Isaiah 65:1-16 Gentiles and Jews who seek God are welcome in His Kingdom

Gentiles seek Yahweh

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Israel a rebellious people

- 2 I have stretched out My hands all day long to a rebellious people, Who walk in a way that is not good, According to their own thoughts;
- ³ A people who provoke Me to anger continually to My face; Who sacrifice in gardens, And burn incense on altars of brick;
- ⁴ Who sit among the graves, And spend the night in the tombs; Who eat swine's flesh, And the broth of abominable things is in their vessels;
- ⁵ Who say, 'Keep to yourself, Do not come near me, For I am holier than you!' These are smoke in My nostrils, A fire that burns all the day.
- 6 "Behold, it is written before Me: I will not keep silence, but will repay Even repay into their bosom —
- ⁷ Your iniquities and the iniquities of your fathers together," Says the Lord, "Who have burned incense on the mountains And blasphemed Me on the hills; Therefore I will measure their former work into their bosom."

Yahweh's Kingdom Plan for His Remnant Saints

- 8 Thus says the Lord:
- "As the new wine is found in the cluster, And one says, 'Do not destroy it, For a blessing is in it,' So will I do for My servants' sake, That I may not destroy them all.
- 9 I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, And from Judah an heir of My mountains; My elect shall inherit it, And My servants shall dwell there.
- 10 Sharon shall be a fold of flocks, And the Valley of Achor a place for herds to lie down, For My people who have sought Me.

Righteousness in Judgment – Wicked punished – Righteous blessed in the Kingdom

- ¹¹ "But you are those who forsake the Lord, Who forget My holy mountain, Who prepare a table for Gad, And who furnish a drink offering for Meni.
- 12 Therefore I will number you for the sword, And you shall all bow down to the slaughter; Because, when I called, you did not answer; When I spoke, you did not hear, But did evil before My eyes, And chose that in which I do not delight."
- 13 Therefore thus says the Lord God:
- "Behold, My servants shall eat, But you shall be hungry; Behold, My servants shall drink, But you shall be thirsty; Behold, My servants shall rejoice, But you shall be ashamed;
- 14 Behold, My servants shall sing for joy of heart, But you shall cry for sorrow of heart, And wail for grief of spirit.
- 15 You shall leave your name as a curse to My chosen; For the Lord God will slay you, And call His servants by another name;
- 16 So that he who blesses himself in the earth Shall bless himself in the God of truth; And he who

swears in the earth Shall swear by the God of truth; Because the former troubles are forgotten, And because they are hidden from My eyes.

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Facts Revealed:

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- ♥ "I was sought by those who did not ask for Me; I was found by those who did not seek Me. I said, 'Here I am, here I am,' To a nation that was not called by My name. [Isaiah 65:1]
 - ♦ Gentiles who seek God will find Him. [Matthew 7:7, Luke 11:9, Acts 17:26-27]
 - ♦ Gentiles will be welcome in the Kingdom of Heaven. [Matthew 8:11, Luke 13:29]

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These are smoke in My nostrils, A fire that burns all the day. [Isaiah 65:2-5]

- ♦ Though God has held out His hand toward the Children of Israel for a long time, still they rebel and refuse to obey His righteous laws.
- ⇒ "Behold, it is written before Me: I will not keep silence, but will repay Even repay into their bosom —

Your iniquities and the iniquities of your fathers together," Says the Lord, "Who have burned incense on the mountains And blasphemed Me on the hills; Therefore I will measure their former work into their bosom." [Isaiah 65:6-7]

- ♦ The time is coming that Yahweh will end His patience and will bring judgment against all their iniquities just as it is written in the books of the prophets.
- ♦ The iniquities that bring His wrath have been handed down from the fathers from generation to generation becoming destructive traditions. [Matthew 15:3-6, Mark 7:5-13]

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♦ Thus says the Lord:

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I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, And from Judah an heir of My mountains; My elect shall inherit it, And My servants shall dwell there.

Sharon shall be a fold of flocks, And the Valley of Achor a place for herds to lie down, For My people who have sought Me. [Isaiah 65:8-10]

- ♦ Yahweh will preserve for Himself a remnant of His Chosen people who have sought Him.
- ♦ In the Kingdom these will be blessed and find peace.

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□ But you are those who forsake the Lord, Who forget My holy mountain, Who prepare a table for Gad, And who furnish a drink offering for Meni.

Therefore I will number you for the sword, And you shall all bow down to the slaughter; Because, when I called, you did not answer; When I spoke, you did not hear, But did evil before My eyes, And chose that in which I do not delight." [Isaiah 65:11-12]

- ❖ Speaking to the rebellious Yahweh states the reason for His wrath and the consequence of their deeds.
- ☆ Therefore thus says Adoney Yahweh "the Lord God":

"Behold, My servants shall eat, But you shall be hungry; Behold, My servants shall drink, But you shall be thirsty;

Behold, My servants shall rejoice, But you shall be ashamed;

Behold, My servants shall sing for joy of heart, But you shall cry for sorrow of heart, And wail for grief of spirit.

You shall leave your name as a curse to My chosen; For Adoney Yahweh (the Lord God) will slay you, And call His servants by another name;

So that he who blesses himself in the earth Shall bless himself in the Elohey (God) of truth; And he who swears in the earth Shall swear by the Elohey (God) of truth; Because the former troubles are forgotten, And because they are hidden from My eyes. [Isaiah 65:13-16]

- ♦ True righteous Judgment will reward the righteous and punish the wicked.
- ♦ The wicked will suffer punishment and grief and be ashamed. They will leave their name as a curse.
- ♦ The righteous will enjoy the blessings of the Kingdom and former troubles will be forgotten and their sins covered from the eyes of God. [Romans 4:7, Psalm 32:1-2]