

Session 11
The Messianic Age
(The Millennial Reign of Messiah)
(The Restoration of Israel)



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I. Concluding the 2nd Coming of Messiah

Yom Teruah and Yom Kippur, the High Holy Days of the Fall Feasts, are the judgment events of the Messiah's second coming to earth. Jesus' second coming will fulfill the prophetic rehearsals of these feasts and conclude the catastrophic events of the end times just as God prophesied 3500 years ago in the Song of Moses:

Deuteronomy 32:43 Rejoice, you nations, with his people [reference to Sukkot], for he will avenge the blood of his servants; he will take vengeance on his enemies [references to Yom Teruah] and make atonement for his land and people [reference to Yom Kippur].

Concluding Yom Kippur

Defeat of the Antichrist

Yeshua has just defeated the Antichrist and his armies at the Battle of Armageddon (Revelation 16:16) (Armageddon = hill of Megiddo, located about 50 miles north of Jerusalem)

Revelation 19:11-21 11 I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and wages war... 14 The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. 15 Coming out of his mouth is a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations.... 19 Then I saw the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies gathered together to wage war against the rider on the horse and his army. 20 But the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who had performed the signs on its behalf. With these signs he had deluded those who had received the mark of the beast and worshiped its image. The two of them were thrown alive into the fiery lake of burning sulfur. 21 The rest were killed with the sword coming out of the mouth of the rider on the horse, and all the birds gorged themselves on their flesh.

Yeshua throws Satan into the Abyss

Revelation 20:1-3 1 And I saw an angel coming down out of heaven, having the key to the Abyss and holding in his hand a great chain. 2 He seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil, or Satan, and bound him for a

thousand years. 3 He threw him into the Abyss, and locked and sealed it over him...

Yeshua the High Priest on Earth

Yeshua, now the High Priest and fulfilling Psalm 110, will make atonement (covering or forgiveness for sin) for the entire nation of Israel:

Zechariah 12:10 10 “And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and supplication. They will look on me, the one they have pierced, and they will mourn for him as one mourns for an only child, and grieve bitterly for him as one grieves for a firstborn son.”

“Neilah”

The “Neilah” service (Hebrew for “locked,” the final judgment) will conclude events for Yom Kippur. (This is NOT the Great White Throne judgement of Revelation 20:11-15, it comes after the Millennial Reign)

Revelation 20:4 “I saw thrones on which were seated those who had been given authority to judge. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony for Jesus and because of the word of God. They had not worshiped the beast or his image and had not received his mark... They came to life and reigned with Christ a thousand years.”

Israel is judged.

Ezekiel 20:35-38 “I will bring you into the desert of the nations and there, face to face, I will execute judgment upon you. As I judged your fathers in the desert of the land of Egypt, so I will judge you, declares the Sovereign Lord. I will take note of you as you pass under my rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant. I will purge you of those who revolt and rebel against me. Although I will bring them out of the land where they are living, yet they will not enter the land of Israel. Then you will know that I am the Lord.”

The Jewish people, having just witnessed their miraculous deliverance from the Antichrist and his armies, now realize Yeshua is the Messiah of God and gladly enter his New Covenant:

Romans 11:26-27 "And so all Israel will be saved, as it is written: 'The deliverer will come from Zion; he will turn godlessness away from Jacob. And this is my covenant with them when I take away their sins.'

Jeremiah 31:33-34 "This is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after that time," declares the Lord. "I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will a man teach his neighbor, or a man his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' because they will all know me... For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more."

The "intermediates" are judged

The intermediates (all the nations and people and leaders of nations) are judged as they are in awe-struck silence before Jesus:

Isaiah 52:15 "..so will he sprinkle many nations, and kings will shut their mouths because of him. For what they were not told, they will see, and what they have not heard, they will understand."

Matthew 25:31-33 "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left."

