

ZECHARIAH 12:9-10

Harvest Message references:

A. D-552 “The Time of Jacob’s Trouble. While the trouble and distress of this day of the Lord will be first and specially upon Christendom, and eventually upon all nations, the final blast, we are informed by the Prophet Ezekiel (38:8-12), will be upon the people of Israel regathered in Palestine.”

B. D-554 “But yet one more wave of anguish must pass over that chastened people; for, according to the prophet, the final conflict of the battle of the great day will be in the land of Palestine...And when law and order are swept away Israel will finally be besieged by hosts of merciless plunderers, designated by the prophet as the hosts of God and Magog (Ezek. 38), and great will be the distress of defenseless Israel. ‘Alas!’ says the prophet Jeremiah, ‘for that day is great, so that none is like it: it is even the time of Jacob’s trouble, but he shall be saved out of it.’ Jer.30:7”

C. D-555 “In the midst of the trouble God will reveal himself as Israel’s defender as in ancient times, when his favor was with them nationally. Their extremity will be his opportunity; and there their blindness will be removed...(Zech.14:2,3)...”

D. D-556-557 “The Lord then declares his purposed destruction of the wicked host; and the description seems to indicate that it will be accomplished by an outbreak of jealousy, revolution and anarchy amongst the various elements composing the great mixed army: a revolution and strife which will involve whatever may still remain of the home governments of the various peoples, and complete the universal insurrection and anarchy — the great earthquake of Revelation 16:18-21.

“The testimony of all the prophets is to the effect that the power of God will be so marvelously manifested in Israel’s deliverance, by his fighting for them (incidentally for all), with weapons which no human power can control — including pestilence and various calamities — poured upon the wicked (Israel’s enemies and God’s opponents) until speedily all the world will know that the Lord has accepted Israel again to his favor...”

E. D-626 -627 “When Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and all the ancient worthies have been resurrected, and shall

appear amongst the regathered Israelites, about the close of the time of Jacob’s final trouble with Gog and Magog...When to these (regathered Jews, my expression), the ancient worthies shall declare their resurrection, and the form of righteous government to be established, the plan will undoubtedly be promptly recognized as of the Lord, and when they shall learn that the real Kingdom over them is the spiritual, and that Jesus the crucified is the King, and mentally, with the eye of faith, shall ‘look upon him whom they pierced’ — then, ‘They shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn. In that day there shall be a great mourning in Jerusalem.’ And God ‘will pour upon the house of David and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem the spirit of grace and supplication.’ Zech. 12:10, 11.”

F. C-278 “But Israel’s general recognition of the true Messiah and his Kingdom will doubtless come about under and through the restored patriarchs and prophets, whose perfect restoration will be the first work of the Christ after all the ‘body’ has been glorified.”

G. Q.B. 379 (1909) “I can only give you my guess, which is that at the end of the great time of trouble, the Jews as well as the rest of mankind will be in a great deal of tribulation and general distress, and about the closing time of the trouble, the Ancient Worthies will appear amongst the Jews, not the infidel Jews, for there are some real earnest Jews, who are longing and waiting for the Messiah, and I presume it will be that kind to whom He will reveal Himself, and as He makes Himself known to them, they will believe...”

H. Rpt. 148 “...Then shall the Lord go forth and against those nations as when He fought in the day of battle... . This, apparently the first realization Israel will have of the kingdom’s having come. Chap. xii. 2, 3, 7-10 seems to discuss the same topic and describe the effect upon them of their marked deliverance. They recognize (look upon) Him whom they have pierced. They seem to be able to establish the identity of the *Deliverer* as the one they had once despised, crucified.”

I. Rpt. 286 “The deliverance will be so great and marked, that they will recognize God’s power and favor, and being blessed by being brought to a

condition of nearness to God, in prayer and supplication, they will come to a full recognition of the fact that as a people, they had rejected and pierced their Redeemer. "Then shall look upon (recognize) Him whom they have pierced, and shall all mourn because of Him."

J. Rpt. 410 "...the battle of the great day of God Almighty, fought at Jerusalem – the partial success of the invaders, and in the hour of darkness to the Jew, the power of Messiah *manifested*, in some way effecting their deliverance and their recognition of the long waited for Messiah, with the cry, 'Lo, this is our God, we have waited for him and he will save us.' (Isa. 25:9). Then they will recognize him as the one whom they had once rejected, and as they look upon him 'whom they have pierced' when God will 'pour upon them the spirit of grace and supplication,' and they shall mourn for their sin, and be accepted again into fellowship with God..."

K. Rpt. 4728 "The Scriptures seem to imply that the 'great company' will have the honor and privilege of leading them to recognize Jesus as Messiah, during the time of trouble."

L. Rpt. 4862 "We remind you afresh that it is our expectation that the interest of the Jews will really come in the midst of the time of trouble, and that the great company will have the opportunity and honor of leading them to a fuller appreciation of the divine program, with the Messianic seed of Abraham on the spirit plane, and the Jews in conjunction with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and the prophets on the earthly plane, to bless the world of mankind."

M. Sermon Book 425, 426 "...and the time of the special manifestation of that favor will be in the dark hour of Jacob's trouble, when the Jews are surrounded by enemies. In and through that trouble the Lord will pour upon them the spirit of grace and of supplication, and they will look upon Him whom they pierced. (Zech. 12:10.) They will discern that they made a great and horrible mistake in crucifying the Friend of Sinners, their long-promised Messiah..."

N. Rpt. 5164 "The New Covenant will begin to swallow up the old Law Covenant as soon as the kingdom is established. The Scriptures indicate that the first to receive it will be the ancient worthies. Raised from the dead to human perfection, they will form the nucleus of the new arrangement in the earth."

SUGGESTED LIST OF SCRIPTURES THAT HAPPEN MORE OR LESS SIMULTANEOUSLY.

Zechariah 12:8-13

Zechariah 14:1-3, 12-15.

Jeremiah 30:7, 11-17.

Ezekiel 38.

Ezekiel 39:1-6, 25, 26.

Ezekiel 20:38.

Joel 2:12-20.

Joel 3:16.

Micah 5:3-6.

Zephaniah 3:11-16.

Romans 11:25-27.

Hebrews 11:40.