

GATE School of Ministry [DC] Bible Study Notes**Module** : The Primacy of the Word of God**Session 9** : The Word of God in the House of God – Part 2**Focus** : Jacob's View of God's House & the Attraction of Nations to the Light

This is a direct continuation of our previous session. The prophecy in **Micah 4:1-3** discussed in our Previous session is mirrored in **Isaiah 2:1-5**.

Isaiah 2:1-5

- 1 The word which Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.
- 2 Now it will come about that **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; And all the nations will stream to it.
- 3 And many peoples will come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, To the house of the God of Jacob; That **He may teach us concerning His ways** And that we may walk in His paths." For the **law will go forth from Zion** And the **word of the LORD from Jerusalem**.
- 4 And He will judge between the nations, And will render decisions for many peoples; And they will hammer their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not lift up sword against nation, And never again will they learn war.
- 5 Come, house of Jacob, and let us **walk in the light of the LORD**.

IN THE LAST DAYS

The period of time described as the 'last days' started with the earthly ministry of Jesus Christ onwards.

Heb. 1:1-2

- 1 God, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways,
- 2 **in these last days** has spoken to **us in His Son**, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the world.

Peter, on the day of Pentecost when the Holy Spirit was poured out, described the time in which he lived as the 'last days'.

Act 2:14-17a: But Peter ... raised his voice ... "Men of Judea and all you who live in Jerusalem, but this is what was spoken of through the prophet Joel: '**AND IT SHALL BE IN THE LAST DAYS**,' God says, '**THAT I WILL POUR FORTH OF MY SPIRIT ON ALL MANKIND;**

We are still living in the era of the 'last days' and so this prophecy bears relevance for the church today.

A BRIEF RECAP:

The essential character of God's house is that of a family. This composition of the church as a family is what makes it authoritative and governmental in the earth. It is through this family, the Body of Christ fully submitted to Christ, the Head, that the kingdom of God will find expression and extension into every sector of society, both locally and globally. The main business of the House of God is the Word of God. The grace of God, which is the essential compositional make-up of the substance of God Himself, is communicated through the Word of God. This grace configures the identity of the son, and fully empowers the son to do God's will in the earth. The Word of God, expresses both God's nature and will. Spiritual sons in the House of God under the oversight of a spiritual father, are taught the Word of God so as to facilitate their development into the fullness of the stature of Christ. In a culture of obedience, these sons become the living embodiment of the Word – 'the word made flesh'. They then put the nature of God on display before men and execute His purposes in their world. This is the 'House of God'. Nations will stream up to the mountain of the Lord's house and request to be taught the WAYS of God. The ways of God are communicated through the Word of God. This Word is brought to us through authentic spiritual fathers who, if they are not apostles themselves, then are at least connected to legitimate apostolic fathering. The process of the streaming of the nations toward the House of God will grow in intensity as the House of God grows in greater accurate representation of its true nature and function.

JACOB'S VIEW OF THE HOUSE OF GOD.

The following passage further illustrates how that, in the 'House of God', the Word of God is communicated through 'sent ones' - apostolic spiritual fathers, who access revelation or 'WORD' by directly engaging the Lord in the heavens (through His WORD), and then relay this to their spiritual sons.

Genesis 28:10-22

- 10 Then Jacob departed from **Beersheba and went toward Haran.**
- 11 He came to a certain place and spent the night there, because the sun had set; and he took one of the stones of the place and **put it under his head, and lay down in that place.**
- 12 He had a dream, and behold, a ladder was set on the earth with its top reaching to heaven; and behold, the **angels of God were ascending and descending** on it.
- 13 And behold, the **LORD stood above it** and said, "**I am the LORD, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie, I will give it to you and to your descendants.**
- 14 "**Your descendants will also be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and in you and in your descendants shall all the families of the earth be blessed.**
- 15 "**Behold, I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you."**
- 16 Then Jacob awoke from his sleep and said, "**Surely the LORD is in this place, and I did not know it.**"
- 17 He was **afraid** and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the **house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.**"

- 18 So Jacob rose early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up as a pillar and poured oil on its top.
- 19 He called the name of that place **Bethel**; however, previously the name of the city had been Luz.
- 20 Then Jacob made a vow, saying, "If God will be with me and will keep me on this journey that I take, and will give me food to eat and garments to wear,
- 21 and I return to my father's house in safety, then the LORD will be my God.
- 22 "This **stone**, which I have set up as a pillar, will be God's house, and of all that You give me I will surely give **a tenth to You**."

