

ZION

The Kingdom of Heaven

The STONE that shall become a MOUNTAIN

The purpose of this study

It is the purpose of this study to show that Zion is God's plan for His people. It includes all of children, past, present and future. It is the goal of this study to show that all of scripture points to this "cause" and is revealed many times throughout the history of God's working with men. It is God's original promise to Abraham. It is *the kingdom prepared ... from the foundation of the world.* (Eth 1:116) Jesus promises Zion in His teaching; i.e. *Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.* (Mat 5:5)

Zion is spoken of in every tense of the verb "to be". It was, it is and it shall be. It was first realized in the time of David. *It is today* in the sense that we are *laborers in Zion* (2 Ne 11:106-109) and part of the Stone that shall become a great Mountain (Daniel 2:35) that shall be when Christ comes in Glory and Power.

After much meditation, prayer and study this conclusion is reached: Zion is a nation with a King, who is Jesus Christ. This nation is mentioned in a clear and straightforward way by Christ when he says, *and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.* (John 10:16)

The Full completion of Zion is both Spiritual and Temporal and will reach fruition when Christ Returns with all His saints and angels to live with His children as their king.

Today we should live in hope that we are the members of Zion. To us the members of Christ's Kingdom it is as though Zion was already completely fulfilled in the sense that we should consider ourselves citizens of Zion. There are references in the Book of Mormon that show us a people who lived their lives as though Christ had already come and died for them. (See Jarom 1:25, Mosiah 1:109, Mosiah 8:79) We should also live as though Jesus is our King and that we have arrived at mount Zion. (Hebrews 12:22) There is only one King and only one Kingdom.

Zion pronunciation: tsee yone' the most prominent hill in Jerusalem.

Strong's number: 6726

Hebrew: Tsiyown, Pronunciation: tsee-yone'
the same (regularly) as 6725; Tsijon (as a **permanent capital**), a mountain of Jerusalem: --Zion.

H6725 New American Standard Dictionary of Hebrew.

צַיִן, tsiyun (846b); from [H6680](#); *a signpost, monument:*—marker (1), monument (1), roadmarks (1).

Opinions of Zion are many and they differ.

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1. MEANING OF THE WORD: ZION

A name applied to Jerusalem, or to certain parts of it, at least since the time of David. Nothing certain is known of the meaning. Gesenius and others have derived it from a Hebrew root **חָצַק**, *ca⁻ hā^ā h*, “to be dry”; Delitzsch from **כִּוְוָה**, *ciwwa⁻ h*, “to set up” and Wetzstein from **כִּיְוָה**, *ci⁻ n*, “to protect.” Gesenius finds a more hopeful suggestion in the Arabic equivalent *sihw*, the Arabic *sahwat* signifying “ridge of a mountain” or “citadel,” which at any rate suitably applies to what we know to have been the original Zion (compare Smith, *HGHL*, under the word).

Considerable confusion has been caused in the past by the want of clear understanding regarding the different sites which have respectively been called “Zion” during the centuries. It will make matters clearer if we take the application of the name: in David’s time; in the early Prophets, etc.; in late poetical writings and in the Apocrypha; and in Christian times.
International Standard Bible Encyclopedia, Zion.

MY UNDERSTANDING (ajm)

Zion is a grand thing whose scope extends past that of Old Jerusalem. It extends from the ancient past to the present day and into the future. It is the eventual future of the world.

2 Ne 11:106-109 *The laborer in Zion shall labor for Zion.*

Hebrews 12:22 *But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels,*

There is no agreement among scholars concerning the hill or number of hills in Jerusalem.

ZION Parsons Bible Dictionary

SUNNY; HEIGHT, ONE OF THE EMINENCES ON WHICH JERUSALEM WAS BUILT. IT WAS SURROUNDED ON ALL SIDES, EXCEPT THE NORTH, BY DEEP VALLEYS, THAT OF THE Tyropoeon (q.v.) separating it from Moriah (q.v.), which it surpasses in height by 105 feet. It was the south-eastern hill of Jerusalem.

When David took it from the Jebusites (Josh. 15:63; 2 Sam. 5:7) he built on it a citadel and a palace, and it became “the city of David” (1 Kings 8:1; 2 Kings 19:21, 31; 1 Chr. 11:5). In the later books of the Old Testament this name was sometimes used (Ps. 87:2; 149:2; Isa. 33:14; Joel 2:1) to denote Jerusalem in general, and sometimes God’s chosen Israel (Ps. 51:18; 87:5).

