

1. THEY WILL KNOW HIM PERSONALLY

Isaiah 52:4-6 *For thus says the Lord GOD: "My people went down at first into Egypt to dwell there; then the Assyrian oppressed them without cause. ⁵ Now therefore, what have I here," says the LORD, "That My people are taken away for nothing? Those who rule over them make them wail," says the LORD, "And My name is blasphemed continually every day. ⁶ Therefore My people shall **know My name**; therefore **they shall know in that day that I am He who speaks: 'Behold, it is I.'**"*

2. THEY WILL MAKE HIM KNOWN

Isaiah 52:7-10 ⁷ *How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings **good news**, who proclaims peace, who brings glad tidings of good things, who proclaims salvation, who says to Zion, "**Your God reigns!**" ⁸ Your watchmen shall lift up their voices, with their voices they shall sing together; for they shall see eye to eye when the LORD brings back Zion. ⁹ Break forth into joy, sing together, you waste places of Jerusalem! For the LORD has **comforted His people**, He has redeemed Jerusalem. ¹⁰ The LORD has made bare His holy arm in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.*

ACTION STEPS:

- 1) REJECT ANTI-SEMITISM, STAND WITH ISRAEL
- 2) PRAY FOR THE SALVATION OF PALESTINIANS
- 3) HUMBLY REQUEST/RECEIVE THE CUP OF REDEMPTION THROUGH FAITH IN JESUS.
- 4) SHARE THIS GOOD NEWS IN JESUS!

SERIES: WITNESS: Declaring Hope!

Message: The Cup of Trembling or The Cup of Redemption?

Text: Isaiah 51:12-52:10

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BIG IDEA: The peoples/nations of the earth have a choice of which cup they will drink from the hand of the LORD. It depends on their actions and attitudes toward

JESUS and the JEWISH people.

I. THE CUP OF TREMBLING – ITS FOUR GREAT FEARS

Isaiah 51:17 *Awake, awake! Stand up, O Jerusalem, you who have drunk at the hand of the Lord The cup of His fury; You have drunk the dregs of **the cup of trembling**, and drained it out.*

Psalms 75:7-8 *in the hand of the Lord there is **a cup**, ...; it is **fully mixed** ... surely ... shall all the **wicked of the earth** ... drink down.*

1. FEAR OF LOSS/DESTRUCTION/SURVIVAL

Isaiah 51:12-14 *"I, ... am He who comforts you. Who are you that you should be **afraid** of a man who will die, ... ? ¹³ And you forget the LORD your Maker, Who stretched out the heavens and laid the foundations of the earth; You have **feared continually every day** because of the fury of the **oppressor**, when he has prepared to **destroy**. ... ¹⁴ that he may be **loosed**, that he should not **die** in the pit, and that his **bread** should not fail.*

See Isaiah 42

2. FEAR BECAUSE OF NO LEADERSHIP

Isaiah 51:18 *There is no one to **guide** her among all the sons she has brought forth; nor is there any who takes her by the hand among all the sons she has brought up.*

3. FEAR OF TERRORISM

Isaiah 51:19 *These ... have come to you;..—**Desolation and destruction, famine and sword**—by whom will I **comfort** you?*

4. FEAR OF LOSING YOUR CHILDREN (to the world)

Isaiah 51:20 *Your sons have fainted, They lie at the head of all the **streets**, like an antelope in a net; They are full of the fury of the Lord, the rebuke of your God.*

II. THE CUP WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO ISRAEL'S ENEMIES

Isaiah 51:21-23 *Therefore please hear this, you afflicted, and **drunk but not with wine**.²² Thus says your Lord, The Lord and your God, Who pleads the cause of His people: “See, I have taken out of your hand **The cup of trembling**, The dregs of the cup of My fury; You shall no longer drink it.²³ But I will put it **into the hand of those who afflict you**, who have said to you, ‘Lie down, that we may walk over you.’ ...*

Genesis 12:3 *And I will bless them that bless thee (The descendants of Abraham – Israel), and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.*

Psalms 122:6 *ESV Pray for the peace of Jerusalem! “May they be **secure/prosper** who love you!*

Zechariah 12:2, 9 *“Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of drunkenness ... when they lay siege against Judah and Jerusalem. ... It shall be in that day that I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem”*

Isaiah 66: 7-10 A nation born in a day, May 14, 1948

⁸ *Who has heard such a thing? Who has seen such things? Can a land be born in one day? Can a nation be brought forth at once? For as soon as Zion was in labor, she gave birth to her children.*

Joel 3: 1-2 NKJV *“For behold, in those days and at that time, When I bring back the captives of Judah and Jerusalem,² I will also gather all nations, And bring them down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat; And I will enter into judgment with them there on account of My people, My heritage Israel, whom **they have scattered** among the nations; **They have also divided up My land.***

Ezekiel 38: *On that day ... Russia, Turkey, Georgia, Syria, Persia (Iran), Cush (Sudan/Egypt/Ethiopia), Libya*

Zechariah 13:8-9 *And it shall come to pass in all the land,” Says the LORD, “That **two-thirds in it shall be cut off and die**, But one-third shall be left in it:⁹ I will bring the **one-third through** the fire, Will refine them as silver is refined, And test them as gold is tested. They will call on My name, And I will answer them. I will say, ‘This is My people’; And each one will say, ‘The LORD is my God.’ ”*

III. THE LORD WILL REDEEM HIS PEOPLE

Isaiah 52:1-3 *Awake, awake! Put on your strength, O Zion; Put on your beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city! ...³ For thus says the LORD: “... you shall **be redeemed without money.**”*

Zechariah 12:10 *they will look upon Him whom they pierced and mourn ...*