

The Tsunami Blessing, Inside and Out, Part 74

Jesus' earthly life and ministry proved He was indeed blessed to be a blessing. You were predestined to share His life as well as inherit His ministry. Partner with Holy Spirit to activate your faith so wherever you go you will arrive in the fullness of the blessing.

The entrance of Holy Spirit into your life brings about a supernatural disposition that never changes unless you stop believing that heaven cannot occupy earth even now. God has anointed you with Holy Spirit and power to superimpose the kingdom of God over every world system. You have the authority of Jesus to rout every alien that causes failure to thrive as a joint heir with Christ.

History will repeat itself taking from bad to worse if you will not occupy as an owner as Jesus commanded. First, give God the express right of way to transform you completely. You do not want to live bound when the freedom from decay is ever-present. In addition, you possess the tools to transform everything around you. That is the reason God always ushers in His cure from the inside, out.

God's glory in and upon you moves anyone and anything from corruption to incorruption. Then you can stand ready to transform the creation around you that mourns to enjoy the supernatural reversal of blight too. That is how you go from one level of glory to the next level of glory.

Crystallization of the Blessed Life

Romans 15:29 King James Version (KJV)

²⁹And I am sure that, when I come unto you, I shall come in the fulness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ.

Matthew 5:1-12 King James Version (KJV)

¹And seeing the multitudes, he went up into a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him:

²And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying,

- ³ Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- ⁴ Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.
- ⁵ Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.
- ⁶ Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.
- ⁷ Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.
- ⁸ Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.
- ⁹ Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.
- ¹⁰ Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- ¹¹ Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.
- ¹² Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

Matthew 5:1-12 Amplified Bible (AMP)

The Sermon on the Mount; The Beatitudes

¹ When Jesus saw the crowds, He went up on the mountain; and when He was seated, His ^[a]disciples came to Him. ² Then He *began* to teach them, saying,

³ "Blessed [spiritually prosperous, happy, to be admired] are the poor in spirit [those devoid of spiritual arrogance, those who regard themselves as insignificant], for theirs is the kingdom of heaven [both now and forever].

⁴ "Blessed [forgiven, refreshed by God's grace] are those who mourn[over their sins and repent], for they will be comforted [when the burden of sin is lifted].

⁵ "Blessed [inwardly peaceful, spiritually secure, worthy of respect] are the ^[b]gentle [the kind-hearted, the sweet-spirited, the self-controlled], for they will inherit the earth.

⁶“Blessed [joyful, nourished by God’s goodness] are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness [those who actively seek right standing with God], for they will be [completely] satisfied.

⁷“Blessed [content, sheltered by God’s promises] are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

⁸“Blessed [anticipating God’s presence, spiritually mature] are the pure in heart [those with integrity, moral courage, and godly character], for they will see God.

⁹“Blessed [spiritually calm with life-joy in God’s favor] are the makers *and* maintainers of peace, for they will [express His character and] be called the sons of God.

¹⁰“Blessed [comforted by inner peace and God’s love] are those who are persecuted for ^[a]doing that which is morally right, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven [both now and forever].

¹¹“Blessed [morally courageous and spiritually alive with life-joy in God’s goodness] are you when *people* insult you and persecute you, and falsely say all kinds of evil things against you because of [your association with] Me. ¹²Be glad and exceedingly joyful, for your reward in heaven is great [absolutely inexhaustible]; for in this same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Footnotes:

- a. [Matthew 5:1](#) A disciple was a “learner” who may have been curious or convinced or committed.
- b. [Matthew 5:5](#) Or *humble, meek*.
- c. [Matthew 5:10](#) Lit *the sake of righteousness*.

Deuteronomy 28:1-14 King James Version (KJV)

¹ And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth:

²And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God.

³Blessed shalt thou be in the city, and blessed shalt thou be in the field.

⁴Blessed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, and the fruit of thy cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep.

⁵Blessed shall be thy basket and thy store.

⁶Blessed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and blessed shalt thou be when thou goest out.

⁷The LORD shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways.

⁸The LORD shall command the blessing upon thee in thy storehouses, and in all that thou settest thine hand unto; and he shall bless thee in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

⁹The LORD shall establish thee an holy people unto himself, as he hath sworn unto thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of the LORD thy God, and walk in his ways.