Yom Kippur ends

Yom Kippur ends as the new "righteous nation," literal Israel and the believers (the resurrected and raptured) who came back with Jesus (Revelation 19:14), rejoice!

Isaiah 26:1-2 "In that day this song will be sung in the land of Judah: We have a strong city; God makes salvation its walls and ramparts. Open the gates that the righteous nation may enter, the nation that keeps faith."

Psalm 47 is fulfilled:

*Clap your hands, all you nations; shout to God with cries of joy.
How awesome is the Lord Most High, the great King over all the earth!
He subdued nations under us, peoples under our feet.
He chose our inheritance for us, the pride of Jacob, whom he loved.
God has ascended amid shouts of joy, the Lord amid the sounding of trumpets.
Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.
For God is the King of all the earth; sing to him a psalm of praise.
God reigns over the nations; God is seated on his holy throne.
The nobles of the nations assemble as the people of the God of Abraham,
for the kings of the earth belong to God; he is greatly exalted.*

II. The Second Gathering of Israel (the “second exodus”)

The end times are over, the judgment events are over, and we are now five days away from Sukkot, the Wedding Feast of the Lamb. Remember Sukkot is one of the three feasts where God commanded all his people to come before him in Jerusalem (Exodus 23:14-17, 34:18-23). And of these three feasts, Sukkot is the only one that has not been fulfilled like this yet (Unleavened Bread [Passover] and Shavuot [Pentecost] were fulfilled with Messiah’s first coming).

Angels and Saints: Supernatural Transportation

Heaven is on earth now. Angels and saints in their glorified, supernatural bodies are also on the earth. Perhaps in the 5 days before Sukkot they all traverse the earth to bring the Jewish remnant back to Israel for the Wedding Feast in Jerusalem.

Isaiah 11:11-12 “In that day HaShem will extend his hand yet a second time to recover the remnant that remains of his people, from Assyria, from Egypt, from Pathros, from Cush, from Elam, from Shinar, from Hamath, and from the coastlands of the sea. He will raise a signal for the nations and will assemble the banished of Israel, and gather the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.”

Ezekiel 34:11-13 11 “For this is what the Sovereign Lord says: I myself will search for my sheep and look after them... I will rescue them from all the

places where they were scattered on a day of clouds and darkness. 13 I will bring them out from the nations and gather them from the countries, and I will bring them into their own land...

Zechariah 8:6-7 6 This is what the Lord Almighty says: "It may seem marvelous to the remnant of this people at that time, but will it seem marvelous to me?" declares the Lord Almighty. 7 ... "I will save my people from the countries of the east and the west. 8 I will bring them back to live in Jerusalem; they will be my people, and I will be faithful and righteous to them as their God."

The Nations: Natural Transportation

Isaiah also shows what appears to be the remnant of natural survivors from the nations bringing the Jewish people to Israel:

Isaiah 60:4-9 4 "Lift up your eyes and look about you: All assemble and come to you; your sons come from afar, and your daughters are carried on the hip. 5 Then you will look and be radiant, your heart will throb and swell with joy; the wealth on the seas will be brought to you, to you the riches of the nations will come... 8 Who are these that fly along like clouds, like doves to their nests? 9 Surely the islands look to me; in the lead are the ships of Tarshish, bringing your children from afar, with their silver and gold, to the honor of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has endowed you with splendor."

III. Sukkot (Feast of Tabernacles): The Wedding Feast of the Lamb

Sukkot, the Feast of Tabernacles, has now arrived. This feast is also known as the "season of our joy," and now, more than any other time in human history, Israel will experience joy unspeakable!

Traditionally, Sukkot is a seven-day celebration in which the people gather in Jerusalem and dwell in tents to memorialize when Israel lived in tents (sukkas) in the wilderness after the Exodus. And now temporary tents will probably also be needed after the likely devastation of Jerusalem and its buildings from recent battles.

