

Tracing the Isaac Sons Chapter 1

The mistaken identity of an individual can lead to very serious and embarrassing mistakes. Likewise , the mistaken identity of a whole people can lead to serious and embarrassing mistakes. One of the greatest embarrassments the Christian clergy will ever experience will come when God , through Divine intervention , reveals to the whole world the true identity of the Isaac-sons, or the Anglo-Saxon people.

According to the prophets and the Lord's kingdom parables the identity of the Israel people was to be hidden until the time of the harvest , and the harvest is identified in the Scripture as being the end of the age , or the last days. Many people wonder why the truth that the Anglo-Saxons are Israel has not been more generally preached and taught. The answer is that according to prophecy their identity was to be hidden until the end time. Since we are now in this end time , God is beginning to prove to anyone who will consider Bible prophecy and its fulfillment that the Anglo-Saxon people are the Israel people of the Bible.

In this study we will use the same procedure and method to show that the Anglo-Saxons are the Israel people that we use to prove that the Lord Jesus Christ is actually the virgin-born Son of God. As every Christian knows, this method is simply pointing out fulfilled Bible prophecy.

With the prominent place the Anglo-Saxon people have occupied throughout all history, especially during the last 2000 years , certain bible prophecy must have something to say about them. They are and have been the most phenomenal and outstanding people of all the peoples of the earth.

Before we consider Bible prophecy we must look at Bible history. The main reason many people have difficulty understanding Bible prophecy is that they have not taken the time to read Bible history. One cannot expect to understand the prophecies of Jeremiah , Isaiah , Ezekiel and others if he is not familiar with the first 17 books of the Bible which set forth the history up to the time of the prophecies given by the prophets.

The first fact I call your attention to is that the word " Jew " does not appear in bible history until II Kings 16:6 , which was 1300 years after the death of Abraham or 600 years after Moses brought the children of Israel out of Egypt. All one needs to do to verify this fact is to consult the chronology in the margin of one's Bible. Every Bible concordance will indicate that II Kings 16;6 is the first time the word " Jew " appears in Bible history , merely 733 years before Christ. It is a self-evident fact , then , that neither Abraham nor Moses were Jews.

Think with me on this. If Abraham was a Jew , as we hear people say, then all of the Arabs are Jews because the Arabs came from Abraham. In Bible study , as in all other study , there is no substitute for common ordinary good sense but some Christians actually seem to fear that if they use their common sense when reading the Scriptures , the Holy Spirit may be grieved.

Here is something else that must be concluded if we use a little common sense : If Abraham was a Jew , then his son Isaac was a Jew; and if Isaac was a Jew, then all of the Turks (through Esau) are Jews too , and so we could go on from one generation to the next , beginning with Abraham. But

Abraham , Isaac and Jacob were not Jews.

We read from bible history that Jacob had 12 sons. The names of these 12 sons are given in the book of Genesis , Reuben being the first-born. Reuben's descendants were called Reubenites. Another son was named Simeon and the people who came from him were called Simeonites ; then we have Dan , whose descendants were called Danites. One of the 12 sons was named Judah and his descendants were called Judahites or Jews. This should be as plain and simple as can be. So to speak of Abraham , Isaac , Jacob and Moses as being Jews is the most ridiculous, absurd thing that that can be said to anyone who is familiar with Bible history.

In tracing the Israel people through Bible history, I want to call your attention to a few highlights. The 12 sons became the 12 tribes of Israel - one tribe from Judah , one from Reuben , one from Simeon , one from Dan , Naphtali , and so on through the other seven sons. But under King David at about 1000 BC the 12 tribes became one nation. This is an historical fact with which you must be familiar to understand what the Scriptures prophesied concerning these people.

II Samuel 5:4 ,5 gives us a very important key revelation to such an understanding. We read , " David was thirty years old when he began to reign , and he reigned forty years. In Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months: and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty and three years over all Israel and Judah. "

Simply stated , David ruled for seven years and six months over Judah before he reigned over both Israel and Judah in the balance of his administration. Bible history makes it very clear that even before the exodus , when Judah, Ephraim and the other boys were still in their father Jacob's household , a division arose between these boys. Ephraim (the son of Joseph) and Judah contended for the place of leadership, and that division and feud carried on from the time they were in Jacob's household , as they developed into tribes and then into nations. It was so evident and apparent that David ruled first for 7 and a half years over Judah before he began his reign over all Israel and Judah.

Let us consider another very important historical fact as we bring out some of the great terminal periods and events. Israel and Judah were brought together as one nation under King David , but let us note what happened after the administration of David and Solomon. After Solomon's death his son Rehoboam became king , and we read in I Kings 12 : 19 and 20 : " So Israel rebelled against the house of David unto this day. And it came to pass, when all Israel heard that Jeroboam was come again, that they sent and called him unto the congregation, and made him king over all Israel : there was none that followed the house of David, but the tribe of Judah only. " Please do not confuse Jeroboam and Rehoboam. Rehoboam was the king of the Judah nation.

In the balance of this chapter we find that the Lord states that this dividing of the Israel people into two separate nations was from him. Verse 24 states " ... this thing is from me . "

II Kings 17 gives further historical developments that become a key to Bible prophecy. Verse 5 and 6 state , " Then the king of Assyria came up throughout all the land , and went up to Samaria, and besieged it three years. " Samaria was the capital of ten-tribe Israel in the north and became the capital of the tribes that rebelled against the house of David . Jerusalem was the capital of the Judah

nation in the south.

" In the ninth year of Hoshea the king of Assyria took Samaria, and carried Israel away into Assyria, and placed them in Halah and in Habor by the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes. "

This important event in the history of the Isaac-sons took place about 720 BC. Israel was taken into the Assyrian captivity by the Assyrians and placed in the region between the Black and Caspian Seas. This is history. After the captivity they disappeared to a great extent from Bible history , but they are not forgotten nor left out of Bible prophecy.

The next verse we should consider is found in II Kings 18;13 - " Now in the fourteenth year of king Hezekiah (king of Judah) did Sennacherib king of Assyria come up against all the fenced cities of Judah and took them. "

Why is this verse important ? Because it is an historical fact to which very few people pay any attention. After the Assyrians had taken ten-tribe Israel into captivity, they made another attack upon the land of Palestine , this time taking all of the fenced cities of Judah. Not only did ten-tribe Israel go into the Assyrian captivity , but much of the little Judah nation also went into the Assyrian captivity.

Let us also look at II Kings 23 to find out further what happened to the Judah kingdom. The 27th verse reads , " And the Lord said , I will remove Judah also out of my sight, as I have removed Israel , and will cast off this city Jerusalem which I have chosen , and the house of which I said, My name shall be there. "

II Kings 24: 2 , 3 continues on to relate, " And the Lord sent against him (against the king of Judah and the Judah nation) bands of the Chaldees, and bands of the Syrians, and bands of the Moabites, and bands of the children of Ammon , and sent them against Judah to destroy it , according to the word of the Lord, which he spake by his servants the prophets. Surely at the commandment of the Lord came this upon Judah ... " .

