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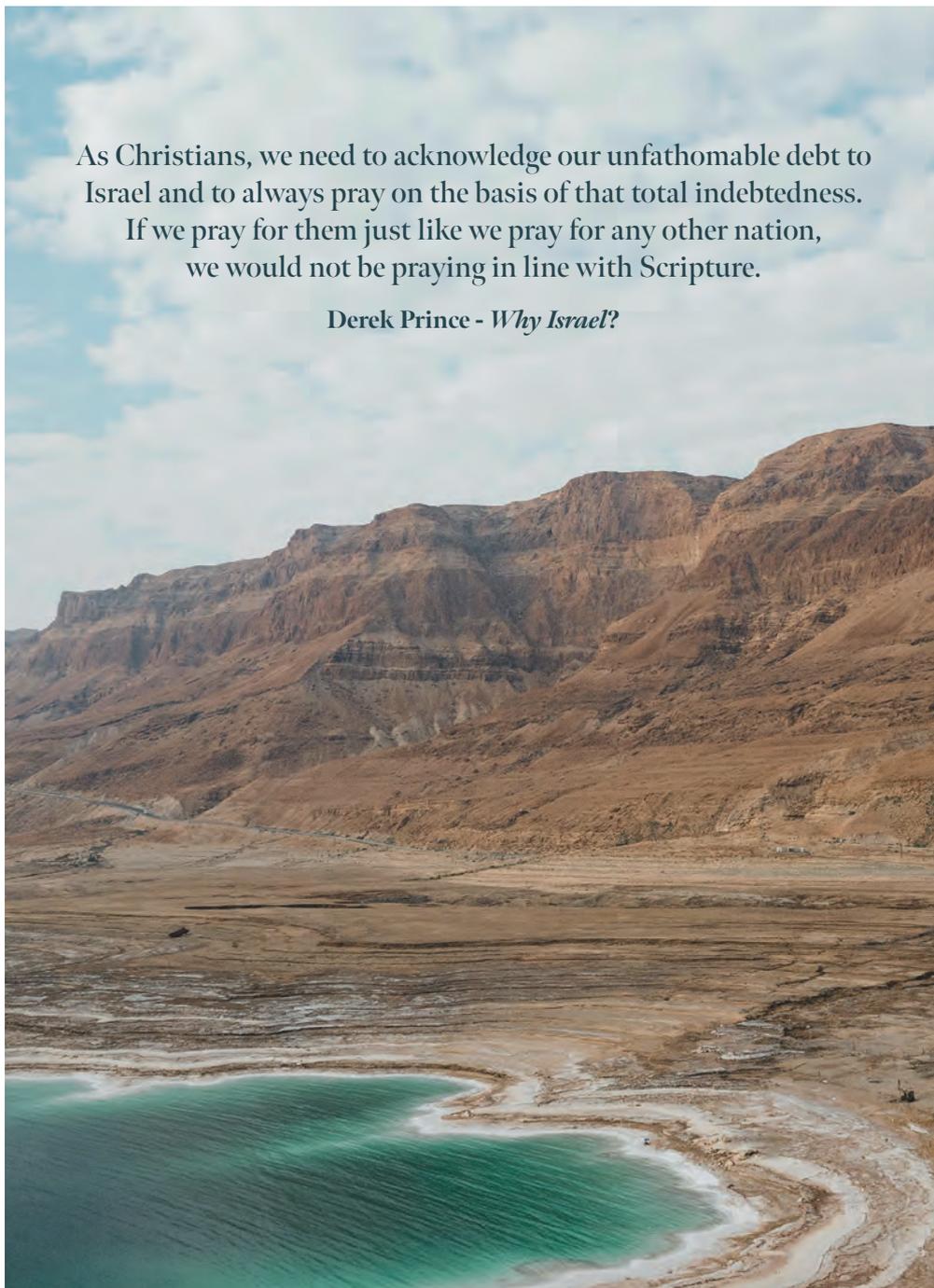
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AROUND THE WORLD



As Christians, we need to acknowledge our unfathomable debt to Israel and to always pray on the basis of that total indebtedness. If we pray for them just like we pray for any other nation, we would not be praying in line with Scripture.

Derek Prince - *Why Israel?*

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Celebrating

Israel's 75th Anniversary



This year marks the 75th birthday of the nation of Israel. It is fitting for us to observe this event in light of the strong devotion to Israel of Derek and Lydia Prince (and Ruth as well, Derek's second wife). Israel will always hold a prominent place in the legacy of Derek Prince Ministries worldwide, and this magazine is an expression of that commitment.

You may be aware of the unique events 75 years ago that turned Palestine into the modern-day nation of Israel. Many significant developments have taken place throughout the history of Israel's existence, but it all started in May of 1948.

In the moment when Israel became a sovereign nation: midnight on May 14, 1948, the history and future—not only Israel, but of the entire world—changed forever. At long last, after 2000 years of exile and persecution, Israel's time had come. A new nation—and a new home for God's people, the Jews—had been born in an instant.

Derek Prince Ministries is honored to celebrate the 75th anniversary of this extraordinary event with this commemorative publication, *Proclamation*—honoring this moment in history. In this magazine, you will find articles and informative items like the following:

- A Drama in Three Acts, Derek Prince on three millennia of Israeli history.
- “Live” QR codes for items like Derek's audio book, *Why Israel?*
- A practical article on Seven Ways to Pray for Israel.
- A Proclamation Card for you to read aloud—and QR codes for more.
- Links to many YouTube videos.
- Testimonies from organizations around the world.

Our prayer for you as you enjoy this special publication commemorating Israel's 75th birthday is that the favor and blessing of the Lord will be your portion.

The International Publishing Team of Derek Prince Ministries



A Drama

in Three Acts

BY DEREK PRINCE

In the unfolding revelation of God to man, Jerusalem fulfils a double function. It provides both the stage upon which truth is enacted and the centre from which it is disseminated. We can think of this revelation as a drama in three acts, spanning three millennia, of which God Himself is the Director. Each act has its special theme and each is set in Jerusalem. For Act I, we go back to the days of David and Solomon—the beginning of Jerusalem’s history as a city of importance.

The theme of Act I is the blessedness of a nation united under God. The climax of the revelation is Solomon’s temple, with its unimaginable splendour, set in the midst of a people enjoying peace, well-being, and abundance without parallel in human history.

Yet God’s purpose in sending such prosperity—as in all His dealings with the Jews—was not for their sakes alone. He designed that the testimony of this blessedness, and the reason for it, should go forth from Jerusalem to all nations. In making preparation for the building of the temple, David said, “The house to be built for the LORD must be exceedingly magnificent, famous and glorious throughout all countries” (1 Chronicles 22:5). At the apex of Solomon’s reign this purpose was fulfilled. Royal visitors from all lands, the Queen of Sheba among them, came to Jerusalem to marvel at the glory of the

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temple, the wealth and the wisdom of Solomon, and the prosperity of all Israel.

However, the glory of Solomon’s kingdom was short-lived. Upon his death, disobedience and division undermined the whole structure. The northern part of this divided kingdom, known as Israel, was uprooted by Assyria and scattered among the surrounding nations.

Later, the southern part, known as Judah, with Jerusalem as its capital, was defeated by Babylon. Jerusalem and the glorious temple were destroyed; Judah was removed to exile in Babylon.

In due course a remnant of Judah came back to reoccupy Jerusalem and the surrounding territory. For the next five centuries the Jewish state that was thus restored struggled along in the shadow of various

pagan empires, culminating with Rome. And the stage is set for Act II . . .

The theme of Act II is *reconciliation—between God and man, between God’s love and God’s justice.* Speaking as a Father to children who had turned away, divine Love called, “Come back!” But speaking as a Judge, divine Justice declared, “You are guilty; you are not fit to come.”

On the hill called Golgotha, just outside the walls of Jerusalem, reconciliation was accomplished. Justice was satisfied once and for all by the atoning death of God’s own sinless Son, fulfilling Isaiah’s prophecy: “All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned, every one, to his own way; and the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all” (Isaiah 53:6). Then Love was able to make the offer of full and final pardon, expressed also by Isaiah: “Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall be as wool” (Isaiah 1:18).

Once again, Jerusalem was to be the centre from which the testimony of divine truth—this time the fact of reconciliation—should go forth. Speaking to His disciples after His resurrection, Jesus explained that His death had fulfilled the prophecies of Scripture and opened the way for the message of pardon and peace to be proclaimed to all nations: “Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem” (Luke 24:46-47). He also promised to endue His disciples with the supernatural power of the Holy Spirit to make their testimony effective: “But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth” (Acts 1:8).

From Jerusalem as its center the message of reconciliation was to go forth in an ever-expanding circle—to Judea, to Samaria, and finally to the ends of the earth. For nineteen centuries this has been the central thrust of Jesus’ disciples.