In the New Testament (see SION) it is used sometimes to denote the Church of God (Heb. 12:22), and sometimes the heavenly city (Rev. 14:1).

Zion in the Old Testament, **the eastern most of the two hills of ancient Jerusalem.** It was the site of the Jebusite city captured by David, king of Israel and Judah, in the 10th century BC (2 Samuel 5:6–9) and established by him as his royal capital. Some scholars believe that the name also belonged to the “stronghold of Zion” taken by David (2 Samuel 5:7), which may have been the fortress of the city. The Jewish historian **Josephus**, in the 1st century AD, identified Zion with the western hill of Jerusalem, where most of the city lay in his day. This incorrect identification of the site was retained until the late 19th or early 20th century, when the site of Zion was identified as the eastern hill (modern Ophel). The site was not included in the walls of Jerusalem’s 16th-century fortifications. *Encyclopedia Britannica, Zion*

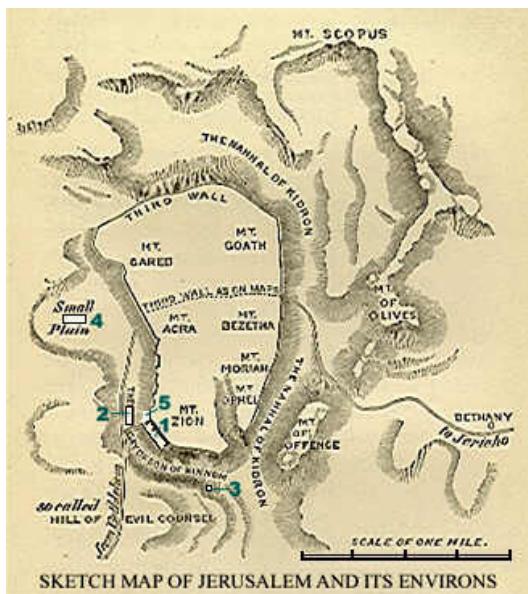
Mount Zion:

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There are **five** mounts or hills in this area, the most prominent being Zion. Moriah is where the temple was built about 700 yards from Zion.

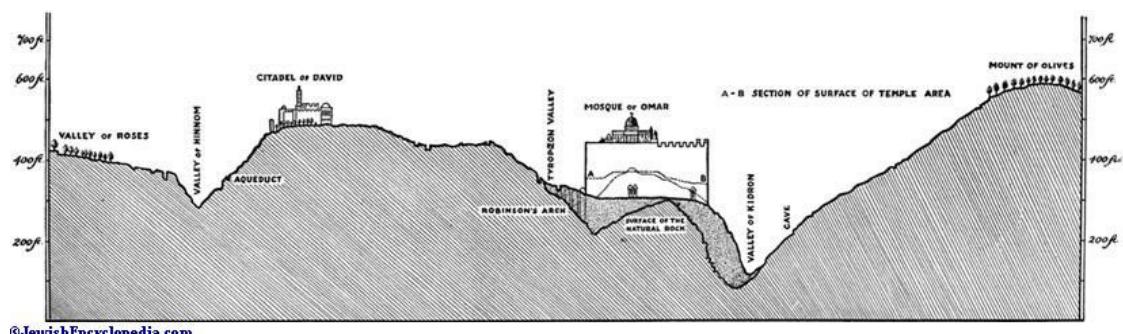
A mountain where the great capital of God exists, Jerusalem. Mount Zion in the sense that it is conspicuous or high in the middle of the nations. (Ref. Mat 5:14-16) Today the great cause of God in the world, the gathering of Israel, establishing the Nation and City of God, in which he will dwell.

"... sometimes for the whole site of the city, consisting of the **seven** hills on which it was situated, namely, Mount Zion, Mount Acra, Mount Ophel, Mount Moriah, Mount Bezetha, Mount Gareb, and Mount Goath." <http://www.centuryone.com/explored.html>



Jewish Encyclopedia

Zion: Ancient = *Capital at first of all Israel, later of the kingdom of Judah...* The king's palace is on the highest point in Jerusalem and the temple is on a lower hill in Jerusalem. This shows the symbol that Christ's government is above all other hills (governments).