Sukkot is also known as the “Feast of the Ingathering” because it comes at the end of the agricultural harvest season. As a prophetic fulfillment: the final spiritual harvest of people in this age was concluded in the final 3 1/2 years of Daniel’s Last 7 Years.

Newly “saved” Israel and repentant gentiles of all the nations are invited to the Wedding Supper of the Lamb.

Revelation 19:9 “And the angel said to me, Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.’ And he said to me, These are the true words of God.”

Yeshua will finally be wed to His Bride, and he will reign from Jerusalem.

Revelation 19:6-8 “Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his Bride has made herself ready; it was granted her to clothe herself with fine linen, bright and pure— for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints.”

Isaiah 62:1-4 “For Zion’s sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem’s sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. The nations shall see your righteousness, and all the kings your glory, and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of HaShem will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of HaShem, and a royal diadem in the hand of your Elohim. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate, but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for HaShem delights in you, and your land shall be married.”

Psalms 110: 1-2 1 The Lord says to my lord: “Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet.” 2 The Lord will extend your mighty scepter from Zion, saying, “Rule in the midst of your enemies!”

Psalms 132:13-18 13 For the Lord has chosen Zion, he has desired it for his dwelling, saying, 14 “This is my resting place for ever and ever; here I will sit enthroned, for I have desired it. 15 I will bless her with abundant provisions; her poor I will satisfy with food. 16 I will clothe her priests with salvation, and her faithful people will ever sing for joy. 17 “Here I will make a horn grow for David and set up a lamp for my anointed one. 18 I will clothe his enemies with shame, but his head will be adorned with a radiant crown.”

Zechariah 8:3 This is what the Lord says: "I will return to Zion and dwell in Jerusalem. Then Jerusalem will be called the Faithful City, and the mountain of the Lord Almighty will be called the Holy Mountain."

IV. Characteristics of the Millennial Reign

The Start

The Millennial Reign of Messiah begins in the Jewish month of Tishrei with the events of the Fall Feasts. Yeshua will reign on earth for a literal 1,000 years.

Revelation 20:6 "Blessed and holy are those who have part in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years."

The earth and humanity will finally experience the full fulfillment of God's promise in the Garden of Eden to send a Promised Redeemer to end Satan's reign of sin and death.

Genesis 3:15 "So the LORD God said to the serpent..." 15 I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel."

Israel: A New Nation of Priests and Kings

Israel steps into the fulfillment of their spiritual identity and destiny as spiritual and governmental leaders of the earth as the Jewish people finally experience the fulfillment of all God's covenant promises to them and are fully restored to all the blessings God has promised in his covenants to them.

(Understanding this and giving oneself to this purpose is one of the primary roles of the end times Church)

Promises from the Abrahamic, Mosaic and Davidic covenants:

Genesis 17:7-8 "7 I will establish my covenant as an everlasting covenant between me and you and your descendants after you for the generations to come, to be your God and the God of your descendants after you. The whole

land of Canaan, where you are now an alien, I will give as an everlasting possession to you and your descendants after you; and I will be their God." (see also Genesis 13:14-17)

Genesis 12:2-3 " 2 I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. 3 I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."

Exodus 19:5-6 "...Although the whole earth is mine, you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation." (see also Deuteronomy 4:5-8)

2 Samuel 7:12-16 (KJV) "12 And when thy days be fulfilled... I will set up thy seed after thee... which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom. 13 He shall build an house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom for ever...16 And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever before thee: thy throne shall be established forever."

Israel, as a nation, now experiences the promises of the New Covenant:

Deuteronomy 30:6 "6 The LORD your God will circumcise your hearts and the hearts of your descendants, so that you may love him with all your heart and with all your soul, and live."

Jeremiah 31:31-34 "The time is coming," declares the LORD, "when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their forefathers... "This is the covenant I will make... I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God... I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more."