The Judah nation was taken into Babylonian captivity about 600 BC or about 100 years after Israel had been taken into Assyrian captivity.

With this historical background one can begin to understand how confusing and mistaken is the teaching that the Jewish people of today represent all of Israel. One need not wonder why many people today have no interest in Bible history and Bible prophecy when they read with the mistaken notion that a few million people of the Jewish faith represent Judah and Israel. They do not even represent all of Judah.

Thus far we have concentrated on Bible history , and anyone who believes the Bible to be the Word of God must accept this Bible history. We turn now to Bible prophecy , and we shall begin with the prophecy of Jeremiah. Jeremiah prophesied at the time the Judah nation was about to be taken into the Babylonian captivity. The Israel nation and much of the Judah nation had gone into the Assyrian captivity , as we have already shown from Bible history.

Jeremiah was preaching and prophesying in the Judah nation , and we read in Jeremiah 3:12 that the Almighty spoke to His prophet Jeremiah and told him , " Go and proclaim these words toward the north , and say , Return , thou backsliding Israel , saith the Lord ; and I will not cause mine anger to fall upon you : for I am merciful, saith the Lord, and I will not keep anger for ever. "

What a tremendous message ! It is one of the most important passages in the entire Scripture so far as the Isaac - sons are concerned.

Verse 14 states , " Turn , O backsliding children, saith the Lord ; for I am married unto you ... " The Lord uses the marriage symbol throughout the Scripture to convey to us his special relationship to the people known as ten-tribe Israel. Thus Jeremiah , while busily preaching , teaching , and pleading with the little Judah nation to turn from their wickedness, was commanded by god to interrupt this preaching in Judah and to proclaim God's words to ten-tribed Israel in the north.

Verse 14 continues to give this wonderful long-range prophecy and promise for the Israel people who have been taken into the Assyrian captivity : " ... and I will take you one of a city , and two of a family , and I will bring you to Zion . " This prophecy concerns the founding of our great Zion nation , the United States of America.

Where did these people come from ? They came from the regions north of Palestine as the Israel people migrated up into Europe, the British Isles , Germany , France and Scandinavia . God did take these people as he said , " one of a city , and two of a family ' and brought them to this great Zion nation of the end time. later in this Bible study we shall further consider this prophecy.

Please follow with me as we consider another prophecy (Jeremiah 18) pertaining to these same people who went up into the north region. We shall quote from verses 1 through 6.

" The word which came to Jeremiah from the Lord , saying, Arise , and go down to the potter's house , and there I will cause thee to hear my words. " God told Jeremiah to go down to the potter , one who makes vessels by placing clay upon a wheel and molding it. The Almighty had an object lesson or parable for Jeremiah.

" Then I went down to the potter's house , and , behold , he wrought a work on the wheels. And the vessel that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter. "

As Jeremiah watched the potter and waited for a message from the Lord, he noted that the particular vessel which the potter had on the wheel was marred. But then he noted that the potter made this same clay into another vessel as seemed good to him to make it.

" Then the word of the Lord came to me , saying , O house of Israel , cannot I do with you as this potter ? saith the Lord. Behold , as the clay is in the potter's hand , so are ye in mine hand , O house of Israel."

These verses setting forth a long-range prophecy in a parable tell us that as the potter's vessel was marred , so ten-tribe Israel was marred and placed into the Assyrian captivity. They were placed into

bondage and came under judgment and punishment. In other words, god was making them into another vessel , into nations that He could use. Note particularly that the potter did not throw the clay away but kept working with it. We read that he made it into another vessel (the same people , the same clay) , another nation or set-up " as seemed good to the potter to make it . "

This , of course , is the history of the Anglo-Saxon people. They , more than all other peoples of the earth's history , have been a vessel in God's hand. They are the people who have accepted the Christian faith and have built 85% of all the churches. They have given the world 90% of all the preachers and missionaries , have built hospitals and institutions and have been a blessing to all nations throughout the earth. This is God's Word and God's purpose. Although we have not yet fully fulfilled our destiny by any means , this full manifestation is in the making.

We move now to the very next chapter of Jeremiah's prophecy (chapter 19) . These two chapters (Jeremiah 18 and 19) alone should show and convince people who the Israel people of the Bible are. We begin with Jeremiah 19: 1 ;

" Thus saith the Lord, Go and get a potter's earthen bottle (a hard bottle that is finished and set) and take of the ancients of the people, and of the ancients of the priests ... "

God told Jeremiah to take with him both the civil and religious leaders (both Church and State) to see and hear his message.

" And go forth unto the valley of the son of Hinnom , which is by the entry of the east gate, and proclaim there the words that I shall tell thee , And say , Hear ye the word of the Lord , O kings of Judah , and inhabitants of Jerusalem ; thus saith the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold I will bring evil upon this place, the which whosoever heareth , his ears shall tingle. Because they have forsaken me "

In the 18th chapter we note the message was to " O house of Israel " in this chapter it is " O kings of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem . "

Jeremiah did as he was told - he took leaders of both church and state with him to the particular place outside the city by the east gate and spoke the words we just quoted. Then we read in verse 10 " Then shalt thou break the bottle in the sight of the men that go with thee. "

Do you note the contrast and the difference between chapters 18 and 19 ? In chapter 18 Israel was made into another vessel as the molder or creator saw fit , but in the 19th chapter we read that the bottle was broken.

Verse 11 continues . " And shalt say unto them , Thus saith the Lord of hosts ; Even so will I break this people and this city, as one breaketh a potter's vessel , that cannot be made whole again. "

The two prophecies from Jeremiah 18 and 19 are long-range prophesies , as was the one in Jeremiah 3 , to be fulfilled in our particular time. In the 25th chapter of Jeremiah let us note a short range prophesy pronounced upon the Judah nation. Remember that Jeremiah prophesied to the Judah

nation 100 years after ten tribe Israel and much of Judah had gone into Assyrian captivity.

Verse 11 and 12 : " And this whole land shall be a desolation, and an astonishment ; and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon 70 years. " As we read earlier from Bible history , the city of Jerusalem and what was left of Judah went into the Babylonian captivity.

What was to happen after 70 years in the Babylonian captivity ? " And it shall come to pass , when the 70 years are accomplished , that I will punish the king of Babylon , and that nation , saith the lord, for their iniquity , and the land of the Chaldeans , and I will make it perpetual desolations. "

If one can get these developments established firmly in mind , the Bible will open up beautifully and become a new book.

The short range prophecy for the Judah people, for the city of Jerusalem , is repeated in Jeremiah 29:10 : " for thus saith the Lord , That after seventy years be accomplished at Babylon I will visit you, and perform my good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place. " In other words, the people who were left in Judah and those who were the inhabitants of Jerusalem were to be carried into the Babylonian captivity (and they were) , but they were to return after 70 years. This fits perfectly with what we read in Daniel 9: 1, 2 :

" In the first year of Darius ... I Daniel understood by books the number of the years , whereof the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah the prophet , that he would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem . "

Daniel had read not only Bible history but also the prophecy of Jeremiah. Thus Daniel knew that at the time he was in the Babylonian captivity the 70 years had expired. Daniel was one of the Judahites who had been taken into the Babylonian captivity as a lad of perhaps 16 or 17 years of age. Now he was an old man , but he was familiar with Bible prophecy. As we read the balance of this 9th chapter , we discover that Daniel set himself to pray for the fulfillment of the prophecy and promise that a very few people from the Judah captivity would be allowed (in the plan and purpose of God) to be brought back to the land of Palestine.

