

Congregation Notes Torah Portion Va'Etchanan Do You Have the Vision for the Return of the Messiah? August 9, 2025 - Av 15, 5785 Deut. 3:23-7:11; Isaiah 40:1-26; Luke 3:2-15

- *Deuteronomy 3:23 <u>I beseeched G-d</u> at that time, saying: You, O G-d, have <u>begun</u> to show Your servant Your greatness and Your mighty hand; for what G-d is there <u>in heaven or in earth</u> that can do according to Your works, and according to Your might? I pray You, <u>let me go over and see the good land</u> that is beyond the Jordan, that <u>goodly mountain</u> and the Levanon.
- *Isaiah 1:18 Come now, and let us reason together, Says the LORD, Though your sins are like scarlet, They shall be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They shall be as wool.
- *James 5:8 The coming of the Lord is at hand.
- *2 Peter 3:3... scoffers will come in the last days with scoffing, following their own sinful desires.
- *Revelation 1:7 Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen.
- *Genesis 39:14 See, they have brought us a Hebrew man . . . ," and he did not deny it; on the contrary, he said
- *Genesis 40:15 I was abducted from the land of the Hebrews." Therefore, he shall be buried in his land.
- *Exodus 2:19 An Egyptian man rescued us from the shepherds," and you heard this and were silent.
- *Ephesians 2:12-13 remember that at that time you were <u>separate from Messiah</u>, <u>alienated from the commonwealth of Israel</u>, and <u>strangers to the covenants of the promise</u>, <u>without hope</u> and <u>without God in the world</u>. <u>But now in Messiah Yeshua</u> you who once were far away have now been brought near by the blood of Messiah.

- *Mark 12:34 records Jesus' verdict on the scribe: "You <u>are not far</u> from the kingdom of God."
- *Acts 17:27 declares the divine intent.... "that they would seek Him and perhaps reach out for Him and find Him, though He is not far from each one of us."
- *Genesis 6:18 And behold, I Myself am bringing floodwaters on the earth, to destroy from under heaven all flesh in which is the breath of life; everything that is on the earth shall die. But I will establish My covenant with you; and you shall go into the ark—you, your sons, your wife, and your sons' wives with you.
- *Deuteronomy 7:9 Know therefore that the Lord your God is God; he is the faithful God, keeping his covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love him and keep his commandments.
- *Genesis 9:12-17 And God said: This is the sign of the covenant which I make between Me and you, and every living creature that is with you, for perpetual generations: I set My rainbow in the cloud, and it shall be for the sign of the covenant between Me and the earth. It shall be, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the rainbow shall be seen in the cloud; and I will remember My covenant which is between Me and you and every living creature of all flesh; the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. The rainbow shall be in the cloud, and I will look on it to remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." ¹⁷ And God said to Noah, This is the sign of the covenant which I have established between Me and all flesh that is on the earth.
- *Revelation 6:1-2 Now I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals; and I heard one of the four living creatures saying with a voice like thunder, "Come and see." ² And I looked, and behold, a white horse. He who sat on it <u>had a bow</u>; and a crown was given to him, and he went out conquering and to conquer.
- *Revelation 1:16 He had in His right hand seven stars, out of His mouth went a sharp two-edged sword, and His countenance was like the sun shining in its strength.
- *Revelation 19:15 Now out of His mouth goes a <u>sharp sword</u>, that with it He should <u>strike the nations</u>. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.
- *Ephesians 1:19-20 and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places.....

