

There is a progression perhaps suggested there. And then after this a wonderful promise of deliverance from exile here, he continues with the assurance of what He is going to do: "Lift up thine eyes roundabout, and behold: all these gather themselves together, and come to thee, As I live, thou shalt surely clothe thee with them all, and bind them on thee as a bride doeth. They are going to have a wonderful blessing. They are not merely going to be taken back, but they are going to have a tremendous blessings in <sup>the</sup> future. ~~And~~ Thy waste and thy desolate places, and the land of thy destruction, - your land that has been destroyed - will become too narrow for reason of inhabitants. People are going to multiply so much that they need more space. The children thou shalt have after thou hast lost the other shall say again in thine ears, This place is too strait - too narrow - for me. We don't use the word strait in this <sup>sense</sup> ~~case~~ in modern English, s t r a i t - except where we think of straits. We use that term for a narrow body <sup>the</sup> of narrow passage of water between two bodies of land. We call that straits. But actually it belonged to modern English \_\_\_\_\_ This land is too narrow for me, give place to me that I may dwell. Then shalt ~~it~~ thou say, in thine heart, Who hath begotten me these. Here are the people of God. Here is the true Israel of God. They say, Jacob looks upon thee true descendants, and he says, Who hath begotten me ~~these~~, seeing I have lost my children, and am desolate, a captive, and removing to and fro? and who hath brought up these? Behold, I was left alone; these, where had they been? Thus saith the Lord, I will lift up mine hand to the Gentiles, and set up ~~my~~ ~~standard~~ ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~people~~: and they shall bring thy sons in their arms, and thy daughters shall be carried upon their shoulders. True children of Jacob, true descendents of ~~Jacob~~ true Israel <sup>are</sup> ~~is~~ going to come from every nation on earth. Kings shall be thy nursing fathers, queens ~~shall be~~ thy nursing mothers. The time will come when the great head of Roman Empire, when the Emperor Constantine will give orders that all \_\_\_\_\_ forces of Roman government are available in order to bring the representatives of the Christians together from all over the Empire *to have the discussion over*

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