# **Treasure Hunt**

- Isa 60:4 predicts that the Jews will return to Zion. There was a return after the captivity. Did that fulfill this promise? Why or why not?
- Isa 60:5 says that Zion's heart will "fear" when God brings these blessing on her. Why should she fear?
- How does the promise of Isa 60:6 contrast with Israel's previous history?
- What does "manifold fulfillment" mean?

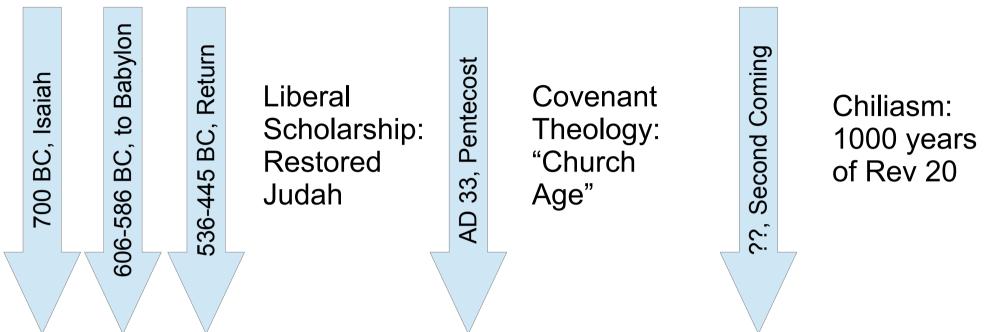
#### Overview of Isaiah 58-66

| False vs. True<br>Worship | 58:1-14   | 66:1-24    |
|---------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Indictment & Confession   | 59:1-15a  | 63:7-65:25 |
| The Redeemer              | 59:15b-21 | 63:1-7     |
| Zion's Glory (2fs)        | 60:1-22   | 62:1-12    |
| The Redeemer              | 61:1-11   |            |

### The Promises of Isa 60

- **Spiritual enlightenment**: 1 thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee.
- Return to the land: 4 thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side. 9 Surely the isles shall wait for me, and the ships of Tarshish first, to bring thy sons from far, their silver and their gold with them,
- Worship of God in his sanctuary: 7 they shall come up with acceptance on mine altar, and I will glorify the house of my glory. 13 The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee, the fir tree, the pine tree, and the box together, to beautify the place of my sanctuary; and I will make the place of my feet glorious.
- Rebuilding of the city of Jerusalem: 10 And the sons of strangers shall build up thy walls,
- Economic tribute from the Gentiles: 6 The multitude of camels shall cover thee, the dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; all they from Sheba shall come: 16 Thou shalt also suck the milk of the Gentiles, and shalt suck the breast of kings:

#### Where do these Promises Fit?



No coming of Spirit for New Covenant
The promises far exceed what happened

- Coming of Spirit
- Gathering of Gentiles
- 8 Age of empire and
- colonialism ended
- 😕 Secular states deny
- the Lord and oppose his people

8 Lord denies a worldly kingdom

Full realization
 of physical as
 well as spiritual
 promises

| The Speaker | s in Isaiah 60 |
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| Isaiah      | The Lord       |

| 1 Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of <b>the LORD</b> is risen upon thee. 2 For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but <b>the LORD</b> shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee 6 they shall shew forth the praises of <b>the LORD</b> . |  |
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|   | 7 All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered<br>together unto thee, the rams of Nebaioth shall<br>minister unto thee: they shall come up with<br>acceptance on <b>mine</b> altar, and I will glorify the<br>house of <b>my</b> glory 9 Surely the isles shall<br>wait for <b>me</b> ,             |
| 19 <b>the LORD</b> shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and <b>thy God</b> thy glory. 20 <b>the LORD</b> shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of thy mourning shall be ended.   |  |
|   | 21 Thy people also <i>shall be</i> all righteous: they shall inherit the land for ever, the branch of <b>my</b> planting, the work of <b>my</b> hands, that I may be glorified. 22 A little one shall become a thousand, and a small one a strong nation: I the LORD will hasten it in his time. |

