

# Treasure Hunt

- Who were the three people who led the restoration of Jerusalem after the Babylonian captivity, and what did each of them do?
- Who were Kedar and Nebaioth?
- Did Jewish believers offer animal sacrifices after the death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus?
- What is the significance of these sacrifices
  - In the minds of unbelieving Jews?
  - In the minds of believers, before Calvary?
  - In the minds of believers, after Calvary?

# The Speakers in Isaiah 60

## Isaiah

## The Lord

1 Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of **the LORD** is risen upon thee. 2 For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but **the LORD** shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee. ... 6 ... they shall shew forth the praises of **the LORD**.

7 All the flocks of Kedar ... the rams of Nebaioth ... they shall come up with acceptance on **mine** altar, and **I** will glorify the house of **my** glory. ... 9 Surely the isles shall wait for **me**, ... 13 **my** feet ... 16 **I** the Lord ... 18

19 ... **the LORD** shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and **thy God** thy glory. 20 ... **the LORD** shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of thy mourning shall be ended.

21 Thy people also *shall be* all righteous: they shall inherit the land for ever, the branch of **my** planting, the work of **my** 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.

# 7-18, The Lord's Alternation

Sanctuary	<p>7 All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered together unto thee, the rams of Nebaioth shall minister unto thee: they shall come up with acceptance on <b>mine altar</b>, and <b>I</b> will glorify the <b>house</b> of my glory.</p>	<p>13 The glory of Lebanon shall come unto thee, the fir tree, the pine tree, and the box together, to beautify the place of <b>my sanctuary</b>; and <b>I</b> will make the place of <b>my</b> feet glorious.</p>
Gentiles and Jews	<p>8 Who are these that fly as a cloud, and as the doves to their windows? 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, unto the name of <b>the LORD thy God, and to the Holy One of Israel</b>, because he hath glorified thee.</p>	<p>14 The sons also of them that afflicted thee shall come bending unto thee; and all they that despised thee shall bow themselves down at the soles of thy feet; and they shall call thee, <b>The city of the LORD, The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.</b></p>
City	<p>10 And the sons of strangers shall build up <b>thy walls</b>, and their kings shall minister unto thee: for in my <b>wrath I smote thee</b>, but in my <b>favour</b> have <b>I had mercy</b> on thee [54:7-8]. 11 Therefore <b>thy gates</b> shall be open continually; they shall not be shut day nor night; that <i>men</i> may bring unto thee the forces of the <b>Gentiles</b>, and <i>that</i> their <b>kings may be</b> brought. 12 For the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee shall perish; yea, <i>those</i> nations shall be utterly wasted.</p>	<p>15 Whereas thou hast been <b>forsaken and hated</b>, so that no man went through <i>thee</i>, <b>I</b> will <b>make thee an eternal excellency</b>, a joy of many generations. 16 Thou shalt also suck the milk of the <b>Gentiles</b>, and shalt suck the breast of <b>kings</b>: and thou shalt know that <b>I</b> the LORD <i>am</i> thy Saviour and thy Redeemer, the mighty One of Jacob. 17 For brass <b>I</b> will bring gold, and for iron <b>I</b> will bring silver, and for wood brass, and for stones iron: <b>I</b> will also make thy officers peace, and thine exactors righteousness. 18 Violence shall no more be heard in thy land, wasting nor destruction within thy borders; but thou shalt call <b>thy walls</b> Salvation, and <b>thy gates</b> Praise.</p>

# The Three Post-Exilic Returns

Leader	Date	Description
Zerubbabel Ezra 1-6	536 BC	Ezr 1:2-3 Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia, The LORD God of heaven hath charged me to <b>build him an house</b> at Jerusalem, which <i>is</i> in Judah. 3 Who <i>is there</i> among you of all his people? his God be with him, and let him go up to Jerusalem, which <i>is</i> in Judah, and <b>build the house of the LORD God of Israel</b> , (he <i>is</i> the God,) which <i>is</i> in Jerusalem.
Ezra Ezra 7-10	458 BC	Ezr 7:10 For Ezra had prepared his heart <b>to seek the law of the LORD, and to do it, and to teach in Israel statutes and judgments.</b> 12 Artaxerxes, king of kings, unto Ezra the priest, a scribe of the law of the God of heaven, .... 14 ... thou art sent of the king, and of his seven counsellors, <b>to enquire concerning Judah and Jerusalem, according to the law of thy God</b> which is in thine hand;
Nehemiah	445 BC	Neh 1:2 Hanani, one of my brethren, came, he and <i>certain</i> men of Judah; ... 3 And they said unto me, ... the <b>wall</b> of Jerusalem also <i>is</i> broken down, and the <b>gates</b> thereof are burned with fire. ... 2:4 Then the king said unto me, For what dost thou make request? ... 5 And I said unto the king, ... that thou wouldest send me unto Judah, <b>unto the city</b> of my fathers' sepulchres, <b>that I may build it.</b> 6 ... So it pleased the king to send me;

