

Bare Bones Study: Salvation in Israel's Program

Session One

In this lesson we're going to get educated in some things with regard to Israel's program and specifically salvation in the prophetic program. We need that because we're not part of the prophetic program. There is some confusion out there and I'd like to get that kind of confusion straightened out. Because this is about salvation, let me start off by listing some fundamental truths I want us to have in our mind as we get ready to go through this study.

- 1.) Salvation: being justified unto eternal life in this dispensation of Gentile grace is by Grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone, without works of any kind at any time.
- 2.) We cannot work to be saved or to stay saved
- 3.) We are secure in Christ and cannot lose our salvation no matter what we do

Now how is this possible? Because our salvation is not vested in our works; it's not vested in anything that we do; but it's vested in the finished work of Christ and nothing you do actually undoes the work that he did on the cross. So that's why you're secure, but there is a misunderstanding about things in Israel's program and I want to enumerate what those are. I'll give it to you in two statements.

- 1.) There is an idea today that says in Israel's program they were justified unto eternal life by faith and works. Right now you may be thinking, "Hey I already know that's not true; I got this! This is going to be old hat for me." Just hang on because there are verses that if you don't know how to handle them, they're going to be troublesome and they will lead you to think that in Israel's program someone is justified unto eternal life by faith and works. In just a moment I'll show you three of them.
- 2.) The second statement that gets erroneously taught is that in Israel's program a man can lose his salvation and there are some verses that when you read them you may look at them and say "wow that looks like they're losing their salvation." So what I'd like for you to do is turn in your Bible to Hebrews chapter 2, verse 3.

Hebrews 2:3 how shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him;

There are folks that look at that passage and say "how do you neglect your salvation?" How in the world would you think someone would do that? Well, you know what they would say? by not behaving as though you're saved you'd be neglecting your salvation. And here he's saying in Hebrews, how are they going to escape if they neglect their salvation. That would imply that works are important to keeping it. Now that's not really what's being talked about there, but that's what it looks like. If you read it that way now; turn to Hebrews chapter 10 and look with me in verse 26.

Hebrews 10:26 For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,

Did you see that if we sin willfully after we received the knowledge of the truth that there remains no more sacrifice for sins? To many preachers, that looks like if someone sin wilfully after they've been saved they're going to lose their salvation. There is no more sacrifice for sin. What is that talking about and what is that really trying to teach? Why is that in there? We'll take a look at that now. Let's leave the book of Hebrews and go to the very next book in your Bible; the book of James.

In James let's take a look at chapter two (there's several verses we're going to read here in James chapter two). Look with me at verses 14-17 and 20.

James 2: 14 what *doth it profit*, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works? can faith save him?¹⁵ if a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food, ¹⁶ and one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what *doth it profit*? ¹⁷ Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.

James 2:20 But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?

Grace preachers know this is not talking about the body of Christ living in this dispensation of grace. They know this is the book of James and it's written for that time when Israel's program is resumed. But they're going to say that their faith without works and I mean that was the question that was asked wasn't it? Look with me in verse 14. What *doth it profit* my brethren, though a man say hath faith and have not works, can faith save him? The implication here is "no" and in verse 17, when he faith without works is dead? They say, "See for someone in that program, they're going to have to have works in order to be saved."

Hebrews 6:4 For *it is* impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, ⁵ and have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, ⁶ if they shall fall away, to renew them again to repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put *him* to an open shame.

Now remember how he started in verse 4; he said it's impossible for those who had been enlightened and made partakers the Holy Ghost, if they shall fall away to renew them again unto repentance seeing the crucified themselves the Son of God afresh and put him to an open shame.

What's the teaching that comes out of that if you're in the tribulation and you're part of the believing remnant if you fall away? In other words, if they abandon their faith; it will be

impossible to renew them again unto repentance seeing they crucified themselves the Son of God afresh and put him to an open shame. You know what they're saying about that? They will lose their salvation.

I just want you to see this is not as simple an issue as you might have thought. If someone says well I think they got saved by faith, you'll have to explain those passages that we just looked at and a bunch of others, but when we get through with this study you'll all be able to understand what's going on in these passages; and you'll understand why you saw it wrong before now.