Jacobs describes his entire dream as 'the House of God' - Gen. 28:17.

Note the following elements within this 'House':

- **A Ladder Connecting Heaven and Earth.**

Heaven is God's throne and earth His footstool. The throne is the place from where He expedites His will. The earth is the venue in which His will finds swift enactment and momentum. The focus of heaven is Earth. Earth is resourced by the Heavens. The environment of God's House is where both realms interact.

- **Angels Ascending and Descending.**

Angels ascending and descending refer to apostolic spiritual fathers who are able by the grace of God given to them, to access revelation or the Word of God in the heavens and declare and implement it on the earth. [Refer to Session 6 for explanation of angels]. Angels are messengers of God carrying a divine message. Every 'house' or local church is headed by an angel of God - an earthly spiritual father carrying a Word from God in the heavens.

Note the point of origin of these 'messengers' is from the earth - they first ascend into the heavens to access the Word of the Lord and then descend into the earth to release this Word. These are not 'out of body' experiences. Mankind was always meant to engage two realms, viz. heaven and earth. With our spirits, we engage God in the Heavens, and with our souls, through our bodies, we can engage man on the earth. The point to be made is that those ear-marked as messengers of Christ have a unique and divinely given ability to know and discern the mind of God - the will of God - the Word of God, and are able to communicate this to those who are placed under their care.

Consider:

John 1:49-51

- 49 Nathanael answered Him, "Rabbi, You are the Son of God; You are the King of Israel."

- 50 Jesus answered and said to him, "Because I said to you that I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe? **You will see greater things than these.**"
- 51 And He said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see **the heavens opened** and the **angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.**"

- **The Lord Uttering His will for this House.**

See verse 13-15: The Lord echoes His will for Jacob. This is not something new but a continuation of the same promise made to Abraham and Isaac. Jacob is to explore nothing new except what was originally promised to Abraham. There is no place for personal ambition in the House of God. The will of God in the church has got to do with expressing His original design for mankind, viz. to represent Him fully in the earth both in terms of His nature (His character) and will (His purpose). Jacob, as a son to Isaac and Abraham, is to bring greater expression to the prophecies given to them. The same holds true for us today. We, as spiritual sons in the respective households to which we belong, must exist to simply give greater expression to the mandate of God given to our spiritual fathers in the Lord. The mandate given to spiritual fathers will also bear relevance to God's pre-existent design for mankind, viz. conformity into the image of Christ and to function representatively of Him in the execution of His purposes in the earth.

- **The Realisation of the Presence of God**

See verse 16: The House of God has the presence of God.

Mat 18:20 "For where two or three have gathered together **in My name**, I am there in their midst."

Gathering in His name means a gathering in keeping with His nature and will. Where a gathering of the house or church of God depicts the nature of God and seeks to accomplish His will, then there is an assurance and guarantee of His presence.

- **The House is the GATE OF HEAVEN**

The House of God is the gate of heaven. 'Gate' alludes to a point of access or entry. The portal to heaven is the church of God. The Kingdom of heaven is accessed through the House of God. The resource of the heavens is attained in the House of God. 'Gates' also symbolise authority and power.

Babylon refers to this world's evil beastly system, which we are called upon not to love. Babylon means confusion but also 'gate of the gods'. The world system is the portal through which satan finds access and influence in the world. The House of God is the portal through which God finds access and influence in the earth. The gates of hell will not prevail against the church that Jesus

builds (Matt.16:18). Note – it is a **BUILT CHURCH** against which the authority of hell cannot prevail against.

A BUILT HOUSE:

Mat 16:18 "I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock **I will build** My church; and the **gates of Hades will not overpower it.**

A built church is one which is built by laying down principles from the WORD of GOD.

Acts 20:32 "And now I commend you to God and to the **word of His grace**, which is able to **build you up** and to give *you* the inheritance among all those who are sanctified.