¹⁰And all people of the earth shall see that thou art called by the name of the LORD; and they shall be afraid of thee.

¹¹And the LORD shall make thee plenteous in goods, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which the LORD swore unto thy fathers to give thee.

¹²The LORD shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in his season, and to bless all the work of thine hand: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow.

¹³And the LORD shall make thee the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath; if that thou hearken unto the commandments of the LORD thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and to do them:

¹⁴And thou shalt not go aside from any of the words which I command thee this day, to the right hand, or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them.

Deuteronomy 28:47 King James Version (KJV)

⁴⁷Because thou servedst not the LORD thy God with joyfulness, and with gladness of heart, for the abundance of all things;

Numbers 22:12 King James Version (KJV)

¹²And God said unto Balaam, Thou shalt not go with them; thou shalt not curse the people: for they are blessed.

Numbers 23:20 King James Version (KJV)

²⁰Behold, I have received commandment to bless: and he hath blessed; and I cannot reverse it.

Deuteronomy 23:5 King James Version (KJV)

⁵Nevertheless the LORD thy God would not hearken unto Balaam; but the LORD thy God turned the curse into a blessing unto thee, because the LORD thy God loved thee.

1 Chronicles 4:9-10 The Voice (VOICE)

⁹Jabez, whose name commemorates his mother's labor pains, was more honorable than his brothers. ¹⁰He asked the God of Israel, "Please bless me and extend my territory. Let Your hand be with me and guard me from harm so I will not experience pain *as my mother did*." And God did just that.

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surrounding Jabez's birth were more intense than his siblings that it generated the curse. On the other hand, kâbêd is also good, i.e., numerable, rich, glory, promotion, and prevail. Jabez invoked a changed position and condition because his pain was a tangible felt need. God answered his prayer favorably and promptly. This is evidence that you have power with God to transform any or all areas of your life for His glory and your good, no matter the cause or effect of it. You too can remember your past without the pain.

Seven Traditional Blessings

1. Abundance
2. Grace
3. Love
4. Divine Protection
5. Success
6. Happiness
7. Fertility

Clarity of the Blessed Life

Isaiah 61 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

¹The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed *and* qualified me to preach the Gospel *of* good tidings to the meek, the poor, *and* afflicted; He has sent me to bind up *and* heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the [physical and spiritual] captives and the opening of the prison *and* of the eyes to those who are bound,

²To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord [the year of His favor] ^[a]and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn,

³To grant [consolation and joy] to those who mourn in Zion—to give them an ornament (a garland or diadem) of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, the garment [expressive] of praise instead of a heavy, burdened, *and* failing spirit—that they may be called oaks of righteousness [lofty, strong, and magnificent, distinguished for uprightness, justice, and right standing with God], the planting of the Lord, that He may be glorified.

⁴And they shall rebuild the ancient ruins; they shall raise up the former desolations and renew the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations.

⁵Aliens shall stand [ready] and feed your flocks, and foreigners shall be your plowmen and your vinedressers.

⁶But you shall be called the priests of the Lord; people will speak of you as the ministers of our God. You shall eat the wealth of the nations, and the glory [once that of your captors] shall be yours.

⁷Instead of your [former] shame you shall have a twofold recompense; instead of dishonor *and* reproach [your people] shall rejoice in their portion. Therefore in their land they shall possess double [what they had forfeited]; everlasting joy shall be theirs.

⁸For I the Lord love justice; I hate robbery *and* wrong with violence *or* a burnt offering. And I will faithfully give them their recompense in truth, and I will make an everlasting covenant *or* league with them.

⁹And their offspring shall be known among the nations and their descendants among the peoples. All who see them [in their prosperity] will recognize *and* acknowledge that they are the people whom the Lord has blessed.

¹⁰I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul will exult in my God; for He has clothed me with the garments of salvation, He has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

¹¹For as [surely as] the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring forth, so [surely] the Lord God will cause rightness *and* justice and praise to spring forth before all the nations [through the self-fulfilling power of His word].

Footnotes:

- a. [Isaiah 61:2](#) See footnote on Ezek. 34:28.

Catapulting into the Blessed Life

Isaiah 60 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

¹Arise [from the depression and prostration in which circumstances have kept you—rise to a new life]! Shine (be radiant with the glory of the Lord), for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you!