Let us turn next to the book of Ezra. Ezra lived at this same time , but he was a much younger man than Daniel. In the providence of God , Ezra was one of the leaders in the restoration of the little Judah nation after the 70 years captivity - he undoubtedly was one of the men whom God raised up in answer to Daniel's prayer.

This is very important Bible history. Actually the crux of all the confusion and controversy over whether the Israel people are in Jewry or whether they are among the Anglo-Saxon people is found here in the book of Ezra.

Ezra 1: 1, 2 : " Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia , that the word of the lord by the mouth of Jeremiah might be fulfilled (Note this is very similar to Daniel 9 where Daniel prayed that God's promise and prophecy through Jeremiah might be fulfilled. Here Ezra , a younger man , was raised up of God to bring the prophecy to pass.) the lord stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia , that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom , and put it into writing , saying

" Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia , The Lord God of heaven hath given me all the kingdoms of the earth; and he hath charged me to build him an house at Jerusalem , which is in Judah. '

What followed ? Verse 5 states , " Then rose up the chief of the fathers of Judah and Benjamin, and the priests, and the Levites , with all them whose spirit God had raised, to go up to build the house of the Lord which is in Jerusalem. "

This verse tells us that the people whom God stirred up to take part in the effort and expedition to establish this nation in Palestine came from three tribes : Judah , Benjamin , and Levi. People who insist today that the Jews are all of Israel teach that the ten tribes also returned to Jerusalem at this time , but this teaching is not scriptural and could not possibly be.

Ezra 2:1 reads , " Now these are the children of the province that went up out of the captivity , of those which had been carried away, whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had carried away unto Babylon, and came again unto Jerusalem and Judah , every one unto his own city ... "

Here again is a definite and clear statement that the people who rebuilt this little nation (those who went back to establish and restore God's order, worship and system of civil administration in Jerusalem and Judea) came from Judah , Benjamin and Levi. They were the people whom Nebuchadnezzar had carried into Babylon. What about the other ten tribes ? They were in the Assyrian captivity, and they did not return.

Throughout the second chapter of Ezra we are given the names and the number of the people who were involved in the restoration of this kingdom during the time of Ezra and Nehemiah. Verse 64 states , " The whole congregation together was forty and two thousand three hundred and threescore. " this number would equal the population of a city about half the size of Deluth and yet supposedly intelligent, sensible people ask us to believe that 42,360 people at this time (500 years before Christ) was the re-uniting of Israel and Judah . When one hears teaching like this , one can understand why people have little interest in the Scripture.

Verse 65 does mention a few more people. There were some 7000 servants and also 200 singers ; and this company of people had 736 horses and 245 mules. Can you imagine this being the re-gathering of the Israel people ?

To give further food for thought and to blast this silly notion completely, let me take you back 400 years. Note from II Chronicles 13: 1 - 3 what the number of the Israel people was 400 years before Ezra's time :

" Now in the eighteenth year of king Jeroboam began Abijah to reign over Judah. " According to Bible history, Jeroboam reigned over Israel and Abijah reigned over Judah ; these two nations had war.

" And Abijah (king of Judah) set the battle in array with an army of valiant men of war, even four hundred thousand chosen men ... " . Do a little figuring and thinking. Judah alone , the smaller of the two nations, had an army of 400,000 chosen men at this time. As one gives this figure some

thought and considers in addition the children and the families involved , one can understand how ridiculous it is to teach that 400 years later (when the population would have increased substantially) less than 43,000 people constituted the re-gathering of Israel and Judah. Can anything be more ridiculous ?

The army of 400,000 men applied to Judah. What about Israel ? This same verse (II Chronicles 13:3) states, " Jeroboam (king of Israel) also set the battle in array against him with eight hundred thousand chosen men , being mighty men of valour. " So Jeroboam had 800,000 chosen men fit for warfare in that day.

In view of these historical facts, how can anyone believe that 400 years later 43,000 people represented the re-gathering of Israel and Judah ! Yet this is what some preachers teach. This could not possibly be the regathering of Israel and Judah (either from prophecy or from history) .

Tracing the Isaac Sons Chapter 2

Chapter 2 :

To my mind the book of Hosea is one of the most fascinating books in the Bible. Incidentally , it was reading this book that opened my understanding and convinced me in the early part of my ministry that the Anglo-Saxon people must be the Israel people of the Bible. Certainly a person can have personal salvation, be born again by the spirit of God , without a knowledge and understanding of Bible history and Bible prophecy ; but if these are not important , why is most of God's Word by far devoted to history and prophecy ? Christ and the apostles exhorted and commanded especially those living in the end-time to study Bible prophecy.

Hosea prophesied before the time of Jeremiah and his prophecy is devoted largely to Israel. (Jeremiah's prophecy , as we have indicated , is devoted largely to Judah .) We begin by quoting Hosea 1:1 " The word of the Lord that came unto Hosea , the son of Beerī , in the days of Uzziah , Jothan , Ahaz , and Hezekiah , kings of Judah , and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash , king of Israel.

Note that Israel and Judah are two separate nations with two separate capitals. Note also the contrast in the prophecies concerning Israel and Judah. With the very opposite pronounced upon them in prophecy , how can they be the same in subsequent history ? They have an opposite course and an opposite destiny.

In verse 6 of this first chapter , god speaks concerning Israel , " I will no more have mercy upon the house of Israel ; but I will utterly take them away. " This is very definite and clear. Ten-tribe Israel was utterly and completely taken into Assyrian captivity.

Concerning Judah , verse 7 reads, " But I will have mercy upon the house of Judah, and will save them by the Lord their God , and will not save them by the bow , nor by sword , nor by battle, by horses , nor by horsemen. "

Hosea foretold that which actually took place. Earlier in this Bible study we read from II Kings 17 and 18. chapters 17 , 18 , and 19 of II Kings tell how the Assyrians came , first taking ten tribe Israel into the Assyrian captivity, and then four or five years later taking all of the fenced cities of Judah. The Assyrians came once again and tried to take Jerusalem (the balance of Judah) into captivity.

Hezekiah was king at this time , and we read in II Kings 19 that when King Hezekiah received a letter of ultimatum from the Assyrian king , he turned to God in prayer. His prayer as recorded in II Kings 19: 15-19 is beautiful , a tremendous inspiration to anyone who is in a position where he must and should trust God.

Verse 19 reads, " ... O Lord our God , I beseech thee , save thou us out of his hand , that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that thou art the Lord God , even thou only . "

God answered Hezekiah's prayer and sent the prophet Isaiah to the king with this message (verse 32) : " therefore thus saith the Lord concerning the king of Assyria, He shall not come into this city, nor shoot an arrow there, nor come before it with a shield, nor cast a bank against it. " In other words , God promised to defend Jerusalem. How did he do this ?