At the close of the nineteenth century, God began to set the stage for Act III. The theme this time is the government of the nations.

The issue is stated by David: “For the kingdom is the LORD’S: and He rules over the nations” (Psalm 22:28). The God of Israel has declared that His authority extends over all nations. Furthermore, He has appointed a King of His own choosing, of whom He has said, “Also I will make him My firstborn, The highest of the kings of the earth.” (Psalm 89:27). In the face of earth’s opposition and rejection, He has declared, “Yet I have set My King On My holy hill of Zion.” (Psalm 2:6). To earth’s rulers He has given solemn warning that He requires their submission to this King whom He has chosen: “Now therefore, O kings, show discernment; take warning, O judges of the earth . . . Do homage to the Son, lest He become angry, and you perish in the way, for His wrath may soon be kindled” (Psalm 2:10, 12 NASB).

By the end of Act III God will have vindicated His authority and established His King and His kingdom over all the earth.

Jesus explained that His death had fulfilled the prophecies of Scripture and opened the way for the message of pardon and peace to be proclaimed to all nations.

The stage was set for Act III by a decisive intervention of God in history: *the regathering of the Jews in their own land.* On May 14, 1948, after half a century of struggle, the modern State of Israel was born. Of the countless prophecies in Scripture that refer to the close of the present age, all without exception assume one thing: the presence of Israel as a nation in their own land. Until Israel was thus restored as a nation, none of

these prophecies could be fulfilled. Now the way is open for the fulfilment of them all.

Out of all these prophetic visions of the end time, one of the most complete is found in the last three chapters of Zechariah—12 through 14. We will therefore use these three chapters as a frame of reference to make a phase-by-phase outline of the main events that are yet to take place in Jerusalem.

In the opening verse the Lord gives three reasons why He is able both to predict and to control with perfect accuracy the events that are to follow. It is He who “stretches out the heavens, lays the foundation of the earth, and forms the spirit of man within him” (12:1). From the height of heaven to the depth of earth, the Lord is in complete control of the physical universe. In addition, He knows and controls “the spirit of man”—the innermost attitudes, motives, and purposes of every man on earth. Therefore His predictions are infallible.

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**So all this had really been planned by God—before it actually happened!
The realization was awesome. How necessary it was for me to play my role faithfully
so that God’s purposes could be fully worked out.**

Lydia Prince—*Appointment in Jerusalem*

New Partnership

Derek Prince Ministries and Christian Friends of Israel

Mid—2022, a new partnership was launched: DPM and Christian Friends of Israel (CFI) united their strengths to provide the Body of Christ in Israel with Derek's resources. Thanks to a personal relationship with Derek, the CFI ministry looks forward to assisting wherever possible with distributing these resources.

In January 2023, Rudy and Sharon Friesen joined the CFI—Jerusalem team as First Fruits Coordinators. They report:

“Our mandate is to support the community of believers in Yeshua as Messiah in practical ways: financial, spiritual, and printed material support. CFI—Jerusalem has partnered with Derek Prince Ministries to provide the distribution of their materials in Israel. Whenever and wherever we go, we look for opportunities to distribute these materials, in multiple languages. We are believing that 2023 will be a year with a lot of opportunity to build up the believing community and Derek Prince's materials can be greatly used to do this.”

“Derek Prince was a true friend of Christian Friends of Israel (CFI). Not only an advisor through the years, but he gave his best teachings at our conferences in Jerusalem for a number of years. I was at the bedside of Derek and Ruth both, personally, and would take Derek to the hospital before Ruth passed. Before Derek left, he said, ‘I wish to send information about CFI to my people so that they are aware of what is being done for the Jewish people on a grassroots level of ministry.’ Derek always said, ‘God never makes mistakes’ and He certainly saw to it that our two ministries complemented one another. Thank you, DPM, for extending your hand to us... as we extend it back in Christian love.”

Sharon Sanders, co-founder of CFI



Christian Friends of Israel - Jerusalem

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Nothing happens by accident. God is at work reshaping His people, as it seems best to Him.

Derek Prince—The Key to the Middle East



Russian Outreach in Israel

By Vazgen Arseni, Director DPM Russia/Caucasus

Many people are unaware that the Russian language is spoken natively by a considerable proportion of the population of Israel, mostly by immigrants who came from the former Soviet Union from 1989 onwards. It is a major foreign language in the country, and is used in many aspects of life. Russian is the third most common language in Israel after Modern Hebrew and Arabic.

The Russian-speaking population of Israel is the world's third-largest population of Russian native-speakers living outside the former Soviet Union territories after Germany and the United States. Israel's Russian speakers are also the highest as a proportion of the population. As of 2022, Russian-speaking Israelis number around 1,300,000 people, or 15% of the Israeli population.

In 1999, the number of Christian believers in Israel in total was approximately 5,000. Today, 5,000 is just the number of Christian believers in Russian-speaking congregations in Israel. And of course, as observers of the Messianic scene in Israel are aware, the number of local ministries has also multiplied, with new initiatives constantly underway.

These Russians are very much open to the gospel. That is why our ministry has decided to do our best to reach out and disciple them.

Tony, leader of the Kvar Saba Jewish Messianic community, says that Derek Prince's teachings have left an indescribable mark on his life and ministry. In fact, the foundation of his community is the teachings of Derek Prince.

Today, there is a great thirst among the Russian-speaking population of Israel for the teachings of Derek Prince. The statistics of our YouTube page in Russian also testify to that.

In the future, we plan to broadcast Derek Prince's teachings on local Christian television channels, and we also plan to republish Derek's book, *Appointment in Jerusalem*, which is a favorite book among Russian-speaking Jews in Israel.

Olga (name changed) is a lecturer at one of the educational centers in Israel, where there are many Russian-speaking Jews. For some time, she took many copies of *Appointment in Jerusalem*

from our office and distributed that book to her students. Olga also instructed them to analyze it and retell the story during class. She tells how much excitement and interest there was in the students' eyes when they shared their impressions of that book.

It is a great privilege for us to have such an opportunity to reach and teach the Russian-speaking Jews of Israel with Derek's Bible teachings.

The Russian-speaking population in Israel is perhaps the most open to the gospel.



A Drama in Three Acts

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Viewing Jerusalem as the stage set for Act III of the divine drama, let us divide the prophetic vision that now follows into nine successive “scenes,” each representing a phase of the unfolding vision. Some scenes may partially overlap; between others there may be a considerable interval.

SCENE 1

The Arab Reaction

“Behold, I am going to make Jerusalem a cup that causes reeling to all the peoples around; and when the siege is against Jerusalem, it will also be against Judah.” (ZECHARIAH 12:2, NASB 1995)

Here is the first, immediate outcome of the formation of the State of Israel: a violent reaction by “all the peoples around,” resulting in a siege directed against both Jerusalem and Judah (the Jewish people). Who are all the peoples around the State of Israel? Lebanon, Syria, Iraq, Jordan, Arabia, Egypt.

Clearly, this first phase of the prophecy has already been fulfilled. As soon as the State of Israel came into being, all these nations immediately declared war on it and set out to annihilate it. For two months, Jewish Jerusalem was besieged and was almost forced to capitulate through starvation. Upon this siege hung the destiny of all Judah (the Jewish people in Israel). Had Jewish Jerusalem fallen, the State of Israel would never have survived.

SCENE 2

The Heavy Stone

“It will come about in that day that I will make Jerusalem a heavy stone for all the peoples; all who lift it will be severely injured.” (ZECHARIAH 12:3, NASB 1995)

The scope of the prophecy is extending. Now it speaks of *all the peoples*—not merely all those around the State of Israel. All peoples of the earth are to become involved with the problem of Jerusalem, yet none will be able to solve it.

In a measure this, too, has already happened. In 1947-1948, Great Britain tried to lift the stone, but was “severely injured.” (How significant it is that the disintegration of the British Empire can be traced back to this very point in history!) When Britain laid the stone down, Count Bernadotte of Sweden sought to intervene as a mediator—but was assassinated. The stone was then handed over to the United Nations (representing “all the peoples”) and has become the most intransigent issue in international politics.



God has issued a warning to any nation, any government, any politician who would seek to impose a merely human solution on Jerusalem. All who attempt this will be “severely injured.”

SCENE 3

All Nations Against Israel

“And all the nations of the earth will be gathered against it [Jerusalem].” (ZECHARIAH 12:3, NASB)

At the time of this writing, this has not yet happened. But the possibility that it could happen is by no means remote. Indeed, with the international oil crisis, a conceivable rationale for such a universal gathering is provided—a crisis unimaginable in the days of Zechariah or in fact until the advent of the internal combustion engine in the 20th century.

