### CLASS 1 LESSON #5:

# THE PARADOX OF THE REMNANT BUILDING AND WRECKING REMOVE THE STUMBLING BLOCKS

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This lesson covers an apparent paradox in Biblical references re the "wrecking" which is an essential part of "building" the "Highway of Return" for the Ten Tribes. It delineates these seemingly contradictory but required tasks in the imperative for the Remnant's latter-day mission. That mission is to build the prophesied "Highway of Return" for the exiled Ten Tribes of Israel. That stated "Road for my people" is the beginning of the means of rehabilitation of the "lost" flock of Israel.

## § 1. What is to be built and who is it for?

The prophecies re building the Highway of Return were brought to the latter-day Remnant's attention in eight PRs (Prophetic Revelations).<sup>3</sup>

They shall come with weeping, and with supplications will I lead them: 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.

—Jer. 31:9 PR 2-15-1991

And they that shall be of thee shall build the old waste places: thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called, the **repairer of the breach, the restorer of paths to dwell in**. — Isa. 58:12 PR 2-15-92

But thou, **Israel, art my servant, Jacob** whom I have chosen, the seed of Abraham my friend. — Isa. 41:8 (PR12-21-1995)

<sup>2</sup> And he hath made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of his hand hath he hid me, and made me a polished shaft; in his quiver hath he hid me;<sup>3</sup> And said unto me, **Thou art my servant, O Israel, in whom I will be glorified.**<sup>4</sup> Then I said, I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for naught, and in vain: yet surely **my judgment is with the Lord, and my work with my God.**<sup>5</sup> And now, saith the LORD that formed me from the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob again to him, Though Israel be not gathered, yet shall I be glorious in the eyes of the LORD, and my God shall be my strength.<sup>6</sup> And he said, It is a light thing that **thou shouldest be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob**, and to **restore the preserved of Israel**: I will also give thee for a light to the Gentiles, that thou

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Behold, I will do **a new thing**, Now it shall spring forth; Shall you not know it? **I will even make a road in the wilderness**, *And* rivers in the desert. — Isa. 43:19 NKJV

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> And on that day a great trumpet will be blown, and **those who were lost [Heb. "ready to perish] in the land of Assyria** and **those who were driven out to the land of Egyp**t will come and worship the LORD on the holy mountain at Jerusalem.

<sup>—</sup> Isa. 27:13 NRSVACE (emphasis is the author's)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Up to the time of writing, 7-2-2020

mayest be my salvation unto the end of the earth. Thus saith the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel, and his Holy One, to him whom man despiseth, to him whom the nation abhorreth, to a servant of rulers, Kings shall see and arise, princes also shall worship, because of the LORD that is faithful, and the Holy One of Israel, and he shall choose thee. — Isa. 49:2-7 KJV PR 12-27-1995

Go through, go through the gates; prepare ye the way of the people; cast up, cast up the highway; gather out the stones; lift up a standard for the people. — Isa. 62:10 KJV PR 11-19-2013

Thou whom I have taken from the ends of the earth, and called thee from the chief men thereof, and said unto thee, Thou art my servant; I have chosen thee, and not cast thee away. — Isa. 41:9 12-21-1014

All of Isa, 41 PR 9-8-2014

And He will say: Cast ye up, cast ye up, clear the way, **Take up the stumbling block out of the way of My people**. —Isa. 57:14 JPS Tanakh 1917 (PR 8-10-2017)

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## § 2. Who is to build it?

In these eight PRs we can notice the common theme in all of them, which is that the Almighty has called all of us from far and wide around the world to be His special servants. He has expressly chosen us to be candidates for a select task force<sup>4</sup> to be deployed to execute Divine plans for a special project at a time when "Israel is not yet gathered," i.e. just before the great regathering. We can also take into account that in the first PR (given in chronological order) the process of Redemption of the TT is summarized in a nutshell: "Our Father is the One who will lead Ephraim's Returning Ten Tribes (RTT) in HIS "work" and that He will do it with the instrumentality of a rebuilt straight highway, where they will NOT stumble."

