

hath comforted his people, he hath redeemed Jerusalem.

Isa. 60. Arise, (Zion) shine: for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee. All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered together unto thee, the rams of Nebaioth shall minister unto thee: they shall come up with acceptances on mine altar, and I will glorify the house of my glory. Surely the isles shall wait for me, and the ships of Tarshish first, to bring thy sons from far, their silver and their gold with them, unto the name of the Lord thy God, and to the Holy One of Israel, because he hath glorified thee. And the sons of strangers shall build up thy walls, and their kings shall minister unto thee: for in my wrath I smote thee, but in my favor have I had mercy upon thee. *The nation and Kingdom that will not serve thee shall perish: yea, those nations shall be utterly wasted.* The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee, the fir tree, the pine tree, and the box together, to beautify the place of my sanctuary; and I will make the place of my feet glorious. The sons also of them that afflicted thee shall come bending unto thee; and all they that despised thee shall bow themselves down at the soles of thy feet; and they shall call thee, 'The City of the Lord, The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.' Whereas thou hast been forsaken and hated, so that no man went through thee, I will make thee an eternal excellency, a joy of many generations. For brass I will bring gold, and for iron I will bring silver, and for wood brass, and for stones iron: I will also make thy officers peace, and thine exactors righteousness. *Violence shall no more be heard in thy land,* wasting nor destruction within thy borders: but thou shalt call thy walls Salvation, and thy gates Praise. The sun shall be no more thy light by day: neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee: but the Lord shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and thy God thy glory. Thy people also shall be all righteous, they shall inherit the land forever, the branch of my planting, the work of my hands, that I may be glorified.

Isa. 62. G. 7. "Ye that make mention of the Lord, keep not silence and give him no rest, till he establish, and till he make Jerusalem a praise in all the earth."

Ps. 48. 1. 2. Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, in the mountain of his holiness. Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is mount Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the great King.

Ps. 67. 3. 4. 6. Let the people praise thee, O God: let all the people praise thee. O let the nations be glad and sing for joy: for thou shalt judge the people righteously, and govern the nations upon earth. Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us.

Ps. 72. Give the King thy judgments, O God, and thy righteousness unto the King's son. He shall judge thy people with righteousness, and thy poor with judgment. He shall judge the poor of the people, he shall save the children of the needy, and shall break in pieces the oppressor. In his days shall the righteous flourish: and abundance of peace so long as the moon endureth. He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth. They that dwell in the wilderness shall bow before him; and his enemies shall lick the dust. *The Kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall bring presents: the Kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts.* Yea, all kings shall fall down before him, all nations shall serve him. His name shall endure for ever: his name shall be continued as long as the sun: and men shall be blessed in him: all nations shall call him blessed. Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, who only doeth wondrous things. And blessed be his glorious name forever: and let the whole earth be filled with his glory: amen and amen.

Ps. cxlv. 10—12. All thy works shall praise thee, O Lord, and thy saints shall bless thee. They shall speak of the glory of thy kingdom, and talk of thy power; to make known to 'the sons of men his mighty acts, and the glorious majesty of his kingdom.

Ps. cxlix. 2, 6—9. Let Israel rejoice in him that made him: let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

Isa. xii. 5, 6. Sing unto the Lord; for he hath done excellent things: this is known in all the earth. Cry out and shout, thou inhabitant of Zion: for great is the Holy One of Israel in the midst of thee.

One word to the reader in concluding: Does 'the light of the glorious gospel of Christ,' shine into your mind, so that you can believe and realise the glorious future? for, remember, if it be hid, 'it is hid to them that are lost,' 'the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not.' As it was with the Jews in relation to their King; so is it now with the Gentiles, or christians, so-called, in relation to the kingdom. The Jews were faithless of a suffering Christ; the Gentiles are faithless of a king, who is 'to restore again 'the kingdom' and 'the preserved' of Israel; who is to 'reign and prosper, and

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