



**INTRODUCTION:**

- Last time we ended with the total destruction of the world
- Kind of an uplifting subject to talk about
- We looked at the Day of the Lord, also known as the Great Tribulation
- We looked at the purpose of the Day of the Lord... to deliver Israel from Idolatry and to restore Israel's relationship with God
- We also looked at how the Church will not be on the earth during the Great Tribulation period
- God has not appointed us to wrath, but for salvation
- So we will be with Jesus, celebrating the marriage supper of the Lamb
- And then we will return with Jesus when He defeats His enemies at the Second Coming
- Today we are going to look at the next chapter in Isaiah's prophecy concerning the End Times

**Let's begin at Isaiah 11**

Isaiah 11:1–5 (NKJV)

**11** There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, And a Branch shall grow out of his roots. <sup>2</sup> The Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon Him, The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, The Spirit of counsel and might, The Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD. <sup>3</sup> His delight *is* in the fear of the LORD, And He shall not judge by the sight of His eyes, Nor decide by the hearing of His ears; <sup>4</sup> But with righteousness He shall judge the poor, And decide with equity for the meek of the earth; He shall strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, And with the breath of His lips He shall slay the wicked. <sup>5</sup> Righteousness shall be the belt of His loins, And faithfulness the belt of His waist.

- Isaiah talks about a time in Israel future when the Lord Himself will rule and reign from Jerusalem
- During this time, the world will get to see God's created intent for man
- It will be a time when righteousness will be the norm, not the exception
- So today we are going to look at this period of time that will come after the Rapture, after the Great Tribulation Period, after the Second Coming and known as the Millennial Reign of Christ

**First of all, where does the idea of the Millennium come from? It comes from Revelation 20**

Revelation 20:4–6 (NKJV)



<sup>4</sup> And I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was committed to them. Then I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God, who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received *his* mark on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. <sup>5</sup> But the rest of the dead did not live again until the thousand years were finished. This *is* the first resurrection. <sup>6</sup> Blessed and holy *is* he who has part in the first resurrection. Over such the second death has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.

***The term Millennium means a period of 1000 years***

- During this time, those who were martyred for Christ during the Great Tribulation and those who returned with Christ in the Second Coming will reign with Christ on the earth
- The resurrection of those who died for their faith during the Great Tribulation Period will be known as the first resurrection
- The Second Resurrection takes place at the White Throne Judgement where those who died without Christ will be resurrected

***The Question we want to answer this morning is what will the Millennial Age be like?***

***Paul gives us an outline in Romans where he says...***

Romans 14:17 (NKJV)

<sup>17</sup> for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

***First, the Millennial Age will be a time of righteousness***

Isaiah 60:19–21 (NKJV)

<sup>19</sup> “The sun shall no longer be your light by day, Nor for brightness shall the moon give light to you; But the LORD will be to you an everlasting light, And your God your glory. <sup>20</sup> Your sun shall no longer go down, Nor shall your moon withdraw itself; For the LORD will be your everlasting light, And the days of your mourning shall be ended. <sup>21</sup> Also your people *shall all be* righteous; They shall inherit the land forever, The branch of My planting, The work of My hands, That I may be glorified.

***Jesus Himself will reign in righteousness***



Ezekiel 20:33–38 (NKJV)

<sup>33</sup> “As I live,” says the Lord GOD, “surely with a mighty hand, with an outstretched arm, and with fury poured out, I will rule over you. <sup>34</sup> I will bring you out from the peoples and gather you out of the countries where you are scattered, with a mighty hand, with an outstretched arm, and with fury poured out. <sup>35</sup> And I will bring you into the wilderness of the peoples, and there I will plead My case with you face to face. <sup>36</sup> Just as I pleaded My case with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so I will plead My case with you,” says the Lord GOD.

<sup>37</sup> “I will make you pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant; <sup>38</sup> I will purge the rebels from among you, and those who transgress against Me; I will bring them out of the country where they dwell, but they shall not enter the land of Israel. Then you will know that I *am* the LORD.

***It will be a time characterized by holiness unto the Lord***

Isaiah 35:8 (NKJV)

<sup>8</sup> A highway shall be there, and a road, And it shall be called the Highway of Holiness. The unclean shall not pass over it, But it *shall be* for others. Whoever walks the road, although a fool, Shall not go astray.

***Second, the Millennial Age will be a time of peace***

Isaiah 2:4 (NKJV)

<sup>4</sup> He shall judge between the nations, And rebuke many people; They shall beat their swords into plowshares, And their spears into pruning hooks; Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, Neither shall they learn war anymore.

- War will be a thing of the past
- You say how is that possible? Because the cause of war will be eliminated

***James gives us the cause of war***

James 4:1–2 (NKJV)

**4** Where do wars and fights *come* from among you? Do *they* not *come* from your *desires for* pleasure that war in your members? <sup>2</sup> You lust and do not have. You murder and covet and cannot obtain. You fight and war. Yet you do not have because you do not ask.



