

21 Prayers for Israel: Isaiah 62 Global Fast (May 7-28, 2023)

I. INTRODUCTION

- A. Join several million who will pray for Israel for at least ***1 hour a day for 21 days*** (May 7-28) see ***Isaiah62Fast.com*** for details. ***NOTE: I recorded a 2 minute prayer for each of these 21 prayers on Mike Bickle App***—see the section on my app called ***“Growing in Prayer”*** (to hear this EP).
- B. We pray that the Lord will raise up 100 million intercessors for Israel. God promised to appoint those who will not be silent until Jesus returns; this speaks directly of those who would be born in the generation that He returns! These intercessors will “remind the Lord” of His promises for Jerusalem as prophetically declared in many places throughout the Old Testament.
- ⁶On your walls, O Jerusalem, I have appointed watchmen; all day and all night they will never keep silent. You who remind the LORD [of His promises], take no rest for yourselves; ⁷And give Him no rest until He makes Jerusalem a praise in the earth [at Jesus’ return]. (Isa. 62:6-7, NAS)***
- C. Only one city is called “the city of the great King” (Jesus)—He loves Jerusalem with great zeal.
- ³⁵[Jesus said] “...Jerusalem...is the city of the great King. (Mt. 5:35)***
- ²The LORD loves the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob. (Ps. 87:2)***
- ²Thus says the LORD...“I am zealous for Zion [Jerusalem] with great zeal... (Zech. 8:2)***
1. The Lord blesses those who pray for Jerusalem.
- ⁶Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: “May they prosper who love you... (Ps. 122:6)***
- ¹⁰Rejoice with Jerusalem...all you who love her...[and] all you who mourn for her...
¹¹that you may drink deeply and be delighted with the abundance of her glory. (Is. 66:10-11)***
2. The Lord blesses people to “the measure” that they pray or give money, mercy, service, etc.
- ³⁸ Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down...and running over...
For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you. (Lk. 6:38)***
- D. Pray apostolic prayers for messianic congregations. See my series on ***“Apostolic Prayers that Shift History.”*** <https://mikebickle.org/series/apostolic-prayers-prayers-that-shift-history-2020/>
- E. Prophecies concerning Israel and the nations often have two fulfillments—a partial fulfillment in history and in fullness when Jesus returns. The glory released on Israel and the nations in *fullness* at His coming is released now *in part* and in an *increasing way* as we get closer to His return.
- F. Speaking to God “about Israel” is an important aspect of “comforting Jerusalem” (Isa. 40:1-2). It leads to speaking to the nations “about Israel,” and gives us authority to speak to Israel “about Israel.” It is not best for Gentiles to stand in proxy for Israel in repenting. We seek to avoid prayers for Israel that are can be interpreted as coming from condescending Gentile voices.
- G. We pray for all Jewish people—those living in the Promise Land and in the nations (the Diaspora).

II. 21 PRAYERS

- A. Prayer #1 (Num. 6:23-26): God instructed the priests on how He wants them to bless Israel.
²³“Speak to Aaron...saying, ‘This is the way you shall **ble**ss the children of Israel. Say to them:
²⁴“The LORD bless you and keep you; ²⁵the LORD make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you; ²⁶the LORD lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace.’”” (Num. 6:23-26)
- B. Prayer #2 (Isa. 60:2 with Isa. 62:1-11): that God’s glory shall be manifest openly in Jerusalem and that He would act in unprecedented ways—even by raising up 100 million intercessors for Israel.
²“...darkness shall cover the earth, and deep darkness the people; but the LORD will arise over you, and His glory will be seen upon you. ³The Gentiles shall come to your light... (Isa. 60:2-3)
¹For Zion’s sake I will not hold My peace, and for Jerusalem’s sake I will not rest, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness...²The Gentiles shall see your righteousness...⁴You shall be called Hephzibah, and your land Beulah; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. ⁵...as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.
⁶I have set watchmen on your walls, O Jerusalem; they shall never hold their peace...⁷till He makes Jerusalem a praise in the earth...¹¹The LORD has proclaimed to the end of the world: “Say to the daughter of Zion, ‘Surely your salvation is coming...’” (Isa. 62:1-11)
- C. Prayer #3 (Dan. 9:4-19 with Ps. 102:13-21): that God’s face would shine on Jerusalem and that He would hear, see, forgive, and act in unprecedented ways for the city that is called by His name.
⁴I prayed...and said, “Great and awesome God, who keeps His covenant and mercy with those who love Him...¹⁷cause Your face to shine on Your sanctuary...¹⁸Incline Your ear and hear; open Your eyes and see...the city which is called by Your name...because of Your great mercies.
¹⁹O Lord, hear! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, listen and act! Do not delay...” (Dan. 9:4-19)
¹³You will arise and have mercy on Zion; for the time to favor her, Yes, the set time, has come...
¹⁶For the LORD...shall appear in His glory...¹⁸This will be written for the generation to come, that a people yet to be created...¹⁹He...viewed the earth, ²⁰to hear the groaning of the prisoner, to release those appointed to death, ²¹to declare...His praise in Jerusalem... (Ps. 102:13-21)
- D. Prayer #4 (Isa. 11:11-16): The Lord promised to restore the remnant of Israel to God and from the land. Isaiah described areas to the north (Assyria), south (Cush), the east (Elam) and west (islands). One common view is that the “first time” that God recovered Israel was out of Egypt. The other common view is that the “first” recovery of the remnant of Israel from Babylon, Assyria, Egypt, etc. was over a 100-year period (538-444 BC), and the “second time” is associated with 1948 and continuing (possibly about 100 years?) until the end of the Tribulation with the Messiah being on earth (11:10) overseeing a final regathering patterned after the exodus under Moses (11:15-16).
¹⁰In that day there shall be a **Root of Jesse** [Jesus], who shall stand as a banner to the people
¹¹...in that day that the LORD shall set His hand again the second time to recover the remnant of His people who are left, from Assyria [Jordan, Syria, Iraq] and Egypt, from Pathros [Upper Egypt] and Cush [Ethiopia], from Elam [Iran] and Shinar [Iraq], from Hamath [Syria] and the islands of the sea [Mediterranean]. ¹²He will set up a banner...and will assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth... (Isa. 11:10-12)