The above multiple PRs were given to us who have our primary task spelled out in it, to **build the Highway of Return for the TT**. It also has a subtask coupled with it, to remove the great rock and stones which block the way and cause the people of Israel to "stumble." This subtask task is so important that it is mentioned along with the main task of building the highway itself. It is an intrinsic part of it and cannot be separated from it. Without this essential task "the Highway of Return" for the Ten Tribes cannot be built. The "great rock and stones" have been barriers which have prevented the Ten Tribes to return to their true God and His Covenant-related appointments in the "kingdom of priests / mamlechet cohanim." According to Divine judgement on the TT they have not been allowed to fully perceive the Truth about spiritual realities. In essence since they wanted to be like the nations, they were judged to be among

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> What will they answer **the messengers** of the nation? That the LORD has founded Zion, And the poor of His people shall take refuge in it.
—Isa. 14:32 NKJV (PRs 9-22-1992, 2-4-2019)

them physically as well as spiritually.<sup>5</sup> Early on their history they willfully turned a deaf ear to the prophets who called them to return to their God-given spiritual path (Hosea 5:11). Hence they were condemned to stay in spiritual deafness and blindness in their prison houses till their sentence is served out in the latter-days. This condition was to block their access for some 2700 years to the Covenant-related spiritual path from which they have contemptuously turned away.

"Therefore, behold, I will **hedge up your way with thorns**, and **wall her in**, So that **she cannot find her paths**. —Hosea 2:6 NKJV

So I will **.block** her road [or fence/hedge her in] with thorn bushes; I will .build a wall around her [wall her in] so she cannot find her way. — Hosea 2:6 EXB

"That is why **I will block her way** with thorn bushes and build a wall so that she can't get through. —Hosea 2:6 GW

## § 3. What is the purpose of this "highway"

God says, "Rebuild the road! Clear away the rocks and stones so my people can return from captivity." — Isa. 57:14 NLT (PR 8-10-2017)

In this rendition it is useful to note the translator's interpretation that this Highway was once available to them and as such it has to be "rebuilt" by them. It is called "The Way of Life." However it is "new" in the sense that it has to be "rebuilt" because it has not been around, and needs to be recovered and restored the way it needs to be understood after millennia of rocks, stones and all kinds of obstacles attached to it. It is also "new" because this road has to do with the "new" regathering of Israel which will eclipse prior re-gatherings. Also, it is new in the sense that this is a new therapeutic measure for the TT, in that they have to "work through" the obstacles of debris, cracks, garbage, dead ends, added exits and their erroneous traffic signs added to it. The "new" work of the Almighty, the Redeemer of Israel is the deployment of his Construction Battalion in His army of faithful servants who will build the Highway of Return for the Ten Tribes. It will be constructed according to His plans and specifications, straight and devoid of deceptions. It will feature the marshalling banners of regathering of the previously "lost" but now "found" Ten Tribes of Israel.

Behold, I will do a **new thing**; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, *and* rivers in the desert. — Isa. 43:19 KJ21

Go through, go through the gates; prepare ye the way of the people; cast up, cast up the highway; **gather out the stones; lift up a standard for the people.**— Isa. 62:10, 11KJ21

Behold, the former things have come to pass, and **new things** I declare; before they spring forth I tell you of them." — Isa. 42:9 NKJV (PR 12-26-2010)

<sup>9</sup> Hinei, the rishonot (former things) are come to pass, and **chadashot (new things)** do I declare; before titzmachnah (they spring forth; *Tzemach*) I tell you of them.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Hosea 8:8

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Jer. 16:14-15

# § 4. What is the necessary "preparatory task" before building the highway?

We are in the latter-days and the Road of Return must be built, and made ready for the Ten Tribes to return on to the Almighty. It has to be uncovered, straightened out, widened and paved. Preparatory to all these construction tasks is "the clearing" of the path by removal of all stumbling blocks and obstacles first. To that end different translators rendered this key verse of Isa. 40:3 in alternate ways. They may not be accurate in the strict sense of rendering the Hebrew words, but they had a sense that the prophetic directives to build this highway indicate that all the trade skills to build the Highway of Return will be needed to make sure that it will be according to the Divine directives and specifications:

The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, **Prepare ye the way of the Lord,** make straight in the desert a highway for our God. —KJV

A voice is wailing, "In the wilderness, get it ready! Prepare the way; make it a straight shot. The Eternal would have it so. **Straighten the way** in the *wandering* desert to make the *crooked* road wide and straight **for our God.** 

-VOICE

Listen! It's the voice of someone shouting, "Clear the way through the wilderness for the LORD! Make a straight highway through the wasteland for our God!