Verse 35 states , " And it came to pass that night , that the angel of the Lord went out , and smote in the camp of the Assyrians an hundred four-score and five thousand " and the army of the Assyrians departed and went back to their own city and region. We also read that the Assyrian king's own sons slew him as he worshiped.

Recall Hosea prophesied that God would deliver Judah from the Assyrian , not by the use of " bow , nor by sword , nor by battle , by horses nor by horsemen. " The Almighty sent forth one angel and slew 185,000 Assyrians. And Judah remained in Palestine for 100 years after Israel was taken into the Assyrian captivity, as we have pointed out earlier.

Verse 10 and 11 of Hosea 1 speaks volumes. These two verses alone should satisfy any thinking, open-minded person that the Jewish people of today cannot possibly be the Israel people. The fact is , they are not even all of Judah.

Verse 10 reads , " Yet the number of the children of Israel shall be as the sand of the sea (in other words , the Israel people were to be a great multitude of people, which the Jewish people have never been and are not today) , which cannot be measured or numbered ; and it shall come to pass, that in the place where it was said unto them, Ye are not my people, there it shall be said unto them , Ye are the sons of the living God. "

The Jewish people have never been called " not God's people " but ten tribe Israel have - the Anglo-Saxon people have been called Gentiles. This is very plain and uncomplicated when one reads with an open mind and lets the Word speak for itself. In the first place , Israel was to be a great multitude of people ; and next , these ten tribe Israel people were to lose their identity and would not be called God's people. And there is a third identification mark : the Israel people were to be called the sons of the living God. They were to become the nations of Christendom.

Hosea did not say they would all individually be born-again believers , but that they would be spoken of as the sons of God or the nations of Christendom.

And now verse 11 : " Then (this is a word indicating time - at the time ten-tribe Israel was a great multitude , at the time they were not known as the Israel people and at the time they were called the nations of Christendom) shall the children of Judah and the children of Israel be gathered together, and appoint themselves one head , and they shall come up out of the land ; for great shall be the day of Jezreel . "

Who represents Judah today is a subject by itself , but the Anglo-Saxon people , the Isaac-sons , were to come together at the end of the age ; and this coming together, this re-uniting or re-gathering, was to take place in the great day of Jezreel , the particular time in which we are living.

Many very significant things have been taking place and will continue to take place relative to the Israel nations - to Germany , France , Great Britain , the United States and Canada and the other Anglo-Saxon people - and we will progressively get more light on these happenings. The prophesied re-gathering or coming under one head may mean first a military head ; it may mean coming under the throne of David (and of course the throne of David can be moved) . Tremendous things are in the making. our purpose here , however , is not to speculate as to the future but merely to set forth fulfilled bible prophecy. This is the correct way to teach the bible because it establishes faith and gives understanding , hope , and comfort.

It stands to reason that in this Bible study I cannot comment on every verse in the book of Hosea but can merely " hit the high spots " and give some of its long range prophecies concerning Israel. Hosea 2:6 gives a very important revelation :

" Therefore , behold , I will hedge up thy way with thorns , and make a wall , that she shall not find her paths. " this is the exact opposite of what we are being told by many good sincere Christians who insist that ten tribe Israel found its way back into Palestine at the time that Judah came back from Babylon. Hosea here said the Israel people would not find their way back , that God would hedge up their way with thorns. Thorns symbolize enemy and heathen people, the Medes and Persians and those who had taken ten tribe Israel into the Assyrian captivity. The Israel people found themselves hedged in between these heathen people and Palestine - they found the thorns. And Israel did not find her way back, just as Hosea prophesied.

Verse 11 gives another prophecy pronounced upon ten tribe Israel : " I will cause all her mirth to cease , her feast days , her new moons , and her sabbaths , and all her solemn feasts. "

People sometimes say the Anglo-Saxons cannot be the Israel people of the Bible because they do not observe the feast days. No , they do not , but this is actually another proof that they are ten tribe Israel - they were to lose all of these feast days.

Let us look next at verse 14 , a long range prophecy foretelling what the Lord would do to this people, the Isaac-sons of today :

" Therefore , behold I will allure her , and bring her into the wilderness , and speak comfortably unto her. " This beautiful verse speaks volumes. What did the prophet Hosea mean ?

In verse 6 we are told that Israel was not to find her way back into Palestine, and in verse 14 God said He would allure her and bring her into the wilderness. The Israel people were cattlemen with herds of cattle , just as their forefathers Abraham , Isaac and Jacob were. You will recall that when Jacob and his sons went down into Egypt , Pharaoh was told that these Isaac-sons were cattlemen or ranchers. One of the things , then , that God used to entice or allure these people into the wilderness of Europe was good pastureland , and as the Israel people followed the good pasturelands , they migrated up into the undeveloped areas of Germany , Spain , France , Great Britain , the Scandinavian peninsula , etc. They first became known as the Germanic tribes and then broke off into many different tribes, becoming great nations.

Note the last part of verse 14 promises that God would " ... speak comfortably unto her. " God

spoke to this people and they began to have great spiritual revivals and awakenings , exactly as prophesied.

Verse 15 continues , " And I will give unto her vineyards from thence ... " This is symbolic language indicating that in this wilderness area the Israel people would be established, would grow and develop. They are likened unto a vineyard or something cared for.

" ... and the valley of Achor for a door of hope: and she shall sing there , as in the days of her youth, and as in the day when she came up out of the land of Egypt." The " valley of Achor " means trouble, and certainly there was trouble when the Israel people were uprooted and deported from Northern Palestine and taken up into the region of the Black and Caspian Seas. They could not return to their own land of Palestine , but in their trouble they found a door of hope. This hope and escape was North , Northwest.

Note that as these people migrated up into the wilderness of Europe, God began to visit them with light , truth , and revelation ; and they began to sing. They began to receive and accept the Christian faith , which is the one singing religion.

it is interesting to note here that Israel was to have an experience similar to that which the Israel people had when they came out of the land of Egypt. This , I believe , has reference to the establishment of our own nation , this great constitutional republic. As previously mentioned, Hosea actually speaks volumes in a few verses. Note the similarity between the founding of our nation and what happened when our forefathers , the Isaac-sons , came up out of Egypt.

In the case of Egypt , the Israel people had to cross the Red Sea ; in the founding of our nation it was the Atlantic Ocean. In both instances the intervention and the overruling providence of the Almighty were evident. And in both cases , the people had one purpose : the freedom to worship God and to establish a scriptural and Christian civil administration. We might mention , too , that there were 13 tribes (two tribes from Joseph) when Israel came out of Egypt and 13 colonies in the founding of our nation.

Under Moses a rule of law was established ; and in setting up our Constitution , the founding fathers , too , established a rule of law , not of man. This does not seem significant or strange to us today because it is the only rule we have really known but up to the foundation of our nation , there had been no nation established on a scriptural rule of law from the time of Ezra and Nehemiah.