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| Children<br>returned | 4 Lift up thine<br>eyes round<br>about, and see:   | all they gather themselves together, they come<br>to thee: thy sons shall come from far, and thy<br>daughters shall be nursed at <i>thy</i> side.   |
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## The Return of Zion's Children

| Isa 49   | Isa 60  |
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| 17 <b>Thy children</b> shall make haste; thy destroyers and they that made thee waste shall go forth of thee.  |   |
| 18 Lift up thine eyes round about, and behold:   | 4 Lift up thine eyes round about, and see:  |
| all these gather themselves together, <i>and</i> come to thee.   | all they gather<br>themselves together,<br>they come to thee:   |
| 21 I have lost my children, and am desolate, a captive, and removing to and fro  |   |
| 22 Thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I will lift<br>up mine hand to the Gentiles, and set up my<br>standard to the people: and they shall bring <b>thy</b><br><b>sons</b> in <i>their</i> arms, and <b>thy daughters</b> shall be<br>carried upon <i>their</i> shoulders. | <b>thy sons</b> shall come<br>from far, and <b>thy</b><br><b>daughters</b> shall be<br>nursed at <i>thy</i> side. |

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#### Jewish Exiles and Returns

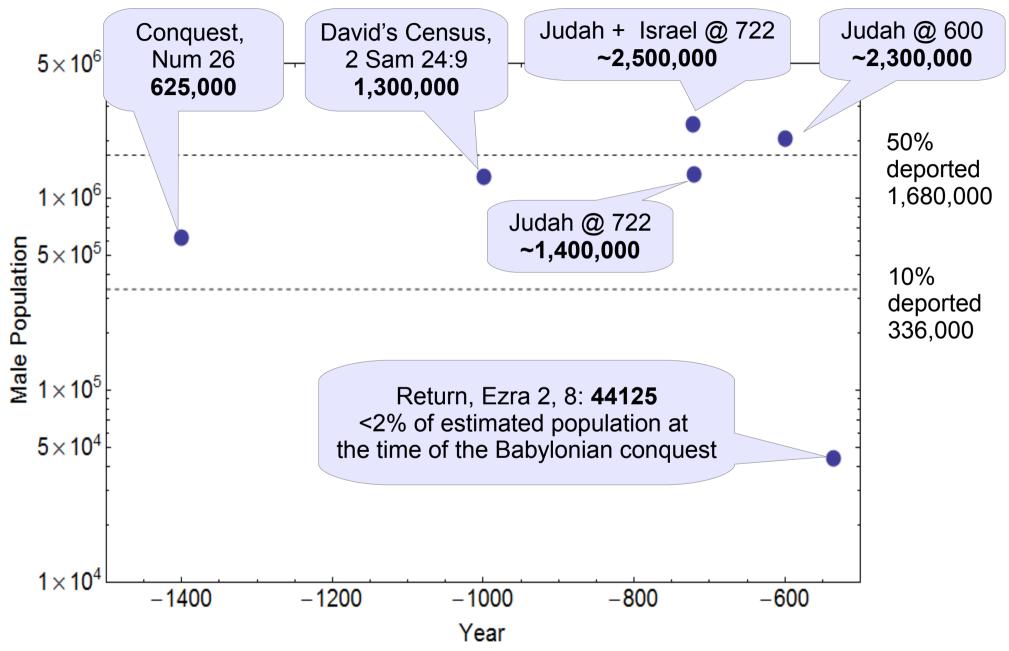
| Date       | Leaving               | Returning           | Number  |
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| 1845 BC    | Jacob to<br>Egypt     |                     | 72      |
| 1405 BC    |                       | Conquest            | 625,000 |
| 722 BC     | Israel to<br>Assyria  |                     | ?       |
| 606-586 BC | Judah to<br>Babylon   |                     | ?       |
| 536-465 BC |                       | Zerubbabel,<br>Ezra | 44,125  |
| AD 73      | Rome vs.<br>Jerusalem |                     | 100,000 |
| AD 1947    |                       | Modern<br>Israel    |         |

Zec 1:17 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; My cities through from prosperity shall yet be spread scattered abroad;

and the LORD shall yet comfort Zion, and shall yet choose Jerusalem.