-NLT

It will be said: "Build a road! Build a road! **Prepare** the way! **Remove every obstacle in the way of my people!**" —GW

The LORD says, "Let my people return to me. Remove every obstacle from their path! Build the road and make it ready! —GNT

A voice is calling, "Clear the way for the LORD in the wilderness; Make smooth in the desert a highway for our God. —NASB

And the word of One shall go forth, Cast up, cast up, prepare the way! Take up the stumbling block out of the way [of the spiritual return] of My people.

—AMPC

And one said — / cast ye up cast ye up — **prepare ye a way**, — **lift the stumbling block out of the way** of my people. —RHM

It will be said: "Survey, survey build a road! Remove barriers from my people's road!" —CEB

I will say, "Build up, build up the highway. Prepare the way. **Remove the stumbling block** from the way of my people." —EHV

Bank up a causeway, clear a path, remove the stones from my people's way.

-MOF

A messenger says, "Build up the road! Build it up! Get it ready! **Remove anything that would keep my people from coming back.**" —NIRV

And shall say, Build ye [a road], build ye [a road], prepare [panu/ לְּבָּל] the [the way] Derech, [קֹרֶל] remove the michshol (stumbling block, obstacle) from the Derech Ami (the Way, Road of My People). —OJB

Other verses also spell out the utter and absolute requirement to **first remove the obstacles** in the path of the proposed "Highway of Return." That road has to be prepared to be easy to travel on for the "remnant" which are descendants from those lost in the Assyrian deportations.

There will be a highway of holiness called the Sacred Way. The impure will not be permitted on this road, but it will be accessible to God's people. And not even fools will lose their way —Isa. 35:8 TPT

Every valley should be raised up. Every mountain and hill should be made flat. The rough ground should be made level. The rugged ground should be made smooth. —Isa. 40:4 ICB

And he hath said, `Raise up, raise up, prepare a way, **Lift a stumbling-block out of the way of my people.**' —Isa. 57:14 YLT

And there shall be a mesillah (highway) for the she'ar (remnant) <sup>7</sup> of His people, which shall be left, from Assyria; just as it was for Yisroel in the Yom that he came up out of Eretz Mitzrayim. —Isa. 11:16 OJB

# § 5. How can we know what the stumbling blocks are?

We can find out by looking in the Hebrew Scriptures, the "testimony" written down for us to be the guiding "heritage of Jacob." <sup>8</sup> The obvious first place is in the book of Hosea written to the Ten Tribes to be understood by them only when they are released from their prison houses in the Valley Dry Bones.

O Israel, return to the LORD your God, for you have **stumbled because of your iniquity**; —Hosea 14:1NKJV

Return, O Israel, unto the LORD thy God; for thou hast **stumbled in thine iniquity.** —Hosea 14:2 TES

: אַנְרָאַל עַד יָהוָה אֱלֹהֵיךְ כִּי כַשְׁלָהַ בַּעַוֹנֶךְ

Oppressed is Ephraim, crushed in his right; because **he willingly walked after filth**. —Hosea 5:11 TES

עַשׁוּק אֶפָרַיָם רָצוּץ מִשָּׁפַּט כִּי הוֹאִיל הַלַּךְ אַחַרֵי צַו:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> This "remnant" is not just the small select "**C**onstruction **B**attalion" (**CBs**) of the Almighty, but the aggregate "remnant" of the Ten Tribes which will be at a certain time, i.e. "the latter days." See: meanings of "remnant."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Deut. 33:4, Psalm 119:111

Ephraim is oppressed; he is broken *and* crushed by [divine] judgment, because he was content to **walk after idols** (images) *and* **man's** [evil] **command** (vanities and filth). —Hosea 5:11AMPC