I'm sure there are some in this group that already know the answers to these and that's great; so this will be a review for you and I think this review will be profitable but let me just say I am convinced from the scripture that justification unto eternal life has always been by **faith without works in any age.**

Now that puts me in the minority even among grace preachers. I understand that and I'm not upset with those men; I understand what they're seeing because I used to think that same way. But there's something that if they understood I think they would change their opinion. Thinking that Israel's salvation is by faith plus works and thinking they can lose their salvation I believe comes from not really understanding four basic issues. I think I've encapsulated it all in four issues and we'll be talking about them all through the study.

1. folks fail to recognize what Israel's salvation includes;
2. they fail to recognize the nature of the David Covenant mandates;

If you're listening or watching this and you're not familiar with the 5 mandates of the Davidic Covenant, we have done that work and some other things and if you want to know what it is all about, you can contact us and we'll be glad to point you in the right direction.

3. they fail to recognize the basis on which Israel's rewards are given; and
4. they fail to recognize the proper definition of terms. Sometimes people read a term, a word, or a phrase and they automatically start thinking about it in a certain way and they don't understand that the word or phrase is being used differently.

I think those four issues kind of encapsulate the whole thing and if you've heard that teaching and you actually believe that Israel is saved by faith and works; or you believe they can lose their salvation, I'm just asking you to give me a hearing. I used to think that as well, and then I learned something about what was going on in Israel's program.

It is not some little issue hid over in the corner that everybody overlooked. This is sitting all back in the Old Testament. It's sitting in all the Gospels and it's all over Hebrews to Revelation; but if you don't know about it; if it's something you don't see, then you're going to come to the wrong conclusion about this kind of salvation.

Just to be clear, no one in Israel's program has ever been justified unto eternal life by faith and works. Over there in James we read faith without works is dead; yes we did and I'm still making this statement to you and when we're through you're going to understand that no one in Israel's program was saved by faith and works; they were not justified unto to eternal life by faith and works but by faith only: and once they're justified unto eternal life, no one in that program has ever lost their salvation. I just want to make that clear and I can say that with full confidence. In fact, I can hardly keep from smiling because I know what the solution to this is and once you see it you'll smile too.

So why is this important if it doesn't concern our salvation? Well because of what Paul said right here in Romans chapter 15 verse 4.

Romans 15:4 For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.

What he says, that's back in the prophetic program. It was written for our learning – no not for our practice, but for our learning. Well since those things were written for our learning let's learn them properly, because if you don't understand it properly it's not going to do what it's supposed to do. So the purpose of this study is to educate us in exactly how God was dealing with the nation of Israel in time past and how he'll deal with them in the time to come. Now to do this we need to do two things: 1) we need to establish a timeline and 2) we need to set a frame of reference for our study.

I'm only focusing on really one part of the timeline. If we go all the way back – here's Adam, here's Abraham, and here's David. After David we know that Israel begins going through the courses of punishment.

The first course of punishment (CoP) is the 450 years under the Judges. The second CoP is during the time of Elijah; the third Elisha; the fourth is the evil kings of Israel and here's the 5th CoP. When you get to the 5th CoP, we're going to enlarge that one on our time line. So what you have on this board is the 5th course of punishment and we find out in the book of Daniel that the 5th course of punishment has 5 installments to it.

1. The first installment of the 5th course of punishment is the Babylonian captivity and that lasted for 70 years.

God kept warning them and warning them: if you don't repent, if you don't turn around , if you don't obey my law I'll punished you (1), punished you (2), punished you (3), punished you (4), and then we get to 5-1, there's the 5th course and the first installment is Israel's captivity and that begins the Times of the Gentiles.

At the end of the 70 years captivity we're going to come to the:

2. Second installment of the 5th course of punishment and that is 49 years.

In the rebuilding of the temple in Jerusalem, that's during the time of Nehemiah and Ezra. Now if you really want details about this one then I'll refer you back to level one of our teaching in the School of Biblical Studies, called God's Plan and Purpose with Israel. That'll walk you through every bit of the courses of punishment. I think it's about 22 or 24 sessions long, but it's a pretty good foundation for understanding those things.

