

## Praying in Jerusalem

### Commentary for June 16, 2014 — at King Solomon's Suggestion

Ken Klein<sup>1</sup> and I traveled to Israel earlier this month to meet with individuals and groups in Jerusalem that needed to know about the DVD and Dr. Martin's information about the true site of the Temple.

On our 3<sup>rd</sup> day in Jerusalem the two of us went near the correct site of the Temple to pray according to a suggestion by King Solomon. His entire prayer of thanksgiving and praise to God is found in 1 Kings 8:22–61 and 2 Chronicles 6:19–42, just before the king formally dedicated the Temple to God. Within this prayer there is a portion that addresses actions by strangers who respect God, His commands, and His will. Ken and I prayed in line with the guidelines Solomon put forth.

**“Moreover concerning a stranger, that is not of your people Israel, but comes out of a far country for your name's sake;**

**(For they shall hear**

- [1] of your great name, and**
- [2] of your strong hand, and**
- [3] of your stretched out arm;)**

**when he [the stranger] shall come and pray TOWARD this house; Hear you in heaven your dwelling place, and DO ACCORDING TO ALL THAT THE STRANGER CALLS TO YOU FOR [with this result]:**

- [1] that all people of the earth may know your name, to fear you, as do your people Israel; and**
- [2] that they [all people, not just Israel] may know that this house [above the Gihon Springs] which I have built, is called by your name.”**

**• 1 Kings 8:41–43  
(also 2 Chronicles 6:32–33)**

We asked God to change the minds of the people in Jerusalem so **“all people of the earth”** would come to know the truth about the location of **“this house”** toward which we were praying. Solomon asked God (some 2,950 years ago) to **“do”** everything faithful believing strangers request of Him. Then we asked God to go further and pour out upon the House of David and the people of Jerusalem the spirit of grace and supplication:

**“And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced [Jesus, John 19:34–37], and they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn.”**

**• Zechariah 12:10**

<sup>1</sup> Ken Klein wrote, produced, and directed the DVD, *Jerusalem and the Lost Temples of the Jews*. View the free trailers at <http://askelm.com/video/v130317.asp>.

We continued and prayed that the **"fountain"** be opened **"for sin and for uncleanness"**<sup>2</sup>:

**"In that day there shall be a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sin and for uncleanness."**

• **Zechariah 13:1**

In the future, these and other prophesied events will occur as indicated in the rest of Zechariah chapters 13 and 14. In other words, God's Spirit will cleanse the people of Israel. He will "flip the switch" in many of their minds so they will begin to understand that Jesus Christ is their Messiah and Savior. They will believe. The prophecies that follow Zechariah 13:1 will be public and identifiable as they are fulfilled, at least to us who God grants to have eyes to see and ears to hear.

We petitioned God not only as strangers, but also as His children and brethren to His Son Jesus Christ. We understood that while we prayed to the true site of God's physical Temple on earth, we were actually (and legally) praying from beside God the Father, seated with Christ at God's throne in the center of His heavenly Temple (Ephesians 2:4-7), requesting what He has said He desires to give His children.<sup>3</sup>

This all begins from the true site of the Temple based on the vast evidence developed by Dr. Ernest Martin and the work of Prof. George Wesley Buchanan. The changes in the hearts and minds of the people of Israel will lead them to study the Word of God of the Old Testament with new eyes, as if for the first time. They will begin to reject the false traditions of men. If they are of Israel, they will also begin to accept the truths of the New Testament unencumbered by false Christian traditions. This all begins in Jerusalem and from there it spreads to the world in a replay and fulfillment of the early chapters of the Book of Acts. Unlike in the 1<sup>st</sup> century, the people will respond appropriately, and in much greater numbers.<sup>4</sup>

Ken and I asked God to begin that process NOW. We prayed in faith asking God to do what He already says He wants to do and will do. Yet — as we always should be, we are content to wait on God, having done what we think is right, proper, and according to God's will. Truly, we are asking our Heavenly Father in faith to do what He desires us to do as **"strangers"** who are **"not of your people Israel."** We came **"out of a far country"** for the sake of YHWH's name, to the place where He has placed His name.<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> Chapter divisions between Zechariah chapter 12 and 13 do not indicate a change of topic.

<sup>3</sup> If this paragraph makes no sense to you, read Dr. Martin's book [The Essentials of New Testament Doctrine](#) to learn your full destiny and your position **"in Christ"** at this moment.

<sup>4</sup> See Dr. Martin's 1990 article, ["The Coming Revolution in Knowledge,"](#) my 2003 Commentary, ["Restitution of All Things, What to Expect,"](#) and the further information in my 2006 Commentary, ["Changes and the Knowledge Revolution."](#)

<sup>5</sup> See my Commentary ["A Name for the Temple of God"](#) which demonstrates that one of the names of the Temple was indeed **"the place of my name,"** as Solomon says, **"this house, which I have built, is called by your name"** (1 Kings 8:43). See also 2 Samuel 7:13; 1 Kings 8:48 (and the corresponding verses in Second Chronicles); Jeremiah 7:10-14, 30, 32:34, 34:15-16.