In 1947, when the United Nations first voted to bring into being the State of Israel, they also adopted a resolution to put the city of Jerusalem under international control. This resolution has never been implemented; but neither has it been rescinded. Suppose that the United Nations were to revive this resolution and then demand that Israel hand over to them, as the international authority, the control of Jerusalem. And suppose that Israel should refuse to do this. What then? If the United Nations should gather an international army to enforce its decision, against the resistance of Israel, the result would be just what Zechariah has predicted.

Of course, this is only one of various possible ways in which this final, universal attack against Jerusalem could come about. The permutations and combinations of international politics are so

intricate that only the infinite wisdom of God Himself can foresee with absolute certainty the course that events will follow. But at this point there lurks in the wings, waiting his cue to appear on stage, the sinister figure of a false messiah. Zechariah calls him “the worthless shepherd” (11:17 NASB). The New Testament writers call him “the man of lawlessness... the son of destruction” (2 Thessalonians 2:3, NASB), “the antichrist” (1 John 2:22, NASB), and the “beast” (Revelation 13:1-4, NASB). (This last word means specifically a fierce, wild beast.)

It is equally difficult to predict the precise role that this antichrist will play in this phase of the drama. A man of unique intelligence and personal charisma, he will rise, through strange and dramatic events, to a position of dominance in world politics. With his uncanny ability to manipulate men and nations, he will negotiate some kind of treaty with Israel, which will enable them to build a national temple in Jerusalem. (See Daniel 9:27.) This will gain him overwhelming favour in the eyes of millions of Jews. In fact, it will be sufficient to cause many of them to acknowledge him as their messiah—although this identification will have no basis in Scripture.

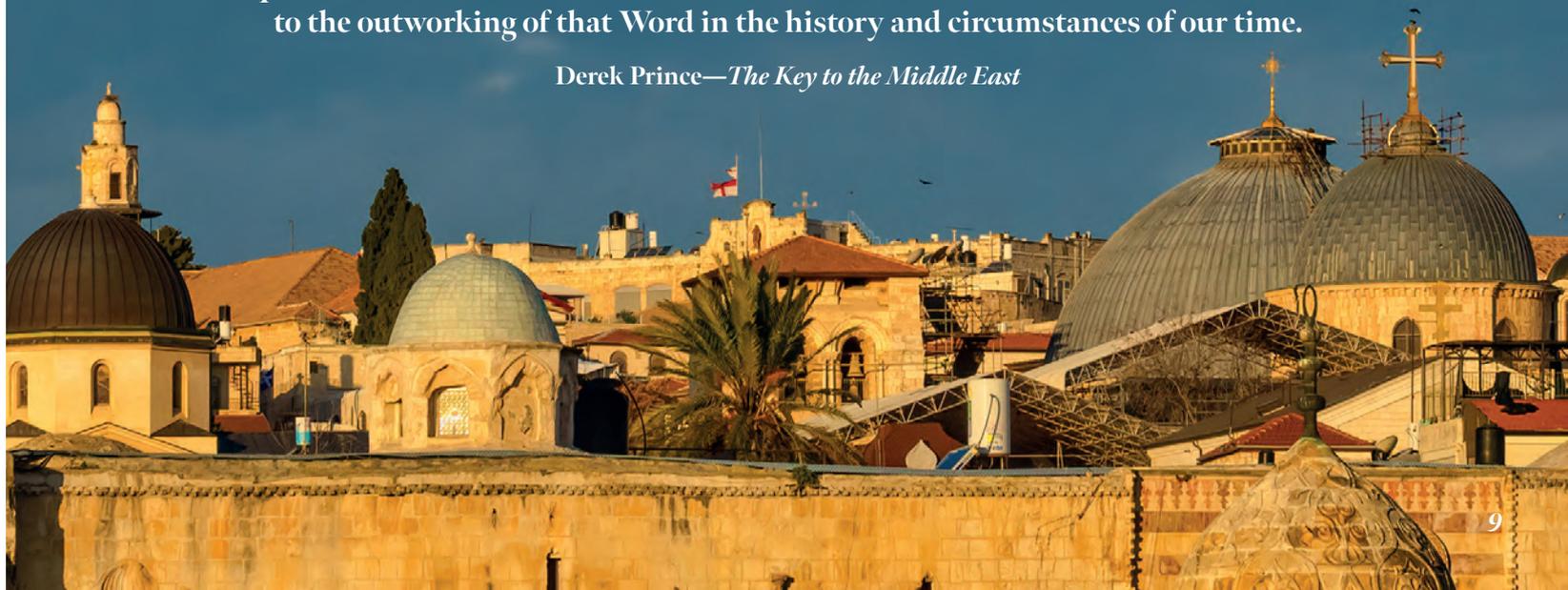
Before the treaty with Israel has run its course, the treacherous deception of this antichrist will be laid bare. Breaking his word to Israel, he will demand that he himself take his place in this temple and be worshipped there as God. (See 2 Thessalonians 2:3-4; Revelation 13:4, 8.) Every sincere Jew will totally reject this blasphemous demand.

In revenge, antichrist will turn against the whole Jewish nation with a ferocity that will fully justify the title of “wild beast”, and he will use his worldwide influence to stir up war against the State of Israel and persecution against Jews in all nations.

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The question is not whether God’s Word will be fulfilled, but how we will relate ourselves to the outworking of that Word in the history and circumstances of our time.

Derek Prince—*The Key to the Middle East*



Without attempting to unravel all the subtleties and deceptions of antichrist's diplomacy, we move on to its final outcome, which, as we have already seen, is clearly stated: "All the nations of the earth will be gathered against it [Jerusalem]."

"The city will be captured, the houses plundered, the women ravished, and half of the city exiled."

The defenders of Jerusalem will eventually be brought to the verge of total disaster: "The city will be captured, the houses plundered, the women ravished, and half of the city exiled" (Zechariah 14:2, NASB 1995).

Indeed, grim disaster will confront Israel throughout the whole land. Two out of every three Jews in the land will be killed. But the remaining third, spared by divine mercy, will emerge to acknowledge the Lord as their Saviour and Deliverer. (See Zechariah 13, verses 8-9.)

This will mark the climax of the period called by Jeremiah "the time of Jacob's trouble" (Jeremiah 30:7). The angel Gabriel told Daniel, concerning this period, "There shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation [of Israel] even to that time" (Daniel 12:1).

However, both Jeremiah and Daniel promised Israel ultimate deliverance. Jeremiah said, "But he [Jacob] shall be saved out of it" (Jeremiah 30:7). Gabriel told Daniel, "And at that time your people shall be delivered, Every one who is found written in the book" (Daniel 12:1). Those who are "written in the book" are those foreknown and foreordained by God, corresponding to the one-third remnant of Zechariah.

"There shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation [of Israel] even to that same time."

SCENE 4:

God Intervenes

Then the Lord will go forth, And fight against those nations, As He fights in the day of battle.
(ZECHARIAH 14:3)

At this point something will take place that is almost unthinkable to modern, sophisticated man. When all hope is gone for Israel's survival as a nation, God Himself will intervene. The purpose of His intervention will be twofold: to bring judgment on the nations attacking Jerusalem and to show mercy upon Israel. (See Zechariah 12, verses 9-10; chapter 14, verse 3.)

This intervention of God against the army besieging Jerusalem will not be "military" in the normal sense. It will be a supernatural plague, affecting both the minds and the bodies of the attacking forces.

Ultimately these will turn in total confusion against one another and will bring about their own destruction. (See Zechariah 12, verse 4; chapter 14, verses 12-15.) At the same time the Lord will also move supernaturally by His Holy Spirit upon the hearts of Israel, revealing Himself to them as the One whom they have rejected and crucified:

"I will pour out on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the Spirit of grace and of supplication, so that they will look on Me whom they have pierced; and they will mourn for Him, as one mourns for an only son, and they will weep bitterly over Him, like the bitter weeping over a first-born."
(ZECHARIAH 12:10, NASB 1995)

The result will be a time of deep mourning and repentance for all who survive in Israel, such as the nation has never yet known. (See chapter 12, verses 12-14.)

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Neither politicians with their conferences nor generals with their armies could solve Jerusalem's problems. The answer must be sought on a higher plan. Spiritual force must be met by spiritual force. There was only one power strong enough to overcome the opposing forces of evil – the power of prayer .

Lydia Prince – *Appointment in Jerusalem*



EBENEZER OPERATION EXODUS

We remember Derek Prince with great fondness and respect and consider it a privilege to contribute to this special publication.



It has been an encouragement to us that Derek Prince was a warm supporter of the ministry of Ebenezer Operation Exodus and spoke at some of our conferences, encouraging us to pray for and support Israel. Our work in Israel continues and we have an office in Jerusalem from where our team assists Jewish immigrants to settle once they have returned 'home'. We also now run a house in Haifa, providing new immigrants with a place to stay when they first arrive; our Jewish guests can stay there short term and be supported in their absorption process. In addition, we support other projects in Israel, including Youth Aliyah villages, and new Jewish immigrants from Ethiopia.

