A REMNANT RETURNS A STUDY IN IMPORTANT BUT UNKNOWN BIBLE EVENTS - PART III

"The remnant shall return, even the remnant of Jacob, unto the mighty God."

~ Isaiah 10:21

1. Introduction

- a. We have covered the rise of the kingdom, national division, the captivity (judgment)
- b. These events come up throughout the NT, but are not recognized: (ex. Mt 1:17)
- c. "kingdom", "Israel/Judah", "Samaritan", "shepherd", "Caesar", "Herod", "tax", "remnant"
- d. The remnant of Israel is a topic you might have never heard until you learned M.A.D
- e. God cannot utterly destroy Israel forever because he made a promise.

2. A Remnant Promise

- a. A remnant provision in the law Lev 26:43-44; Isa 1:9-10, 10:21-23
- b. The remnant began while Israel/Judah still in the land 1Ki 19:13-17
- c. A remnant would return after the punishment 2 Ki 19:30-31; 2 Chro 30:6-11
- d. Among the remnant the Spirit of God moved 2 Chr 30:12
- e. Israel would become "not my people" acc. to Hosea 1:6-9
- f. Where it was said, "not my people" (Israel) they will be gathered with Judah Hos 1:11
- q. Cyrus would declare Jerusalem and the foundation to be rebuilt Isaiah 44:28

3. A Remnant Returns

- a. Cyrus = King of Persia the timeline here: 2 Chr 36:19-23; Jer 23:3, 25:11-12
- b. Ezra (scribe and priest) returned and established the law again Ezra 9:8
- c. Nehemiah (governor) returned and established the rule again
- d. Haggai, Zechariah speak to the return and the rebuilding at the hands of Zerubbabel
- e. Zerubbabel and Joshua and the remnant stirred with the spirit –Zec 4:6,9,Hag 1:12-14

4. Jesus and the Remnant

- a. He came to confirm the promises (a remnant will return) Rom 15:8, Isa 11:11
- b. He came to cause division (divide the remnant from the rest) Lk 12:32, 51; Jn 15:16
- c. He came to establish a remnant Matt 21:42-43
- d. Peter speaks about a people who were not a people, but now are... 1 Peter 2:9-10
- e. God loves Israel due to his covenant promises with them Mal 1:2, Rom 9:13
- f. There remains a hope for Israel Rom 11:2-5, 11:29
- g. The remnant is protected during tribulation as Elijah in the cave Rev 11:13, 12:17
- h. What happened before will happen again, because God keeps his promises Heb 11:40, 12:28, 13:14