In the second installment of the fifth course of punishment that's under the time of Nehemiah and Ezra is when you get to the:

3. Third installment of the 5th course of punishment you have the time when the silence of God will last for 400 years.

God is not going to say anything to the people of Israel. There's no prophet – God hasn't raised anyone up. He's not sending angels; none of that is happening. When God breaks that silence it starts the 4th installment of the 5th course of punishment and here's what that is:

4. The fourth installment of the 5th course of punishment is the 34 years that starts with the birth of John the Baptist and runs all the way to the crucifixion; and that is the days of the Messiah. The public ministry of Jesus; and then his death, burial and resurrection and it's all included in the Gospel accounts of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.

The next one is going to be and that's following the crucifixion and is the 40 days he's ascends back to the Father and when that's over (this is something that no one saw coming: I'm going to call it the extension of mercy (EoM)). God gives the nation of Israel one more chance to change their mind about the Christ (it is for 1 year and it runs from Acts chapter 1 to chapter 7). God, in that year, gives them 3 opportunities to change their mind and believe the Gospel of the Kingdom.

What was the Gospel of the Kingdom? It was the preaching that Jesus of Nazareth was that prophesied Christ of Israel that all the Old Testament prophets talked about when they spoke of the Messiah; and when Jesus showed that it was him; and that's what you would put your faith in if you believe the Gospel of the Kingdom. Remember, that's what Jesus is asking them. Remember when he says to Peter.... "Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?"¹⁴ And they said, "Some say that thou art John the Baptist: some, Elias; and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets and He said But whom do you say that I am?"

Here's what Peter says "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." That's the issue of how you get saved in the Gospel of the Kingdom. Blessed art thou Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven. So if you're going to be

justified unto eternal life during the days of the Messiah, you would put your faith in the fact that Jesus is the prophesied Christ.

In this one year extension of mercy now, the Spirit comes and He's giving them three opportunities: that are accompanied by what the Bible says: "a notable miracle." By the way, the people that said the miracle was notable were the very ones who were rejecting it: that's not just God's opinion: they said.....for that indeed **a notable miracle** hath been done by them...and we cannot deny it. But they're going to reject it anyway and become increasingly hostile in their rejection. The first rejection is kind of a slap on the wrist; the second one is much more significant; and in their third opportunity, they murder Stephen, and then what God does is He interrupts his program with Israel.

Israel still has other parts that have been prophesied to take place and what God does now is he brings in the dispensation of Gentile grace (DoGG), and that is the age that we are living in today. So here we are, January the 28, 2024, and we are still in the dispensation of Gentile grace.

People have been predicting that this dispensation is going to be ended almost from the time it started. I have no idea and I think you know that there are things that you're supposed to be about, in the meantime so don't get caught up on that. When the event that ends the dispensation of Gentile grace; (the resurrection of everyone who was saved during this dispensation of grace and the catching away of the living members of the body of Christ called the *blessed hope*) that takes us all off of the earth and out of the way: and now starts the resumption of Israel's program, and that is the 5th and the final installment of the 5th CoP.

So there are 5 courses of punishment and the 5th course has 5 installments to it. When you get to this last installment: it is 7 years – the time schedule that comes out of the book of Daniel. When we call it Daniel's 70th week, it is a week of years; it's seven years. I want to provide a frame of reference for our study. The time of the study is going to be focused in that 5th and final installment, because everything is coming to a head right there.

We need to understand some things about how God operates with the nation of Israel and to do that we're going to have to know some things about the book of Hebrews. We need to have a very general outline of the book, and we need to understand what that book is trying to do; so that we'll understand it from the position of being a member of the believing remnant. You're not a member of the BR, you're the body of Christ, but understand when that happens, when this begins to unfold, you are already gone. So we're going to look at the structure of the book of Hebrews and what it is designed to do.

The book of Hebrews is the first in a series of nine books that complete the canon of scripture in your Bible as they're laid out and they're laid out exactly right. In fact, when you get to

Hebrews, James, 1&2 Peter, 1, 2, 3 John, Jude and Revelation; those books are in an order. Just like Romans-Philemon is for us, Hebrews-Revelation is in an edification order for the members of the believing remnant. It's taking them from milk to meat; and actually from Hebrews-Jude, there's an instruction going on for two different types of members of the believing remnant

Once the dispensation of Gentile grace is over and God's program with Israel has resumed, the members of the believing remnant will need to pay attention to the books of Hebrews to Revelation because there's some important doctrinal information for them. I want to tell you how important that is because that's the crux of what we're doing here.