²For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and dense darkness [all] peoples, but the Lord shall arise upon you [O Jerusalem], and His glory shall be seen on you.

³And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.

⁴Lift up your eyes round about you and see! They all gather themselves together, they come to you. Your sons shall come from afar, and your daughters shall be carried *and* nursed in the arms.

⁵Then you shall see and be radiant, and your heart shall thrill *and* tremble with joy [at the glorious deliverance] and be enlarged; because the abundant wealth of the [Dead] ^[a]Sea shall be turned to you, unto you shall the nations come with their treasures.

⁶A multitude of camels [from the eastern trading tribes] shall cover you [Jerusalem], the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all the men from Sheba [who once came to trade] shall come, bringing gold and frankincense and proclaiming the praises of the Lord.

⁷All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered to you [as the eastern pastoral tribes join the trading tribes], the rams of Nebaioth shall minister to you; they shall come up with acceptance on My altar, and My glorious house I will glorify.

⁸Who are these who fly like a cloud, and like doves to their windows?

⁹Surely the isles *and* distant coastlands shall wait for *and* expect Me; and the ships of Tarshish [shall come] first, to bring your sons from afar, their silver

and gold with them, for the name of the Lord your God, for the Holy One of Israel, because He has beautified *and* glorified you.

¹⁰Foreigners shall build up your walls, and their kings shall minister to you; for in My wrath I smote you, but in My favor, pleasure, *and* goodwill I have had mercy, love, *and* pity for you.

¹¹And your gates shall be open continually, they shall not be shut day or night, that men may bring to you the wealth of the nations—and their kings led in procession [your voluntary captives].

¹²For the nation and kingdom that will not serve you in that day [Jerusalem] shall perish; yes, those nations shall be utterly laid waste.

¹³The glory of Lebanon shall come to you, the cypress, the plane, and the pine [trees] together, to beautify the place of My sanctuary; and I will make the place of My feet glorious.

¹⁴The sons of those who afflicted you shall come bending low to you, and all those who despised you shall bow down at your feet, and they shall call you the City of the Lord, the Zion of the Holy One of Israel.

¹⁵Whereas you have been forsaken and hated, so that no man passed through you, I will make you [Jerusalem] an eternal glory, a joy from age to age.

¹⁶You shall suck the milk of the [Gentile] nations and shall suck the breast of kings; and you shall recognize *and* know that I, the Lord, am your Savior and your Redeemer, the Mighty One of Jacob.

¹⁷Instead of bronze I will bring gold, and instead of iron I will bring silver; and instead of wood, bronze, and instead of stones, iron. [Instead of the tyranny of the present] I will appoint peace as your officers and righteousness as your taskmasters.

¹⁸Violence shall no more be heard in your land, nor devastation or destruction within your borders, but you shall call your walls Salvation and your gates Praise.

¹⁹The sun shall no more be your light by day, nor for brightness shall the moon give light to you, but the Lord shall be to you an everlasting light, and your God your glory *and* your beauty.

²⁰Your sun shall no more go down, nor shall your moon withdraw itself, for the Lord shall be your everlasting light, and the days of your mourning shall be ended.

²¹Your people also shall all be [uncompromisingly and consistently] righteous; they shall possess the land forever, the branch of My planting, the work of My hands, that I may be glorified.

²²The least one shall become a thousand [a clan], and the small one a strong nation. I, the Lord, will hasten it in its [appointed] time.

Footnotes:

- a. [Isaiah 60:5](#) Prior to well into the twentieth century, scholars could only speculate as to what Isaiah might have meant here by “the abundant wealth of the [Dead] Sea” that would one day be turned over to Jerusalem. Of course, the Dead Sea, which for ages had been considered only a place of death and desolation, was ruled out as a possible meaning. Then suddenly it was discovered that the waters of the Dead Sea contain important chemicals. In A.D. 1935 G.T.B. Davis wrote, “One is almost staggered by the computed wealth of the chemical salts of the Dead Sea. It is estimated that the potential value of the potash, bromine, and other chemical salts of its waters is... four times the wealth of the United States!” (G.T.B. Davis, *Rebuilding Palestine*) Isaiah himself did not know this, but the God who caused the Dead Sea to play a part in His program in the last days knew all about it, and He led the prophet to so prophesy here in this verse.

