

and upon our children." But this is only a partial truth for had they repented of their sin even after Jesus had been raised from among the dead all would have been well. Mark the words of Peter to them after the healing of the lame man at the beautiful gate of the temple "Repent therefore and be converted, for the blotting out of your sins, *so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and He may send Jesus Christ, who was fore-ordained for you*, whom heaven indeed must receive till the times of the restoring of all things," (Acts iii, 19-21. New Translation.) Thus we see that the mercy of God still lingered over them and all that was required for restoration to the favor of God was repentance. But what will happen to this guilty nation even now if they were to repent? Let the word of God answer that question. "If they shall confess their iniquity, and the iniquity of their fathers, with their trespasses which they have trespassed against Me, and that also they have walked contrary unto Me; and that I also have walked contrary unto them, and have brought them into the land of their enemies; if then their uncircumsized hearts be humbled, and they then accept of the punishment of their iniquity; then will I remember my covenant with Jacob, and also my covenant with Isaac, and also my covenant with Abraham, will I remember; and I will remember the land." Lev. xxvi, 40-42. For the covenants see Gen. vii, 3-8, chap. xx, 2-5, chap. xxviii, 12, 7.