A form of government was established in this land where the rulers in authority are servants to the people. (editor's note : see Matthew 20: 25 - 28 ; 23: 10-12 and Mark 9:35 ; 10 : 44) Here again , that is the only system we have known in this great constitutional republic , but it was new and strange in the days in which our nation was founded. it was also new and strange when Moses adopted and established this principal. The rulers in places of civil authority were responsible to God , and they were to serve the people by administering God's laws.

Going on to Hosea 2:16 we read , " And it shall be at that day, saith the Lord, that thou shalt call me Ishi (husband) ... " This is a progressive revelation of what has transpired and taken place over many hundreds of years as the Anglo-Saxon people accepted the Christian faith. Do you see any

significance in the fact that they are the only people of all history who have officially accepted the Christian faith ?

The verse continues , " ... and shalt call me no more Baali. " Verse 17 explains , " For I will take away the names of Baalim out of her mouth ... " That is what God did. Our forefathers went into captivity largely because they began to worship Baal : even when they found themselves in Assyrian captivity, they began to worship idols. But when the right time came , God gave them the Word and they gradually turned.

The last part of verse 17 states , " ... and they shall no more be remembered by their name. " Some wonder why the Anglo-Saxon people are not called Israel if they are the Israel of the Bible. Why were they not called Israel from the time of their captivity right up to the present hour ? Because it was prophesied that they would not be called by their name of Israel. They lost their name , just as they lost their rituals , feast days and sabbaths - God took them away.

Verse 18: " And in that day will I make a covenant for them with the beasts of the field, and with the fowls of the heaven, and with the creeping things of the ground: and I will break the bow and the sword and the battle out of the earth, and will make them to lie down safely. " this is symbolic language stating that God will make them the most powerful people on earth and give them great military might and dominion. They would overcome the beasts of the field and the fowls of the heaven, symbolizing evil , negative , destructive unscriptural forces. The prophet foresees the day when peace will cover the entire earth as is stated , " I will break the bow and the sword and the battle out of the earth... " This has not happened as yet, but we are closer to it than most of us realize.

Verse 19 and 20 continue with a prophecy pertaining to the Anglo-Saxon people, revealing especially what has taken place here in the United States of America. " And I will betroth thee unto me forever ; yea , I will betroth thee unto me in righteousness, and in judgment , and in lovingkindness , and in mercies. I will even betroth thee unto me in faithfulness: and thou shalt know the Lord. "

As one compares the lot , position and possessions of the Anglo-Saxon people to those of the people of Africa , India , China and other nations , one must agree that God has especially blessed and favored the Anglo-Saxons. The term " betrothed thee " indicates God's choice , favor , mercy , and goodwill toward the Israel people. Certainly He has had to discipline us and bring severe judgment upon us (as He is doing at the present time) , but this is a passing thing. We will learn our lesson and be straightened out.

I repeat that throughout 2,000 years of church history , the Anglo-Saxons are the only people who have known the Lord Jesus Christ. Other peoples and nations have known about the Lord only as we have sent missionaries to them. And when missionaries depart , these people lose their knowledge and understanding of the Scriptures. Not so with the European peoples and their descendants - they have had one spiritual revival and spiritual awakening after the other for hundreds of years.

We go on from verse 21 : " And it shall come to pass in that day, I will hear the heavens, and they

shall hear the earth ... ". As we go back into the Old Scriptures , we discover that God used the heavens as a witness. He swore by heaven and earth , for instance , as to what He would do for this people , for the descendants of Abraham , Isaac , and Jacob. In this verse He calls heaven and earth to witness , behold and see that He has fulfilled His Word in blessing, directing , protecting , and favoring this people. Furthermore , God will use them to bless all the nations of the earth as He promised Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

" And the earth shall hear the corn, and the wine , and the oil , and they shall hear Jezreel. " In the Old Scriptures , God's special covenant , promise and prophecy to Abraham , Isaac and Jacob was corn , wine and oil - in other words , great wealth , possessions , prosperity and power.

" And I will sow her unto me in the earth ... " the word " sow " is used as a symbol throughout the Old Scriptures and by the Lord in the kingdom parables. Remember the Lord said that this kingdom nation was like seed sown in a field - the tares came up , but the grain developed , also, the grain being the children of the kingdom. The Lord also spoke of the mustard seed sown. If ever a nation was planted by the intervention and purpose of God , it was the United States of America. No nation from the time of Ezra and Nehemiah has had the planting by the Almighty as has our country.

" . . . and I will have mercy upon her that had not obtained mercy . . . " In the first chapter , Hosea prophesied that Israel was not to obtain mercy. She was not to come back into the land of Palestine. but the word here is , " I will have mercy upon her that had not obtained mercy. " Where will this mercy be manifest ? In the United States and Canada , where God enticed , drew and forced the Isaac-sons by circumstances to venture out into the undeveloped and unoccupied areas of the New World.

" . . . and I will say to them which were not my people (in Hosea 1 we were told that the Israel people were to be called " not my people ") , thou art my people ; and they shall say , Thou art my God ." I trust this passage of Scripture brings light and revelation - it is tremendous , glorious and beautiful.

We turn next to Hosea 5:15 , which states , " I will go and return to my place , till they acknowledge their offence , and seek my face : in their affliction they will seek me early. " The Almighty speaks through his prophet Hosea to the Israel people , indicating He would leave them and not intervene until they acknowledged their offence and sought His face. As the verse states, " in their affliction they will seek me early. "

History shows that every time the Anglo-Saxon people get into enough trouble , distress and punishment , they always return to the true and living god. And we will turn again. Some people imagine we are too sinful to turn to god, but when we get our " fill " of the punishment God is pouring upon us , we will turn to the Word of God for our particular time.

Our next reference is Hosea 6:1 - " Come , and let us return unto the Lord: for He hath torn, and he will heal us ; he hath smitten , and he will bind us up. " Israel certainly was torn up root and branch when she was taken out of the land of Palestine by the Assyrians. We must recognize that the judgment and affliction that is upon us today is the hand of God dealing with us. This has been Israel's past history time and time again , but when God's people have turned to him , He has always

healed them. Thank God , He will again.

Verse 2 is fascinating and interesting. It reads , " After two days will he revive us : in the third day he will raise us up , and we shall live in his sight. " Here again , one little verse of one sentence actually speaks volumes. Thousands and thousands of books have been written showing the fulfillment of this one verse.

We are told that after two days the Israel people (who were placed in the Assyrian captivity under sentence and punishment because they departed from the national message) would be revived. This is challenging because two days in god's reckoning of time is 2,000 years. What happened 2,000 years from the time of the Assyrian captivity ? Something tremendous took place , one of the most significant happenings of all human history. At that time Wycliffe gave to the people of England the first Bible in their own language. And the giving of the Bible , as you know , brought on a new era.

It took several hundred years before the Bible actually went to the common people , which brings up this thought. Some seem to have the idea that the Old Scriptures are not for us today. But do you realize that the common people have had the Bible for little more than 300 or 400 years ? It was not until John Gutenberg of Germany invented the printing press in 1450 that the common lay people began to receive the Scriptures and were in a position to read the Bible for themselves. Surely the Almighty knew this when He wrote the Scriptures, so the Old Scriptures are written primarily for us today.