Ezekiel 34:25-28 25 "I will make a covenant of peace with them and rid the land of savage beasts so that they may live in the wilderness and sleep in the forests in safety. 26 I will make them and the places surrounding my hill a blessing. I will send down showers in season; there will be showers of blessing. 27 The trees will yield their fruit and the ground will yield its crops; the people will be secure in their land. They will know that I am the Lord, when I break the bars of their yoke and rescue them from the hands of those who enslaved them. 28 They will no longer be plundered by the nations, nor

will wild animals devour them. They will live in safety, and no one will make them afraid.”

Ezekiel 36:24-28 24 “For I will take you out of the nations; I will gather you from all the countries and bring you back into your own land. 25 I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your impurities and from all your idols. 26 I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. 27 And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws. 28 Then you will live in the land I gave your ancestors; you will be my people, and I will be your God.

Isaiah 54:1-13 1 “Sing, barren woman, you who never bore a child; burst into song, shout for joy, you who were never in labor; because more are the children of the desolate woman than of her who has a husband,” says the Lord. 2 “Enlarge the place of your tent, stretch your tent curtains wide, do not hold back; lengthen your cords, strengthen your stakes. 3 For you will spread out to the right and to the left; your descendants will dispossess nations and settle in their desolate cities. 4 “Do not be afraid; you will not be put to shame. Do not fear disgrace; you will not be humiliated. You will forget the shame of your youth and remember no more the reproach of your widowhood. 5 For your Maker is your husband—the Lord Almighty is his name—the Holy One of Israel is your Redeemer; he is called the God of all the earth. 6 The Lord will call you back as if you were a wife deserted and distressed in spirit—a wife who married young, only to be rejected,” says your God. 7 “For a brief moment I abandoned you, but with deep compassion I will bring you back. 8 In a surge of anger I hid my face from you for a moment, but with everlasting kindness I will have compassion on you,” says the Lord your Redeemer. 9 “To me this is like the days of Noah, when I swore that the waters of Noah would never again cover the earth. So now I have sworn not to be angry with you, never to rebuke you again. 10 Though the mountains be shaken and the hills be removed, yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken nor my covenant of peace be removed,” says the Lord, who has compassion on you. 11 “Afflicted city, lashed by storms and not comforted, I will rebuild you with stones of turquoise, your foundations with lapis lazuli. 12 I will make your battlements of rubies, your gates of sparkling jewels, and all your walls of precious stones. 13 All your children will be taught by the Lord, and great will be their peace.

Redeemed Israel and the church reign with Yeshua on the earth

Exodus 19:5-6 "...Although the whole earth is mine, you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation." (see also Deuteronomy 4:5-8)

1 Peter 2:9 But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

Revelation 5:9-10 "Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, and you have made them a kingdom of priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

Israel and the saints will serve Yeshua in government authority over the earth.

Revelation 2:26-27 "To him who overcomes and does my will to the end, I will give authority over the nations-He will rule them with an iron scepter; he will dash them to pieces like pottery-just as I have received authority from my Father."

Some will be given places of leadership on the earth.

Matthew 25:20-21 20 "So he who had received five talents came and brought five other talents, saying, 'Lord, you delivered to me five talents; look, I have gained five more talents besides them.' 21 His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'"

It appears that Israel's King David will again rule over the land of Israel as a prince under Yeshua.

Ezekiel 37:24-25 "My servant David will be king over them, and they will all have one shepherd.....and David my servant will be their prince forever."

Israel and the saints will serve in priestly authority

Revelation 20:6 “Blessed and holy is the one who shares in the first resurrection! Over such the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ, and they will reign with him for a thousand years.”

Ministering unto Yeshua, some will serve in the Temple itself, before Yeshua.

Revelation 3:12 “Him who overcomes I will make a pillar in the temple of my God. Never again will he leave it.”