- E. Prayer #5 (Isa. 24:14-16 with Isa. 42:10-13): The Lord will inspire new songs that glorify Jesus from all nations (42:10-13) that will be connected to Jesus' return (42:13)
- ¹⁴...they shall sing; for the majesty of the LORD...¹⁵glorify the LORD in the dawning light...
¹⁶From the ends of the earth we have heard songs: "Glory to the righteous!" (Isa. 24:14-16)
- ¹⁰Sing to the LORD a new song, and His praise from the ends of the earth...¹¹Let the wilderness and its cities lift their voice, the villages that Kedar [Saudi Arabia] inhabits. Let the inhabitants of Sela [Jordan] sing...¹³The LORD shall go forth [Jesus' return] like a mighty man; He shall stir up His zeal like a man of war...He shall prevail against His enemies... (Isa. 42:10-13)
- F. Prayer #6 (Isa. 30:18-30): that He will release His grace on the people and the land of Israel.
- ¹⁸Therefore the LORD will wait, that He may be gracious to you; and therefore He will be exalted, that He may have mercy on you. For the LORD is a God of justice; blessed are all those who wait for Him. ¹⁹For the people shall dwell in Zion at Jerusalem...He will be very gracious to you at the sound of your cry; when He hears it, He will answer you...²⁰your eyes shall see your teachers.
²¹Your ears shall hear a [prophetic] word behind you, saying, "This is the way, walk in it," whenever you turn to the right hand or whenever you turn to the left...²³He will give the rain for your seed which you sow the ground...your cattle will feed In large pastures...³⁰The LORD will cause His glorious voice to be heard, and show the descent of His arm... (Isa. 30:18-30)
- G. Prayer #7 (Isa. 33:2-10, 17): that God imparts wisdom, the fear of the Lord, and reveals His beauty.
- ²O LORD, be gracious to us...be [our] arm every morning, our salvation in the time of trouble...
³When You lift Yourself up, the nations shall be scattered...⁶Wisdom and knowledge will be the stability of your times, and the strength of salvation; the fear of the LORD is His treasure...
¹⁰"Now I will rise," says the LORD...¹⁷Your eyes will see the King in His beauty. (Isa. 33:2-10, 17)
- ¹¹Teach me Your way...I will walk in Your truth; unite my heart to fear Your name. (Ps. 86:11)
- H. Prayer #8 (Isa. 35:1-10): that the glory of God will be openly manifest in the midst of weak people.
- ¹The wilderness...and the desert shall rejoice and blossom...²even with joy and singing... they shall see the glory of the LORD, the excellency of our God. ³Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. ⁴Say to those who are fearful-hearted, "Be strong, do not fear! Behold, your God...will come and save you." ⁵Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. ⁶Then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the dumb sing...⁸A highway shall be there...called the Highway of Holiness... (Isa. 35:1-10)
- ¹²"...the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do..." (Jn. 14:12)
- I. Prayer #9 (Isa. 54:5-17): that God releases favor on Jerusalem in a way that impacts all the nations with the gospel. The end-time revival is connected to Gentiles praying for God's favor on Jerusalem.
- ⁵For your Maker is your husband, the LORD of hosts is His name; and your Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel; He is called the God of the whole earth...¹⁰"My kindness shall not depart from you, nor shall My covenant of peace be removed...¹³All your children shall be taught by the LORD, and great shall be the peace of your children...¹⁵whoever assembles against you shall fall...¹⁷No weapon formed against you shall prosper, and every tongue which rises against you in judgment you shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD..." (Isa. 54:5-17)