Jerusalem is considered the center of the world.

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Written on the plan for the Church of the Holy Sepulchre are numbers. Number 4 on the plan, "Is the 'centre of the world,' according to the Greeks (based on Ez. 5:5)." *Smith's Bible Dictionary*, page 152.

"Jerusalem was thought to be so much in the midst of the countries and nations around (EZ. 5:5), that it was called literally, 'the navel of the earth' (Josephus, Jewish Wars,' b. iii, ch. ii. Sec. 5)." *Jamieson Fauseet Brown, Bible Commentary*, 2 Sam 5:6.

"Judah could not, and Benjamin did not drive out the Jebusites (Josh. 15:63; Judg. 1:21), and the city only became the capital of the nation 450 years from the time of Joshua, when David made it **his royal residence, and the sanctuary, near the centre of his kingdom** (EZ. 5:5)...The seat of the religion had been before this at Shechem, Shiloh, Gilbeah, Nob, and Gibeon. Zion was now called the City of David, and was soon enlarged by walls, strengthened by towers, and beautified by a **palace for the king**, built by the mechanics of Hiram, king of Tyre." *Smith's Bible Dictionary, Jerusalem*.

Quotes from Church Of Christ people.

"The government of Christ upon earth (the stone) was cut out of this American nation, or government, by the hand of God; it is a divine institution, and not accomplished by human hands. So, the "mountain of the Lord" to which the nations shall flow in the last days, is the Zion of God, the government of Christ." William A Sheldon, article *Zion's Temple*, Zion's Advocate, December 1990, page 171.

"...the Kingdom of God (synonymous with Zion, with respect to the people of God!) shall come to its fullness of fruition..." Apostle William Sheldon, Zion and the Temple of the Lord, 1974 pamphlet, pg 5.

"...so here is the cause: righteousness. The people of Zion are "the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven;-the meek: for they shall inherit the earth;-the pure in heart: for they shall see God", etc. Matt. 5:3-16. The cause of Zion is the pure love of God and of all men." Apostle William Sheldon, Zion and the Temple of the Lord, 1974 pamphlet, pg 5.

"Now as you have asked, behold I say unto you, keep my commandments, and seek to bring forth and establish the cause of Zion." Book of Commandments 5:3

"The return of judgment to the saints will ultimately result in the fall of this Babylon, for when the angel flew in the midst of heaven having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, there followed another angel, saying, *Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication* (Revelation 14:8)." By Harvey Seibel, Zion's Advocate June 2005, p.106

"And perhaps it may not be improper for us to indulge the hope that as the land in which we live was the birthplace and the nurse of civil liberty, so also in America, true religion shall first begin to flourish. – *Seven Last Plagues*, p. 217, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania" (*A Marvelous Work and a Wonder*, p. 225).

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"There must be a stone cut out of a mountain without hands before it can fall upon the toes of the image and **become a great mountain and fill the earth**. An angel must fly through the midst of heaven with the everlasting gospel to preach to all the nations before Babylon falls and the Son of Man reaps his Harvest...-Sir Isaac Newton, *Observations on the Prophecies*, p. 250, 251" (*A Marvelous Work and a Wonder*, p.149)

"To me Zion is the seat of Christ's government on earth and as such, Zion is both, a condition and a place." *Leroy Wheaton, Sermon*, printed in ZA, October, 1963.

"It is basically a holy people, *Roland Sarratt*, Sermon-Phoenix Reunion, November 11, 2005, 6:00pm.

Zion was on the earth once! The first was David and the second was his son Solomon.

There were two Kings over Old Zion.

Saul, David and Solomon reigned over a united kingdom from 1050-931 BC.

1011 David made king of Judah, 2 Sam 2:4.

1003 David anointed king of all Israel, 2 Sam 5:3.

What was the condition of this first Zion?

Answer: The kingdom was united under one king anointed by God. The king was also reigning from his castle, which was located on the highest of the hills of Jerusalem.

2 Sam 5:7 Nevertheless David took the **strong hold of Zion**: the same is **the city of David**.

2 Sam 2:1 David inquired of the Lord where he should go. Therefore it was planed!

1 Chr 11:5 And the inhabitants of Jebus said to David, Thou shalt not come hither.

Nevertheless David took the **castle of Zion**, which is the **city of David**.

