Isaiah "The **Evangelical** Prophet"

IX. Isaiah's *Disclosure* of <u>Conditions</u> During and Preceding the Kingdom (60:1-66:1-24)

- A. The *Dawning* of Israel's <u>Future Glory</u> (60:1-22)
- B. The *Description* of **Messiah's** <u>Ministry</u> of **Restoration** (61:1-11)

C. The *Depiction* of a <u>Jerusalem</u> Restored to Glory (62:1-12)

62 For Zion's sake I will <u>not</u> keep *silent*, and for Jerusalem's sake I will <u>not</u> keep *quiet*,

until her <u>righteousness</u> goes forth like **brightness**, and her <u>salvation</u> like a **torch** that is **burning**.

² The **nations** will see your **righteousness**, and **all kings** your **glory**;

and you will be called by a <u>new name</u> which the **mouth** of **the LORD** will designate.

³ You will also be a <u>crown</u> of beauty in the *hand* of the LORD, and a royal <u>diadem</u> in the *hand* of your God.

⁴ It will **no longer** be said to you, "Forsaken," nor to your land will it any longer be said, "Desolate";

but you will be called, **"My delight is in her,"** and your *land*, **"Married";** for **the LORD delights** in you, and **to Him** your *land* will be married.

⁵ For *as* a **young man** marries a **virgin**, *so* your **sons** will **marry you**;

and *as* the **bridegroom** *rejoices* over the **bride**, *so* **your God** will rejoice **over** <u>you</u>.

⁶On your walls, O Jerusalem, I have appointed <u>watchmen</u>; all day and all night they will <u>never</u> keep silent. You who remind the LORD, take no rest for yourselves;

⁷ and give <u>Him</u> *no rest* until **He establishes** and makes <u>Jerusalem</u> a <u>praise</u> in the earth.

⁸ The LORD has <u>sworn</u> by His right hand and by His strong arm, "I will never again give your grain as food for your enemies; nor will foreigners drink your new wine for which you have labored."

⁹ But those who garner it will eat it and praise the LORD; and those who gather it will drink it in the <u>courts</u> of My sanctuary.

¹⁰ Go through, go through the gates, clear the way for the people; build up, build up the highway, remove the stones, lift up a standard over the peoples.

¹¹ Behold, the LORD has proclaimed to the end of the earth, say to the daughter of Zion, "Lo, your <u>salvation</u> comes; behold His reward is with Him, and His recompense before Him."

¹² And they will call them, "The <u>holy people</u>, the <u>redeemed</u> of the LORD"; and you will be called, "Sought out, a city <u>not</u> forsaken."

Message Summary—Exhortation

"For **Zion's sake** I will <u>not</u> keep silent and for **Jerusalem's sake** I will <u>not</u> keep quiet (62:1),"

As *Believers*, let us <u>not</u> keep silent or quiet regarding Zion and Jerusalem:

- A. *Until* the glory and brightness of her <u>righteousness</u> and <u>salvation</u> are **manifested**, and **seen** by the *nations* (62:1-2)
- B. *Until* she is called by a "new name" designated by the Lord (62:3)
- C. *Until* she becomes a "<u>crown</u> of beauty" and a "royal <u>diadem</u>" in the hand and palm of the Lord (62:3).
- D. Until they (Zion and Jerusalem) are no longer "forsaken" or "desolate," but <u>restored</u> to their land, and to a loving <u>relationship</u> with their God (62:4-5).

"On your **walls, O Jerusalem**, I have appointed <u>watchmen</u>; *all day* and *all night* they will <u>never</u> keep silent.

You who <u>remind</u> the LORD, take no *rest* for yourselves; and give <u>Him</u> no *rest*...(62:6-7b)

As *Believers*, let us be like "watchmen" on the walls of Jerusalem, and *those* who, without rest, continually <u>remind</u> the Lord:

- A. *Until* "He establishes and makes <u>Jerusalem</u> a <u>praise</u> in all the earth (62:7b)
- B. Until the time when Jerusalem is no longer <u>plundered</u> by her enemies and foreigners, and when those who gather wheat and new wine will eat and drink it in the courts of the Lord's <u>sanctuary</u> (62:8-9)
- C. Until the time when it will be proclaimed worldwide, and to Jerusalem that her "salvation comes," and that both His reward and recompense are with Him (62:11).
- D. *Until* the time when the **inhabitants of Jerusalem** will be **called** "the **holy people**, the **redeemed** of **the Lord** (62:12a).
- E. *Until* the time when **Jerusalem** will be **inquired of** and **"sought out,"** and a city **not forsaken** (62:12b).

Closing Prayer