Deuteronomy 1:10-11 King James Version (KJV)

¹⁰The LORD your God hath multiplied you, and, behold, ye are this day as the stars of heaven for multitude.

¹¹(The LORD God of your fathers make you a thousand times so many more as ye are, and bless you, as he hath promised you!)

Clearance to the Blessed Life

Isaiah 58 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

¹Cry aloud, spare not. Lift up your voice like a trumpet and declare to My people their transgression and to the house of Jacob their sins!

²Yet they seek, inquire for, *and* require Me daily and delight [externally] to know My ways, as [if they were in reality] a nation that did righteousness and forsook not the ordinance of their God. They ask of Me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God [in visible ways].

³Why have we fasted, they say, and You do not see it? Why have we afflicted ourselves, and You take no knowledge [of it]? Behold [O Israel], on the day of your fast [when you should be grieving for your sins], you find profit in your business, and [instead of stopping all work, as the law implies you and your workmen should do] you extort from your hired servants a full amount of labor.

⁴[The facts are that] you fast only for strife and debate and to smite with the fist of wickedness. Fasting as you do today will not cause your voice to be heard on high.

⁵Is such a fast as yours what I have chosen, a day for a man to humble himself with sorrow in his soul? [Is true fasting merely mechanical?] Is it only to bow down his head like a bulrush and to spread sackcloth and ashes under him [to indicate a condition of heart that he does not have]? Will you call this a fast and an acceptable day to the Lord?

⁶[Rather] is not this the fast that I have chosen: to loose the bonds of wickedness, to undo the bands of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and that you break every [enslaving] yoke?

⁷Is it not to divide your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house—when you see the naked, that you cover him, and that you hide not yourself from [the needs of] your own flesh *and* blood?

⁸Then shall your light break forth like the morning, and your healing (your restoration and the power of a new life) shall spring forth speedily; your righteousness (your rightness, your justice, and your right relationship with God) shall go before you [conducting you to peace and prosperity], and the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard.

⁹Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry, and He will say, Here I am. If you take away from your midst yokes of oppression [wherever you find them], the finger pointed in scorn [toward the oppressed or the godly], and every form of false, harsh, unjust, *and* wicked speaking,

¹⁰And if you pour out that with which you sustain your own life for the hungry and satisfy the need of the afflicted, then shall your light rise in darkness, and your obscurity *and* gloom become like the noonday.

¹¹And the Lord shall guide you continually and satisfy you in drought *and* in dry places and make strong your bones. And you shall be like a watered garden and like a spring of water whose waters fail not.

¹²And your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of [buildings that have laid waste for] many generations; and you shall be called Repairer of the Breach, Restorer of Streets to Dwell In.

¹³If you turn away your foot from [traveling unduly on] the Sabbath, from doing your own pleasure on My holy day, and call the Sabbath a [spiritual] delight, the holy day of the Lord honorable, and honor Him *and* it, not going your own way or seeking *or* finding your own pleasure or speaking with your own [idle] words,

¹⁴Then will you delight yourself in the Lord, and I will make you to ride on the high places of the earth, and I will feed you with the heritage [promised for you] of Jacob your father; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken it.

2 Chronicles 7:14-18 King James Version (KJV)

¹⁴If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

¹⁵Now mine eyes shall be open, and mine ears attent unto the prayer that is made in this place.

¹⁶For now have I chosen and sanctified this house, that my name may be there for ever: and mine eyes and mine heart shall be there perpetually.

¹⁷And as for thee, if thou wilt walk before me, as David thy father walked, and do according to all that I have commanded thee, and shalt observe my statutes and my judgments;

¹⁸Then will I stablish the throne of thy kingdom, according as I have covenanted with David thy father, saying, There shall not fail thee a man to be ruler in Israel.

Closure to Fully Receive the Blessed Life

Leviticus 26:1-13 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

¹You shall make for yourselves no idols nor shall you erect a graven image, pillar, *or* obelisk, nor shall you place any figured stone in your land to which *or* on which to bow down; for I am the Lord your God.

²You shall keep My Sabbaths and reverence My sanctuary. I am the Lord.

³If you walk in My statutes and keep My commandments and do them,

⁴I will give you rain in due season, and the land shall yield her increase and the trees of the field yield their fruit.