# The Flocks of Kedar (v. 7)

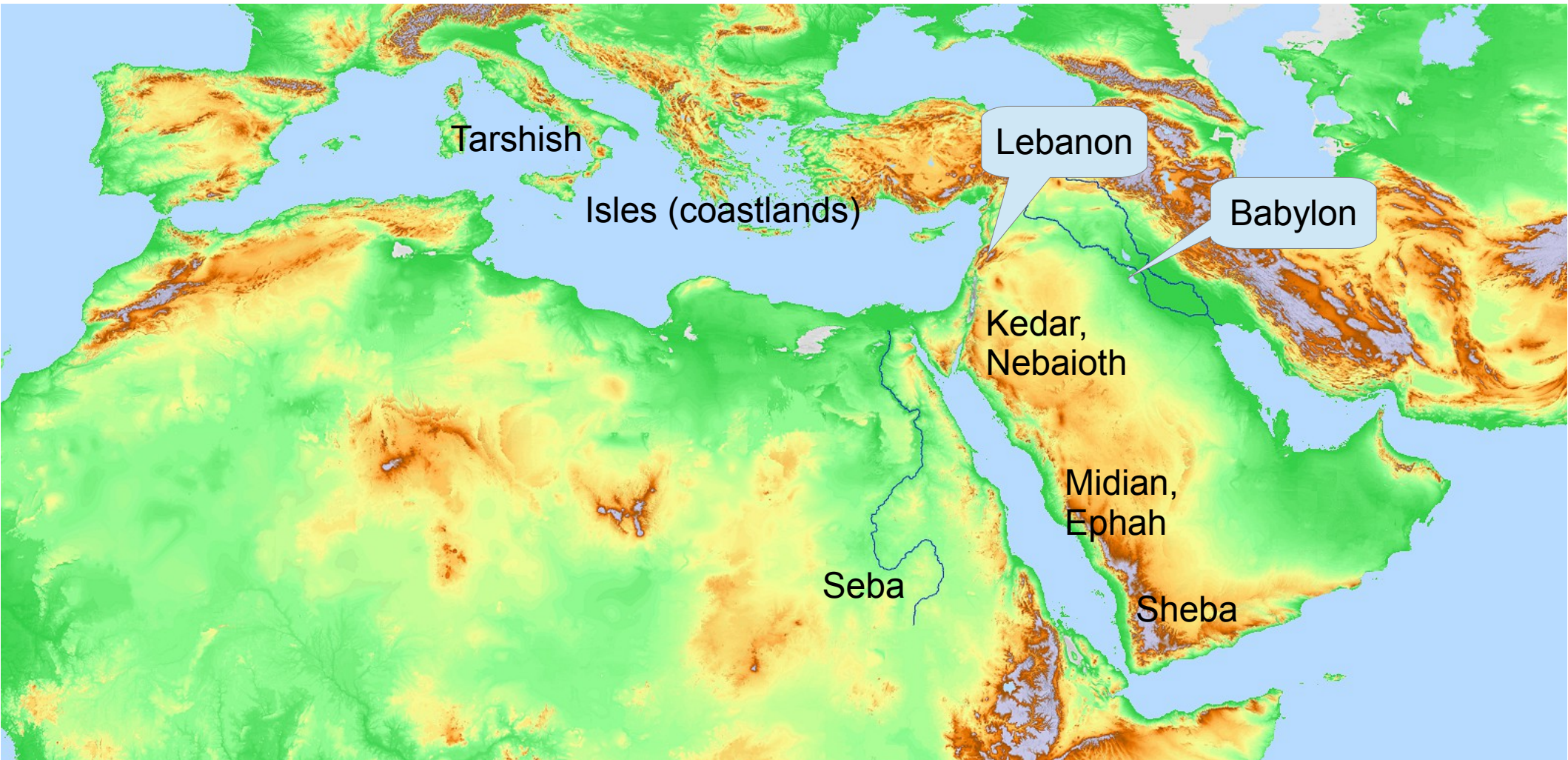
Gen 25:13-16 And these *are* the names of **the sons of Ishmael**, by their names, according to their generations: the firstborn of Ishmael, **Nebajoth; and Kedar**, and Adbeel, and Mibsam, 14 And Mishma, and Dumah, and Massa, 15 Hadar, and Tema, Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah: 16 These *are* the sons of Ishmael, and these *are* their names, by their towns, and by their castles; twelve princes according to their nations.

