is agreeable to you, give me my wages; and if not, refrain." So they weighed out for my wages thirty pieces of silver. 13And the Lord said to me, "Throw it to the potter"—that princely price they set on me. So I took the thirty pieces of silver and threw them into the house of the Lord for the potter. 14Then I cut in two my other staff, Bonds, that I might break the brotherhood between Judah and Israel.

Zechariah 14

- Behold, the day of the LORD is coming, And your spoil will be divided in your midst.
- 5 ...As you fled from the earthquake In the days of Uzziah king of Judah.

 Thus the Lord my God will come, *And* all the saints with You.
- It shall come to pass in that day *That* there will be no light; The lights will diminish.
- It shall be one day Which is known to the LORD—Neither day nor night. But at evening time it shall happen *That* it will be light.
- And in that day it shall be *That* living waters shall flow from Jerusalem, Half of them toward the eastern sea And half of them toward the western sea; In both summer and winter it shall occur.
- And the LORD shall be King over all the earth.
 In that day it shall be—"The LORD is one," And His name one....

²⁰In that day "HOLINESS TO THE LORD" shall be *engraved* on the bells of the horses. The pots in the LORD's house shall be like the bowls before the altar. ²¹Yes, every pot in Jerusalem and Judah shall be holiness to the LORD of hosts. Everyone who sacrifices shall come and take them and cook in them. In that day there shall no longer be a Canaanite in the house of the LORD of hosts.

Malachi 3

- "Behold, I send My messenger, And he will prepare the way before Me. And the Lord, whom you seek, Will suddenly come to His temple, Even the Messenger of the covenant, In whom you delight. Behold, He is coming," Says the LORD of hosts.
- ² "But who can endure the day of His coming? And who can stand when He appears? For He *is* like a refiner's fire

And like launderer's soap.

- He will sit as a refiner and a purifier of silver;
 He will purify the sons of Levi,
 And purge them as gold and silver,
 That they may offer to the LORD
 An offering in righteousness....
- "For I am the LORD, I do not change; Therefore you are not consumed, O sons of Jacob....
- Then those who feared the LORD spoke to one another, And the LORD listened and heard *them;*So a book of remembrance was written before Him For those who fear the LORD And who meditate on His name.
- "They shall be Mine," says the LORD of hosts,
 "On the day that I make them My jewels.
 And I will spare them

As a man spares his own son who serves him."

Then you shall again discern

Between the righteous and the wicked,

Between one who serves God

And one who does not serve Him.

Malachi 4

"For behold, the day is coming, Burning like an oven, And all the proud, yes, all who do wickedly will be stubble. And the day which is coming shall burn them up,"

- Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet Before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD.
- And he will turn
 The hearts of the fathers to the children,
 And the hearts of the children to their fathers,
 Lest I come and strike the earth with a curse."