We are told that during the time of Wycliffe people paid as much as \$ 200 (equivalent) for one handwritten copy of the Bible. There was such a revival, hunger , and desire for the word of god that those who could , paid \$ 200 for a copy , and those who could not afford it rented portions of the Scripture. They kept these portions for a few days and then paid for the rental time. Some traded livestock and some sold loads of hay in order to have just a portion of the Scripture for a short time.

Was this not a revival ? Was this not fulfillment of verse 2 promising that after two days (2,000 years) God would revive His people ? The verse continues , " In the third day (and thank God we are now in this period) he will raise us up , and we shall live in his sight. " this is the full manifestation of the kingdom of god on earth , first among His kingdom people in our great kingdom nation, then throughout the Israel people of the Old World , and through them to all peoples of the whole world.

Verse 3 : " Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the Lord ... " We will not have understanding, revelation , and comfort for our day unless we have the courage and fortitude to " follow on " and accept new light and truth from the Scriptures. We should not believe everything we hear , but we should examine it in the light of the Scripture. The Bereans did this in the days of the Apostle Paul , and they were spoken of as being noble. The noble and fair thing for us to do is to consider all things in the light of Scripture , and if they are in harmony with the Word of God , follow on , and we will know the Lord.

" ... his going forth is prepared as the morning ; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth ." This beautiful verse tells in symbolic language of the blessing, favor and mercy , also the cleansing and refreshing that will come to God's kingdom people as they

go on to know and conform to the Word of God. We must conform not only to the gospel of personal salvation but to the gospel of the kingdom, God's national message and special covenants for His chosen servant people.

Tracing the Isaac Sons Chapter 3

The 14th chapter of Hosea is a beautiful prophecy full of hope , comfort , mercy and kindness for God's kingdom people. This hope is ours not because we are worthy, but because of the covenant God made with our fathers and the redemption of the Israel people accomplished by the Lord Jesus Christ when he died on the cross. Christ died not only for the salvation of the individual and the church but also for the redemption of the kingdom people. Were it not for this redemption there could be no kingdom of God on earth.

Please do not imagine that I am teaching that every Anglo-Saxon is a born-again believer. No , the church (consisting of born-again believers) is a higher order. The kingdom consists of the kingdom people , who will be made to submit to kingdom laws, principals and statutes.

Hosea 14:1 reads , " O Israel , return unto the Lord thy God ; for thou hast fallen by thine iniquity. " Note first of all that this verse is addressed especially to us in the United States of America , the land of Israel's regathering. This country is the great wilderness that was to blossom like a rose.

And how does a nation " return unto the Lord " ? It is very simple . A nation turns to the Lord when that nation turns to God's law for the nation , in other words, to the Gospel of the Kingdom. No matter how many people in the nation receive the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Savior , that is not the nation turning to god. We must keep these two great institutions distinct and rightly divide the word of truth. " O Israel " is not the church or the individual , but the Anglo-Saxon people.

There are those who believe we have fallen into our national trouble and difficulty because of the iniquity of someone else, for instance the modernists, the Socialists or the Communists. But , my friend , we (of the U.S.) are the ones who have fallen into iniquity, which simply means we are out of line with the Word of God. There is more and better preaching on personal salvation in this nation today than at any time since the Apostles preached, but conditions still go from bad to worse. Why ? Because we are paying no attention to our national iniquity. In fact, we are taught that there is no Gospel of the Kingdom and that God's national laws are not for us today.

Verse 2 states, " take with you words, and turn to the Lord ; say unto him , Take away all iniquity , and receive us graciously: so will we render the calves of our lips. " The exhortation is to turn to God in confession and humility. We will not fight ourselves out of our situation by blaming the Communists, the Socialists, and the modernists. I insist we are in our trouble because the good people of this nation will not have the Word of God for anything except their own personal salvation. The kingdom of god demands that the whole nation honor the Word.

The expression " so will we render the calves of our lips " means that we humble ourselves and discontinue our proud, arrogant defiance of the Word. It means we will no more speak disrespectfully of God's Word nor defy, despise and neglect it. Perhaps you do not realize to what extent christian people despise the Word of God. if so , try to tell some born-again believers about the identity and destiny of the Anglo-Saxon people, the gospel of the Kingdom and the national message, and you will see the need for humbling ourselves.

Verse 3 continues : " Asshur shall not save us ; we will not ride upon horses: neither will we say any more to the work of our hands, Ye are our gods : for in thee the fatherless findeth mercy. " We have tried to get out of our trouble by making confessions, compromising , and surrendering all over the world ; we trust in this party, in that man or in some program, everything except turning to the Word of God. This is true not only of the unsaved but of many well-meaning Christian people who refuse to trust in the Gospel of the Kingdom and the national message of the Bible. God has a solution - He will bring us to the place where we will trust in Him.

Verse 4 through 9 give the promise of what God will do when we finally turn to the Gospel of the kingdom , realize our identity and assume responsibility of administering God's law in our own nation and throughout the earth.

" I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely: for mine anger is turned away from him. I will be as the dew unto Israel: he shall grow as the lily, and cast forth his roots as Lebanon. " the dew , cleanses , invigorates and does good things for vegetation. These verses thus speak of national beauty and strength.

" His branches shall spread , and his beauty shall be as the olive tree, and his smell as Lebanon. They that dwell under his shadow shall return ; they shall revive as the corn , and grow as the vine: the scent thereof shall be as the wine of Lebanon. " this is beautiful, symbolic language describing the glories of the kingdom age that is now being ushered upon us.

" Ephraim (another word for the true Israel people) shall say , What have I to do any more with idols ? I have heard him, and observed him: I am like a green fir tree. from me is thy fruit found. "

" Who is wise , and he shall understand these things ? prudent , and he shall know them ? for the ways of the Lord are right, and the just shall walk in them: but the transgressors shall fall therein. "

This 14th chapter of Hosea fits perfectly with the kingdom parables , which indicate God's cleansing and then His glory , mercy and favor will be showered upon this great kingdom nation. This land will be an example , an illustration and a blessing to all the nations of the earth.

Earlier in this Bible study I emphasized that ten tribe Israel did not return to Palestine at the time of Ezra and Nehemiah when less than 43,000 people returned from the Babylonian captivity. You will recall that I quoted Ezra 1:1, which reads , " Now in the first year of Cyrus the king of Persia , that the word of the Lord by the mouth of Jeremiah might be fulfilled, the Lord stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia , that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom and put it also in writing ... " .

The proclamation was simply that a portion of the Judah people who had been carried into the Babylonian captivity were permitted by Cyrus , King of Persia , to return to Palestine and rebuild the temple. this is Bible history.

