

A Prophetic Call for the End-Time Church (Part 2)

If we truly understood the significance of this transaction and the consequences that are waiting to be loosed upon us as we reconnect spiritually with our first-born brethren to help awaken Israel, in reality we would run to it with all our strength and all our heart.

So I have to ask the question that my book, *The Ezekiel Generation*, fully addresses: What stops us? Sensitive areas in us from our ancestry that need to be broken off from our past, so G-d can lead us into our destiny and future to give glory to G-d!

We need to understand that we have everything to gain and absolutely nothing to lose by Israel's spiritual restoration. But far greater than that is that our reconnection to Israel in the Spirit will loose the end-time power upon the earth. For what does the Word say—that as we come into the fullness of the Gentiles, so all Israel will be saved (Rom. 11:25-27).

And let's not address what *all* means here, as this is a separate discussion. However, there is an incredible connection here between the last great outpouring and harvest among the Gentiles and Israel's spiritual awakening as the family of G-d is properly restored, which we must begin to fully recognize. What does the apostle Paul tell us about this mystery? That their acceptance will be life from the dead. And what does this Scripture point to except end-time power, Jesus' return and the raising of the dead—truly exciting, all-powerful stuff!

We must also understand that as we enter this age that Israel's spiritual hardening, which is only temporary, will come to an end, and where will you be with this restoration as

our Father brings it to pass? And I say this with all humility and love, but I would not want to be among those who are against Israel or who believe that they have replaced them when Y'shua returns. So this leads me into my explanation of exactly what our end-time role is in the church regarding Israel and how prophetic it really is and our need to respond to it.



The greatest role for us all to play in these times is to pray and intercede for Israel's rebirth and for the L-rd's return. To take them on as our very own family, which the Father's heart will restore in us; to stand in the gap for their spiritual awakening; to pray for the peace of Jerusalem and to realign our intercession to its kingdom position, to the Jew first and then to the nations, that the end-time power and glory would come upon us all. Not just for Israel but also for the nations. Isn't that what the fullness of the Gentiles really means? For while Israel's spiritual restoration may be the missing piece of the puzzle and the golden key to the last great outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the earth, it is also the church's reconnection toward them, taking hold of the key and unlocking its unquenchable power.

As I have written in other articles, we are indeed intricately linked together and must now begin to see this mystery so we can fully move into our role to help restore them spiritually to the family of G-d. For it is through the circle of G-d's mercy that we may be able to shine His light back to our firstborn brothers and sisters.

In the words of the great intercessor Rees Howells, "It reminds us that no great event in history, even though prophesied beforehand in the Scriptures, comes to pass unless G-d finds His human channels of faith and obedience."

"With the mercy we have received as a result of their

disobedience ... in order that they too may now receive mercy as a result of G-d's mercy to us. For G-d has bound all men over to disobedience so that He may have mercy on them all" (Rom. 11:30-32).

And again with the apostle Paul's reference to reaching out to Israel here, "How then can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, how beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news" (Rom. 10:14-15).

In other words, whom will they hear the Good News from, and where will the mercy come from, except through us believers?

I am not just connecting this teaching to witness and evangelism, which I think the apostle Paul was referring to in the second passage, but rather toward a position of faith in the Spirit within us, that at this time, Israel and the Jewish people must now come forth spiritually in light of G-d's words and covenants to them.

I believe this attitude of faith is what G-d is looking to form in us that will affect and change everything else we do, including our evangelism back toward them. For it is with the Father's heart and the Father's mercy that we can both pray and intercede for their spiritual awakening and nothing else will do. I believe we are all called to share this prayer burden with the L-rd. And while it is true to say that some of us are called to greater works amongst the Jewish communities around us, because we live in more heavily populated Jewish areas, many of us may have never even met a Jewish person before. However, this would not separate us from the burden of prayer and intercession, which is the actual catalyst to bring them forth. To unite G-d's family, which will help to usher in His return for both groups (Jewish and Gentile believers) to

take dominion over the earth. You may not be aware of this, but there are already churches in different parts of the world that may have never even seen a Jewish person and yet they are gathering for regular fasting and prayer to help rebirth Israel spiritually.