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Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord

A PROCLAMATION FOR ISRAEL

He who scattered Israel is^a gathering him,
and will keep him as a shepherd keeps his flock. **1**
Let them all be confounded and turned back that hate Zion.
Let them be as the grass upon the housetops,
which withers before it grows up. **2**

Lord, confuse the wicked, confound their words. **3**
The sceptre of the wicked will not remain over the land
allotted to the righteous. **4**

For the Lord will not forsake His people,
for His great name's sake, because it has pleased
the Lord to make Israel His people. **5**

Let all the earth fear the Lord;
let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him.

For He spoke, and it was done;
He commanded, and it stood fast.

The Lord brings the counsel of the nations to nothing;
He makes the plans of the peoples of no effect.

The counsel of the Lord stands forever,
the plans of His heart to all generations.

Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord,
and the people whom He has chosen
as His own inheritance. **6**

Show Your marvellous lovingkindness
by Your right hand,

O You who save those who trust in You
from those who rise up against them.

Keep Israel^b as the apple of Your eye;
Hide them under the shadow of Your wings,
from the wicked who oppress them,
from their deadly enemies who surround them. **7**

"If it had not been the Lord who was on our side,"
let Israel now say –

"If it had not been the Lord who was on our side,
when men rose up against us,
then they would have swallowed us alive,
when their wrath was kindled against us;
then the waters would have overwhelmed us,
the stream would have swept over our soul;
then the swollen waters would have swept over our soul."

Blessed be the Lord,
who has not given us as prey to their teeth.

Our soul has escaped as a bird
from the snare of the fowlers;
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.

**Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth. **8****

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^a Changed to present tense because it is happening now ^b Changed to Israel

FREE AUDIOBOOK: *Why Israel?*

Derek Prince was a man who truly loved Israel. He dedicated much of his time to teaching people about the biblical significance of this nation. Thanks to the efforts of Derek Prince Ministries, his teachings on Israel are more accessible than ever.

Now, the booklet *Why Israel?*, by Derek Prince, has been narrated by Joshua Aaron, a Messianic Jew and a full-time psalmist. Aaron is dedicated to sharing the message of the coming Messiah through his music, having made aliyah to Israel from the USA with his family.

Why Israel? covers a range of topics related to Israel, including the uniqueness of the nation, prophetic confirmation, God's sovereignty, and the roles of Jews and Gentiles in God's divine plan. With the addition of Aaron's narration, the audiobook is sure to provide listeners with a rich and meaningful experience. Whether you're a long-time supporter of Derek Prince Ministries or simply interested in learning more about the biblical significance of Israel, this audiobook is not to be missed.



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Derek Prince Israel

GEORGE & BETTY JACKSON

Our first trip to Israel was more than 50 years ago with Derek and Lydia Prince. Since then, from the world's perspective, Israel has become a significant leader in many world markets. Tourism is booming, hotels are crowded, and tour sites are full of buses and often with waiting lines to enter. But, where is the Holy Spirit moving in the culture?

I was greatly encouraged in talking recently with a few Israeli friends. A young man of 35, assisted by a friend of 15 years, is leading two home groups near Tel Aviv. They then go out at night to the busiest area of Tel Aviv and speak of the Messiah on the street.

Also, a well-known pastor in Jerusalem hosts a group of 40-120 Israelis to teach them the Bible. The ages of the attendees range from 18 to 40 so these will be people of growing influence in their communities.

A prominent Jerusalem artist, whom we have known for more than 25 years, is watching Derek Prince on YouTube.

During our last trip to Israel in February, we invited several of our friends to the hotel for fellowship each day. We spent time listening to their lives in Israel and could see God is moving!

And our outreach in Israel continues. Materials we have used for both distribution and internet content:

- 25 Books translated into Hebrew
- 24 Audio messages in Hebrew
- 23 Teaching Articles in Hebrew
- A Hebrew and English website. We are presently working to develop a new website that will be interactive in both Hebrew and English.
- Derek Prince mobile Apps in Hebrew and English.
- Book distribution through public locations in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv.
- Pastors request books, which we supply to them free of cost.
- Financial support for summer Messianic youth camps.
- Home group leaders use Derek's Hebrew materials.





Seven Ways To Pray For Israel

BY DEREK PRINCE

A little over one hundred years ago, Israel was an insignificant little country in the province of the Ottoman Empire. If the people who were living at that time were told that in one hundred years in the future, Jerusalem would be the center of world attention and conflict, they would not have been able to believe it. This is just one simple example of the amazing accuracy of biblical prophecy. When God's timing comes, His word comes into fulfillment.

Over the years, many people have expressed their desire to be praying for Israel, but they have not really known *how* to pray. In this study article I am going to recommend seven ways you can pray for Israel and the situation in the Middle East.

1. Enter Into God's Presence With Thanksgiving And Praise

It is always appropriate to begin, not with petitions, but with thanksgiving (see Psalm 100:4). Give the Lord thanks for what He has done, is doing and will continue to do for Israel. God has given us a pattern for this in the words of His prophet in Jeremiah 31:7:

Sing with gladness for Jacob, and shout among the chief of the nations; Proclaim, give praise, and say, 'O LORD, save Your people, the remnant of Israel.'

Notice the five actions the Lord tells us to undertake: sing, shout, proclaim, praise, and pray. Notice also that prayer comes at the end.

One major continuing theme of our thanksgiving to God should be for His covenant-keeping mercy and faithfulness in restoring Israel. As I understand it, at this time in history the number one priority for God is the restoration of Israel. If the amount of space given

in the Bible is any indication, there is chapter after chapter dealing with this theme. Furthermore, Scripture makes it absolutely clear that Jesus will not come back until the Jews have been re-established in Israel.

There is one person in the universe who hates and fears the thought of Jesus' return more than anything else: Satan. He is sufficiently acquainted with Scripture to know that if he can frustrate 1) the return of the Jews to their land, and 2) the establishment of Jerusalem as their capital city, then Jesus will not come back.

2. Pray For Israel's Salvation

If you are only going to pray one prayer, the best one is Paul's prayer in Romans 10, verse 1: *Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they may be saved.*

If you are not saved, you are lost. There is no middle ground between these two truths. The most important issue for Jew or Gentile is to be saved. That is why I have certain reservations about all the excitement over what is going on in Israel, with regard to the restoration of the Jewish people. Sometimes, mature Christians begin to think and act as though all that matters is that you are Jewish. It is not! Jews and Gentiles alike all need to be saved.

3. Pray For The Release Of The Holy Spirit Upon Israel

When you are praying for Israel, don't start by focusing on political issues. God often tolerates situations He doesn't approve of because He's waiting for "His own special people" (see Titus 2:11–14). The only power that will accomplish this is the invisible power of the Holy Spirit. Zechariah 4:6 says:

This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel: "Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit," says the Lord of hosts.

If it was a question of might or power, God has it all. But might and power—even military power—will not do what needs to be done to change the hearts of men and women. The only agent that can do that is the Holy Spirit. So the primary necessity is not that the Jewish people have their message preached to them, but rather that the Holy Spirit begins to move upon them and turn their hearts back to God. "Then they will look on Me whom they pierced" (Zechariah 12:10).

4. Pray For The Harvest Of The Gentiles

Let's look at Romans 11:25, which says this:

Blindness [or hardness] in part has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in. And so all Israel will be saved (NKJV).

Paul is saying that all Israel will not be saved until every Gentile, who has been appointed by God for salvation, has come in. If we are truly concerned for Israel, we have a very important reason to be concerned for the salvation of the Gentiles as well.

5. Pray For Godly Leadership

The next petition I would suggest is that God will raise up leadership in Israel that will do His will—political leadership, military leadership, spiritual leadership—and that He'll give wisdom to those leaders who are now serving, especially to the Prime Minister.