Let's move back into our timeline just for a moment and let's get some terminology in our thinking. We are in the dispensation of Gentile grace, and if you're looking at Israel's program 98% of everything that was said would happen to them has already taken place; but there is still a piece that is waiting to be fulfilled and you would say "yes that is that 5th installment of the 5th course of punishment."

I want to give you a term that the apostle Paul uses to describe this part that Israel is still waiting for, and that is the time of Israel's fulness. I want you to understand that in the Bible there is a lot of information about God's program with Israel. In just a moment I'm going to show you a verse about this because Paul is going to tell you this is the part that hasn't yet taken place.

The point I want to make here is that of all of the courses of punishment (1 through 5); the 5th course has the most information written about it in your Bible. And when you get to the 5th course and the 5 installments, it is the 5th installment of the 5th course that has the most information written about it in your Bible: because again, this is the climax of where everything is headed in God's plan to reconcile the earth back to himself; to destroy the satanic policy of evil; for Satan to bring his man of sin onto the world's stage; all of that is going to be happening in the 5th installment of the 5th course of punishment. The overwhelming amount of material that is in your Bible about this issue (the 5th installment of the 5th CoP) and that's the time of Israel's fulness; and that's what is waiting to yet be fulfilled; but it will not be fulfilled until the dispensation of Gentile grace has come to an end.

When Israel's program is resumed those people are going to hear the same gospel that was being preached back in the days of the Messiah: the gospel of the kingdom. What is the gospel of the kingdom? Well what did you put your faith in? That Jesus is the prophesied Christ – there's where your faith is and why is it called the gospel of the kingdom? It is called the gospel of the kingdom because that gospel included an announcement (from the days of the Messiah 5-4), that the kingdom is at hand.

Now, how much did anybody know about this dispensation of Gentile grace (DoGG)? Nothing, for that knowledge was a secret kept from before the foundation of the world. Nobody knew about that, so you know what they're all looking at – just drop the DoGG out from your timeline and close that up and you'll find yourself in the days of the Messiah. You'd find yourself in Israel's last days. Like I said, 98% of the program is already behind you. You are truly in those last days and then He's cut off. You had that one year extension of mercy, the program gets interrupted, God's now calling out the members of the body of Christ to inhabit the heavenly places in glorified bodies; and when they get caught up at the Blessed Hope, Israel's program resumes. He'll bring that last week; it's the only thing left out of 70 weeks, as 69 of them have already taken place: there's only one left and when He gets ready to do that it's going to be the time of Israel's fulness. It is the time for Israel's program to be fulfilled; that's why Paul calls it their fulness, in other words it's when everything is going to consummate; everything is going to get wrapped up.

When they hear "the kingdom is at hand," by the way, were they preaching in the 1st installment of the 5th course of punishment that the kingdom was at hand? No. And when they went away captive to Babylon was anybody preaching the kingdom is at hand? No. Did they know there was a kingdom? Yes. Are they looking for a kingdom? Yes. I mean they want it to appear, but not until Jesus shows up. Remember what's commonly referred to as the Lord's Prayer; when the disciples said, "Lord, teach us to pray," remember what He says? "Our father which art in heaven..... thy kingdom come." Why? Because that gospel being preached is saying that the kingdom is at hand. You're praying in connection with where you are in the program and that's what they are doing. So whoever puts their faith that Jesus is the Christ, they get justified unto eternal life. Question: Does that make them part of the body of Christ? No. It makes them part of the believing remnant (BR).

When they find themselves out in the time of their fulness, they're going to be living in a very dangerous time. In fact, their lives are on the line for various reasons. Now remember that the believing remnant is justified unto eternal life (JUEL) – that's soul salvation; that is salvation from the debt and penalty of sin. When you trusted Christ as your all sufficient savior, you were justified unto eternal life; you were made righteous; you were in Christ, and you were made righteous. That's exactly what happened to them when they put their faith in the Messiah.