Nor should we think of new programs and ideas alone with all of our good intentions to want to reach out to the Jewish people. Everything must come from His heart and Spirit if we are going to succeed in His strength and not our own. As we have already seen from the past what happens when we try to love Israel from our own humanity and strength. For we should not forget that until the veil is removed, most Jewish people will resist anything to do with Y'shua and this is why the Holy Spirit needs to so carefully position us; fully understanding their resistance, but never changing our position towards them in the Spirit through prayer and intercession.

"As far as the gospel is concerned they are enemies, but as far as election is concerned, they are loved on account of the patriarchs, for G-d's gifts and call is irrevocable" (Rom. 11:28-29). For if they rejected Luther, they will reject us too! Until their appointed time, which will be brought about through love and effective fervent prayer and intercession. Through His tender mercies and the gentle guidance of the Holy Spirit, who is our chief intercessor, whom I often refer to in this role as the conductor. For effective fervent intercession is likened unto an orchestra, with the Holy Spirit leading His musicians into a unity and harmony of sound, which I will address in future articles.

I believe in these days without doubt that G-d is calling us to far greater depths into our intercessory role, much more than we are currently experiencing. And not just for Israel, but also for the nations and all that has to happen in order for Christ to return. For when we pray for the peace of

Jerusalem, we should be praying for G-d's words and covenants to come to pass throughout the world, so that His true peace will be established amongst us with His millennial reign upon the earth.

The Ezekiel Generation: The Role of the Church

Take a look at the second prophecy in Ezekiel 37, which is the founding scripture for *The Ezekiel Generation*. There are two specific prophecies in this chapter; the first has to deal with the land being restored.

The second deals with Israel's spiritual awakening, which is still obviously yet to happen (see verses 9-11).

However, please note here: Is G-d the one to breathe the breath of G-d back in to the dry bones of Israel? Or is it Ezekiel who He commands to prophesy? "Then He said to me, Prophecy to the breath: prophecy, son of man, and say to it, "This is what the Sovereign L-rd says: Come from the four winds, O breath and breathe into these slain, that they may live, So I prophesied as He commanded me, and breath entered them; they came to life and stood on their feet—a vast army. Then He said to me: Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel."

Here, in his prophetic role, Ezekiel is told by G-d to call on the four winds of the earth and breathe the breath of life into Israel and the Jewish people; just like we are now called in the church to stand in the gap for Israel and breath the breath of G-d in to them. For I believe at this time that we in the church are the prophetic fulfillment of this prophecy in taking up Ezekiel's role to release the mercy of G-d back into our firstborn brethren in the family of G-d, which is why this message is so important for us to grasp, as it has eternal consequences to us all.

I believe that we and the generations of believers who tarry before the L-rd returns are "The Ezekiel Generation"—that He

is looking for His church to stand in the gap, to pray, to intercede and to bring Israel forth. To call and proclaim the breath of the New Covenant, of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit to release it into His firstborn children, our brothers and sisters in the faith and at the same time, for us to come into the fullness of the Gentiles with the greatest spiritual awakening we have ever witnessed upon the earth.

That ultimately all of us can come into our inheritance, which will precipitate the L-rd's return.

What an honor He is actually bestowing upon His body in these generations, that we can be the very vessels of His power and His mercy to awaken the Jewish people back to faith and to witness its effects upon the nations. For let us gather together in unity and speak with one voice in the Spirit of G-d, "Israel, come forth!"

There will be times for us to reach out and especially those of us who live around Jewish people, but let the evangelism and witness come from a leading of His Spirit, that is bathed in His love, in His wisdom, in His patience; but most importantly through intercessory prayer, which should be the foundation for everything we do. As we can never take this battle on, on our own, but rather must be filled with His power and His strength, for this battle is truly divine.

At this time in history, may we become ever so conscious of this intercessory role that as the Ezekiel of G-d, we may come into agreement with the G-d of Israel to pray and push; to fight and to stand, to see Israel come to life in the Spirit. That we may be used of His Spirit in such a manner that will help give birth to the establishment of the kingdom of G-d upon the earth, Oh my G-d, how awesome is that! Would you like to receive the Ezekiel Anointing?

For prayers to receive the Ezekiel anointing, please go to pages 177-178 in the *Ezekiel Generation*. To read part 1 of

this series, [click here](#).

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