Israel [LEphraim; 4:17] is .beaten down [oppressed] and crushed by the .punishment [judgment], because it .decided [was determined] to follow .idols [or worthless things; or human precepts]. —Hosea 5:11EXB

Ephraim is oppressed and broken in judgment, because **he willingly walked by human precept**. —Hosea 5:11NKJV

The people of Israel will be crushed and broken by my judgment because **they are determined to worship idols**. —Hosea 5:11NLT

Ephrayim is oppressed and crushed in mishpat (judgment), because **he willingly** walked after tzav (human statute [*Isa 28:10, 13*]). —Hosea 5:15 OJB

The Almighty tells us right to our faces that we have "stumbled" because we willingly were determined to choose human precepts, and made up OUR "perfectly ordered" systems and commands instead of God's commands to guide us on our lives' journeys. The Almighty tells the awakening Ten Tribes that these are nothing but useless vanity and filth which are summarized as "idolatry" because they "replace' what the Almighty has given us.

These "ways" in essence are not different from the ways made up by the nations. Calvin said that "the human mind perpetually makes idols." This was true before the flood too. Jeremiah tells us the inclination of the human mind / heart is deceitful:

And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

— Gen. 6:5 KJV

Take heed to yourselves, that your heart be not deceived, and ye turn aside, and serve other gods, and worship them; — Deut. 11:16

The heart is deceitful above all things, and **desperately wicked**: who can know it? — Jer. 17:9 KJV PR 4-19-2011

This a great truism Calvin perceived, for the Almighty mentioned this human proclivity in the Book of Ezekiel, where He told the elders of the Ten Tribes to **get rid of "the idols in their hearts"** if they wanted to hear from the Almighty. This is a pre-condition that the RTT have to meet if they are to receive the revealed help from the Almighty.

<sup>3</sup>Son of man, these men have set up their **idols in their heart**, **and put the stumbling block of their iniquity** before their face: should I be enquired of at all by them?

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> In mocking mimicry of Isaiah's words Isa 28:10,13, BDB

## § 6. If the stumbling blocks are idols, where do they come from?

Ezekiel ties together several factors that tell us the definition of idolatry: Idolatry is the valuing, i.e. "worship" of humanly devised principles that man sets up before his face as guidelines for his walk on the journey of life. These are all substitutions and replacements of the Almighty's guiding principles from His Torah/Instructions, called "the Way of Life." Idolatry then is a juvenile mindset and gross spiritual immaturity and self-centeredness, which is always expressed in inordinate selfishness and pride. This is why the Almighty refers to the "drunkards of Ephraim" (Isa. 28:1, 3) for they are drunk on their own hubris, delusions and lack the proper humbleness before the God of Israel. This mindset produces "iniquity" which nets them the consequences of chastisements and spiritual death. These interpretive translations elucidate the settings, actions and effects:

When Ephraim spoke, people trembled *because* he was powerful in Israel. But he was guilty of *worshiping* another "*divine* master" and was sentenced to death.

— Hosea 13:1 VOICE

For Ephraim spake, hideousness assailed Israel; and he trespassed in Baal, and was dead. (For when *the people of* Ephraim spoke, fear, *or terror*, assailed the other Israelites; and they trespassed by worshipping Baal, and many died.)

— Hosea 13:1 WYC

The International Bible Encyclopedia cites Driver on "iniquity / avon / בוֹלֶּבוֹ":.... Etymologically, it is customary to explain it as meaning literally "crookedness," "perverseness," i.e. evil, regarded as that which is not straight or upright, moral distortion (from `iwwah, "to bend," "make crooked," "pervert"). Driver, however (following Lagarde), maintains that two roots, distinct in Arabic, have been confused in Hebrew, one equals "to bend," "pervert" (as