The “Invisible” Kingdom Becomes the “Visible” Kingdom

When Yeshua spoke of the ‘Kingdom of God’ and the ‘Kingdom of Heaven’, He was speaking of a kingdom that was initiated with His first coming, but would not have its fulfillment until His second coming.

(Thus, we said in Session 4, pp.6-7 the initial fulfillment of the New Covenant occurred with the first coming of Messiah two thousand years ago, and the final fulfillment of the New Covenant would occur with the second coming of Messiah.)

The Church has often focused its attention on the spiritual nature of the second coming and the kingdom. Some have spiritualized it entirely, assuming ‘afterlife’ to be in heaven without physical manifestation.

The Jewish community, on the other hand, has focused on the humanity of the Messiah, and the earthly peace he would bring in the literal Restoration of Israel.

The truth is found only when considering the whole of Scripture -- it’s not either/or. It is both. Now in the Millennium, the invisible kingdom becomes the visible kingdom.

Ephesians 1:9-10 “And he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, to be put into effect when the times will have reached their fulfillment--to bring all things in heaven and on earth together under one head, even Christ.”

God's Righteousness and Justice is on Earth

In the Millennium, Yeshua will rule with justice and righteousness at the highest measure.

Psalms 2:8-9 "Ask of Me, and I will make the nations Your inheritance, the ends of the earth Your possession. You will rule them with an iron scepter; You will dash them to pieces like pottery."

Isaiah 9:7 "Of the increase of His government and there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over His kingdom establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever."

The Word goes out from Jerusalem

Yeshua Himself will teach us the Word.

Isaiah 54:13 "All your [Israel's] sons will be taught by the Lord and great will be your children's peace."

Isaiah 2:3 "He will teach us His ways so that we may walk in His paths. The law will go out from Zion, the word of the Lord from Jerusalem."

The Nations Seek Biblical and Jewish Wisdom

People of all nations, now realizing that the God of Israel is the One True God, will seek out the Jewish people as they go to Israel to learn God's ways.

Zechariah 8:20-23 20 This is what the Lord Almighty says: "Many peoples and the inhabitants of many cities will yet come, 21 and the inhabitants of one city will go to another and say, 'Let us go at once to entreat the Lord and seek the Lord Almighty. I myself am going.' 22 And many peoples and powerful nations will come to Jerusalem to seek the Lord Almighty and to entreat him." 23 This is what the Lord Almighty says: "In those days ten people from all languages and nations will take firm hold of one Jew by the hem of his robe and say, 'Let us go with you, because we have heard that God is with you.'"

Peace will Reign on Earth

As a result of Yeshua's perfect leadership, peace will reign and war will be over.

Isaiah 2:5 “He shall judge between the nations, and shall decide disputes for many peoples; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.”

Repairing the Earth After the Great Tribulation

The aftermath of the Great Tribulation will be a decimated planet in need of healing.

There will be seven months of burying the dead.

Ezekiel 39:14 “For seven months the house of Israel will be burying them in order to cleanse the land. All the people of the land will bury them, and the day I am glorified will be a memorable day for them, declares the Sovereign Lord. Men will be regularly employed to cleanse the land. Some will go throughout the land and, in addition to them, others will bury those that remain on the ground. At the end of the seven months they will begin their search. As they go through the land and one of them sees a human bone, he will set up a marker beside it until the gravediggers have buried it in the Valley of Hamon Gog (hordes of Gog). (Also a town called Hamonah will be there.) And so they will cleanse the land.”

Rebuilding Cities

Cities will have been destroyed and will need to be rebuilt. All nations will recognize Israel as the chief of nations. They will honor God and the Jewish people by rebuilding the cities and serving Israel.

Amos 9:14 “I will bring back my exiled people Israel; they will build the ruined cities and live in them. They will plant vineyards and drink their wine; they will make gardens and eat their fruit.”