⁵And your threshing [time] shall reach to the vintage and the vintage [time] shall reach to the sowing time, and you shall eat your bread to the full and dwell in your land securely.

⁶I will give peace in the land; you shall lie down and none shall fill you with dread *or* make you afraid; and I will clear ferocious (wild) beasts out of the land, and no sword shall go through your land.

⁷And you shall chase your enemies, and they shall fall before you by the sword.

⁸Five of you shall chase a hundred, and a hundred of you shall put ten thousand to flight; your enemies shall fall before you by the sword.

⁹For I will be leaning toward you with favor *and* regard for you, rendering you fruitful, multiplying you, and establishing *and* ratifying My covenant with you.

¹⁰And you shall eat the [abundant] old store of produce long kept, and clear out the old [to make room] for the new.

¹¹I will set My dwelling in *and* among you, and My soul shall not despise *or* reject *or* separate itself from you.

¹²And I will walk in *and* with *and* among you and will be your God, and you shall be My people.

¹³I am the Lord your God, Who brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, that you should no more be slaves; and I have broken the bars of your yoke and made you walk erect [as free men].

Hosea 14 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

¹O Israel, return to the Lord your God, for you have stumbled *and* fallen, [visited by calamity] due to your iniquity.

²Take with you words and return to the Lord. Say to Him, Take away all *our* iniquity; accept what is good *and* receive us graciously; so will we render [our thanks] as bullocks [to be sacrificed] *and* pay the confession of our lips.

³Assyria shall not save us; we will not ride upon horses, neither will we say any more to the work of our hands [idols], You are our gods. For in You [O Lord] the fatherless find love, pity, *and* mercy.

⁴I will heal their faithlessness; I will love them freely, for My anger is turned away from [Israel].

⁵I will be like the dew *and* the night mist to Israel; he shall grow *and* blossom like the lily and cast forth his roots like [the sturdy evergreens of] Lebanon.

⁶His suckers *and* shoots shall spread, and his beauty shall be like the olive tree and his fragrance like [the cedars and aromatic shrubs of] Lebanon.

⁷They that dwell under his shade shall return; they shall revive like the grain and blossom like the vine; the scent of it shall be like the wine of Lebanon.

⁸Ephraim shall say, What have I to do any more with idols? I have answered [him] and will regard *and* watch over him; I am like a green fir *or* cypress tree; with Me is the fruit found [which is to nourish you].

⁹Who is wise, that he may understand these things? Prudent, that he may know them? For the ways of the Lord are right and the [uncompromisingly] just shall walk in them, but transgressors shall stumble *and* fall in them.

Zechariah 8:12-16 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

¹²For there shall the seed produce peace *and* prosperity; the vine shall yield her fruit and the ground shall give its increase and the heavens shall give their dew; and I will cause the remnant of this people to inherit *and* possess all these things.

¹³And as you have been a curse *and* a byword among the nations, O house of Judah and house of Israel, so will I save you, and you shall be a blessing. Fear not, but let your hands be strong *and* hardened.

¹⁴For thus says the Lord of hosts: As I thought to bring calamity upon you when your fathers provoked Me to wrath, says the Lord of hosts, and I did not relent *or* revoke your sentence,

¹⁵So again have I purposed in these days to do good to Jerusalem and to the house of Judah. Fear not!

¹⁶These are the things that you shall do: speak every man the truth with his neighbor; render the truth and pronounce the judgment *or* verdict that makes for peace in [the courts at] your gates.

Customs of the Blessed Life

Psalm 67 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

To the Chief Musician; on stringed instruments. A Psalm. A song.

¹God be merciful *and* gracious to us and bless us and cause His face to shine upon us *and* among us—*Selah* [pause, and calmly think of that]!—

²That Your way may be known upon earth, Your saving power (Your deliverances and Your salvation) among all nations.

³Let the peoples praise You [turn away from their idols] *and* give thanks to You, O God; let all the peoples praise *and* give thanks to You.

⁴O let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for You will judge the peoples fairly and guide, lead, *or* drive the nations upon earth. *Selah* [pause, and calmly think of that]!

⁵Let the peoples praise You [turn away from their idols] *and* give thanks to You, O God; let all the peoples praise *and* give thanks to You!

⁶The earth has yielded its harvest [in evidence of God's approval]; God, even our own God, will bless us.