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Therefore speak unto them, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GoD; Every man of the house of Israel that setteth up his idols in his heart, and putteth the **stumbling block** of his iniquity before his face, and cometh to the prophet; I the LORD will answer him that cometh according to the multitude of his idols; <sup>5</sup> That I may take **the house of Israel in their own heart, because they are all estranged from me through their idols.** 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Therefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord God; Repent, and turn yourselves from your idols; and turn away your faces from all your abominations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> For every one of the house of Israel, or of the stranger that sojourneth in Israel, which separateth himself from me, and setteth up his idols in his heart, and putteth the **stumbling block** of his iniquity before his face, and cometh to a prophet to enquire of him concerning me; I the LORD will answer him by myself:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> And I will set my face against that man, and will make him a sign and a proverb, and I will cut him off from the midst of my people; and **ye shall know that I am the Lord**. Ez.14:3-8 KJV (verse 8 PR 1-30-1992)

The word "worship" derives from "worthship" which denotes how one values or honors something. The "natural" man basically honors his own ideas better than the Almighty's commandments.

above), and the other equals "to err," "go astray"; that `awon is derived from the latter, and consequently expresses the idea of error, deviation from the right path, rather than that of perversion..."

Regardless of which meaning dominates, when one follows one's own moral path it is always a deviation from the right path often into crooked, perverted and always erring paths. Jeremiah expresses it beautifully:

Because my people hath forgotten me, they have **burned incense to vanity**, and **they have caused them to stumble in their ways from the ancient paths**, to walk in paths, in a way not cast up; —Jer. 15:16 KJV

For my people have forgotten Me, **They burn incense to worthless gods** And they have stumbled from their ways, from the ancient paths, to walk in bypaths, not on a highway — Jer. 15:16 NASB

But my people have forgotten me; they make offerings to false gods; they made them stumble in their ways, in the ancient roads, and to walk into side roads, not the highway, — Jer. 15:16 ESV

In many ways this is where Ephraim, the Ten Tribes nations are today. We have left the principles of "the ancient road" the Almighty gave us and got on roads we have constructed after our own values, isms, religions, traditions and philosophies. All of them are false "gods" since we value those more than the Almighty's "Way Everlasting." It is important to note that Israel stumbles in **her ways**, by how they "define" the walk they should have on "the Ancient Road" i.e. the Way of the Torah. That means that they have **redefined and reinterpreted the Biblical precepts of God's Torah.** They have come up with their own "systematic theologies," replacement theologies, additions, deletions and innumerable codes to regulate every aspect of human behavior. Hosea tells the awakening Ten Tribes that they are "joined" to idols. The TLB translation is more accurate for the word "havur" means "wedded."

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Ephraim is joined to idols: let him alone. — Hosea 4:17 KJV
Stay away from her, for she is wedded to idolatry — Hosea 4:17 TLB

: מַצבּים אָפַרִים הַנּח לוֹ:
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The Almighty says that He has stored up the records of Ephraim's sins, which He has not forgiven, <sup>12</sup> implying that they will need to be known, owned and forgiveness asked for them. He is constantly minding and observing us:

The wickedness of Ephraim is bound together; his sin *is* hid. (The wickedness of Ephraim is recorded; *and the records of* his sins *be* hidden away.)

— Hosea 13:12 WYC

For My eyes are on all their ways; they are not hidden from My face, nor is their **iniquity** hidden from My eyes. — Jer. 16:17 KJ21

This is what He finds:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Psalm 139:24

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Hosea 9:9

**10**For precept [must be] upon **precept**, **precept** upon **precept**; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, [and] there a little:

11For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people.

**12**To whom he said, This [is] the rest [wherewith] ye may cause the weary to rest; and this [is] the refreshing: yet they would not hear.

**13**But the word of the LORD was unto them precept upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, [and] there a little; that they might go, and fall backward, and be broken, and snared, and taken.