I just shake my head when I hear someone say there's only been one gospel; that is not the case. When Jesus and his disciples were preaching the gospel the kingdom, let me ask you this: when it came down to the end and Jesus is getting ready to go to the cross, do they act like they know the gospel of the death, burial and resurrection? In fact, when He died on the cross what did the disciples do? They went back to fishing; they thought it was over.

If your faith was in the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ, you know what you'd have been doing? You'd have been sitting at that tomb waiting for the 3rd day. What does Thomas say when they say we've seen the resurrected Lord? He says "I'm not going to believe that till I put my hands in his wound." Does that sound like he believed in the death, burial and resurrection? It did not. That's a different gospel for a different time.

So when people say well there's only ever been one gospel, there's only one gospel **today**; and that's the gospel of Christ; His finished work on the cross. That's why Paul says, if any man preach any other gospel unto you than that you have received let him be accursed. But back there they weren't preaching the death, burial and resurrection.

When the BR is out there living during that very dangerous time, they're going to need some very special doctrinal information that will allow them to survive that time because it is so dangerous. For the BR to survive, they're going to need some very special information, and where are they going to get it? The first place they're going to get it is from the Old Testament. They're going to get it from the Law; from the Psalms which is the wisdom books, and especially from the prophets. You know why; because those prophet books in your Bible, from Isaiah through Malachi, are all from 5th course of punishment prophets. They're all writing about the 5th course of punishment.

Some of them talk about the Babylonian captivity, but there are others like Ezra and Nehemiah (captivity was already over and they're back home trying to rebuild the temple in the city of Jerusalem); Ezra and Nehemiah are not talking about captivity. They are looking ahead (400 years of silence, days of the Messiah, and the 5th installment of the 5th CoP); so these are 5th course prophets and the majority of their talking is about the 5th installment of that course. So the BR is going to find information in the Old Testament that is very important.

Remember what I told you; if you believe the gospel of the kingdom you became part of the believing remnant; they were justified unto eternal life. The members of the believing remnant will have the opportunity to avail themselves of a physical deliverance during that tribulation time.

When I say a physical deliverance, I'm talking about not only from the judgments that are going to be falling during that time, but also from the activity of the Antichrist. I'm going to say it this way, as part of their salvation package, the believing remnant are going to be offered the opportunity to avoid being overtaken by those events and being killed, hunted down, or dying during that tribulation. They already have soul salvation that's what makes them part of the remnant. They are not lost. If they're part of the believing remnant; they're already justified because they already have salvation from the debt and penalty of sin, because of the first mandate of the David Covenant, when Christ came and functioned as the Redeemer.

So they got that, but now what's being offered to them is a salvation that ties together their justification and their sanctification into one single package. It is two things but they're kind of delivered in one package. That's why the Lord is able to say some things that sound very confusing.

Let me say it this way. The Lord can say to them on the one hand that they are saved and they have eternal life, and then he can turn around and say to them if you don't endure to the end you won't be saved. So when someone sees that and thinks that's talking about the same kind of salvation, you know what they're thinking..... you can lose your salvation. That's not what the Lord is doing he's referring to Deliverer.

When you get out here in the 5th installment, you're going to need God to intervene for you, and He's going to do that by means of his angels. We'll talk about that too; in fact we'll read a verse about that over in Psalm 83. God is going to use his angels. Remember what happens at the midpoint of the tribulation, when the Antichrist goes into the temple and he sits down, proclaiming himself to be God and then everybody will have to take the mark of the beast because if they don't take the mark, they won't be able buy or sell. So if you're not taking the mark, it's going to be really hard to find food. God is going to use His angels to deliver those kinds of provisions to the believing remnant.

The second thing is that at the midpoint of the tribulation, the Antichrist starts his extermination policy and God's angels are going to help hide the members of the believing remnant. The judgments are going to be falling, so they'll need Divine protection.

Later we're going to read a verse that shows you that a lot of those things that were happening back early in the 3rd CoP with Elisha, (beast that lived on the earth became so vicious that the highways in Israel became desolate because it was too dangerous to travel from city to city). Do you remember how God kicked off that 3rd course of punishment? Two she-bears come out of the woods and maul 42 children. That is the sign to the nation that: I gave you space to repent you didn't do it. I told you what was going to happen and now you're encountering the 3rd course of punishment. That is going to start getting revisited, and we'll read a verse that says that a whole lot of people got killed by animals during that time. It's going to shock you when you see how many.