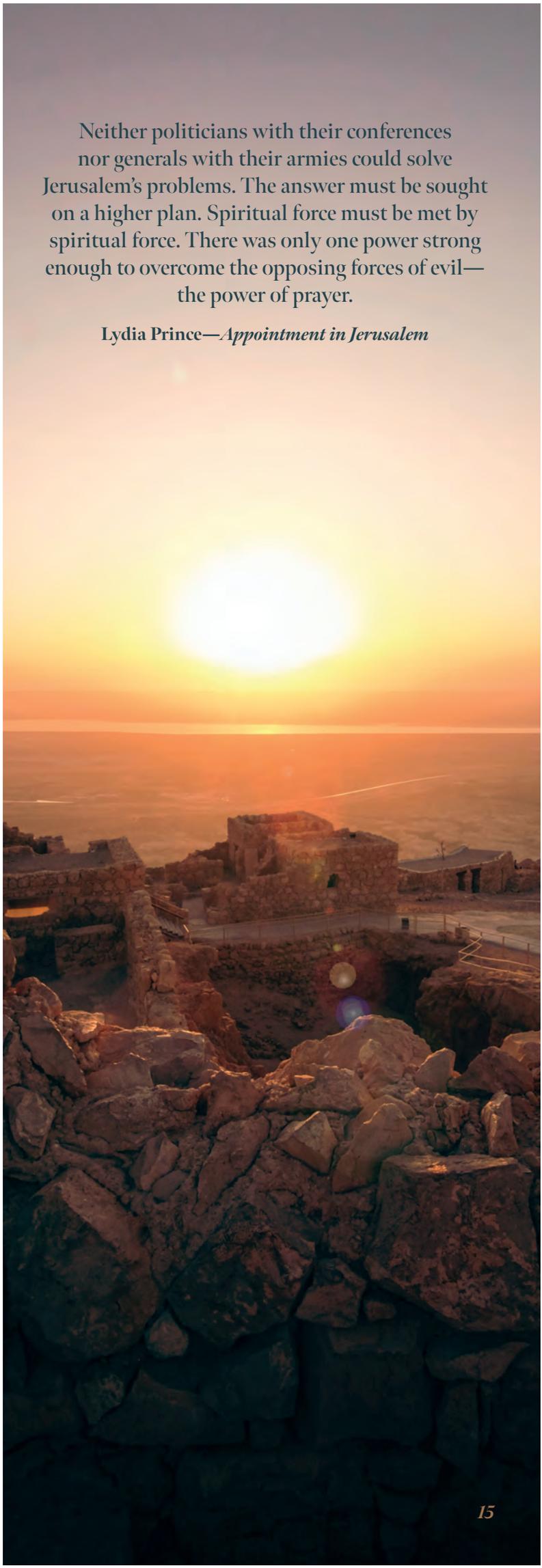
This also relates to the boundaries of the land. I believe we could well pray for God to restore Israel to the boundaries that He has ordained for them at this time. Here is what Psalm 125, verse 3, declares:

The scepter of wickedness will not remain over the land allotted to the righteous (NIV).

I believe that is a scriptural basis for praying Israel back into God's program for their ordained inheritance.

6. Stay Within The Parameter Of God's Word

There is a good deal of praying for the Jews which is sentimental. I don't think it accomplishes much. Don't ask God to do something He said He will not do, because you won't change God.



Neither politicians with their conferences nor generals with their armies could solve Jerusalem's problems. The answer must be sought on a higher plan. Spiritual force must be met by spiritual force. There was only one power strong enough to overcome the opposing forces of evil—the power of prayer.

Lydia Prince—*Appointment in Jerusalem*

Let me give you just one example. In Matthew 24:20, Jesus, speaking about a crisis that will develop in Israel, says to His followers: *“Pray that your flight will not take place in winter or on the Sabbath...”*

That sets very clear parameters. He does not say, “Pray that you won’t have to flee,” because you will have to flee. There are only 2 limitations that you can pray: 1) That you may not have to flee in the winter because it would be a great hardship, and 2) That you may not have to flee on the Sabbath.

So pray and proclaim according to the Scripture and release His promises into the destiny of Israel. For example, we can pray for the Lord to do the following:

- Show His mercy and favor to Israel in this appointed time. (Psalm 102:13)
- Gather Israel, and to keep them as a shepherd keeps His flock. (Jeremiah 31:10)
- Let them all be confounded and turned back that hate Zion. (Psalm 129:5–6)
- Destroy and divide the tongues of those who would incite violence against Israel. (Psalm 55:9)
- Bring the counsel of the nations to nothing, and to make their plans of no effect. (Psalm 33:8–12)
- Give peace to Jerusalem (Psalm 122:6)
- Turn the hearts of the people of Israel to trust in the name of the Lord for deliverance—not in the “chariots and horses” of their military might. (Zechariah 4:6)

You might also like to include the proclamation from page 11 in your prayers.

7. Confess Any Appropriate Sins

The true intercessor is one who has come to confess sin before the Lord. The perfect pattern of this is Daniel. When Daniel saw that the time for the

restoration of his people to Jerusalem had come, he came before the Lord in prayer. Though he was an outstandingly righteous man, he identified himself with the sins of his people. He says in Daniel 9:5:

“We have sinned and committed iniquity, we have done wickedly and rebelled, even by departing from Your precepts and Your judgments.”

Likewise, we have to identify ourselves with the sins of our family, our inheritance, our culture, our nation. Christians have plenty of sins to confess against the Jews. The Jews have their own sins to confess against the Gentiles. I doubt whether intercession will be fully effective until the problem of unconfessed sin has been dealt with.

Bless and be blessed

When it comes to Israel, remember that reluctant prophet, Balaam. He was hired to curse Israel, but under the overruling of God he ended up by blessing Israel more and more. Finally, he says:

“Blessed is he who blesses you, and cursed is he who curses you” (Numbers 24:9).

We have a choice. If you bless Israel God will bless you, if you curse Israel God will curse you. Anti-Semitism automatically brings the curse of God upon an individual, a community, a church, a nation, or a civilization.

I saw the British government emerge from two world wars victorious, but I was actually living in Jerusalem when the British administration took its stand opposing the birth of the state of Israel. Do you know what happened? Israel survived, but the British Empire didn’t. It disintegrated without any obvious political reason. If you want to be blessed, then you have to bless Israel.

(This teaching is taken from Update Message 16 and Derek Prince’s sermon *How to Pray for Israel*)

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Reaching out

to the Jewish community around the world

Thank you for supporting DPM. Because of the generosity of supporters, Derek Prince Ministries outreach workers and volunteers continue to reach out to Israel by:

- Translating and publishing Derek Prince's **materials in Hebrew**, including books, CD's and DVDs. The need for solid teaching in Israel is great because the Messianic church here is young and has great spiritual needs.
- Making Derek's teaching resources available to **the Israeli Ethiopian community** and equipping them to share the good news of Jesus with local Jewish people.
- **Discipling Russian believers** and encouraging their churches in Israel. Over 15% of Israel's population is made up of people who returned from Russian exile to their homeland. With the help of DPM Russia/Caucasus, we are seeking to provide resources to the Russian churches in Israel.
- **Reaching Arabic speakers** in Israel through Voice of Hope radio (<http://radiovoh.com>) and through Derek's books in Arabic.
- **Raising awareness and prayer support** for Israel. Hundreds of tour groups visit Israel every year, and thanks to your generosity we can seize new opportunities to inspire Christians to pray for Israel by giving out free copies of Derek's booklet, *Our Debt to Israel*, to every English-speaking believer on selected Christian tours.
- **Equipping leaders and Israeli youth** by developing and promoting a new Hebrew/English mobile App. This app will include the entire Bible, with links throughout to Derek's teaching, along with daily devotionals in print and audio, and a yearly reading plan.
- **Strengthening our online presence** on social media by uploading Derek's teaching on social channels and engaging with new generations of Jewish seekers and new believers.

Reaching the Jewish Lemba people in Southern Africa

The Lemba, a tribe of 70,000 to 80,000 members who live in central Zimbabwe and northern South Africa, have a unique history. According to their oral tradition, the Lemba are descended from seven Jewish men who left Israel 2,500 years ago and married African women. DNA tests indeed reveal that many of the Lemba tribesmen have Jewish origins.

Although, according to oral history, their 'Book' (the Torah) got lost during their journey from Israel to Zimbabwe, their customs are similar to Jewish ones. For instance, they refrain from eating pork or other foods forbidden by the Torah, they have a holy day once a week, and even put a Star of David on their gravestones. In recent years, the Lemba community is experiencing a "Jewish revival," aiming to learn Hebrew and Torah, to build their own synagogues and to engage in mainstream Judaism.

Therefore, the team of Derek Prince Ministries in South Africa considers it both a privilege as well as an important calling from the Lord to serve the Lemba people with Derek Prince's Bible teaching.

In recent years, gift packs with Derek's resources have frequently been sent to the Lemba people, as well as Lemba pastors in both Zimbabwe and South Africa. The gift packs contain Derek's teaching on Israel as well as other titles that clearly present the Gospel.

In addition to the gift packs, solar players were given to the top leaders as well as Derek's *Laying the Foundations* DVDs in Venda-language. Not all of them are believers in Yeshua and others lean more to the traditional Jewish Synagogue. Please join us in prayer that many of them will have their eyes opened to receive Jesus as their Messiah.

Derek's Sermons Subtitled in Hebrew

In October 2022, a huge and exciting project was launched, called the Septuagint Project, which aims to translate the subtitles of Derek's 70 most important video and audio sermons in 70 languages and share them on platforms such as YouTube.