—lsa. 28:10 KJV

**10**"For [He says], 'Order on order, order on order, Line on line, line on line, A little here, a little there.'"

**11** Indeed, He will speak to this people through stammering lips and a foreign tongue,

**12**He who said to them, "Here is rest, give rest to the weary," and, "Here is repose." but they would not listen.

**13So the word of the LORD to them will be, "Order** on **order**, **order** on **order**, Line on line, line on line, A little here, a little there," That they may go and **stumble backward,** be broken, snared and taken captive. — Isa. 28:10 NASB

The VOICE and TPT translations make the above clearer. Already at the time Isaiah wrote, the systematized "improvements" upon God's commandments were causing Israel to stumble in God's Word. It is not that the Almighty spoke them this way, but this is how they understood and redefined His commandments and instructions according to their invented and preferred understanding. It resulted in the destruction of the kingdoms of both houses of Israel.<sup>13</sup>

And so the word of the Eternal One to them will be *just as they said*: "Command after command. Command on *top of* command. Rule after rule. Rule on *top of* rule. A little here, a little there." But they'll go and fail. They'll fall back, broken and trapped, and be taken away *by another people*. — Isa. 28:10 VOICE

Therefore, the word of YHWH will be to them "Do, do this, and do, do that, a rule about this and a rule about that, here a little, there a little," in order that they will stumble backwards and be broken and captured. — Isa. 28:10 TPT

With these bad choices, Ephraim has destroyed himself then and is now on the same road to suicidal destruction also. The Almighty is giving us the same advice today as well:

O Israel, thou hast destroyed thyself; but in me is thine help. — Hosea 13:9 KJV

O Israel, return unto the LORD thy God; for thou hast fallen by thine iniquity.

— Hosea 14:1 KJV

§ 7. How is the needed move toward repentance to be implemented? Hosea tells us the solution in a nutshell:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Jer. 18:12

Take with you words, and turn to the LORD; say unto Him, "Take away all iniquity and receive us graciously, so will we offer the calves of our lips.

— Hosea 14:2 KJV

Take with you words and return to the Lord. Say to Him, Take away all *our* iniquity; accept what is good *and* receive us graciously; so will we render [our thanks] as bullocks [to be sacrificed] *and* pay the confession of our lips.

— Hosea 14:2 AMPC

Bring your petition. Come to the Lord and say, "O Lord, take away our sins; be gracious to us and receive us, and we will offer you the sacrifice of praise.

— Hosea 14:2 TLB

Return O Israel, to *ADONAI* your God, for you have stumbled in your iniquity.

— Hosea 14:2 TLV

The prescription is always the same for the same return from the same corruption:

If my people, which are called by my name, shall **humble themselves**, **and pray**, **and seek my face**, **and turn from their wicked ways**; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

— II Chron. 7:14 KJ21

Who will start this national repentance movement? This website is dedicated to that answer, the specially called battalion of Road Builders, the Construction Battalion of the Almighty, on which Isaiah sheds light. This chapter is often labeled in Bibles as the "calling of Gentiles" because Israel has departed from God. As such it is a great example of "replacement theology" and part of the "line upon line, systematic order" in books of "systematic theology." Actually it is about the calling forth of the "Remnant" in the latter days from among the exiled Ten tribes who are becoming more and more "estranged" from God and His values with which they were blessed. They increasingly behave as if they were non-Israelites / "Gentiles" who had no contact with God's Torah. The partial contact that they did have they do not appreciate to this day but contaminate more with interpretations and philosophies inherited from the nations. All these systems of misinterpretations, i.e. "doctrines" are the manifold stumbling blocks that obscure, mislead, cover up and cause many people to abandon God's way of Life. Others who travel on part of it cannot perceive and assess "the Way" to be misleading on several levels. In many cases the blind are leading the blind the wrong way to the wrong goal.

There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end there of are the ways of death. — Proverbs 14:12

Isaiah in the opening verses of chapter 65 tells us who will be instrumental in the Almighty's "new work" to move the returning Ten Tribes toward repentance. This could never refer to the Gentiles of the nations who are not "A Rebellious People," since they have not been given the Torah to rebel against. The target audience to hear the initial call to repentance is to come

forth from the Ten Tribes nations, who have lost their Israelite identities in their 2700 year old exile.

# A Rebellious People<sup>14</sup>

"I permitted Myself to be sought by those who did not ask *for Me*; I permitted Myself to be found by those who did not seek Me. I said, 'Here am I, here am I,'
To a nation which did not call on My name.

We have been raised and "called up" and slated to be recruited into the Remnant Battalion of the latter days by the summons of the Almighty. We are expected to respond... because the whole nation is not able to respond.