Isaiah 60:5-10 ...the wealth on the seas will be brought to you, to you the riches of the nations will come. 6 Herds of camels will cover your land, young camels of Midian and Ephah. And all from Sheba will come, bearing gold and incense and proclaiming the praise of the Lord. 7 All Kedar’s flocks will be gathered to you, the rams of Nebaioth will serve you; they will be accepted as offerings on my altar, and I will adorn my glorious temple. 8 “Who are these that fly along like clouds, like doves to their nests? 9 Surely the islands look to me; in the lead are the ships of Tarshish, bringing your children from

afar, with their silver and gold, to the honor of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has endowed you with splendor. 10 "Foreigners will rebuild your walls, and their kings will serve you."

Isaiah 61:5-6 "Strangers will shepherd your flocks; foreigners will work your fields and vineyards. And you will be called priests of the Lord, you will be named ministers of our God. You will feed on the wealth of nations, and in their riches you will boast..."

3 Types of People on Earth

There will be 3 types of inhabitants on the earth during the Messianic Age

Glorified saints (Gentile and Jewish)

These were resurrected or raptured at Yom Teruah and in heaven during the Ten Days of Awe. They returned with Jesus on Yom Kippur and are now on the earth in glorified (immortal) bodies.

Philippians 3:20-21 "But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body."

Natural Jewish survivors

The remnant of Jews will be refined by the Great Tribulation and survive by the grace of God to the end. They will see Yeshua, and receive Him as Messiah.

Zechariah 13:8-9 "In the whole land, declares HaShem, two thirds shall be cut off and perish, and one third shall be left alive. And I will put this third into the fire, and refine them as one refines silver, and test them as gold is tested. They will call upon my name, and I will answer them. I will say, They are my people; and they will say, HaShem is my God."

Romans 11:26 "And so all Israel will be saved, as it is written: "The deliverer will come from Zion; he will turn godlessness away from Jacob."

Natural Gentile survivors

From the nations there will be people who did not submit to the Antichrist and refused the Mark of the Beast, but were also not believers in Yeshua. Along with the natural Jewish survivors, they will repopulate the planet during the Millennial Reign.

Zechariah 14:6 “Then the survivors from all the nations that have attacked Jerusalem will go up year after year to worship the King, the Lord Almighty, and to celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles.”

V. Culture and Life in the Millennium

The Jewish Temple

The earth will see Levitical and Davidic worship at the Temple. The Temple will be the center of life, worship, and government for the earth.

Amos 9:11 11 “In that day I will restore David’s fallen shelter—I will repair its broken walls and restore its ruins—and will rebuild it as it used to be..”

Isaiah 56:6-7 “And the foreigners who join themselves to HaShem, to minister to him, to love the name of HaShem, and to be his servants, everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it, and holds fast my covenant— these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.”

Isaiah 12 In that day you will say: “I will praise you, Lord. Although you were angry with me, your anger has turned away and you have comforted me. 2 Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid. The Lord, the Lord himself, is my strength and my defense; he has become my salvation.” 3 With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. 4 In that day you will say: “Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done, and proclaim that his name is exalted. 5 Sing to the Lord, for he has done glorious things; let this be known to all the world. 6 Shout aloud and sing for joy, people of Zion, for great is the Holy One of Israel among you.”

Celebrating Biblical Holidays

Most likely, everyone on earth will observe the biblical Feasts of the Lord including the Sabbath. Also, how people reckon time on the earth will return to God's Astronomical/Agricultural Calendar.

Isaiah 66:23 "From one New Moon to another and from one Sabbath to another, all mankind will come and bow down before me," says the Lord.

Yeshua's Wedding Anniversary

The Feast of Tabernacles will come to prominence among the feasts because it will be the wedding anniversary of Yeshua and Israel and the saints.

Zechariah 14:16 "Then the survivors from all the nations that have attacked Jerusalem will go up year after year to worship the King, the Lord Almighty, and to celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles."

If any nation does not go up to the Feast of Tabernacles there will be no rain on that land for a year.