The name of the project has historic roots. In the 3rd and 2nd centuries BC, Jewish rabbis set to work to produce a Greek translation of the Old Testament called the Septuagint. This name, Septuagint, is a Greek word meaning 70 (written as LXX in Roman numerals), based on the legend that there were 70 translators working on this translation, which made the complete Tanakh (Old Testament) available to the whole known world at that time. DPM's Septuagint Project is a 21st-century approach to reaching the whole world with the Word of God!

Reaching Millions

YouTube's reach continues to grow. It is the second most visited website on the planet, after google.com. Derek Prince's videos on the two largest YouTube

channels are currently seeing approximately 4 million views a month, or 50 million views a year. However, since the majority of these videos are posted by English-speaking nations, the demand for subtitles in multiples languages is increasing rapidly. As a result, DPM offices and individual Christians from around the world regularly contact us about the availability of translated subtitles.

Subtitles help viewers to understand the message, especially hearing impaired and non-English viewers. They also help YouTube to know the subject-matter of the videos, so that it can provide better search results for their viewers. This increases our potential to reach both Christians and non-Christians with the Biblical truths they need.

The entire Septuagint Project, Project LXX, is likely to run for at least 5 to 6 years but the first results were already booked when in January the first 30 Hebrew subtitles were completed. Now, Hebrew-speaking believers and seekers can watch Derek's sermons in their own language... and more is to come!



Vision for Israel is a non-profit humanitarian aid organization dedicated to the physical and spiritual restoration of Israel. Founded in 1994 by Barry and Batya Segal, Vision for Israel has been serving the nation of Israel with assistance to Holocaust Survivors, victims of terror attacks, the poor and needy, orphans and foster children, helping lone soldiers, providing medical and emergency aid as well as working with the homeless and refugees when called upon.

Derek Prince had a profound impact in the life of Barry from the age of 17. Barry served both Derek and Lydia, and later Derek and Ruth. He went on to move to Israel with the Princes in the summer of 1981, living with Derek and Ruth for six years in their home in Jerusalem while assisting them to complete the building of their new house. Barry helped to establish their ministry by setting up a DPM lending library for the local believers in Israel. Derek also

conducted Barry and Batya's marriage ceremony in Jerusalem.

It was always part of Derek's heart to take care of those in need and to have a burden for the lost. This also became an integral part of our heart's desire at Vision for Israel.

Derek Prince Ministries International has supported the work of Vision for Israel for many years.

Barry Segal, President & Co-founder
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Drama

A in Three Acts

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SCENE 5

The King Appears

In that day His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, which is in front of Jerusalem on the east . . . Then the LORD, my God, will come, and all the holy ones with Him! (ZECHARIAH 14:4-5, NASB 1995)

Apparently, up to this point, the Lord's intervention—both against the attacking nations and on behalf of Israel—will be achieved by spiritual power. But, at some moment never exactly revealed, the most dramatic event in all history will take place. Accompanied by innumerable hosts, both of angels and of resurrected believers, Jesus Himself will descend from heaven and His feet will light upon the Mount of Olives.

God will thus redeem the promise given by the angels to the disciples at the time when Jesus ascended to heaven: "This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven" (Acts 1:11). He went up in a cloud; He will descend in a cloud. He went from the Mount of Olives; He will return to the Mount of Olives.

SCENE 6

Earthquake and Upheaval

. . . and the Mount of Olives will be split in its middle from east to west by a very large valley, so that half of the mountain will move toward the north and the other half toward the south. (ZECHARIAH 14:4, NASB 1995)

As a result of the Lord's descent on the Mount of Olives, tremendous geological changes will take place in the whole area. An earthquake will split the Mount of Olives in two, separating the northern part (Mount Scopus) from the southern part (the Mount of Olives proper). The whole of Jerusalem will be lifted up and levelled off, becoming the dominating mountain height in this area. (See Zechariah 14, verse 10.) This agrees with the prophecy given both in Isaiah and in Micah:

In the last days, the mountain of the house of the LORD will be established as the chief of the mountains, and will be raised above the hills.

(ISAIAH 2:2, NASB; SEE ALSO MICAH 4:1, NASB)

Regathered Israel is God's banner to the nations, warning that the present age is near its end. There are only two possibilities—you either believe it or you don't believe it, but you can't change its meaning.

Derek Prince—*The Regathering of Israel*

Meteorological changes will also occur that will make the day that these events take place unlike any other day in earth's history:

In that day there will be no light; the luminaries will dwindle. For it will be a unique day which is known to the LORD, neither day nor night, but it will come about that at evening time there will be light.

(ZECHARIAH 14:6-7, NASB 1995)

Through all the centuries of its history, Jerusalem has never had an adequate water supply of its own. But as a result of these geological upheavals, Jerusalem will become for the first time a source of water. Artesian fountains will be opened there and will flow forth in rivers to the east and to the west. (See chapter 14, verse 8.) To the east a river will flow through the valley formed by the earthquake in the Mount of Olives, descending through the Judean wilderness to the Dead Sea. This river will bring life and fruitfulness wherever it flows. It is described in detail in Ezekiel 47:1-12.

SCENE 7

“In the House of My Friends”

And one will say to him, ‘What are these wounds between your arms?’ Then he will answer, ‘Those with which I was wounded in the house of my friends.’ (ZECHARIAH 13:6)

After His personal descent to earth, the Lord will enter into intimate fellowship with the survivors in Israel. He will make Himself known to them, in the full reality of His humanity, as their Shepherd who laid down His life for His sheep. (See Zechariah 13, verse 7.)

Beholding with wondering awe the marks of His crucifixion, they will ask, “What are these wounds in thine hands?” He will reply, “Those with which I was wounded in the house of my friends” (13:6).

There is a special graciousness in the Hebrew word here translated “my friends.” It means not “those whom I love,” but “those who love me.” After two millennia of estrangement and rejection, the Lord assures His people that He sees the love in their hearts for Himself.

SCENE 8

Cleansing and Renewal

“In that day a fountain will be opened for the house of David and for the inhabitants of Jerusalem, for sin and for impurity.” (ZECHARIAH 13:1, NASB 1995)

In addition to the geological changes, there will be a period of spiritual cleansing and renewal for the land and its people. All forms of idolatry and religious deception will be banished. Thereafter, anyone seeking to practice such things will be put to death. (See Zechariah 13, verses 2-5.)

After His personal descent to earth, the Lord will enter into intimate fellowship with the survivors in Israel.

Out of these purging processes Jerusalem will emerge as indeed “the holy city”—not merely in name, but also in reality. The long-standing distinction between sacred and profane—or between *kosher* and *non-kosher*—will no longer apply in Jerusalem. Everything in the city will be *kosher*—no matter how humble or mundane its use. As it says in Zechariah 14,

In that day there will be inscribed on the bells of the horses, “HOLY TO THE LORD.” And the cooking pots in the LORD’s house will be like the bowls before the altar. Every cooking pot in Jerusalem and in Judah will be holy to the LORD of hosts . . . And there will no longer be a Canaanite [a merchant] in the house of the LORD of hosts in that day. (ZECHARIAH 14:20-21, NASB 1995)

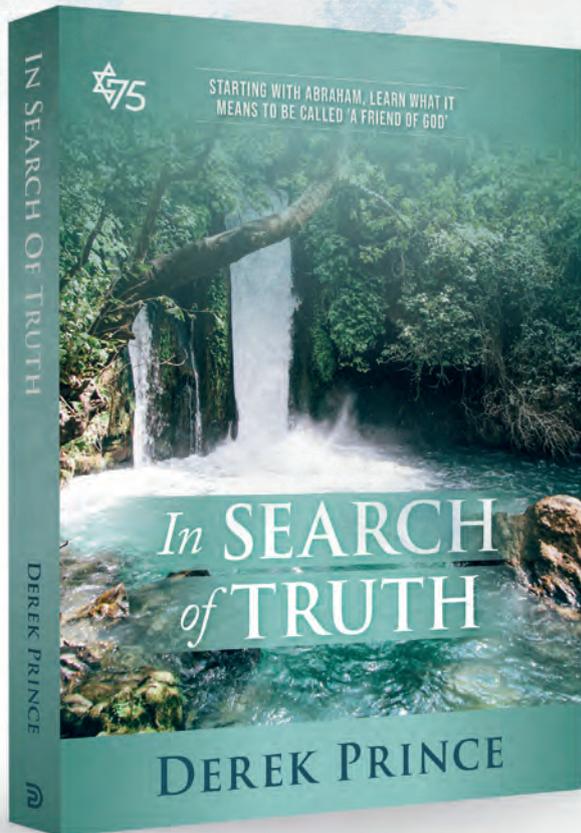
No one will be allowed any longer to exploit the service of God’s house for personal profit.