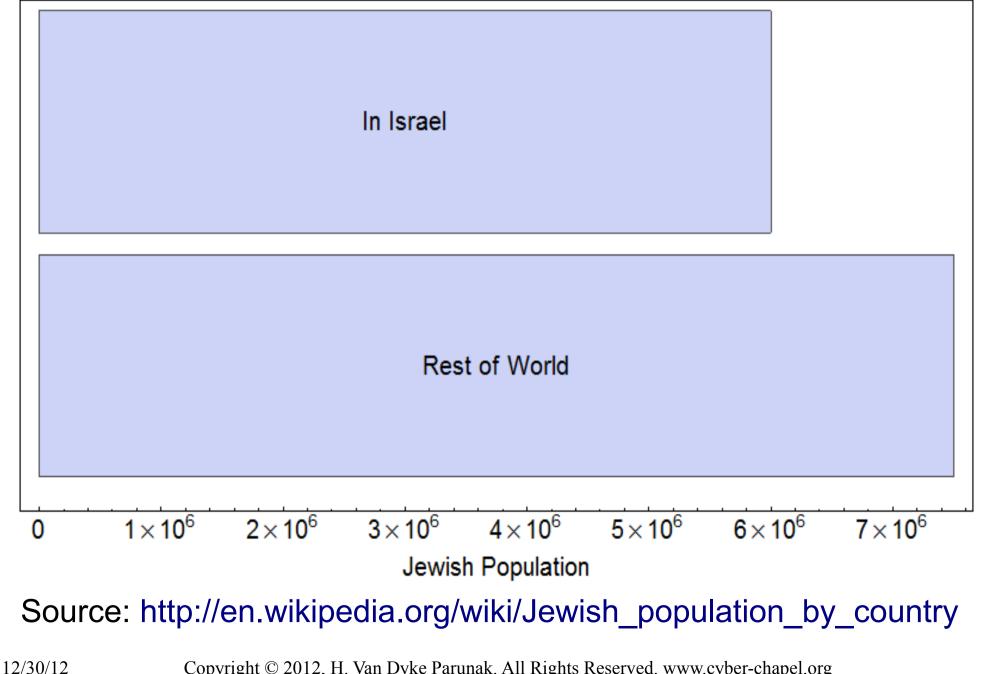
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#### How Many Came Back in 536 BC?



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#### How Many Came Back since 1947?

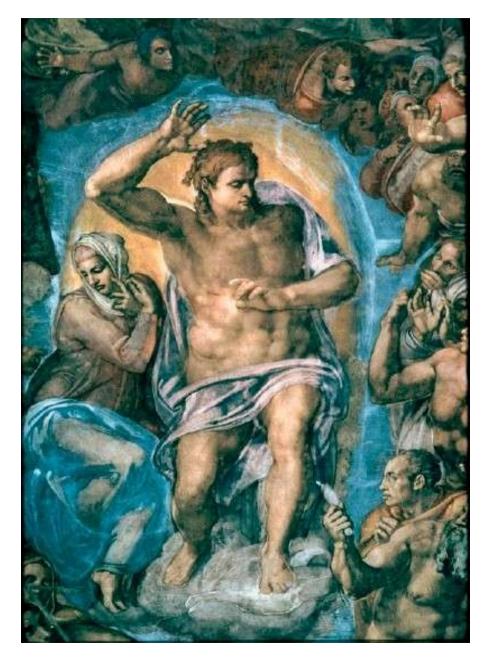


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#### v. 5 "thine heart shall thrill fear"

Rev 19:15-18 he treadeth the winepress of the **fierceness and wrath** of Almighty God. ... 17 And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God; 18 That ye may **eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses**, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all *men, both* free and bond, both small and great.

Isa 43:3-4 For I *am* the LORD thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Saviour: I gave Egypt for thy ransom, Ethiopia and Seba for thee. 4 Since thou wast precious in my sight, thou hast been honourable, and I have loved thee: therefore will I give men for thee, and people for thy life.



#### The Enlarged Lnn Heart

Bad sense:

Pro 21:4 An high look, and a **proud heart**, and the plowing of the wicked, is sin.

Psa 101:5 Whoso privily slandereth his neighbour, him will I cut off: him that hath an high look and a proud heart will not I suffer.

A blessing from God:

1Ki 4:29 And God gave Solomon wisdom and understanding exceeding much, and largeness of heart, even as the sand that is on the sea shore.

Psa 119:32 I will run the way of thy commandments, when thou shalt enlarge my heart.

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#### Israel's Balance of Payments

Past, under Hezekiah:

Isa 30:6 The burden of the beasts of the south: into the land of trouble and anguish, ... they will carry their riches upon the shoulders of young asses, and their treasures upon the bunches of camels, to a people that shall not profit them.