So the Lord is offering them a salvation package that, by faith, saves them from the debt and penalty of sin. But by them doing something, which would be called a work, they are going to be offered an escape from the dangers in the tribulation. And guess what, if you don't do those works, you don't get the miraculous salvation from these things. Now I know that sounds like a stretch, but we're going to read the verses and it'll make perfect sense to you. So the Lord offers them a salvation package that not only saves them from sin, but also in their sanctification (that's your functional life); he saves them from the dangers of the tribulation. And they're

expected to line up the different mandates with the different salvations, because they're all called a salvation.

When Christ dies on the cross as the Redeemer – that is soul salvation, and that always happens by faith. But here's the next thing: when you get into the tribulation, what's the next mandate of the Davidic Covenant? Deliverer - He begins now to deliver them from all those things I just got through listing. At the end of this 5th installment of the 5th CoP, the next mandate is Avenger; and there is a salvation in accordance with the Lord being Deliverer and Avenger. We're going to look at those because the Lord identifies himself just that way.

So think about it. Responding to the Redeemer saves their soul and it makes them part of the believing remnant. They believe that Jesus is the Christ. Responding to the Deliverer mandate saves them from the threats of the 5th installment; from the time of Jacob's Trouble; and that could be all of those things I talked about: providing them food and water, giving them a place to hide from the Antichrist, protecting them from all the other things that are going on during that time. That salvation is not automatic. It is contingent and when we read the verses that talk about it you'll understand that the salvation in connection with Deliverer is not from the debt and penalty of sin (Christ being the Redeemer – that's the salvation from the debt and penalty of sin).

By the way, if he's delivering, what do you think he's delivering them from? They're already members of the believing remnant. So there is a salvation from the effects of the tribulation, and what they have to do to get that is not automatic. They're going to get delivered by holding fast to some things that they are told in the book of Hebrews. If you're holding fast to something, it means that not only do you still believe that, but your actions reflect that you believe. So if a guy says I believe that Jesus alone is what saves us, but I need to get baptized 12 times just to be sure, is that holding fast? No, because his actions really revealed what he believes. The believing remnant is going to be told they have to hold fast to some things, "that ye may be accounted worthy to escape" and then he's going to talk about these things that are happening in the tribulation. The Bible calls that a salvation.

Remember, I said that one of the 4 things that people don't understand is they don't define their terms properly. If every time you read salvation in the Hebrew epistles, you're talking about salvation from sin, then you're going to start thinking you need works, and you can lose your salvation. Because this salvation; (under the Deliverer mandate) is not automatic. To get it you're going to have to do some works and if you don't hold fast to your profession of faith, then you will no longer be divinely protected; and the deliverance will not be taking place for you. But if you thought that salvation (Deliverer) was this salvation (Redeemer), it looks like someone lost their salvation.

Do you see that's not what's going on over there? Deliverer and Avenger salvation is such a big part; and that's why they're the mandates of the David Covenant. God's been talking about this issue all the way back in the Old Testament, and when he covenants with David and you read the Psalms and get the explanation of this; you will understand that this is a huge issue in Israel's program. God in his omniscient knows exactly what's going to be happening out here in the 5th installment, and he has been spelling this out for them all along – that when you get out here, and yes you're part of the believing remnants so you got redeemed, but if you don't have the Deliverer, you're not going to make it to the end.

And then there is another salvation in connection with the Avenger mandate. Let me just say it briefly, I'm not really trying to focus on the Avenger mandate right now, but the Avenger mandate is the ability to be able not only to make it all the way to the end; but this is what Jesus calls it: he says I want you to be able to survive all the way to the end "and to stand before the Lord." He's going to talk about what "and to stand before the Lord" means; and what's he talking about because the salvation that goes along with this is the ability to be part of the Lord's royal house, which means the BR will get to live with him on the earth in Israel's program in the two places where he is going to be manifestly present on the earth in the kingdom. The two places are: the temple where he is going to do his work, and the new Jerusalem, which is going to be his dwelling place. Remember what Jesus said to his disciples? I go to prepare a place for you... in my father's house are many mansions.

