



Daily Reflections

March 24, 2018

Scripture

Ezekiel 37: 21-28

Thus says the Lord GOD:

I will take the children of Israel from among the nations
to which they have come,
and gather them from all sides to bring them back to their land.

I will make them one nation upon the land,
in the mountains of Israel,
and there shall be one prince for them all.

Never again shall they be two nations,
and never again shall they be divided into two kingdoms.

No longer shall they defile themselves with their idols,
their abominations, and all their transgressions.

I will deliver them from all their sins of apostasy,
and cleanse them so that they may be my people
and I may be their God.

My servant David shall be prince over them,
and there shall be one shepherd for them all;
they shall live by my statutes and carefully observe my decrees.

They shall live on the land that I gave to my servant Jacob,
the land where their fathers lived;

they shall live on it forever,
they, and their children, and their children's children,
with my servant David their prince forever.

I will make with them a covenant of peace;

it shall be an everlasting covenant with them,
and I will multiply them, and put my sanctuary among them forever.
My dwelling shall be with them;
I will be their God, and they shall be my people.
Thus the nations shall know that it is I, the LORD,
who make Israel holy,
when my sanctuary shall be set up among them forever.

Our Scripture Reflection

Through the years due to wars and division, the people of Israel had been scattered throughout the Middle East. This, however, was not what God wanted for His people. He created His people as one and He wanted them to live in unity and Peace. Ezekiel's vision forecasts the day when God will get what He wants from His people.

Food for your Journey

"Faith is not trusting God to get something; faith is trusting God when there seems to be nothing left. When everything is gone with no hope of restoration and when there is nothing on which to base your faith; then can you still trust God?"

--Buell Kazez,

Faith Is the Victory

(Wheaton, IL: Tyndale, 1983), 149.

A Prayer from the Heart

Dear Jesus, On the night before You died, You prayed that we might be one as You and Your Father are one. Lord, pour forth Your Grace upon us so that all divisions will cease. May we be united in our love for You. Amen