

Isaiah 2

Verses 1-4 of this chapter address the conditions that will exist during the one thousand year reign of Christ (the Millennium). These words will later be greatly appreciated by the Jewish nation—especially during those times when she is suffering at the hands of her enemies and, seemingly, on the brink of extinction.

Is. 2:1 The word which Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

Isaiah...saw things that will transpire in the future relating to Judah and Jerusalem. In fact, a major portion of what is stated in the book of Isaiah relates to Judah and Jerusalem. It is interesting that he saw these things during the reigns of Uzziah and Jotham—when the economy was booming and the nation was experiencing great economic blessing. Sin had inundated the land, however, as we will observe beginning with verse 5 of this chapter.

Is. 2:2 ¶ 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.

Verses 2-4 give input relating to the Millennium, the one thousand year reign of Christ on the earth. These verses are quoted by Micah, Isaiah's contemporary, in Micah 4:1-4. The phrase, “*the last days*” (v.2), along with the context of what is stated here, allows us to view these events as transpiring during the Millennium.

The topography of Jerusalem will change after Christ's Second Coming (Zechariah 14:10) and the *mountain* on which Jerusalem will sit will be the highest geographical location on the earth. The territories that the twelve *tribes* will possess, as well as the manner in which the area on top of the Millennial *mountain* is divided, are discussed in detail in Ezekiel 40-48. Seven *tribes* will live north of this *mountain* (Ezekiel 48:1-7) and five tribes to the mountain's south (Ezekiel 48:23-29). The top of the *mountain*, fifty miles square, will be divided into three sections: the northern section measuring fifty miles by twenty miles, the central section fifty miles by twenty miles, and a southern section fifty miles by ten miles. The Millennial temple, located in the center of the northern portion, will measure approximately one mile square (a dimension that can be calculated by reading Ezekiel 40:48-41:26), while Millennial Jerusalem will be ten miles square and located in the center of the southern section (Ezekiel 48:17). Therefore, it is during the Millennium that Genesis 15:18, where God describes the territory that the Jews will eventually possess and inhabit, will be fulfilled for the first time in the nation's existence. This land is situated between the *river Euphrates* and the *river of Egypt*.

Note that the Gentile nations will *stream* to Jerusalem. Multitudes of Gentiles will come to the city for a particular reason, as is discussed in the next verse.