

Questions for Life

From Sunday, February 14, 2010

A Walk Thru the Bible: The Palestinian Covenant

Deuteronomy 28:2 All these blessings shall come upon you...if you will obey the LORD your God. 15 If you will not obey the LORD your God...all these curses shall come upon you...

Deuteronomy 28:63 You shall be torn from the land where you are entering to possess it. 64 Moreover, the LORD will scatter you among all peoples, from one end of the earth to the other end of the earth. 65 And among those nations you shall find no rest... 66 Your life shall hang in doubt before you; and you shall be in dread night and day, and shall have no assurance of your life.

Deuteronomy 30:1 So it shall become when all of these things have come upon you, the blessing and the curse which I have set before you, and you call them to mind in all nations where the LORD your God has banished you, 2 and you return to the LORD your God and obey Him with all your heart and soul according to all that I command you today, you and your sons, 3 Then the LORD your God will restore you from captivity, and have compassion on you, and will gather you again from all the peoples where the LORD your God has scattered you. 5 And the LORD your God will bring you into the land which your fathers possessed, and you shall possess it; and He will prosper you and multiply you more than your fathers.

Isaiah 43:5 Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your descendants from the east, and gather you from the west; 6 I will say to the north, 'Give them up!' And to the south, 'Do not keep them back!' Bring My sons from afar, and My daughters from the ends of the earth—

Matthew 24:30 Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. 31 And He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

Ezekiel 37:1 The hand of the LORD came upon me and brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD, and set me down in the midst of the valley; and it was full of bones. 4 Again He said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them, 'O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD! 7 So I prophesied as I was commanded; and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and suddenly a rattling; and the bones came together, bone to bone. 8 Indeed, as I looked, the sinews and the flesh came upon them, and the skin covered them over; but there was no breath in them. 9 Also He said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live.'"" 11 Then He said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They indeed say, 'Our bones are dry, our hope is lost, and we ourselves are cut off!' 12 Therefore prophesy and say to them, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Behold, O My people, I will open your graves and cause you to come up from your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel.

1. Please read the Palestinian Covenant in the Deuteronomy passages listed.
2. Can you tell when you first became aware of God's promise to bring the Jews back to the land of Israel? What, if anything, did you used to think about the Jews and the land before you became aware?
3. Can you tell what difference it has made in your life to know that God has promised that the Jews will one day believe in Jesus for eternal life and be brought back into the Land of Israel?

4. How does the Palestinian Covenant make you feel about God?

5. How does it make you feel as you see or read about the holocaust?

6. Please read the Ezekiel 37 passage.

7. How does it make you feel to know that God fulfilled 37:1-8 in the 20th century by bringing millions of Jews into the land (in unbelief) knowing that one day they will believe and receive eternal life (the breath of v.9).