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God's promise to restore Israel is not based on anything good they have done, but only that God may be glorified through it.

Derek Prince—*The Destiny of Israel and the Church*

Recommended books for further study



In Search of Truth

In Search of Truth is the result of Derek Prince's own search for meaning and purpose in life. Derek sought answers in ancient and modern philosophy, and also in oriental mysticism. However, it was in the study of the Bible, while serving with the British Army during World War II, that he found his answer.

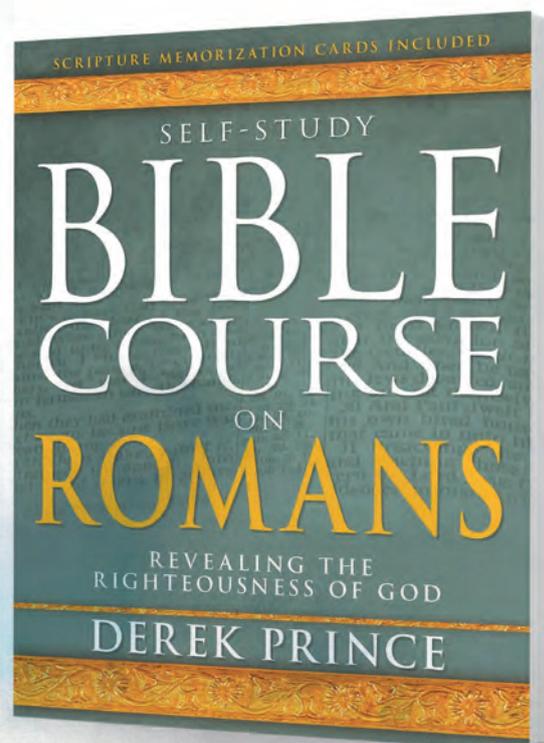
In the late 1950s, while serving as head of a teacher training college in Kenya, Derek Prince prepared a manual to help others who were searching as he had been. That book, the *Self Study Bible Course*, has sold millions of copies in many languages. Derek expanded and revised that original course with believers from a Jewish background in mind into this edition: *In Search of Truth*.

In Search of Truth begins with Abraham, the only person called the "friend of God." From there the seeker proceeds, step by step, through the unfolding destiny of the human race. This book is for the serious student who wants to find out for himself the meaning and purpose of life.

Self-Study Bible Course on Romans

In this new *Self-Study Bible Course*, Derek Prince unpacks the book of Romans on an almost verse-by-verse level. Each of the 25 absorbing studies includes an introduction, memorization features, and study questions by which Derek guides you into deeper revelation of the righteousness of God and the life of faith as unfolded by the apostle Paul.

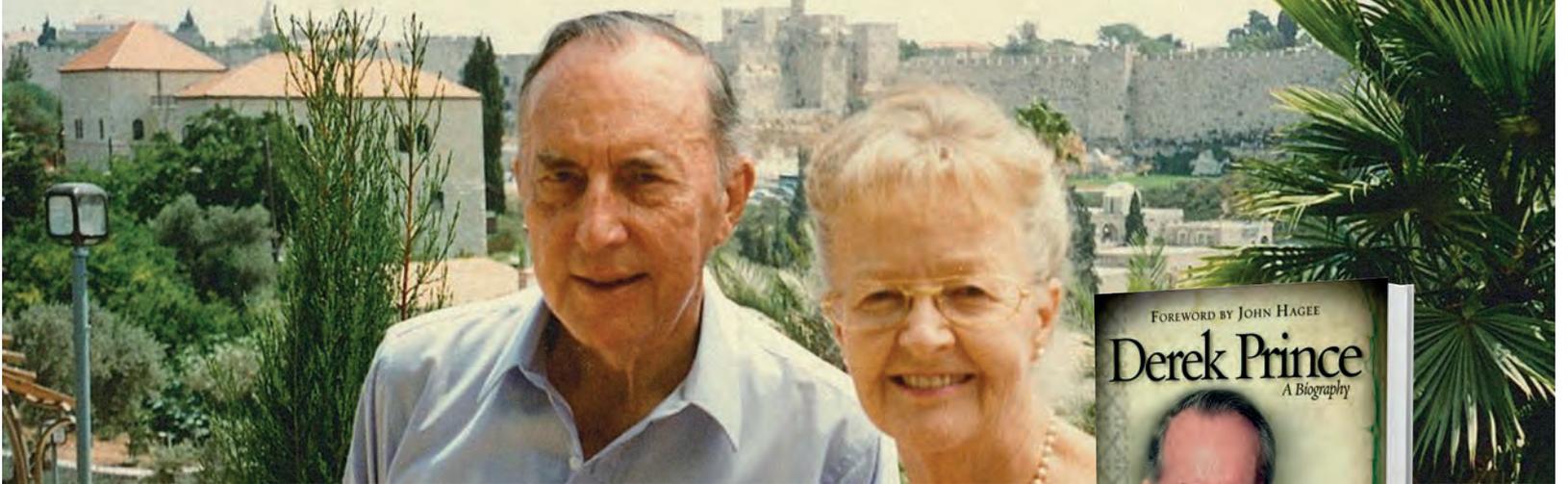
Several lessons deal with Romans 9–11, which Derek Prince describes as "The Destiny of Israel and the Church." God's dealings with Israel provide a historical demonstration of many vital spiritual principles that apply equally to Christians. The same principles Paul outlines are at work in our own lives. Begin your pilgrimage in Romans today!



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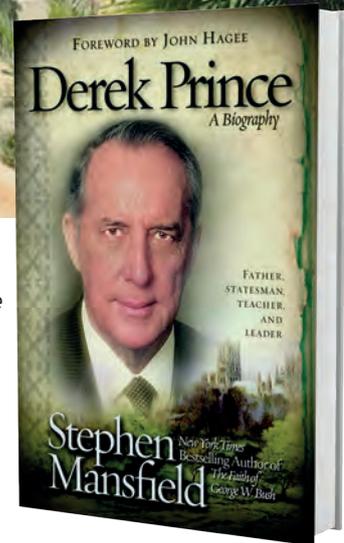
Derek Prince *A Biography*



When biographer Stephen Mansfield asked Derek Prince what was the most important truth he had learned about life, Derek answered, *“God is faithful. He keeps His word. He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him. I cannot emphasize this enough. It is the greatest truth of my life: God is faithful.”*

Derek saw that God’s faithfulness went beyond his personal experience—it was also evident in Israel’s history. That is why Derek felt very connected to Israel. In this biography, he says. *“One night, I was standing high above Jerusalem on a little landing just in front of the Augusta Victoria Hospital. The view from there was magnificent. The Old City spread out before me, and I felt how dearly I loved it. It was as though my thoughts about history and our times dissolved into the geography that lay before me. Bible verses began to flood through my mind about Israel and the specific features of Jerusalem. I had this deep feeling that world history and my life were bound*

together through the geography that lay before me. I knew then that my life was intertwined with Israel and that Israel, in some sense, determined the history of the world. And I remember feeling how thankful I was to be there, how I wasn’t at all removed from the flow of history, but I was at that moment in the middle of biblical prophecy and at the focal point of the times. No matter the promises about my life that God had given me, they would come to pass only in connection with this land.”



In the same way God used Derek’s life, allow God to use your surrendered life to draw more meaning and purpose from it than you can possibly imagine.



THE MAN BEHIND THE MINISTRY (VIDEO)



In 2001, Derek Prince sat down with author Stephen Mansfield to share some of his most touching memories from his extraordinary life of 85 years. His story will inspire you to see just what God can do when someone will dare to trust Him and take Him at His Word.

In this video, Derek personally shares with us his journey from being a child born into British privilege in India, through his stunning face-to-face encounter with Jesus Christ during World War II, to his harrowing escape with his family from Jerusalem in May of 1948.

Scan the QR code to watch the video on YouTube.



Mother IN ISRAEL

Trusting God... radically! How would you respond if God called you to something radical? This message, recorded in the mid-to-late 1960's, contains Lydia Prince's personal testimony and early history. Her inspiring story will both amaze and challenge you. Lydia Prince had a direct revelation of Christ. She was baptized in the Spirit in her own bedroom. Then she was called to Jerusalem where she became the mother of orphaned girls. Her story is one of supernatural protection from war and violence, tests, and triumphs of faith, including her marriage to Derek Prince, who was many years her junior.

Listen to Lydia, as she shares her testimony in the (English) audio-sermon series *Mother in Israel*



'Mother was always praying'

In the memorial service after Lydia Prince died, one of her daughters recalled: "I remember very often in the nights when I was a young girl, I would wake up and Mother was praying. She prayed food to our house. Sometimes we didn't have any food for breakfast the next day. There were usually about eight or nine of us at home. But in the morning, food was there! She prayed for our clothes. We never had plenty but we always had enough."

