

## CHAPTER 22

*In the last days, Zion and her stakes will be established, and Israel will be gathered in mercy and tenderness—They will triumph—Compare Isaiah 54. About A.D. 34.*

1 And then shall that which is written come to pass: Sing, O <sup>a</sup>barren, thou that didst not bear; break forth into <sup>b</sup>singing, and cry aloud, thou that didst not travail with child; for more are the children of the <sup>c</sup>desolate than the children of the married wife, saith the Lord.

2 Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thy habitations; spare not, lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy <sup>a</sup>stakes;

3 For thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left, and thy seed shall <sup>a</sup>inherit the <sup>b</sup>Gentiles and make the desolate cities to be inhabited.

4 Fear not, for thou shalt not be ashamed; neither be thou confounded, for thou shalt not be put to <sup>a</sup>shame; for thou shalt forget the <sup>b</sup>shame of thy youth, and shalt not remember the <sup>c</sup>reproach of thy youth, and shalt not remember the reproach of thy widowhood any more.

5 For thy maker, thy <sup>a</sup>husband, the Lord of Hosts is his name; and thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel—the God of the whole earth shall he be called.

6 For the Lord hath called thee <sup>a</sup>as a woman forsaken and grieved in spirit, and a wife of youth, when thou wast refused, saith thy God.

7 For a small moment have I <sup>a</sup>forsaken thee, but with great mercies will I gather thee.

8 In a little wrath I hid my face from thee for a moment, but with everlasting <sup>a</sup>kindness will I have <sup>b</sup>mercy on thee, saith the Lord thy Redeemer.

9 For <sup>a</sup>this, the <sup>b</sup>waters of Noah unto me, for as I have sworn that the waters of Noah should no more go over the earth, so have I sworn that I would not be wroth with thee.

10 For the <sup>a</sup>mountains shall depart and the hills be removed, but my <sup>b</sup>kindness shall not <sup>c</sup>depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of my peace be removed, saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee.

11 O thou afflicted, tossed with tempest, and not comforted! Behold, I will lay thy <sup>a</sup>stones with fair colors, and lay thy foundations with sapphires.

12 And I will make thy windows of agates, and thy gates of carbuncles, and all thy borders of pleasant stones.

13 And <sup>a</sup>all thy children shall be taught of the Lord; and great shall be the <sup>b</sup>peace of thy children.

14 In <sup>a</sup>righteousness shalt thou be established; thou shalt be far from oppression for thou shalt not fear, and from terror for it shall not come near thee.

15 Behold, they shall surely gather together <sup>a</sup>against thee, not by me; whosoever shall gather together against thee shall fall for thy sake.

16 Behold, I have created the smith that bloweth the coals in the fire, and that bringeth forth an instrument for his work; and I have created the waster to destroy.

17 No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall revile against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the <sup>a</sup>servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is of me, saith the Lord.