⁷God will bless us, and all the ends of the earth shall reverently fear Him.

Amos 9:11-15 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

¹¹In that day will I raise up the tabernacle of David, the fallen hut *or* booth, and close up its breaches; and I will raise up its ruins, and I will build it as in the days of old,

¹²That they may possess the remnant of Edom and of all the nations that are called by My name, says the Lord Who does this.

¹³Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, that the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him who sows the seed; and the mountains shall drop sweet wine and all the hills shall melt [that is, everything heretofore barren and unfruitful shall overflow with spiritual blessing].

¹⁴And I will bring back the exiles of My people Israel, and they shall build the waste cities and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards and drink the wine from them; they shall also make gardens and eat the fruit of them.

¹⁵And I will plant them upon their land, and they shall no more be torn up out of their land which I gave them, says the Lord your God.

Joel 2:15-27 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

¹⁵Blow the trumpet in Zion; set apart a fast [a day of restraint and humility]; call a solemn assembly.

¹⁶Gather the people, sanctify the congregation; assemble the elderly people, gather the children and the nursing infants; let the bridegroom [who is legally exempt from attending] go forth from his chamber and the bride out of her closet. [None is exempt from the humiliation.]

¹⁷Let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar; and let them say, Have pity *and* spare Your people, O Lord, and give not Your heritage to reproach, that the [heathen] nations should rule over them *or* use a byword against them. Why should they say among the peoples, Where is their God?

¹⁸Then was the Lord jealous for His land and had pity on His people.

¹⁹Yes, the Lord answered and said to His people, Behold, I am sending you grain and juice [of the grape] and oil, and you shall be satisfied with them; and I will no more make you a reproach among the [heathen] nations.

²⁰ But I will remove far off from you the northern [destroyer's] army and will drive it into a land barren and desolate, with its front toward the eastern [Dead] Sea and with its rear toward the western [Mediterranean] Sea. And its stench shall come up [like that of a decaying mass of locusts, a symbol and forecast of the fate of the northern army in the final day of the Lord], and its foul odor shall come up, because ^[a]He has done great things [the Lord will have destroyed the invaders]!

²¹ Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice, for the Lord has done great things!

²² Be not afraid, you wild beasts of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness have sprung up *and* are green; the tree bears its fruit, and the fig tree and the vine yield their [full] strength.

²³ Be glad then, you children of Zion, and rejoice in the Lord, your God; for He gives you the former *or* early rain in just measure *and* in righteousness, and He causes to come down for you the rain, the former rain and the latter rain, as before.

²⁴ And the [threshing] floors shall be full of grain and the vats shall overflow with juice [of the grape] and oil.

²⁵ And I will restore *or* replace for you the years that the locust has eaten—the hopping locust, the stripping locust, and the crawling locust, My great army which I sent among you.

²⁶ And you shall eat in plenty and be satisfied and praise the name of the Lord, your God, Who has dealt wondrously with you. And My people shall never be put to shame.

²⁷ And you shall know, understand, *and* realize that I am in the midst of Israel and that I the Lord am your God and there is none else. My people shall never be put to shame.

Footnotes:

- a. [Joel 2:20](#) The capitalization here is suppositional. Interpreters are divided as to whether it is the northern destroyer who has “done great things,” or the Lord; either, in different senses, is true. However, the latter view is strongly supported by the parallel phrase to the same effect in the next verse (Joel 2:21).

Isaiah 65:21-25 King James Version (KJV)

²¹And they shall build houses, and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and eat the fruit of them.

²²They shall not build, and another inhabit; they shall not plant, and another eat: for as the days of a tree are the days of my people, and mine elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

²³They shall not labour in vain, nor bring forth for trouble; for they are the seed of the blessed of the LORD, and their offspring with them.

²⁴And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear.

²⁵The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, and the lion shall eat straw like the bullock: and dust shall be the serpent's meat. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, saith the LORD.

Numbers 6:22-27 King James Version (KJV)

²²And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

²³Speak unto Aaron and unto his sons, saying, On this wise ye shall bless the children of Israel, saying unto them,

²⁴The LORD bless thee, and keep thee:

²⁵The LORD make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee:

²⁶The LORD lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

²⁷And they shall put my name upon the children of Israel, and I will bless them.