Build = oikodomeō = construct, confirm, establish

The word 'oikodomeō' has the idea of erecting a superstructure and of building up completely or fully. Repetitive and consistent exposure to the Word of God voiced through a spiritual father in the Lord has the effect of BUILDING YOU UP.

If the church is the GATE (portal/authority) of heaven and the gates of hell will not prevail against it as nations stream up to this 'Mountain of the Lord's House', then what constitutes and characterises the 'House of God' as BUILT?

- **The principle of family** in which there is a spiritual father feeding, spiritually, the Word of God in a bid to form the fullness of Christ's nature and will in the spiritual sons of the house - (See notes in session 8).
- Each spiritual father must be **connected to a valid apostolic-prophetic grace resource** in order to **establish proper foundations** for building the House.

Every house needs proper foundations. In describing creation, the Scriptures teach that 'the foundations of the world' were laid by God (see Matt. 13:35; 25:34; Luke 11:50; John 17:24; Heb. 4:3; 9:26; 1 Pet. 1:20; Rev. 13:8).

One of the Greek words translated foundation is **THEMELIOS**.

Foundation = themelios = to lay a foundation with stones (stones allude to words). This word, themelios is comprised of two words, viz., thema = to lay something down; and titheimi = to place something. It suggests the laying down of a principle of the Word strategically and clinically – not haphazardly. The church is built upon principles of the Word of God that have been carefully taught – systematically and strategically.

'Foundations' represent the operational principles that govern the world. Foundations are principles that drive any system to function accurately and effectively. The grace /anointing of Apostles and Prophets is what the church is built upon, Jesus Christ being the chief aspect of the foundation.

Eph 2:19-22

- 19 So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints, and are of **God's household**,
- 20 having been **built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets**, Christ Jesus Himself being the corner *stone*,
- 21 in whom the whole building, being fitted together, is growing into a holy temple in the Lord,
- 22 in whom you also are **being built together into a dwelling of God in the Spirit**.

1 Cor. 3:10,11

According to the grace of God which was given to me, like a **wise master builder** I laid a foundation, and another is building on it. But each man must be careful how he builds on it. For no man can lay a foundation other than the one which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

The apostolic and prophetic are two building principles. One of the characteristic features of the apostolic is the capacity to access and decode mysteries of Christ (cf. Paul's understanding of the mystery of Christ – see Eph.3:4-5). Paul, as a wise master builder, installed principles from the Word of God into the Corinthian churches. These were foundational (not as in foundation doctrines of Heb. 6) in the sense that they were initial principles that drive the entire development of the church toward maturity. Paul established this foundation, and others like Apollos built on what he established. It was important that the building of others was based upon and determined by the foundation established by Paul. The height, weight and magnitude of any building is determined by the foundation. No building of a superstructure can take place beyond what is prescribed by the foundation. Every church must be connected to a valid apostolic-prophetic source that can establish proper foundations for function and successive building.

The foundation that Apostles and Prophets build is not themselves as ministry gifts, but CHRIST. Apostolic doctrine is not built on the principle of the apostle, but on the nature of Christ. The church is built not on the personality of the apostles but on the ROCK – which is Christ (Matt.16:18; Isaiah 28:4). If the foundation of the House of God is not reflective of the nature and will of Christ, that foundation is inaccurate and needs to be destroyed and re-established – this is part of the function of the apostolic.

- The teaching and preaching of **relevant proceeding apostolic doctrine**.
- The **active obedient engagement** of the Word released.

Your obedience to this Word creates a solid foundation of Christ-likeness and truth in your life that immunises you against satanic attack.

Luke 6:46-48

- 46 "Why do you call Me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say?
 47 "Everyone who comes to Me and **hears My words** and **acts on them**, I will show you whom he is like:
 48 he is like a **man building a house**, who dug deep and **laid a foundation on the rock**; and when a flood occurred, the torrent burst against that house and could not shake it, **because it had been well built.**

• **The Stone or Pillar of the House is Sonship**

In Gen. 28:18 the Hebrew word translated 'stone' is 'eben' – the root of which is 'ben' which means 'son, a builder of the family name'. The House of God builds sons through the Word of God, and sons build the family name, viz. the name of God (which reflects His nature and will). The stone served as Jacob's pillow when he had the dream. A pillow facilitates sleep which depicts a position of REST. Sonship produces the spiritual condition of REST which results from obedience (see Psalm 127). This stone then is anointed as a PILLAR. A pillar supports and strengthens the structure of a house. This pillar is also depictive of mature sonship.

