

**Isaiah 60****12-14-05****“Thy Kingdom Come!”****1. Intro:**

- 1.1. This chapter describes the **glorious kingdom** that Jesus will establish when He returns.
  - 1.1.1. **Glory** will appear 23 x's in these last 7 chapters.
- 1.2. How discouraging for the children of Israel to return to their land & see the **war-torn land**, the **walls** broken down, & especially the **Temple** left in ruin.
  - 1.2.1. So Isaiah looks ahead to the **Glorious Holy City**, w/rebuilt **walls & gates**, & a **Glorious New Temple**.
  - 1.2.2. What impressed him most was “**Glory**”! (vs.1,2,7,9,13,19,21)
    - 1.2.2.1. 1 Pet.5:10,11 “**But may the God of all grace, who called us to His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle you. To Him be the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.**”

**2. THY KINGDOM COME! (1-17)**

- 2.1. **THE DAWNING OF A NEW DAY!** (1-3)
- 2.2. **1985 Kelly & I would drive out to see the progression of our new home in Rancho California.** [Framing, electrical/plumbing, drywall, paint, carpet]
  - 2.2.1. Picture Zion’s restoration process!
- 2.3. Here the progression of the sun just rising(3); to full blown light(19).
  - 2.3.1. Kind of like the progression of Jesus as our **morning star**(still dark out, but the *sun’s-a-comin!*); to our **Dayspring** (sunrise dawn) (Lk.1:78); to the **Light of the world**; to the **everlasting light**(Is.60:19)
  - 2.3.2. **He bids them to catch the 1st glimpse of the earliest rays of the splendor of dawn!** (adapted from FB Meyer)
- 2.4. Israel, today the scorn of *most all* the Gentile nations. (Most recently Iran’s President comment’s - *Mahmoud Ahmadinejad*)
  - 2.4.1. CNN.com Dec, 8<sup>th</sup> 2005 –
    - 2.4.1.1. Iran’s leader called for Israel “**to be wiped off the map!**”
    - 2.4.1.2. **Have suggested Israel be moved to Europe** (if the Holocaust really happened)
    - 2.4.1.3. Tehran calls Israel a “**terrorist state**”.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Thursday, December 8, 2005; Posted: 4:50 p.m. EST (21:50 GMT) - <http://www.cnn.com/2005/WORLD/meast/12/08/iran.israel.reut/index.html>

- 2.5. How **dark** it was in Isaiah's day, how **dark** it is in our day, but how much **darker** in the tribulation!
- 2.5.1. But the darkness would end w/the return of *The Light of the World!*
- 2.6. Can you imagine one day **Jerusalem** will be the very throne of God. All will come to worship there.
- 2.7. **REGATHERING!** (4-9)
- 2.8. (4,9) **Israelites** who were living in **foreign lands** would return to Israel. [See **sons & daughters** (esp.4 & 9)]
- 2.9. (5-9) **Gentile nations** will pay homage bringing their wealth to Israel.
- 2.9.1. Vs.6 reminds us of the **Wise men** w/gold & frank incense.
- 2.9.2. **"God's glory deserves the best offerings we can make."**
- 2.9.3. They bring them from: **Overland**(6,7) & **Overseas**(8,9).
- 2.10. (8,9) The many **ship's white sails** look like a **cloud** or a **flock of doves**.
- 2.11. **FOREIGN AIDE!** (10-16)
- 2.12. (10) Because the Lord has compassion on Israel, He uses the foreign nations to help the rebuild process in Jerusalem.
- 2.13. (11) I hear of small towns in our country where people leave their **cars running** to keep them warm while in the store. Their **front door** is left **open** in case their neighbors need to get in & borrow something.
- 2.13.1. **Open gates** in a city is like unlocked cars/homes for you & I today.
- 2.13.2. **Here we have the promise of final victory.**
- 2.13.3. **This is the triumphal procession after a battle!**
- 2.13.3.1.2 Cor.2:14 **"Now thanks be to God who always leads us in **triumph** in Christ, and through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place."**
- 2.14. (12) **National Suicide** - Nations that would **rebel** will be destroyed.
- 2.15. (13) **Lebanon** will take care of their **choice lumber needs** once again!
- 2.15.1. **For the building of the millennial Temple.**
- 2.16. The Lord loves **Beauty!**
- 2.17. **The place of my feet**(obviously the Sanctuary/Temple)
- 2.17.1. Ps.132:7 **"Let us go into His tabernacle; Let us worship at His **footstool.**"**
- 2.18. (14) Israel's former enemies will be **subject** to Israel's authority.
- 2.19. (15) Oh, to be made an **"eternal excellence!"** 😊
- 2.19.1. Or, **everlasting pride**(NIV); **"I will make you majestic forever"**(ESV)