<sup>2</sup> "I have spread out My hands all day long to a rebellious people, Who walk *in* the way which is not good, <sup>[a]</sup> **following their own thoughts,** 

Here we meet the identifying characteristics discussed above, those who at once knew God, but have **altered his instructions** to erroneously say what was not intended.

<sup>3</sup> A people who continually provoke Me to My face, Offering sacrifices in gardens and burning incense on bricks;

Here we encounter the deadly mix of pagan ways added to God's ways, occult "traditions" which are expressly condemned in the Word of God.

<sup>4</sup>Who sit among graves and spend the night in secret places; Who eat swine's flesh, And the broth of unclean meat is *in* their pots.

Not paying attention to the plain elementary instructions, e.g. diet....

<sup>5</sup> "Who say, 'Keep to yourself, do not come near me, For I am holier than you!'

....yet thinking of themselves as superior with their "new" triumphant interpretation of God's Words.

These are smoke in My <sup>[b]</sup>nostrils,
A fire that burns all the day.
<sup>6</sup> "Behold, it is written before Me,
I will not keep silent, but I will repay;
I will even repay into their bosom,

Because of their haughty superior attitude of having superseded Israel, they will meet with painful "tikkunim" / corrections:

<sup>7</sup> Both <sup>[c]</sup>their own iniquities and the iniquities of their fathers together," <sup>15</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> So labeled in the NASB translation

says the LORD.

"Because they have burned incense on the mountains

i.e. In their great architectural (cathedrals) and great doctrinal edifices...

And scorned Me on the hills,

i.e. in their small churches...

Therefore I will measure their former work into their bosom."

and the great corrections will come...

<sup>8</sup> Thus says the LORD,

"As the new wine 16 is found in the cluster,

And one says, 'Do not destroy it, for there is [d] benefit in it,'

So I will act on behalf of My servants

In order not to destroy [e] all of them.

— Isa, 65:1-8 NASB

#### Footnotes:

- a. Isaiah 65:2 Lit after
- b. Isaiah 65:5 Lit nose
- c. Isaiah 65:7 Lit your
- d. Isaiah 65:8 Lit blessing

... by a GREAT VOICE in a great wilderness of lack of wisdom and understanding which is in a famine of God's Word. <sup>17</sup> We have a great calling ... great mission and a great assignment to carry out. Read and pray about it as you go through these classes and lessons. It is time for the Remnant of the Returning Ten Tribes to come on line.... Pray that you may be **prepared** to do so...ask your Father for it....

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> The Almighty commands us to confess our sins and the sins of our fathers, so that we may know where our "doctrines and traditions have come from, and where they got them from Lev. 26:40, Ez. 20:4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> The **new wine** was a **PR (Prophetic Revelation) given to us in June 2020.** It unfolded over several days. It is a profound term that describes in two words the nature of the restoration to come in the Messianic Age. It will be according the parable of the "new wine in new bottles." Those who hold to the "old" traditional ways that they made up, will be unlikely to change and take in the "new wine" of the Almighty's "new work" of restoration. They will not acknowledge that "the way" they perceive in their schools of thought need restoration and correction. The "new wine" describes the substance of the "restoration" which will characterize the nature and the message of the Remnant in the "latter days." They will be the messengers of the great restoration to come "spoken by the prophets of God since the world began."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Amos 8:11





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## How to study and retain the contents of this lesson:

Thank God for this lesson and tell yourself and all others concerned to ask for His help in this mission.

Talk to God about this lesson and stay tuned to Him for answers.

Study with a buddy or small group. Contemplate and discuss the content of this lesson with others of like minds.

Go to the **study page** of this lesson, print out the page and say aloud the questions and the answers and write down the answers to the questions from memory without looking at this lesson. Hearing the sounds of questions and answers help in remembering them. Review this lesson and correct your answers. Mark the references in your Bible. Crate cross references.

Have someone to ask you the questions and tell him/her the correct answers.

Practice till you know all the answers of this lesson by heart. You will need to know all of them to act accordingly, and to give them to others who will be sent to you and to whom you will be sent.

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