1 Ki 8:1 Then Solomon assembled the elders of Israel, and all the heads of the tribes, the chief of the fathers of the children of Israel, unto king Solomon in Jerusalem, that they might bring up the ark of the covenant of the Lord out of the city of David, which is Zion.

Psalms 2:6 Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion.

I believe that this is actually the first mention of the cause of Zion. Abraham was called to begin the Great Nation. Abraham is no less a member of Zion than those who will take part in the fulfillment of this promise, when the Lord shall return. Through faith we are all made partakers of this promise.

Gen 12:1 Now the Lord had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: 2 And I will make of thee a **great nation**, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: 3 And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

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Zion was divided and seems to have changed after the kingdom divided.

Psalms 78:67-68 Moreover he refused the tabernacle of Joseph, and chose not the tribe of Ephraim: But choose the tribe of Judah, the mount Zion which he loved.

Zion has a daughter or daughters!

Israel is the daughter of Zion

2 Ki 19:21 This is the word that the Lord hath spoken concerning him; The virgin the daughter of Zion hath despised thee, and laughed thee to scorn; the daughter of Jerusalem hath shaken her head at thee.

Psalm 9:14 David calls Jerusalem (God's People) the Daughter of Zion. Zion appears to be established at this time. The king established his government in a fixed place which gave Israel a fixed location or mountain (government).

Zep 3:14 Sing, O daughter of Zion; shout, **O Israel**; be glad and rejoice with all the heart, O daughter of Jerusalem.

2 Ne 5:114 Isaiah 52

2 Ne 9:113 As yet shall he remain at Nob that day; he shall shake his hand against the mount of the daughter of Zion, the hill of Jerusalem. (Mount; hill = government-king)

3 Ne 9:75 (Isaiah 52) O Jerusalem, the holy city

Moroni 10:28 (Isaiah 52) O Jerusalem ... O daughter of Zion, and strengthen thy stakes, and enlarge thy borders for ever... that the covenants of the eternal Father which he hath made unto **thee, O house of Israel**, may be fulfilled.

Zion was lost, or at least her daughter was cast out of Zion.

Psalms 137:1 - 6 For there they that carried us away captive required of us a song; and they that wasted us *required of us* mirth, *saying*, Sing us *one* of the songs of Zion. How shall we sing the LORD'S song in a strange land? If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget *her cunning*. If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth; if I prefer not Jerusalem above my chief joy.

Micah 4:10 Be in pain, and labour to bring forth, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in travail: for now shalt thou go forth out of the city, and thou shalt dwell in the field, and thou shalt go even to Babylon; there shalt thou be delivered; there the Lord shall redeem thee from the hand of thine enemies.

NOTE: The children of Lehi are the descendants of Jerusalem and are therefore a daughter of Zion. Many promises concerning Zion are given to Lehi's children.

Isa 29:1-4 Jerusalem to speak from the dust. Lehi's descendants are those who speak from the dust.

2 Ne 12:81 And then shall the remnant of our seed know concerning us, how that we came out from Jerusalem, and that they are descendants of the Jews. (Jews in this sense means citizens of Jerusalem and not exclusively the tribe of Judah.)

Moroni 10:1; 22-23; 27-28 Lamanites, Moroni writes from the Dust (of Jerusalem), and are referred to as a Daughter of Zion.

In the New Testament Zion was referred to in the present tense or at least the daughter was referred to in present tense.

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Matthew 21:5 Tell ye the daughter of **Sion**, Behold, thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass, and a colt the foal of an ass.

This scripture in Hebrews shows an arrival to Zion by means of the New Covenant. To me this indicates that we should consider ourselves part of Zion as members of the Church of Christ, having become heirs of all God's promises through our King, Jesus Christ.

Hebrews 12:22 - 24 But ye are come unto mount **Sion**, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels, To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect, And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than *that of Abel*.

This is the last mention of Zion in the bible after its complete fruition.

This is where we all want to be and there will be no unrighteousness in it.

Rev 21:1-3 And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.

Zion has, is, and continues to undergo transition.

Not an Israelite City at First; Not Always filled with God's People.

Judges 19: 10-12 Mentioned as the city of strangers.

