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The LORD blessed Abraham with a “son of promise” when both he and Sarah were well on in years and it was through Isaac that the LORD would bring the SON of promise into the world. *“And God said, Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son indeed; and thou shalt call his name Isaac: and I will establish my covenant with him for an everlasting covenant, and with his seed after him.”* *“Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to **thy seed, which is Christ.**”* *“By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the promises offered up his only begotten son, Of whom it was said, That in Isaac shall thy seed be called: Accounting that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead; from whence also he received him in a figure.”* Herein the LORD demonstrated to him that it was not through his own power that redemption would come in the Earth, but that the LORD would “*provide HIMSELF an offering.*” Isaac rejoiced in the same as he was given a son, Jacob, whom the LORD loved, and to whom was the birthright bestowed. *“And I will bring forth **a seed out of Jacob, and out of Judah an inheritor of my mountains**: and mine elect shall inherit it, and my servants shall dwell there.”*

Jacob rejoiced in the promised MESSIAH as he blessed Judah saying, *“The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be. ----- His eyes shall be red with wine, and his teeth white with milk.”* Joseph, a most favored son of Jacob, though sold into slavery, rejoiced in the promised REDEEMER. For as he was dying he took an oath of his brethren. *“And Joseph said unto his brethren, I die: and God will surely visit you, and bring you out of this land unto the land which he sware to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. And Joseph took an oath of the children of Israel, saying, God will surely visit you, and ye shall carry up my bones from hence.”*

Moses rejoiced that “*HE cometh*”, as he surveyed the land of Promise from Pisgah’s lofty height, saying, *“Return, O LORD, how long? and let it repent thee concerning thy servants. O satisfy us early with thy mercy; that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.”* Though he was not able to enter in to that land of Promise yet his eye was turned to look upon HIM with anticipation who had faithfully led them through the wilderness and who he expected would guide them to the end. David, a man after GOD’s own heart, sinned greatly on many occasions, yet no one can rival his rejoicing that “*HE cometh*”; calling upon the whole earth to worship HIM in the beauty of HIS holiness. *“He shall come down like rain upon the mown grass: as showers that water the earth.”* *“When God bringeth back the captivity of his people, Jacob shall rejoice, and Israel shall be glad.”* This is the expectation of the saints in all ages, even as Simeon who waited for “*the CONSOLATION of Israel*” and was blessed to hold HIM in his arms. *“Then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said, Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word: For mine eyes have seen thy salvation.”*

*“These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.”* They all clearly longed to see HIM, but none of those old testament saints (whose thoughts are recorded) were given that privilege with the exception of John the Baptist and Simeon. Yet even they did not live to see the complete fulfillment of HIS redemptive work. Nonetheless they were satisfied that “*HE cometh.*” We are blessed to be those who have seen the unfolding of that mystery which was kept hid from the foundation of the world. *“For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.”* We have seen HIM who has died for sinners. He has arisen, triumphant over death, and is now ascended to sit at the right hand of GOD, having made HIS enemies HIS footstool. We now expectantly wait, believing that “*HE cometh*” to gather that Bride which HE has purchased with HIS own blood. Even as HE fulfills that purpose which the Psalmist declared, *“for he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth: he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth.”* Lo! he comes, with clouds descending, Once for favoured sinners slain, Thousand, thousand saints attending, Swell the triumph of his train, And with pleasure, Magnify his awful name! Now redemption, long expected, See in solemn pomp appear! All his saints, by man rejected, Now shall meet him in the air! Hallelujah! See the day of God appear! Even so come LORD JESUS!

*“Thy free grace alone,”* #11 **If you would like a free transcript of this broadcast email us at [forthe poor@windstream.net](mailto:forthe poor@windstream.net)**