- *Deuteronomy 3:26 But G-d was angry with me for your sakes, and would not hear me. G-d said to me: "Enough! Speak no more to Me of this matter.
- *Deuteronomy 3:27-28 Go up to the top of the summit, and lift up your eyes westward, northward, southward and eastward, and <u>see with your eyes</u>; for you shall not cross this Jordan. Instruct <u>Joshua</u>, encourage him and strengthen him; for he shall go over before this people, and he shall cause them to inherit the land which you shall see.
- *Proverbs 29:18 Where there is no vision, the people perish.
- *Deuteronomy 4:9 Only be on your guard and diligently watch yourselves, so that you do not forget the things your eyes have seen, and so that they do not slip from your heart as long as you live. Teach them to your children and grandchildren.
- *2 Samuel 12:22 And he said, While the child was alive, I fasted and wept; for I said, Who can tell whether the Lord will be gracious to me, that the child may live?
- *Esther 8:3 Esther again pleaded with the king, falling at his feet and weeping. She pleaded with יְתְּחְשָׁנְן him to put an end to the evil plan of Haman the Agagite, which he had devised against the Jews.
- *Numbers 6:24-26 The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face shine upon you, And be gracious to you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you, And give you peace.
- *Deuteronomy 4:23-24 & 27 Take heed to yourselves, lest you forget the covenant of the LORD your God which He made with you, and make for yourselves a carved image in the form of anything which the Lord your God has forbidden you. For the LORD your God is a consuming fire, a jealous God. The LORD will scatter you among the peoples, and only a few of you will survive among the nations to which the LORD will drive you.
- *Deuteronomy 4:29-31 But if from there you seek the Lord your God, you will find Him if you seek Him with all your heart and with all your soul. When you are in distress and all these things have happened to you, then in later days you will return to the LORD your God and obey him. For the LORD your God is a merciful God; He will not abandon or destroy you or forget the covenant with your ancestors, which He confirmed to them by oath.
- *Proverbs 3:1-2 My son, do not forget my law, But let your heart keep my commands; For length of days and long life And peace they will add to you.

- *Deuteronomy 4:6-7 Keep therefore and do them; for this is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the nations, which shall hear all these statutes, and say, Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people...
- *Psalms 19:7 The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple...
- *I John 2:3-6 Now by this we know that we know Him,. ⁴ He who says, "I know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. ⁵ But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is perfected in him. By this we know that we are in Him. ⁶ He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked.
- *I John 3:24 Now he who keeps His commandments abides in Him, and He in him. And by this we know that He abides in us, by the Spirit whom He has given us.
- *John 14:15 "If you love me, you will keep my commandments.
- *Deuteronomy 4:29-31 But if from there you seek the Lord your God, you will find Him if you seek Him with all your heart and with all your soul. When you are in distress, and all these things come upon you in the latter days, when you turn to the LORD your God and obey His voice (for the LORD your God is a merciful God), He will not forsake you nor destroy you, nor forget the covenant of your fathers which He swore to them.
- *Psalm 2:1-2 Why do the nations rage ,And the people plot a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, And the rulers take counsel together, <u>Against the LORD and against His Anointed</u>.
- *Psalm 83:6-7 The tents of Edom and the Ishmaelites; Moab and the Hagrites; Gebal, Ammon, and Amalek; Philistia with the inhabitants of Tyre; Assyria also has joined with them; They have helped the children of Lot. Selah
- *Isaiah 40:1-2 <u>Comfort, yes, comfort My people</u>! Says your God. Speak comfort to Jerusalem, and cry out to her, That her warfare is ended, That her iniquity is pardoned; For she has received from the LORD's hand Double for all her sins.
- *Jeremiah 31:12-13 Therefore they shall come and sing in the height of Zion, <u>Streaming</u> to the goodness of the Lord—For wheat and new wine and oil, For the young of the flock and the herd; Their souls shall be like a well-watered garden, And they shall sorrow no more at all.

Then shall the virgin rejoice in the dance, And the young men and the old, together; For I will turn their mourning to joy,

Will comfort them, And make them rejoice rather than sorrow.

*Joel 3:2 I will also gather all nations, And bring them down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat; And I will enter into judgment with them there
On account of My people, My heritage Israel, Whom they have scattered among the nations; They have also divided up My land

*2 Samuel 22:7 In my distress I called upon the LORD; I cried out to my God. And from His temple He heard my voice, and my cry for help reached His ears.

*Psalm 34:17 The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears; He delivers them from all their troubles.

*Micah 7:8 Though I fall, I shall rise;