Psalm 144:12 Let our **sons in their youth be as grown-up plants**, And our daughters as corner **pillars** fashioned as for a palace;

Pillars are sons, who have matured through obedience to apostolic doctrine.

Gal 2:9a and recognizing the grace that had been given to me, James and Cephas and John, who were **reputed to be pillars**, gave to me and Barnabas the right hand of fellowship,

• **A Commitment to Tithe in Response to what is the Revelation of God's House**

Jacobs commits to financially support what he sees in the house of God. His tithe is borne out of a revelation of the profound construct and internal dynamics of God's House.

[For a thorough treatment of 'Tithing', refer to my manual 'More Excellent Giving' freely downloadable from my website, www.randolphbarnwell.com OR from www.thekingdomplatform.com].

Back to Isaiah 2/Micah 4

NATIONS, ATTRACTED BY 'LIGHT', WILL STREAM UP TO THE HOUSE OF THE LORD TO BE TAUGHT

Isaiah 2: 3 And many peoples will come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, To the house of the God of Jacob; That **He may teach us concerning His ways** And that we may walk in His paths." For the **law will go forth from Zion** And the **word of the LORD from Jerusalem.**

The issue that nations will seek out from the House of the Lord is the WAYS of God, in order that they might walk in the paths of the Lord. The Word of God reveals the ways of God and conditions our walk in His paths. The law of God and Word of God go forth from the House of God. Ultimately every son of God in the House of God becomes the Word of God – the epistle of Christ. The son becomes the teaching of God to the world. We will always engage in the act of teaching, but more importantly, the son becomes the Word in his lifestyle and behaviour – and this is how nations are taught the ways of God.

Isaiah 54:13 "All your sons will be taught of the LORD; and the well-being of your sons will be great.

Those who do not know the Lord, will 'join and attach themselves' to the House of the Lord – to sons who embody the ways and word of God.

Isaiah 14:1 When the LORD will have compassion on Jacob and again choose Israel, and settle them in their own land, then **strangers will join them and attach themselves to the house of Jacob.**

There is going to be an influx of nations to the House of God that is accurately built. The context in which this will occur is the deepening darkness and global crisis in the earth. They will be attracted to the LIGHT of God in the people of God. As global political, economic, climatological crises worsen, the House of God will accelerate to greater maturity and readiness to receive the nations of the earth.

Isaiah 60:1-5

- 1 "Arise, shine; for your light has come, And the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.
- 2 "For behold, **darkness will cover the earth And deep darkness the peoples;** But the LORD will rise upon you And His glory will appear upon you.
- 3 "**Nations will come to your light,** And kings to **the brightness of your rising.**
- 4 "Lift up your eyes round about and see; They all gather together, they come to you. **Your sons will come from afar,** And your daughters will be carried in the arms.
- 5 "Then you will **see and be radiant,** And your heart will thrill and rejoice; Because the abundance of the sea will be turned to you, The wealth of the nations will come to you.

Isaiah 2:5 Come, house of Jacob, and let us **walk in the light of the LORD**.

THE WORD OF GOD, THE SPIRIT OF MAN AND GOD-ORDAINED FATHERING LEADERSHIP ARE ALL LIKENED UNTO A LAMP / LIGHT. MEDITATE ON THE FOLLOWING SCRIPTURES:

Prov. 20:27 The spirit of man is the lamp of the Lord, Searching all the innermost parts of his being

Pslam 18:28 For You light my lamp; The Lord my God illumines my darkness

Psalms 119:105 Your word is a lamp to my feet And a light to my path

Prov. 6:23 For the commandment is a lamp and the teaching is light; And reproofs for discipline are the way of life

Psalms 19:8 The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart; The commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes

Job 29:3 When His lamp shone over my head, And by His light I walked through darkness

Psalms 119:130 The unfolding of Your words gives light; It gives understanding to the simple

2 Sam. 21:17b Then the men of David swore to him, saying, You shall not go out again with us to battle, so that you do not extinguish the lamp of Israel [See also 1 Kings 11:36]

The Word of God is light, but this light is only accessed when the Word is 'unfolded'.