Future:

6 The multitude of camels shall cover thee, the dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; all they from Sheba shall come: **they shall bring gold and incense**;

7 All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered together unto thee, the rams of **Nebaioth** shall minister unto thee:

13 **The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee**, the fir tree, the pine tree, and the box together

16 Thou shalt also **suck the milk of the Gentiles**, and shalt **suck the breast of kings**:

23:17-18 the LORD will visit Tyre, ... 18 ... her merchandise shall be for them that dwell before the LORD, to eat sufficiently, and for durable clothing.

45:14 Thus saith the LORD, **The labour of Egypt, and merchandise of Ethiopia and of the Sabeans**, men of stature, shall come over **unto thee**, and they shall be thine:

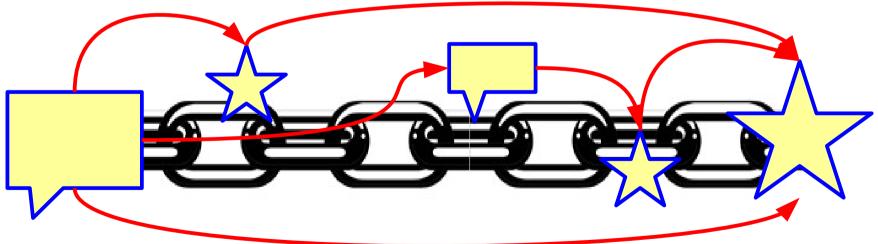
61:6 ye shall **eat the riches of the Gentiles**, and in their glory shall ye boast yourselves.

### Manifold Fulfillment

An initial prophecy may be **repeated** down through history,

- sometimes in words and
- sometimes in events that
  - foreshadow or
  - partially realize the promise,

until the time of the actual fulfillment.



Willis Judson Beecher, *The Prophets and the Promise*. Thomas Y. Crowell, 1905

#### Israel and the Gentiles

Psa 2:8 Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.

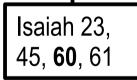
Psa 72:10 The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall bring presents: **the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts.** 11 Yea, **all kings shall fall down** before him: all nations shall serve him. ... 15 ... and to him shall be given of **the gold of Sheba**:

Mat 2:1 there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, ... 11 ... they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

> 21:24... the kings of the earth do **bring their glory and honour** into it.

Josh 9 the Gibeonites

1Ki 10:1-2 ... the queen of Sheba ... 2 ... came to Jerusalem with a very great train, with camels that bare spices, and very much gold, and precious stones:



Gen 12:3 And

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# The Davidic Covenant

Nathan's Prophecy

2Sa 7:11-16 Also the LORD telleth thee that he will make thee an house. 12 And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom. 13 He shall build an house for my name, and I will stablish the throne of his kingdom for ever. 14 I will be his father, and he shall be my son. ... 16 And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever before thee: thy throne shall be established for ever.

David's Expectation

1Ch 28:5-7 And of all my sons, ... he hath chosen Solomon my son to sit upon the throne of the kingdom of the LORD over Israel. 6 And he said unto me, Solomon thy son, he shall **build my house** and my courts: for I have chosen him to be my son, and I will be his father. 7 Moreover I will establish his kingdom for ever,

Geopolitical implications (by David, per Acts 4:25):

Psa 2:7-8 I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee. 8 Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.

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#### Does the Queen of Sheba (~ 960 BC) fulfill Psalm 2?

**Solomon himself** (Ps 72) looks forward to a greater king who will receive tribute

Psa 72:8 He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from the river **unto the ends of the earth**. (cf. Zech 9:10)

Judah later pays tribute to other nations:

910 BC 2Ch 16:2 Then **Asa** brought out **silver and gold** ... and sent to **Benhadad king of Syria**,

850 BC 2Ki 12:18 And **Jehoash** king of Judah took all the hallowed things ... and all the **gold** that was found in the treasures of the house of the LORD, and in the king's house, and sent it to **Hazael king of Syria**:

740 BC 2Ki 16:8 And **Ahaz** took the **silver and gold** that was found in the house of the LORD, and in the **treasures** of the king's house, and sent it for a present to the **king of Assyria**.

700 BC 2Ki 18:15 And **Hezekiah** gave him all the **silver** that was found in the house of the LORD, and in the treasures of the king's house. 16 At that time did Hezekiah cut off the **gold** from the doors of the temple of the LORD, and from the pillars ... and gave it to the **king of Assyria**.

**Isaiah** echoes and amplifies the promise ~ 680 BC