To show that Jewish history , also , confirms the above , I am quoting as follows from the great Jewish historian , Josephus. He writes on page 330 , Chapter 1 in " Antiquities of the Jews " :

" And when these Jews had understood what piety the king had towards God , and what kindness he had for Ezdras , they were all greatly pleased ; nay , many of them took their effects with them, and came to Babylon, as very desirous of going down to Jerusalem (now note what follows) ; but then the entire body of the people of Israel remained in that country (country of the Medes and Persians) ; wherefore there are about two tribes in Asia and Europe subject to the Romans, while the ten tribes are beyond the Euphrates till now , and are an immense multitude not to be estimated by numbers. "

The reason I place so much emphasis on the historical fact of the return of 43,000 people from the Babylonian captivity is that once this fact is understood and established in one's thinking , Bible prophecy opens up beautifully. But if Bible prophecy is read with the idea that the Jewish people are the Israel people of the Bible , there is confusion and contradiction. Preachers who believe the Jews are the Israel people must grab texts here and there and try to make them fit together. To correctly interpret Bible prophecy , however , one must expound verse after verse. that is the scriptural way to preach and teach the Word.

In part I of this Bible study I quoted briefly from Jeremiah 3 , and at this point I would like to go further into the long range prophecy recorded in this chapter. Verse 11 reads , " And the Lord said unto me, The backsliding Israel hath justified herself more than treacherous Judah. " Israel and Judah are two distinct and separate people throughout Bible history and Bible prophecy.

Verse 12 continues , " Go and proclaim these words towards the north, and say , Return , thou backsliding Israel, saith the Lord; and I will not cause mine anger to fall upon you: for I am merciful, saith the Lord, and I will not keep anger for ever. "

As we mentioned previously , Jeremiah at this time was preaching in the little Judah nation. Ten tribe Israel, about 1q00 years before , had been taken into the Assyrian captivity and was now in the north. God stopped Jeremiah in his preaching and pleading with the Judah nation and told him to " Go and proclaim these words toward the north " (where ten tribe Israel had been placed) .

Concerning God's mercy , we must agree that God has had more mercy upon the Isaac-sons (favoring , blessing and visiting them with revivals and spiritual refreshings) than all other peoples of all history combined.

We read on , " Only acknowledge thine iniquity , that thou hast transgressed against the Lord thy God , and hast scattered thy ways to the strangers under every green tree, and ye have not obeyed my voice, saith the Lord. "

Ten tribe Israel had gone into the worship of Baal and had departed from the national message, the gospel of the kingdom. Thus , God in judgment and anger had sent them into the Assyrian captivity. But while in this Assyrian captivity God spoke to them through Jeremiah, promising that He was not going to abandon them, give them up or destroy them in spite of their sinfulness , rebelliousness and defiance of God.

" Turn , O backsliding children, saith the Lord ; for i am married unto you ... " repeatedly in the Scriptures God speaks symbolically of being married to the Isaac-sons. God uses this symbol

because it is one which we understand. we realize , for example , that when two people are married, they are obligated to one another ; they have things in common and are loyal to each other. god also declares that His purpose and plan for the entire earth is involved with what Israel will do. He further says , " ... and I will take you one of a city , and two of a family , and I will bring you to Zion. " (The United States of America is Zion of Bible prophecy.)

Thus God promised to use these Israel people who made their trek up into Europe, England , Scotland , Ireland , Scandinavia and other Israel nations to build this great kingdom nation (the United States of America) in the last days. This prophecy is interesting and challenging because it gives details as to how these people were to be brought to this great North American wilderness. They were not to come as one great mighty army of a million or two men. rather , God promised , " I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, " which is exactly what happened.

" And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding. " The word " pastors" refers , it is true , to ministers of the gospel , and we do have an abundance of good gospel preaching in this nation. But the word " pastors " here also means " leaders " - in government , industry , education and in all of the various activities in which we are engaged as a people. God promised He would give inspired, capable , intelligent men according to his heart to feed His people with knowledge and understanding.

We all must agree that God has given this great kingdom nation knowledge and understanding perhaps beyond any generation of all history. This has come even though we have not yet had our cleansing and baptism of fire.

" And it shall come to pass, when ye be multiplied and increased in the land (and the United states has certainly had a phenomenal increase - the growth and development of this nation has never been equaled) , in those days, saith the Lord, they shall say no more, the ark of the covenant of the Lord : neither shall it come to mind : neither shall they remember it ; neither shall that be done any more. "

It was prophesied here that our great Zion nation would come forth in the christian era , the time when people would no more speak of the ark of the covenant and no more refer to the religious rituals of the Old Scripture. verse 17, 18 and 19 of this same chapter give a progressive revelation of the cleansing and deliverance coming to our nation.

Another long-range prophecy is found in the 30th chapter of Jeremiah, in fact this whole chapter is devoted to our time and our nation. Verse 5 through 8 deal with the great and dreadful day of the Lord , the time of Jacob's trouble when the land would be full of " trembling , of fear , and not of peace. " to get the time indicator , which is very important in all Bible prophecy , we shall look at the 24th verse:

" The fierce anger of the Lord shall not return, until he have done it, and until he have performed the intents of his heart : in the latter days ye shall consider it." So the fulfillment of this prophecy was to be in the latter days, the time in which we are now living.

Verse 23 states , " Behold , the whirlwind of the Lord goeth forth with fury , a continuing whirlwind : it shall fall with pain upon the head of the wicked. " This refers to the the tremendous world-wide revolution, upheaval and agitation we are now witnessing all over the world. This is the hand of

God in judgment and cleansing , bringing evil and wickedness to the surface that it might be wiped out and destroyed. Note that the destruction is not to be upon the believers, those who accept the gospel of the kingdom and recognize Christ as Savior and King. Rather , the destruction will come upon the wicked.

We move next to chapter 31 , in which the prophet Jeremiah very clearly foretold the founding and growth of our nation , the United States of America. As we would expect , the United States occupies the same very prominent place in bible prophecy that it occupies in history. There is actually more Bible prophecy devoted to the United States of America than any other one nation. Please realize that the United States is not called " United States " in Bible prophecy , but neither was Jesus called " Jesus " in Bible prophecy. However , the Christ was certainly set forth in prophecy , and we use the same procedure and method to identify the United States in prophecy that we use to identify the Lord Jesus Christ as the Messiah , namely by pointing out fulfilled Bible prophecy.

Jeremiah 31:1 states, " At the same time (that is , in the latter days) , saith the lord , will I be the God of all the families of Israel , and they shall be my people. " This is a tremendous revelation , but we cannot possibly realize how great it is unless we consider that it was given at a time when Israel was in the Assyrian captivity and Judah (in rebellion and defiance against God) was about to be sent into the Babylonian captivity. Yet Jeremiah proclaimed that " in the latter days " God would be the God of all the families of Israel. In other words , these same backslidden true Israel people would be the people of Christendom. God prophesied and promised this to Abram.

We read on : " Thus saith the Lord , the people which were left of the sword found grace in the wilderness ; even Israel , when I went to cause him to rest. " What wilderness is Jeremiah speaking of ? Do you know of any people who have found more of god's grace and mercy than we who are living in this great north American wilderness ? This verse speaks of the people " which were left of the sword " - that is , those who were left after the Israel people passed through their time of punishment.

" The Lord hath appeared of old unto me saying, Yea , I have loved thee with an everlasting love : therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee. " This , of course , happened in the founding of this nation. As we read in the 3rd chapter , God declared he would stir among these Israel people , draw them , and cause them to become venturesome enough and interested enough in the New World to set out across the ocean.