Unfolding = pethach = opening, entrance, doorway. It indicates access into something.

Hence, we need spiritual fathers connected to an apostolic grace source who will be able to 'unfold' the light of the Word of God, revealing its truth and depth, resulting in wisdom and understanding. Note in the verses quoted above, there are two expressions of light, viz. the 'lamp' and the 'light'. The 'lamp' of the Word is the specific 'commandment' of God that gives light and clarity to our daily walk (Compare Psalm 119:105 with Prov. 6:23). The 'LIGHT' of the Word is the teaching or doctrine that has the effect of illuminating our path – giving long term direction and clarity to the journey that lies ahead of us. Teaching determines the path, and commandments provide light to our next step in the path. The commandment of the Lord enlightens our eyes.

John 1:1-4

- 1 In the beginning **was the Word**, and the Word was with God, and the Word **was God**.
- 2 He was in the beginning with God.
- 3 All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being.
- 4 In Him **was life**, and the **life was the Light of men**.

The very life of a Word-filled and Word-obedient son is LIGHT. The life of the son of God becomes the light to men to which they are attracted. Light represents revelation, illumination, understanding, prophetic sight, etc. It also indicates purity, transparency and integrity. Nations will be attracted to these elements in the House of God. What the nations search after is that which we in the House of God celebrate.

One of the symbolic representations of light is love. The **culture of unconditional LOVE** in the House of God amongst the sons of God will be an attractive LIGHT to the world.

1 John 2:8-10

- 8 On the other hand, I am writing a new commandment to you, which is true in Him and in you, because the darkness is passing away and the true Light is already shining.
- 9 The one who says he is in **the Light** and yet hates his brother is in the darkness until now.
- 10 The one who **loves his brother abides in the Light** and there is no cause for stumbling in him.

Our works - behaviour and functioning in the world - will lure nations to the House of God to be taught the ways of God.

Matthew 5:16 "Let your **light shine** before men in such a way that they may **see your good works**, and **glorify your Father who is in heaven**."

Prayerfully meditate on the following passages applicable to the present day Church:

Zech. 8:20-23

- 20 "Thus says the LORD of hosts, '*It will yet be* that peoples will come, even the inhabitants of many cities.
- 21 'The inhabitants of one will go to another, saying, "Let us go at once to entreat the favor of the LORD, and to seek the LORD of hosts; I will also go."
- 22 'So **many peoples** and **mighty nations will come to seek the LORD** of hosts in Jerusalem and to entreat the favor of the LORD.'
- 23 "Thus says the LORD of hosts, 'In those days **ten men from all the nations** will grasp **the garment of a Jew**, saying, "**Let us go with you, for we have heard that God is with you.**"'

'Mighty Nations' ... refers to influential nations which are strategic role players in global affairs.

'Ten men' ... is probably a reference to strategic individuals in each nation.

'Jew' ... is a reference to the mature son of God – or mature house of God in the earth.

'Garment' ... is a reference to a 'mantle of grace/anointing' and also has reference to 'readiness' and to 'empowerment to fulfill some specific function'.

'Let us go with you' ... highlights the cry of the nations not just to be aligned with the House of the Lord, but to be assimilated into its very construct.

'We have heard God is with you'....: the awareness by the nations of God's presence and favour on His House that is 'built' will grow and this will attract them to it.

Jer. 29:5-13

- 5 **'Build houses** and live *in them*; and plant gardens and eat their produce.
- 6 'Take wives and become the fathers of sons and daughters, and take wives for your sons and give your daughters to husbands, **that they may bear sons and daughters**; and multiply there and do not decrease.
- 7 **'Seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile**, and pray to the LORD on its behalf; for in its welfare you will have welfare.'
- 8 "For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, 'Do not let your prophets who are in your midst and your diviners deceive you, and do not listen to the dreams which they dream.
- 9 'For they prophesy falsely to you in My name; I have not sent them,' declares the LORD.
- 10 "For thus says the LORD, 'When seventy years have been completed for Babylon, I will visit you and fulfill My good word to you, to bring you back to this place.
- 11 **'For I know the plans that I have for you,'** declares the LORD, **'plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope.**
- 12 'Then you will call upon Me and come and pray to Me, and I will listen to you.
- 13 'You will seek Me and find *Me* when you search for Me with all your heart.