And that new Jerusalem is going to wind up being right back over there in Jerusalem. The temple is on one hill and on that other hill there is going to be the new Jerusalem; and the new Jerusalem is where they're going to live, because that's where the Lord is going to occupy His dwelling. Then when they go to work, his throne is going to be in the millennial temple. Remember what Jesus said to the 12; He said you will sit on 12 thrones judging the 12 tribes of Israel.

So here's the thing; you need to understand - Just because you're a member of the believing remnant doesn't mean you're automatically going to live in the new Jerusalem and rule with the Lord. Those are not automatic. Remember what I said to you about those 4 things at the start? One of those things is to understand is what Israel's salvation does and does not include.

In this DoGG, when we trusted Christ we got everything, so we think Israel's the same way, but that's not it. In Israel's program when you get this salvation (the Redeemer), you get saved from the debt and penalty of sin; but that does not mean that you're going to be able to rule with him in the kingdom because there are some things you will have to do to qualify to do that.

Can I make a parallel with Sonship? Everybody is a son, everybody's getting a glorified body; but not everybody is going to reign with Him, because they don't suffer with him. The scripture

says, if we suffer with him we shall reign with him; and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him. Is everybody going to automatically do that? The answer is no, but if you can't see it in Israel's program, you probably can't see it in this one either. So you will wind up teaching that folks in Israel are losing their salvation, and they need works in order to be saved, because they read the word salvation the same way every time it shows up; and they forget that these writers are writing to saved Hebrews. So they're not talking to them about being saved from sin. They are talking to them about being saved/delivered out in the day of wrath; and being part of the Lord's royal entourage; and living with Him in the new Jerusalem; and laboring with him in the millennium temple. So it's quite a different thing.

So where are they going to get this information they need to be able to get the salvations that are in connection with all of the Davidic Covenant mandates? Well they're going to get in from the Old Testament; I mean a lot is in the Psalms, but information in the Prophets is really where that gets honed in on. In the Old Testament they talked about it; in fact this was told to Daniel. Daniel keeps asking questions about this time (70th Week), and finally the Lord says shut up the book and seal it until the time of the end - I'm not going to tell you anymore.

But there is more information that's going to be coming and when the Lord Jesus shows up, he begins now to point them back to that last time, and give them information that they did not get in the Old Testament. So what you got was Jesus' corrective doctrine and all the things that he's telling them about the time which is to come. So there's the second issue. And then Jesus is going to make a very surprising statement.

When Jesus is here he's talking to his followers and did he talk to his disciples as though they're going to go into this time (70th Week/tribulation). Yes. Here's what he's saying: You're going to need some doctrine to preserve you out here; and he's going to say: but you're not ready to hear it yet. I can't tell it to you now, but after I go away – and they look at Him and go, whoa, wait you're going away? He goes, yeah. I'm going to go away. Now there is a time when I'm coming back. I'm going to go away and you're not going to see me, but I need to prepare you for how to go through this time without me; and to do that you're going to need some additional doctrine. His disciples didn't end up going through the tribulation, so in the future, there are going to be people that didn't actually walk with Jesus right. So where will they find out what the Prophets said – by reading the Old Testament. Where will they find out what Jesus said – by reading Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.

Now we've got one more issue and that is the books of Hebrews to Revelation and guess where that information comes from? Where did the Peter get the information to write 1 & 2 Peter? Where did John get the information to write 1, 2, & 3 John and Revelation? It came from the Spirit of God; He inspired them to write those books. Wasn't that the work of the Spirit, and that's exactly what Jesus is going to say. He says, I'm going to go away but I'm going to send

someone, the Comforter, the Spirit, and He's going to guide you into all truth. In fact they're going to take that, and they're going to write that down in the books of Hebrews to Revelation.

I've talked about the time of Israel's fulness, so let me give you the verse in Romans. The time of Israel's fulness is yet to come; it is not going to be done during the dispensation of Gentile grace. Their program cannot resume until the blessed hope, so that being the case look at what Paul says in Romans chapter 11.