" Again , I will build thee , and thou shalt be built , O virgin of Israel: thou shalt again be adorned with thy tabrets, and shalt go forth in the dances of them that make merry. " The phrase " virgin of Israel " refers to the Anglo-Saxon people after the crucifixion of Christ. They could not be spoken of as the " virgin of Israel " until after Calvary.

" Thou shalt yet plant vines upon the mountains of Samaria: the planters shall plant, and shall eat them as common things. " The word " Samaria" is symbolic language - it does not mean the founding of the little nation back in Palestine. Samaria was the capital of tentribed Israel , and the word " Samaria " was used much as we speak of Washington , D.C. or of London or Berlin. These cities symbolize more than merely cities - they symbolize nations. So " the mountains of Samaria "

here means the nations that were in the particular region with Samaria as their capital.

" For there shall be a day , that the watchmen upon the mount Ephraim shall cry , Arise ye, and let us go up to Zion unto the Lord our God. " Ephraim is one of the Bible names of the tribes of Israel. The prophet Jeremiah saw in vision and revelation the way our nation came into being. A great stir - a spirit of adventure and restlessness , also a desire for religious freedom - came upon the Israel people in Europe, and they said, " Arise ye , and let us go. And they came.

Let us follow on in verse 7 to see what a remarkable prophecy this is: " For 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. " Jacob is another name for the same Anglo-Saxon people of today. We are the descendants of Jacob and Ephraim.

Jeremiah saw that this Zion nation would be developed by the people from the northern parts of Europe; he also foresaw that this nation would arise to become a powerful nation - " the chief of the nations." This , of course, is what Isaiah , Micah , Zephaniah and Joel also prophesied, and is what Christ set forth in the kingdom parables.

Also foreseen was that this nation would have reason for gladness and shouting. When we compare the lot of Americans with that of millions of people in the Old World , we must readily admit that we have more to be glad and shout about than any other nation in all history.

We read on , " ... praise ye , and say , O Lord, save thy people , the remnant of Israel " (or this representative number from all of the Israel people in Europe) .God has delivered and prospered us.

" Behold , I will bring them from the north country (the northern part of Europe) , and gather them from the coasts of the earth, and with them the blind and the lame , the woman with child and her that travaileth with child together : a great company shall return thither . " Both figuratively and literally the people who founded this nation were blind and lame. certainly they did not fully recognize what they were doing, nor did they see God's purpose in it.

How did they come ? They came in small , helpless bands - just a handful of people came at a time, women and children among them.

Verse 9 is a further description of how they came : " They shall come with weeping , and with supplications will I lead them ... " One can imagine the weeping that must have taken place as these people embarked in their little vessels to cross the huge ocean, a terrible prospect at that time. Today we can fly to America in the morning and fly back to Europe the next day or even the same day if we wish to do so. Not so at that time. These people realized that they might never see again their loved ones to whom they were bidding farewell.

Certainly there was weeping, but Zephaniah tells us they were also " suppliants " or praying people. The last thing the pilgrims did as they left the Old World was to pray. They prayed as they sailed in their vessels; they prayed before they left their ships and again as they stepped on the soil of the new continent. They came with supplication.

The Lord says , " I will cause them to walk by the rivers of waters in a straight way, wherein they shall not stumble: for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn. " this symbolic language indicates God would prosper and help them and undertake for them.

Verse 10 : " Hear the word of the lord, O ye nations , declare it in the isles afar off, and say , He that scattered Israel (God did scatter Israel, as we have repeatedly pointed out in this bible study) will gather him ... ". The founding of the United States of America is the regathering of the Israel people. representative numbers are here from all of the Israel people of Europe.

" ... and keep him , as a shepherd doth his flock. " If the Lord has ever shepherded a nation He has done so for our nation.

" For the Lord hath redeemed Jacob , and ransomed him from the hand of him that was stronger than he. " God's favor , intervention and blessings upon this nation are due to just one thing : the special blood covenant that God made in behalf of the Isaac-sons. This must not be confused and mistaken for the blood covenant of personal salvation, which was made hundreds of years before the special blood covenant with the Isaac-sons. This special blood covenant provided and promised (as we read in the first chapter of Luke) that the Israel people would be delivered from their enemies and from the hands of all that hate them.

Thank God , that is our hope today. Many people are despairing , and many imagine this is the end of our republic. No , it is merely the turning of our nation. We will experience a cleansing and a renaissance the like of which no other nation has ever experienced.

" Therefore (because of redemption and the special blood covenant and because God keeps His Word) they shall come and sing in the height of Zion ... " . Here again we have pictured that this nation would have cause to sing and rejoice. There are indications, too , that this Zion nation would be a great or high nation , an exalted and powerful country. Other prophets foresaw the same.

" ... and they shall flow together to the goodness of the Lord ... " Jeremiah saw that in the beginning of our history, people would come in small bands , praying and weeping. But he saw that we would flow together, first as 13 colonies , then 13 states , and continue to grow until we have become what we are today. Jeremiah repeatedly saw God's great goodness poured upon this nation ; he saw , too, how rapidly we would grow.

" for wheat , and for wine , and for oil and for the young of the flock and of the herd ... " Here again we have symbolized the great material wealth that would come to this nation.

" ... and their soul shall be as a watered garden ... " truly this nation is and has been " as a watered garden ." This same expression was used by Baalim in Numbers 23 and 24 when he prophesied concerning our nation. Whether this land is viewed from the highways as we drive or from the air as we fly, it certainly looks like a watered garden. That is especially true when compared with other nations in the world.

" ... and they shall not sorrow any more at all. " This does not mean we would have no personal sorrow, but as a nation we were not to know the sorrows of the Old World. We were not to know ,

for example , the sorrow that our forefathers knew when they were deported by the Assyrians. And we were not to know the sorrow of being conquered, subjugated and subdued in warfare. These were to be things of the past so far as the United States of America is concerned. Many teach otherwise , but according to bible prophecy and according to the special blood covenant that God made with the Isaac-sons , all we must do is to turn to the Word of God. And when we do , Divine intervention will be ours.

Verse 13 states, " Then shall the virgin rejoice in the dance... " This indicates that women would have have freedom and opportunity , recognition , privileges and positions in this new order of the ages which they never enjoyed in the Old World.

" .. both young men and old together:for I will turn their mourning into joy , and will comfort them, and make them rejoice from their sorrow."

let us realize that this prophecy is progressive. We have not yet completely or fully entered into our destiny. We have not as yet experienced our baptism of fire , nor have the evil forces been removed from our nation. The fulfillment is progressive - it will develop and come forth.

" And I will satiate the soul the priests with fatness ... " There is nothing the clergy delights in or desires more than the freedom, liberty , and opportunity to preach , expound and teach the Word of God. All I need do is call to your attention the fact that we enjoy this freedom and opportunity here in this new order of the ages. Thank God , according to God's covenant this would never be taken away.

" ... and my people shall be satisfied with my goodness , saith the Lord."

I trust this Bible study has been a blessing and has brought comfort, information and understanding from the scripture.