Within the present Babylonian worldly system we are to 'build houses', i.e. build the HOUSE OF GOD, which will have a positive effect upon the welfare of its surrounding communities. The imperative is that the house, the family of God – Body of Christ, be 'BUILT' through accurate apostolic doctrine. The Word in the House is what the nations are after.

THE TRUE HOUSE OF GOD MUST GROW STRONGER AND STRONGER

2 Sam. 3:1-2

- 1 Now there was a long war between the **house of Saul** and the **house of David**; and **David grew steadily stronger, but the house of Saul grew weaker continually.**
- 2a Sons were born to David at Hebron ...

There is an accelerating demise and weakening of inaccurate 'HOUSES' (churches) and a growing strengthening of accurate HOUSES. David is a depiction of the true church and Saul the inaccurate church. The true church is built on apostolic-prophetic foundations, functioning as a household – the family of God. This church comprises of spiritual fathers and spiritual sons where the emphasis is on the formation of the fullness of Christ in every son, who then demonstrates God's nature and executes His will. This 'house' is growing STRONGER in the earth today, whilst the institutional religious (Saul) church progressively weakens. The Word of the Lord in accurate houses will attract and affect nations, just like

Judah and Israel gathered unto David at Hebron (which means 'alliance, confederacy has implications of covenant, love and one-ness).

BETHEL MUST BECOME EL-BETHEL

Jacob went from **Bethel** (House of God) to **Peniel** (face of God) and then renamed Bethel, **El-Bethel** ('God of the House of God' or 'Strong House of God') Gen. 28:19; 32:; 35. At Peniel, after he wrestled with the Lord, His nature was changed and this was depicted in the change of his name from Jacob to Israel. On seeing the face or nature of God he is transformed from glory to glory. He then reconciles with his estranged brother, Esau. When 'face of God' (nature and character of God) is evidenced in the House of God, the House of God becomes the 'strong house of God'. The Word of God reveals the face or nature of God as we taught in sessions 1 and 2 of this series. The House of God grows stronger and stronger when its representation of the face of God increases. Spiritual sons in the House of God will comply with every opportunity for personal transformation and adjustment to their character and also start to live in harmony and unconditional love with all the brothers in the larger Body of Christ.

Jacob then went to Bethlehem – House of Bread (Gen 35) - which implies the ability to dispense grace and Christ through His word. His final settlement was at Tower of Eder which means 'flock, to keep rank, to keep in order, to lack nothing (Gen 35:21). This is now a governmental position in the spirit. There is an orderly arrangement of the flock of God's sons by the Word of God and this empowers it significantly as a fortress in the earth. This term 'Eder' is exactly the same reference to 'tower of the flock' in Micah 4:8

Micah 4:8-10a

- 8 "As for you, **tower of the flock**, Hill of the daughter of Zion, To you it will come - **Even the former dominion will come**, The kingdom of the daughter of Jerusalem.
- 9 "Now, why do you cry out loudly? Is there no king among you, Or has your counselor perished, That agony has gripped you like a woman in childbirth?
- 10a "Writhe and labor to give birth, Daughter of Zion, Like a woman in childbirth;

The above is the result of Micah 4:1-3 and Isaiah 2:1-4.

QUESTIONS AND ISSUES FOR PERSONAL REVIEW AND GROUP DISCUSSION

1. When did the period in human history described as the 'last days' begin?
2. Based on your reading of the present study, what in your mind then, would distinguish the House of God as CHIEF above all other mountains (spheres of influence) in the earth?
3. What is the cry of peoples and nations as they come streaming up to the Mountain of the Lord's House?
4. Jacob, in his dream recorded in gen.28, had a graphic view of he called 'the house of God'. Explain the various elements and dynamics within this house that Jacob saw.
5. Jacob also described the House of God as the gate of Heaven. What does this mean?

6. What constitutes a BUILT House of God?
 7. Nations will walk in the LIGHT of the Lord (Isaiah 2:5) in the House of God. Explain the symbolic representation of LIGHT in the House of God as an attraction to the nations of the earth.
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