- 2.20. (16) As a nursing child gets sustenance from his mother, so shall Israel be sustained by the wealth of the nations.
- 2.21. **Savior, Redeemer, & Mighty One!**
- 2.22. **THE NEW DAY!** (17-22)
- 2.23. (17) (Message) *I'll give you only the best—no more hand-me-downs!*
- 2.24. Finally, physical **peace** & spiritual **righteousness!**
- 2.25. (18) **Violence shall no longer be heard in the land** – Peace in the Middle East? Wow!  
2.25.1. No more division or conflict...but peace!
- 2.26. (18b) Zion's citizens will know the Lord(**Salvation**) & give Him **praise!** – **The Kingdom of heaven is always marked w/Peace & Rt!**
- 2.27. (19,20a) The Lord God Himself will light the nation w/His glory!  
2.27.1. **Rev.21:23; 22:5.**  
2.27.2. No more sundowns; no shadows; no more sorrow, crying, heartbreak, or hopelessness; **The inheritance is forever!**  
2.27.2.1. It's "Immanuel for Good!...God with us!"
- 2.28. (20b) **The days of your mourning shall be ended** – Israel's suffering will be over.
- 2.29. (21,22) The Lord will bless the people **spiritually & materially** in the land.<sup>2</sup>
- 2.30. **Q: What is the place that God occupies in Zion?**  
2.30.1. He has the **central place!**  
2.30.2. **Q: Does He have the central place in your life** presently?  
2.30.3. **Q: Does He have the central place in your Christian Fellowship?**  
2.30.4. He **lights up** dark hearts!  
2.30.4.1.1 Jn.1:9 "That was the **true Light** which **gives light** to every man coming into the world."
- 2.31. **That I may be glorified** – What's it all about? Bringing Him glory!  
2.31.1. When God is glorified, all else is glorified in Him.  
2.31.1.1.2 Thes.1:12 "that the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be **glorified in you**, and you in Him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ."

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<sup>2</sup> Shepherd's notes; pg.92

2.32. **It is quite the City!**

- 2.32.1. Is.60 - It is where the Lord is **acknowledged & reigns**.
- 2.32.2. Is.1:26 – It is the **faithful** city, the city of **rt**.
- 2.32.3. Is.62:4 - It is the city **married to God** & therefore **delightful**.
- 2.32.4. Ezek.48:35 – The name of the city is “**The Lord is There!**”
- 2.32.5. Zech 8:3 – It is called the **City of Truth**.
- 2.32.6. Heb.12:22 – It is the **heavenly Jerusalem, the city of the living God**.
- 2.32.7. Rev.22:9 – It is “us”... **The Bride, the Lamb’s wife!**

2.33. “We will live in such a close intimacy not only w/the **Lord Himself**, but w/**one another**. A sense of community, fellowship, & love beyond imagination!”

- 2.33.1. **Dr. A. Criswell** was once asked, “Will we know each other when we get to heaven?” he replied, “We won’t really know each other **until** we get to heaven!!!”

2.34. **Some see Heaven as:** Clean but too spacious; white but perhaps too hospital white(*not enough color*); well you get your own cloud; & this glowing ring thing that follows close to your head like a shadow!, Oh & ya get a harp with a lifetime supply of strings!

2.35. **Heaven is:** Aren’t you glad **U** can’t reduce heaven to earthly terms? KBell

- 2.35.1. Don’t see a **city** & say but I like the **country!**  
Don’t see the **paved streets** & say I like bare foot on the grass!  
Don’t see enormous claustrophobic walls & long for open space!
- 2.35.2. These are symbols to ponder!
- 2.35.3. We’ve all seen **pictures** of the moon - Don’t you think it’s a bit different for those who have got to walk on it?
- 2.35.4. **Joni** sees heaven as a place she’ll be able to run using her arms & legs.

2.36. **Colors** beyond your wild imagination; hearing **Sounds** way beyond our present range; a highly sensitive palate for a heightened sense of **Taste**; a keen ability to **Smell** heavens aroma & perfumes; every **precious stone**, multifaceted, reflecting prisms of light in every direction, like a kaleidoscope; **Worship** so overwhelming it’s next to impossible not to join in; **walking** w/the giants of the faith; **Walking** w/Jesus; **Conversing** w/God; **Understanding** the Trinity; **Knowing Him** as He is!

2.37. Have you ever had a layover at an airport & walked into the bathroom & frowned at its decor & started redecorating it?

- 2.37.1. **NO!** You don’t live there, your just passing thru! Life here is like the airport, & it’s almost time to board! Confirm your flight!