When the Hebrew translation of Derek and Lydia Prince's book, *Appointment in Jerusalem* was first published and released in Israel, Derek Prince Israel invited Johanna and Kirstin, daughters of Derek and Lydia, to the book launching celebration in Jerusalem. In this video from 2006, Johanna (born to a Jewish mother in Israel) and Kirstin (born to Arab-Muslim parents near Ramallah) talk about life growing up as the daughter of Derek and Lydia Prince.

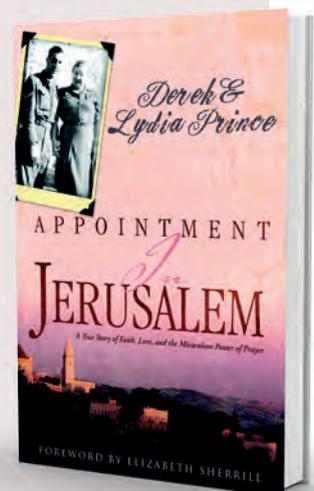


APPOINTMENT IN *Jerusalem*

The riveting true story of Lydia Prince and her courageous quest to know God's will for her life. She left her successful career as a schoolteacher in Denmark, following the Lord's calling to Jerusalem, where she rescued a dying baby girl and then miraculously survived many dangers. Most importantly, Lydia learned the power of prayer.

"What you do for the Lord," she once said, "He pays back many, many fold. I know that Jesus is alive. And I know He cares for every one of us. He will not disappoint you. You'll be able to seek the Lord, and for any true seeker, He will reveal Himself as He did for me as a living reality."

Follow Lydia's astounding journey and discover how God can remarkably use those who trust Him.



A Drama in Three Acts

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FINAL SCENE

One King Over All the Earth

And the LORD will be king over all the earth; in that day the LORD will be the only one, and His name the only one. (ZECHARIAH 14:9, NASB)

God's original pattern of theocratic government will be extended over all nations. With Jerusalem as His earthly centre, Christ will rule as King over the whole earth. Following the pattern of Melchizedek—the king-priest who ruled Jerusalem in the days of Abraham (see Genesis 14:18-20)—Christ will unite in His own Person the two sacred functions of king and priest.

As King, Christ will also be the supreme Judge. One of His first acts will be to summon all nations before Him for judgment:

“But when the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, then He will sit on His glorious throne. All the nations will be gathered before Him; and He will separate them from one another, as the shepherd separates the sheep from the goats; and He will put the sheep on His right, and the goats on the left.”

(MATTHEW 25:31-33, NASB)

There will be one clear principle of separation between the “sheep” nations and the “goat” nations—the way they have treated the Jews during their period of persecution under antichrist.

To the *sheep*, those who have showed mercy to the Jews at this time, Christ will say:

‘Come, you who are blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world . . . Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did it to one of these brothers of Mine, even the least of them, you did it to Me.’ (MATTHEW 25:34, 40, NASB 1995)

To the goats, those who refused to show mercy to the Jews, Christ will say:

‘Depart from Me, accursed ones, into the eternal fire which has been prepared for the devil and his angels... Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.’

(MATTHEW 25:41, 45, NASB)

With Jerusalem as His earthly centre, Christ will rule as King over the whole earth.

The *sheep* nations will then be permitted to take their place in Christ's kingdom; the goat nations will be banished from it. Christ's kingdom, thus established, will far excel that of Solomon both in the measure of its glory and in the extent of its blessings. As the great drama in three acts comes to its close, we see all the nations that are left on earth coming regularly to Jerusalem

to share in the blessings of the kingdom and to join with Israel in celebrating the Feast of Tabernacles. (See Zechariah chapter 14, verses 16-21.)

What These Prophecies Mean for Us Today

Concerning the Old Testament prophecies of the Lord's return, the apostle Peter wrote to the early Christians, “And so we have the prophetic word confirmed, which you do well to heed as a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts” (2 Peter 1:19). For the unbeliever, the world around is getting darker. In the fact of multiplying pressures and problems, world leaders grope in vain for enduring solutions. For the believer, however, the light of prophetic revelation, like a lamp, shines more brightly by contrast with the surrounding darkness.

Peter compared the effect of these prophecies to the rising of the “morning star” within our hearts. He took his metaphor from the action of the planet Venus. At certain seasons, the daystar, or morning star, rises in the eastern sky immediately before the sun

It is now relatively easy for Bible-believing Christians to see how God's warnings to the Jewish people were literally fulfilled. We need to remember, however, that there is no personal favouritism with God. The principles of His justice are the same for Christians as they are for Jews.

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itself comes up over the horizon. At times this "star" is so bright that it partially dispels the surrounding darkness. It thus becomes the sun's forerunner, giving assurance—to all who understand its message—that the sun is ready to appear.

So it is with us as we give careful heed to prophetic truth. Like the "morning star" arising in our hearts and dispelling the surrounding darkness, there comes an unshakable inner assurance: *the Lord will soon appear.*

Faith of this kind is not a mystical escape from reality. On the contrary, it is based on proven experience. At a conservative estimate, more than half the prophecies of Scripture concerning Israel and Jerusalem have already been exactly and literally fulfilled—often in defiance of all human estimates of probability. Only unreasoning prejudice would reject, without very careful examination, the thesis that the remaining prophecies will be fulfilled in like manner.

The 1911 edition of the *Encyclopædia Britannica* contains an article by a German professor called Nöldeke on the pronunciation of Hebrew. In the course of the discussion he utterly discounts "the possibility that a Jewish empire will ever again be

established in the Middle East." Within less than fifty years, of course, the very thing that the learned professor had dismissed as an absurd improbability was an accomplished fact of history!

The divine commentary on this is given by Isaiah:

[The Lord] Who turns wise men backward, And makes their knowledge foolishness; Who confirms the word of His servant, And performs the counsel of His messengers; Who says to Jerusalem, 'You shall be inhabited,' To the cities of Judah, 'You shall be built,' And I will raise up her waste places.
(ISAIAH 44:25-26)

Likewise the psalmist David said,

The LORD nullifies the counsel of the nations; He frustrates the plans of the peoples. The counsel of the LORD stands forever, the plans of His heart from generation to generation. (PSALM 33:10-11, NASB 1995)

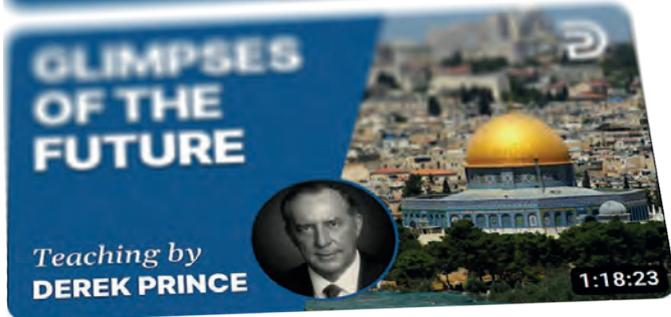
In the face of all unbelief and opposition, the Lord's plan for the restoration of Israel and Jerusalem will be fulfilled—phase by phase—just as He has revealed it through his prophets. ✠5

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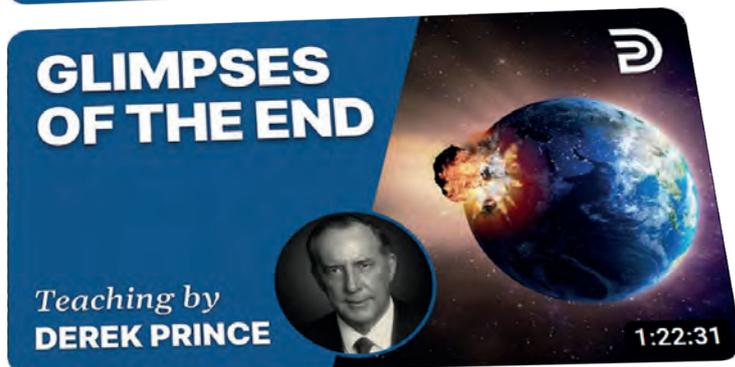
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We always need to remember that
God does not owe mercy to any of us.
It proceeds solely from His grace.
If He never offered mercy to a single one
of us, He would still be perfectly just.

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As I searched for a way to express the significance of the events in Israel I had been witnessing, I formed a mental picture of an old grandfather clock. For many years, I imagined, it had stood in the corner of an antique store. The hands never moved; no sound came from it. Everyone assumed that the mechanism was out of order.

Then one day, without a human hand touching it, the clock began again to tick, and the hands began to move. Now the clock was no longer just an interesting relic from the past. Once again, it was telling the time.

Israel is God's prophetic clock. By restoring the people to the land, God has set the clock once again in motion. After long centuries of silence, it is now telling the time.

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