

Isaiah 49:14-26 **Yahweh will remember and restore Zion**

God Will Remember Zion

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15 "Can a woman forget her nursing child, And not have compassion on the son of her womb?
Surely they may forget, Yet I will not forget you.

16 See, I have inscribed you on the palms of My hands; Your walls are continually before Me.

17 Your sons shall make haste; Your destroyers and those who laid you waste Shall go away from you.

Yahweh will restore the outcasts of Zion

18 Lift up your eyes, look around and see; All these gather together and come to you. As I live," says the Lord, "You shall surely clothe yourselves with them all as an ornament, And bind them on you as a bride does.

19 "For your waste and desolate places, And the land of your destruction, Will even now be too small for the inhabitants; And those who swallowed you up will be far away.

20 The children you will have, After you have lost the others, Will say again in your ears, 'The place is too small for me; Give me a place where I may dwell.'

21 Then you will say in your heart, 'Who has begotten these for me, Since I have lost my children and am desolate, A captive, and wandering to and fro? And who has brought these up? There I was, left alone; But these, where were they?'"

22 Thus says the Lord God:

"Behold, I will lift My hand in an oath to the nations, And set up My standard for the peoples; They shall bring your sons in their arms, And your daughters shall be carried on their shoulders;

23 Kings shall be your foster fathers, And their queens your nursing mothers; They shall bow down to you with their faces to the earth, And lick up the dust of your feet. Then you will know that I am the Lord, For they shall not be ashamed who wait for Me."

24 Shall the prey be taken from the mighty, Or the captives of the righteous be delivered?

25 But thus says the Lord:

"Even the captives of the mighty shall be taken away, And the prey of the terrible be delivered; For I will contend with him who contends with you, And I will save your children.

26 I will feed those who oppress you with their own flesh, And they shall be drunk with their own blood as with sweet wine.

All flesh shall know That I, the Lord, am your Savior, And your Redeemer, the Mighty One of Jacob."

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Facts Revealed:

✧ But Zion said, "The Lord has forsaken me, And my Lord has forgotten me." [Isaiah 49:14]

✧ After Israel was scattered into all the nations of the world for their constant sins, Zion has felt entirely forsaken by God Almighty.

✧ "Can a woman forget her nursing child, And not have compassion on the son of her womb? Surely they may forget, Yet I will not forget you.

See, I have inscribed you on the palms of My hands; Your walls are continually before Me. Your sons shall make haste; Your destroyers and those who laid you waste Shall go away from you. [Isaiah 49:15-17]

✧ Yehowah reminds Zion that He will never forget His covenant concerning the Promised Land.

✧ It is interesting to see that Yahweh compares His relationship with Israel to mother and child. "Can a woman forget her nursing child and not have compassion on the son of her womb?" The question seems incredible, but with the present rate of abortion world wide which has slaughtered millions of unborn and fully born babies, it is evident that God was right in saying, "**Surely they may forget.**" This demonstrates the weakness of humanity.

✧ Still Yahweh promised, "**Yet I will not forget you.**" His people are permanently inscribed in His hand.

✧ God is continually aware of the state of the Promised Land and looking forward to the Kingdom age He assured Zion that those who destroyed her will depart from her and the people of Israel will be restored to their own land.

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✧ When God brings His people from all the lands where they were scattered, the land of Israel will seem too small to contain them all.

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✧ The promise of Yahweh is that at the time of Restoration, all the nations will cooperate in returning the Children of Israel to their own land.

- ✧ The restoration will be the Lord's doing and result in the population of the earth fully knowing that Yahweh truly is the Savior of Israel and his redeemer, the Mighty One of Jacob.
- ✧ The God of Israel is the only true God and all the earth will certainly know Him when He establishes His Kingdom and reigns personally from Zion for a thousand years.