- But when Jesus comes, the standard will be righteousness
- Thus men who lust for power, for money, who are greedy will be replaced by men who lead from righteousness
- People will simply have no reason to fight and thus no reason to learn how to fight

***Even nature will be at peace***

Isaiah 11:6–9 (NKJV)

<sup>6</sup> “The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, The leopard shall lie down with the young goat, The calf and the young lion and the fatling together; And a little child shall lead them. <sup>7</sup> The cow and the bear shall graze; Their young ones shall lie down together; And the lion shall eat straw like the ox. <sup>8</sup> The nursing child shall play by the cobra’s hole, And the weaned child shall put his hand in the viper’s den. <sup>9</sup> They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain, For the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD As the waters cover the sea.

***Third, the Millennial age will be a time of joy***

***For Israel because all their oppressors will be defeated***

Isaiah 9:3–4 (NKJV)

<sup>3</sup> You have multiplied the nation *And* increased its joy; They rejoice before You According to the joy of harvest, As *men* rejoice when they divide the spoil. <sup>4</sup> For You have broken the yoke of his burden And the staff of his shoulder, The rod of his oppressor, As in the day of Midian.

***Israel will be restored as a nation***

Isaiah 35:1–2 (NKJV)

**35** The wilderness and the wasteland shall be glad for them, And the desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose; <sup>2</sup> It shall blossom abundantly and rejoice, Even with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, The excellence of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the LORD, The excellency of our God.

***Israel will inhabit the land that God promised to them***

Isaiah 26:15 (NKJV)

<sup>15</sup> You have increased the nation, O LORD, You have increased the nation; You are glorified; You have expanded all the borders of the land.



**[SLIDE ABRAHAMIC COVENANT ISRAEL]**

- Israel according to the Abrahamic Covenant

**[SLIDE ISRAEL TODAY]**

- This slide shows the land they occupy today

***The world will have joy because there will be no sorrow or mourning***

Isaiah 51:11 (NKJV)

<sup>11</sup> So the ransomed of the LORD shall return, And come to Zion with singing, With everlasting joy on their heads. They shall obtain joy and gladness; Sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

***Sickness will be healed***

Isaiah 35:4–6 (NKJV)

<sup>4</sup> Say to those *who are* fearful-hearted, “Be strong, do not fear! Behold, your God will come *with* vengeance, *With* the recompense of God; He will come and save you.” <sup>5</sup> Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, And the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. <sup>6</sup> Then the lame shall leap like a deer, And the tongue of the dumb sing.

***The land will be healed***

Isaiah 35:6–7 (NKJV)

For waters shall burst forth in the wilderness, And streams in the desert. <sup>7</sup> The parched ground shall become a pool, And the thirsty land springs of water; In the habitation of jackals, where each lay, *There shall be* grass with reeds and rushes.

- When we look at the world, we do not know what creation looked like before the curse
- The world we see is under the curse of sin
- Sin has literally changed the world at a subatomic level
- It's perverted and infected the DNA of every living things
- But when Jesus returns, He is going to restore all things and we will finally get to see His created intent for the world
- There will be no sickness, no death, no genetic disorders, no mental illness, no murder, no crime...
- It will be the answer to the prayer that Jesus taught us to pray... Your Kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven



***And in that day we will say to the Lord***

Isaiah 61:10–11 (NKJV)

<sup>10</sup> I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, My soul shall be joyful in my God; For He has clothed me with the garments of salvation, He has covered me with the robe of righteousness, As a bridegroom decks *himself* with ornaments, And as a bride adorns *herself* with her jewels. <sup>11</sup> For as the earth brings forth its bud, As the garden causes the things that are sown in it to spring forth, So the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations.

- After the 1000 year reign, the Devil will be released to deceive those who were born during the Millennium
- God does this out of love because He wants everyone to choose to love Him out of their own free will
- The Devil will deceive many, gather an army together from the four corners of the earth with Russia and the leader of Russia
- They will attack Jerusalem and God will reign fire down upon them and destroy them
- Then the Devil will be thrown into the lake of fire forever and ever
- After all of this, the Great White Throne Judgment where God will judge every man who rejected Christ and they will be cast into the lake of fire
- And then We are told that God will destroy the world as we know it and create a new heaven and a new earth

Isaiah 65:17 (NKJV)

<sup>17</sup> “For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth; And the former shall not be remembered or come to mind.

***God will make all things new and we are told in Revelation 21***

Revelation 21:1–5 (NKJV)

<sup>4</sup> And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away.” <sup>5</sup> Then He who sat on the throne said, “Behold, I make all things new.” And He said to me, “Write, for these words are true and faithful.”