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“BEING A RESTORED HUMAN”



“THAT YOU WILL KNOW I AM THE LORD” Part 4

EZEKIEL 36-37; JEREMIAH 31:31-37

I. GOD’S COVENANT LOVE FOR AND WITH ISRAEL

II. GOD’S FUTURE RESTORATION OF ISRAEL: GOD UPDATES THE FUTURE TO EZEKIEL AS HE PREPARES FOR THE COMING OF HIS SON, MESSIAH EZEK. 36-37

D. God’s restoration of Israel and Judah in the latter days Eze 36:1-21

3. g. His concern now was for His own name! 22

4. A new covenant with a restored people 23-38

5. Understanding the new covenant Jer 31:31ff

a. It is for Israel and Judah NOT the nations

b. It reunites the children of Jacob who have been divided since the days of Rehoboam, the foolish—houses of Israel and Judah

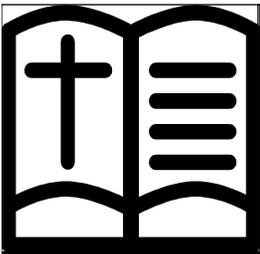
c. It is an internal covenant activated by changing the nature of the covenanters; not external requiring “bent” sinners to do what they cannot do with their own efforts as the Mosaic covenant was

d. It is a land, seed, blessing covenant honoring the Abrahamic promise

e. It is Torah made internal; the instruction of Torah is still relevant as it is the Torah that is written in their hearts

f. “Return” to Torah? Eze 44:15ff No!

E. Understanding the “old covenant” found in Torah



1. Torah means “instruction,” “teaching,” “direction,” “guidance,” and “law as the norm or standard for life”. It is God’s “worldview”
2. It is the first 5 books of the Bible; Moses as the writer; God making Himself known to all
3. In this instruction is contained the terms of the covenant God made with Israel about living in the land He promised them.
4. It is a covenant for living in that promised land. Keeping that covenant allowed them to live productively in that land.
5. It was not made to “save” anyone or justify anyone before God. Salvation is always by grace through faith in what God has revealed and is the gift of God. It is a human to human, human to God agreement for a wholesome life
6. It was made with Israel and their descendants NOT the nations around them; the nations were only obligated to live by its directives when in the land of Israel
7. Israel broke the covenant with Him; He completed it with the life and death of Jesus, the Christ
8. The former covenant is finished and God is bringing a new covenant WITH the houses of Israel WHEN HE BRINGS THEM TO THE LAND! Given by the resurrection of Christ!
9. The new covenant is NOT with the nations
10. The new covenant includes Torah, instruction