Jehoshaphat, about 150 years before Isaiah:

2Ch 17:11 Also *some* of the Philistines brought Jehoshaphat presents, and tribute silver; and **the Arabians brought him flocks**, seven thousand and seven hundred rams, and seven thousand and seven hundred he goats.



# Places in Isaiah 60



# Animal Sacrifices after Calvary?

Heb 10:8-9 Above when he said [Ps 40:6-8], Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and *offering* for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure *therein*; which are offered by the law; 9 Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. **He taketh away the first**, that he may establish the second.

Heb 10:15-18 *Whereof* the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: for after that he had said before, 16 This *is* the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; 17 And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more. 18 Now where remission of these *is*, **there is no more offering for sin.**

# Animal Sacrifices after Calvary? (2)

Paul takes a Nazarite vow:

Act 18:18 And Paul *after this* tarried *there* yet a good while, and then took his leave of the brethren, and sailed thence into Syria, and with him Priscilla and Aquila; having **shorn *his* head** in Cenchrea: for he had a **VOW**.

James asks him to show his zeal for the:

Act 21:20 Thou seest, brother, how many thousands of Jews there are which **believe**; and they are **all zealous of the law**: 21 And they are informed of thee, that thou teachest all the Jews which are among the Gentiles to forsake Moses, saying that they ought not to circumcise *their* children, neither to walk after the customs. ... 23 Do therefore this that we say to thee: We have four men which have a vow on them; 24 Them take, and **purify thyself with them**, and **be at charges with them** [sponsor their sacrifices], that they may shave *their* heads: and all may know that those things, whereof they were informed concerning thee, are nothing; but *that* thou thyself also walkest orderly, and keepest the law. ... 26 Then Paul took the men, and the next day purifying himself with them entered into the temple, to signify the accomplishment of the days of purification, **until that an offering should be offered** for every one of them.



# A Temple with an Altar in the Day of the Lord

Isa 2:3 many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, **to the house of the God of Jacob;**

Eze 47:1 Afterward he brought me again unto the door of **the house;** and, behold, waters issued out from under the threshold of the house eastward: for the forefront of the house stood toward the east, and the waters came down from under from the right side of the house, at the south side of **the altar.**

# A Second Look at Heb 10

Animal sacrifices never could remove sin.

Heb 10:1-4 For the law having a shadow of good things to come, *and* not the very image of the things, **can never** with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually **make the comers thereunto perfect**. 2 For then would they not have ceased to be offered? because that the worshippers once purged should have had **no more conscience of sins**. ... 4 For *it is not possible* that the blood of bulls and of goats should **take away sins**. ... 11 ... the same sacrifices, which **can never take away sins**:

They are only symbols, looking back...

Heb 10:3 But in those *sacrifices there is a remembrance again made of sins* every year.

...and forward

Heb 10:10-12 we are sanctified through the **offering** of the body of Jesus Christ once *for all*. ... 12 But this man, after he had offered **one sacrifice for sins** for ever, sat down on the right hand of God;

Joh 1:29 Behold the **Lamb** of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

1Co 5:7 For even Christ **our passover** is sacrificed for us:

# What are we to Remember?

Before Calvary:

Heb 10:3 But in those sacrifices there is a **remembrance αναμνησις** again made of sins every year.

New Covenant promise:

Jer 31:34 I will forgive their iniquity, and **I will remember their sin no more.**

Our Lord's command:

Lk 22:19; 1 Cor 11:24, 25 This do in **remembrance αναμνησις** of me