Romans 11:11 I say then, Have they stumbled that they should fall? God forbid: but *rather* through their fall salvation *is come* unto the Gentiles, for to provoke them to jealousy.¹² Now if the fall of them *be* the riches of the world, and the diminishing of them the riches of the Gentiles; how much more their fulness?

In other words, if their fall has been riches and they're diminishing has been riches, how much more is it going to be when they're fulness gets here? So he's talking about it like it's yet future, and just to clarify that, when he asked that question "have they stumbled that they should fall," he's not asking "have they stumbled;" he admits they have. He's asking "is Israel going to be now permanently cut off from the position that they held? Is God done with them? Is he through with them? Are they ever going to see the promises fulfilled that were made to them and the covenants; are they going to see those fulfilled?" That's the question Paul is asking. He said if they stumbled that they should fall are they're never going to realize the things that that were promised to them? Here's Paul's answer God forbid! God is not through with Israel, so the point here is we are not Israel's replacement. We never have been, never intended to be. God is not finished with Israel.

The point we're after in verse 12 is that their fulness is still yet to come; they have fallen already; they've been diminished already; but their fulness is still waiting. Let me just ask you do you understand that there is a salvation package that involves more than just being saved from sin? But that the rest of these salvations that are in connection with the other mandates of the David Covenant – and I know you're thinking, well why don't we fill in the King and the Blessing? We will. I want you to understand that this all is part of a salvation package. The Redeemer is by faith alone; so when James says if a man says he has faith and have not works can faith save him, he's not talking about saving him from the debt and penalty of sin; he's talking to people who are already saved.

James is talking about can they save him out here in the tribulation; in connection with the Deliverer and Avenger mandate. Remember those verses we read at the beginning:

Hebrews 2:3 How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard *him*;

He's not talking about a salvation from sin; he's talking about a salvation from what is going to be happening out there in the Day of Wrath. What you're going to see here will open your eyes to the whole scheme of what God has been talking to Israel about from the very beginning, when He's talking about these things.

I want to encapsulate what we're after. Turn with me to Luke 21:36.

Luke 21:36 Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.

Remember when we talked about that? He's saying pray that you may be accounted worthy. Is there worthiness just by saying "Oh Lord please pick me, pick me!" No. The BR are going to get worthy by the works that they do. There are certain things that they are called on to do. Look at James 2.

James 2:14 What doth it profit, my brethren, though a man say he hath faith, and have not works? Can faith save him?

Can his faith alone save him during the Tribulation? It cannot. Now, he's going to talk about the kind of works. If a brother or sister (he talking about other members of the believing remnant): if a brother or sister be naked or destitute of daily food. Why would fellow members of the remnant be starving and without clothing? Because they can't buy or sell without the mark; they're suffering the same things too. Verse 16 says...

James 2:16 and one of you said to them Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; notwithstanding you give them not those things which are needful to the body; what doth it profit?

In other words if you see your fellow members of the believing remnant, and they have a need and you're not going to meet that need; then guess what, isn't your faith alone? Is that going to save you out here in the tribulation? No, if you're going to be accounted worthy to escape those things which shall come to pass, you're going to have to have some works; and this is part of those works and they know it. By the way, didn't Jesus say the same thing? I was in prison you didn't visit me....and they say when did we see you like that; and then he said inasmuch as you did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me.

He's teaching them the same principle that's now being enlarged upon here in James. So when James in verse 17, says... faith without works is dead being alone. The issue is not eternal life; the issue is making it through the tribulation and not turning back from the things that you are supposed to do. So if you will remain faithful, you'll not only make it all the way to the end; but you will stand before the Son of man to receive a great reward. Not only will you get delivered, you understand Deliverer is a physical deliverance that happens right here. The reward with

King, Blesser is going to be out in the millennium kingdom. So if you're able to stand before Him at the end, you'll be part of the Lord's royal house to reign with him.

Now can the BR lose that? They sure can and you know why? You will only be able to reign with Him, because you were obedient to do what Hebrews through Revelation told you to do – that's the requirement. Some people think that if you're saved in Israel's program you just get it all. You don't get it all in this program (DoGG). Here's what I know. If you don't suffer with Him, you're not going to reign with him and that has nothing to do with your salvation from the debt and penalty of sin. It has to do with your sanctification, same principle here.