Zechariah 14:17-19 "And if any of the families of the earth do not go up to Jerusalem to worship the King, HaShem of hosts, there will be no rain on them. And if the family of Egypt does not go up and present themselves, then on them there shall be no rain; there shall be the plague with which HaShem afflicts the nations that do not go up to keep the Feast of Booths."

Israel and Jerusalem: Holy to God

Many things in Jerusalem and Israel will be dedicated as holy to HaShem

Zechariah 14:20-21 "And on that day there shall be inscribed on the bells of the horses, Holy to HaShem. And the pots in the house of HaShem shall be as the bowls before the altar. And every pot in Jerusalem and Judah shall be holy to HaShem of hosts, so that all who sacrifice may come and take of them and boil the meat of the sacrifice in them. And there shall no longer be a trader in the house of HaShem of hosts on that day."

God's manifest glory will be on the earth

Longer Lifespans

Life of the natural humans will be long and blessed

Isaiah 65:19-22 "Never again will there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not live out his years; he who dies at a hundred will be thought a mere youth; he who fails to reach a hundred will be considered accursed. They will build houses and dwell in them; they will plant vineyards and eat their fruit. No longer will they build houses and others live in them, or plant and others eat. For as the days of a tree, so will be the days of my people; My chosen ones will long enjoy the works of their hands."

The River of Life from the Temple

It appears that the River of Life will flow from the Temple Mount.

Ezekiel 47: 1-12 "Then he brought me back to the door of the temple, and behold, water was issuing from below the threshold of the temple toward the east (for the temple faced east). The water was flowing down from below the south end of the threshold of the temple, south of the altar... This water flows toward the eastern region and goes down into the Arabah, and enters the sea; when the water flows into the sea, the water will become fresh. And wherever the river goes, every living creature that swarms will live, and there will be very many fish. For this water goes there, that the waters of the sea may become fresh; so everything will live where the river goes. Fishermen will stand beside the sea. From En Gedi to En Glaim it will be a place for the spreading of nets. Its fish will be of very many kinds, like the fish of the Great Sea. But its swamps and marshes will not become fresh; they are to be left for salt. And on the banks, on both sides of the river, there will grow all kinds of trees for food. Their leaves will not wither, nor their fruit fail, but they will bear fresh fruit every month, because the water for them flows from the sanctuary. Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for healing."

Zechariah 14:8 "On that day living water will flow out from Jerusalem, half to the eastern sea [Dead sea] and half to the western sea [Mediterranean]... "

The Earth Prospers

The earth itself will enjoy a new prosperity, perhaps like the Garden of Eden.

Isaiah 35:1-7 “The desert and the parched land will be glad; the wilderness will rejoice and blossom. Like the crocus, it will burst into bloom; it will rejoice greatly and shout for joy.... Then will the eyes of the blind be opened and the ears of the deaf unstopped. Then will the lame leap like a deer, and the mute tongue shout for joy. Water will gush forth in the wilderness and streams in the desert. The burning sand will become a pool, the thirsty ground bubbling springs. In the haunts where jackals once lay, grass and reeds and papyrus will grow.”

God’s Glory of Jerusalem

It appears the glory cloud of God will remain over Jerusalem as in the days of Israel in the wilderness after the Exodus (Exodus 13:21-22, 40:38).

Isaiah 4:3-5 “And he who is left in Zion and remains in Jerusalem will be called holy, everyone who has been recorded for life in Jerusalem, when the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion and cleansed the bloodstains of Jerusalem from its midst by a spirit of judgment and by a spirit of burning. Then HaShem will create over the whole site of Mount Zion and over her assemblies a cloud by day, and smoke and the shining of a flaming fire by night; for over all the glory there will be a canopy.”