Is Zion important to us?

Mos 7:81 And now Abinadi said unto them, Are you priests, and pretend to teach this people, and to understand the spirit of prophesying, and yet desire to know of me what these things mean? (Mos 7:75-82)

Isa 29:7-8 so shall the multitude of all the nations be, that fight against mount Zion.

2 Nephi 11:118-120

1 Ne 7:17-64; 30 And all that fight against Zion, shall be destroyed.

Rom 11:25 For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in. **26** And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of **Sion** the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob: **27** For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins.

Isaiah 4:2-6 After some great changes, troubles brought on by the spirit of the Lord.

Those who are left (living), Written among the living, analogous to the books kept by the Israelite families, listing the dead and the living in the family.

What is It?

It is a kingdom! It is a nation!

2 Ne 5:70-78 a nation includes places, Islands, coast.

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Isa 29:7-8 all nations be destroyed that fight against **2 Ne 11:118-120**

Psa 74:1-2 O God, why hast thou cast us off for ever? why doth thine anger smoke against the sheep of thy pasture? Remember **thy congregation**, which thou hast purchased of old; the rod of **thine inheritance**, which thou hast redeemed; this mount Zion, wherein **thou hast dwelt**.

1 Nephi 6:44 It speaks. Who is able to speak? Can animals or mountains speak? No, only people speak.

2 Nephi 5:31-33 It is a people separated from the great and abominable church of the world.

2 Nephi 5:90; 99 The redeemed and the people of God.

Psalms 132:13 It is the habitation of God.

Zion and the Kingdom Of God seem to be the same thing. Jesus and Paul considered the Kingdom of Heaven to be the theme to preach to the world.

Luke 16:16 The law and the prophets were until John: since that time the kingdom of God is preached, and every man presmeth into it.

Acts 28:22-31 23 And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into his lodging; to whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus, both out of the law of Moses, and out of the prophets, from morning till evening. **28** Be it known therefore unto you, that the salvation of God is sent unto the Gentiles, and that they will hear it. **31 Preaching the kingdom of God**, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ, with all confidence, no man forbidding him.

The wicked will not enter Zion! The Kingdom of Heaven and the Church have the same requirement. This makes the Kingdom of God on earth (the Church) the vehicle to the establishment of Zion.

Isa 52:1 for henceforth there shall no more come into thee the uncircumcised and the unclean.

Moroni 6:2 Witness unto the church that they had truly repented.

Mat 5:20 For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven. **21** Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

Mat 18:3 And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven. **4** Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

Zion is subject to process or growth (fulfillment)!

Kingdom of God shall roll to consume all other kingdoms!

It is for both Jew and Gentile and can not be destroyed!

Mat 6:10 Thy kingdom come. 13 For thine is the kingdom.

After Christ was resurrected and came to His other sheep he did not repeat the phrase "thy kingdom come" nor the phrase "give us this day our daily bread."

Thy kingdom come is left out of the Lord's prayer in **3 Ne 5:101-106**

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This was done because His kingdom had come even though the work of the Kingdom was not fulfilled.

Give us this day our daily bread is also left out-because Jesus is the daily bread (manna from heaven)

This simple illustration demonstrates a point of fulfillment in God's great plan and the cause of Zion. The plan did not change and remains the emergence or establishing of Zion or Mountain of God's government.

Dan 2:35 and the stone that smote the image **became a great mountain**, and filled the whole earth.

This scripture shows that there is only one kingdom and this kingdom will grow. At first the stone is moveable and not established firmly to the earth. The mountain is firmly established. Established in this sense does not mean to bring into being but means "caused to stand up" becoming visible and known throughout the world. Above all things we should note that the stone (small) and the Mountain (large) are one and the same in origin and substance. There is an unbroken line between the stone and the Mountain.

Dan 2:44 - 45 the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.

Mat 21:43 - 44 The kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof. And whosoever shall fall on this stone shall be broken: but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder

Rev 11:15 And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.

Mark 9:1 And he said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That there be some of them that stand here, which shall not taste of death, till they have seen the kingdom of God come with power.

Luke 10:9 And heal the sick that are therein, and say unto them, The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.

Lk 17:20 - 21 The kingdom of God cometh not with observation: Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.

It has a king! And the king is already anointed!