VI. Conclusion of the Millennial Reign of Messiah

Satan Released from the Abyss

The book of Revelation shows at the end of the Millennial Reign Satan is released from the Abyss for one, final opportunity to deceive the earth. (Remember during the Millennium there are natural humans on earth who still have freedom of choice)

Revelation 20:7-8 7 When the thousand years are over, Satan will be released from his prison 8 and will go out to deceive the nations in the four corners of the earth—Gog and Magog—and to gather them for battle. In number they are like the sand on the seashore.

Satan and Rebellious Nations Defeated

The last battle against Satan on the earth appears to be over quickly, and Satan is destroyed forever.

Revelation 20:9-10 9 They marched across the breadth of the earth and surrounded the camp of God's people, the city he loves. But fire came down from heaven and devoured them. 10 And the devil, who deceived them, was thrown into the lake of burning sulfur, where the beast and the false prophet had been thrown. They will be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

Great White Throne Judgment

The Great White Throne Judgment occurs at the end of the Millennium. Everyone who was not judged at Messiah's Second Coming now stands before God. Sin and death will be destroyed forever.

Revelation 20:11-15 11 Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. The earth and the heavens fled from his presence, and there was no place for them. 12 And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books. 13 The sea gave up the dead that were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead that were in them, and each person was judged according to what they had done. 14 Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. The lake of fire is the second death. 15 Anyone whose name was not found written in the book of life was thrown into the lake of fire.

VII. The "8th Millennium" – ALL Things Become New

Millennial Reign dynamics will be unto something even greater -- The Ages to Come: when the current heaven and earth pass away and the Father himself comes with the New Jerusalem, and an eternal future continues to unfold the revelation of the holiness of God and the Lamb!

Final Fulfillment of Shemini Atzeret

As creation enters the “8th millennium” and all things enter into eternity, this will be the final fulfillment of the Last Great Day of Sukkot (Shemini Atzeret) as the Father moves to dwell with his children.

Revelation 21 1 Then I saw “a new heaven and a new earth,” for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. 2 I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. 4 ‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death’ or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.”

5 He who was seated on the throne said, “I am making everything new!” Then he said, “Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.”

6 He said to me: “It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water without cost from the spring of the water of life. 7 Those who are victorious will inherit all this, and I will be their God and they will be my children. 8 But the cowardly, the unbelieving, the vile, the murderers, the sexually immoral, those who practice magic arts, the idolaters and all liars—they will be consigned to the fiery lake of burning sulfur. This is the second death.”

9 One of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and said to me, “Come, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb.” 10 And he carried me away in the Spirit to a mountain great and high, and showed me the Holy City, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God. 11 It shone with the glory of God, and its brilliance was like that of a very precious jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. 12 It had a great, high wall with twelve gates, and with twelve angels at the gates. On the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel. 13 There were three gates on the east, three on the north, three on the south and three on the west. 14 The wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

15 The angel who talked with me had a measuring rod of gold to measure the city, its gates and its walls. 16 The city was laid out like a square, as long as it was wide. He measured the city with the rod and found it to be 12,000 stadia in length, and as wide and high as it is long. 17 The angel measured the wall using human measurement, and it was 144 cubits thick. 18 The wall

was made of jasper, and the city of pure gold, as pure as glass. 19 The foundations of the city walls were decorated with every kind of precious stone. The first foundation was jasper, the second sapphire, the third agate, the fourth emerald, 20 the fifth onyx, the sixth ruby, the seventh chrysolite, the eighth beryl, the ninth topaz, the tenth turquoise, the eleventh jacinth, and the twelfth amethyst. 21 The twelve gates were twelve pearls, each gate made of a single pearl. The great street of the city was of gold, as pure as transparent glass.

22 I did not see a temple in the city, because the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. 23 The city does not need the sun or the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and the Lamb is its lamp. 24 The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their splendor into it. 25 On no day will its gates ever be shut, for there will be no night there. 26 The glory and honor of the nations will be brought into it. 27 Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.

So be encouraged by this vision, and so hold fast until Messiah comes!!