Jn 12:13 Blessed is the King of Israel

Zec 9:9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee:

Isa 52:7 How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!

Mos 8:47 I say unto you that they are his seed; and these are they who have published peace, who have brought good tidings of good, who have published salvation; and said unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!

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Isa 9:7 Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.

Psalms 132:13 habitation of God.

Ps 45:6 - 7 Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre. Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

Lk 4:18 he hath anointed me to preach the gospel.

Mt 16:16 And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.

It Shall Be Again!

Isa 52:8 when the **LORD** shall bring **again** Zion.

3 Ne 7:43 the **Lord** shall bring **again** Zion

Amos 9:11-12 In that day will I raise up the tabernacle of David that is fallen, and close up the breaches thereof; and I will raise up his ruins, and I will build it as in the days of old: That they may possess the remnant of Edom, and of all the heathen, which are called by my name, saith the Lord that doeth this.

1 Ne 7:23 Wherefore, he will bring them **again** out of captivity, and they shall be gathered together to the lands of their inheritance;

Jac 3:123-125 I have grafted in the natural branches **again**...may bring forth **again** good fruit...I may have joy **again** in the fruit of my vineyard... I may bring forth **again** the natural fruit.

Mosiah 7:78; 8:67 Abinadi explains

When?

3 Ne 9:86 after the coming forth of the Book of Mormon to the Lamanites.

3 Ne 7:34 At that day when the Gentiles shall sin against my gospel.

3 Ne 7:34-45; (43) "And When" Jesus explains

3 Ne 7:29 **And then** will I gather them in from the four quarters of the earth; and then will I fulfill the covenant which the Father hath made unto all the people of the house of Israel.

Isaiah 66:5-8 A nation born at once. Rapid transition.

How?

Jacob 3:129-131 *prepare the way for them, that they may grow...And as they begin to grow, ye shall clear away the branches which bring forth bitter fruit, according to the strength of the good and the size thereof; And ye shall not clear away the bad thereof, all at once, lest the roots thereof should be too strong for the graft, and the graft thereof shall perish, and I lose the trees of my vineyard. The Lord is going to make room for His Zion.*

Isa 2:2-4 By Judgement, burning.

Jeremiah 30:7 Jacob's trouble-saved out of it.

Who? Zion Must Include Israel, Ephraim, or Samaria.

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John 10:16 And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.

3 Ne 7:16-24 Other sheep, other lands

Eze. 37:15-22 Two people into one, two books into one, one king, one kingdom.

2 Ne 12:59 Know ye not that the testimony of two nations is a witness unto you that I am God, that I remember one nation like unto another?

2 Ne 12:60-61 Wherefore, I speak the same words unto one nation like unto another. And when the two nations shall run together, the testimony of the two nations shall run together also.

3 Ne 2:106 Yea, and surely shall he again bring a remnant of the seed of Joseph to the knowledge of the Lord their God; **107** And as surely as the Lord liveth will he gather in from the four quarters of the earth, all the remnant of the seed of Jacob, who are scattered abroad upon all the face of the earth;

Where?

Matt 21:5 Zion was still in the Land of Jerusalem in the day of Christ

Mat 21:43 Therefore say I unto you, The kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof.

2 Ne 7:17-21 No king in Zion, America.

Jeremiah 31:1-14 Mount Ephraim will say let us go to Zion.

2 Ne 12:25 & 30 Zion in America, at ease in Zion.

Amos 6:1-6 Ease in Zion, not grieved for the affliction of Joseph.

Ether 6:1-8 New Jerusalem in America, Like the Old Jerusalem which was Zion.

Hosea 7:8 Ephraim among the nations

Hosea 8:8 Israel among the Gentiles

Ezekiel 20:40-42 Israel gathered from all the countries. Sanctified in the eyes of the heathen.

Isaiah 64:9-10 Thy Holy Cities

Isaiah 62:1 For Zion's sake I will not hold my peace.

What is required of us?

1 Ne 3:187 seek to bring it forth

How? By publishing the peace of God.

Mt 6:33 seek ye first the kingdom of God

Alma 16:115 ...their souls are precious...therefore, give unto us, O Lord, power and wisdom, that we may bring these, our brethren, **again** unto thee.

2 Nephi 11:106-109 labor for Zion.