- J. Prayer #10 (Isa. 45:17-24 with Isa. 52:6-10): that God releases greater understanding of Jesus to Israel leading to her national salvation that will impact all the nations and that God raises up many Gentile messengers who say to Zion (Jerusalem), “*Your God reigns.*” (Isa. 52:7).
- ¹⁷Israel shall be saved by the LORD...¹⁸...“I am the LORD...¹⁹I have not spoken in secret... I, the LORD, speak righteousness, I declare things that are right...²²Look to Me, and be saved, all you ends of the earth...²³I have sworn...that to Me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall take an oath. ²⁴He shall say, ‘Surely in the LORD I have righteousness and strength.’”*
(Isa. 45:17-24)
- ⁶“...My people shall know My name...⁷How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news...who says to Zion, “Your God reigns!”⁸Your watchmen shall lift up their voices...they shall sing together; they shall see eye to eye when the LORD brings back Zion...¹⁰The LORD has made bare His holy arm [manifested His power] in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God. (Isa. 52:6-10)*
- K. Prayer #11 (Isa. 43:1-4 with Zeph. 3:12-17): that God will reveal His love for His people Israel and that He would release supernatural protection for them in times of trouble.
- ¹...“Fear not, for I have redeemed you [Israel]; I have called you by your name; you are Mine.²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned...³I am... your Savior...⁴Since you were precious in My sight...and I have loved you...”* (Isa. 43:1-4)
- ¹²“I will leave in your midst a meek and humble people...¹³The remnant of Israel shall do no unrighteousness...”¹⁴Sing...rejoice...O daughter of Jerusalem!...¹⁵He has cast out your enemy. The King of Israel...is in your midst...¹⁷“The LORD your God in your midst, the Mighty One, will save...He will quiet you with His love, He will rejoice over you with singing.”* (Zeph. 3:12-17)
- L. Prayer #12 (Isa. 63:7-64:2): that God would supernaturally intervene and come down to save Israel.
- ⁷I will mention the lovingkindnesses of the LORD...the great goodness toward the house of Israel...¹⁵Look down...where are [the manifestations] Your zeal and Your strength, the yearning of Your heart...are they restrained? ¹⁶...You are our Father; our Redeemer...^{64:1}Oh, that You would rend the heavens...[and] come down that the mountains might shake at Your presence...²make Your name known to Your adversaries, that the nations may tremble at Your presence!... (Isa. 63:7-64:2)*
- M. Prayer #13 (Hab. 3:2 with Mic. 7:14-20): that He would revive His work as seen in the ministry of Moses, David, Elijah, Elisha, in the Gospels, and the book of Acts and again release great miracles.
- ²...O LORD, revive Your work in the midst of [our] years...in wrath remember mercy... (Hab. 3:2)*
- ¹⁴“Shepherd Your people...¹⁵As in the days when you came out of the land of Egypt, I will show them wonders.”¹⁶The nations shall...be ashamed of their [unprecedented military] might...¹⁷They shall be afraid of the LORD...¹⁸Who is a God like You, pardoning iniquity and passing over the transgression of the remnant of His heritage?...He delights in mercy.¹⁹He will again have compassion on us...²⁰You will give truth to Jacob and mercy to Abraham [Israel]... (Mic. 7:14-20)*

- N. Prayer #14 (Jer. 32:37-42 with Jn. 17:21): that Israel will be unified and filled with the fear of God (Ps. 86:11). Pray that the Lord raises up an “international family of affection” of both Jewish and Gentile believers who live in love and unity as one New Man (John 17:21-23; Eph. 2:15)

37“I will gather them out of all countries where I have driven them...I will bring them back to this place...39I will give them one heart and one way, that they may fear Me forever...

40I will make an everlasting covenant with them...I will put My fear in their hearts so that they will not depart from Me. 41Yes, I will rejoice over them to do them good, and I will assuredly plant them in this land, with all My heart...42I will bring on them all the good that I promised them.”
(Jer. 32:37-42)

11Teach me Your way...I will walk in Your truth; unite my heart to fear Your name. (Ps. 86:11)

21“...that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me. 22And the glory which You gave Me I have given them...23that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me. (Jn. 17:21-23)

- O. Prayer #15 (Ps. 80:1-19): that the Lord would release His strength and light to fully restore Israel.

1Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel...2stir up Your strength, and come and save us! 3Restore us... cause Your face to shine, and we shall be saved!...14Return, we beseech You, O God of hosts; look down from heaven and see, and visit 15the vineyard [Israel] which Your right hand has planted, and the branch that You made strong for Yourself...18Revive us, and we will call upon Your name. 19Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; cause Your face to shine, and we shall be saved! (Ps. 80:1-19)

- P. Prayer #16 (Ezek. 20:34-41): that the Lord would plead His case with Israel and bring them into the bond of covenant with Him as He brings them back to the land of Israel from the nations.

34“I will...gather you out of the countries where you are scattered, with a mighty hand, with an outstretched arm...35I will bring you into the wilderness of the peoples [the nations], and there I will plead My case with you face to face...37I will bring you into the bond of the covenant...41I bring you out from the peoples and gather you out of the countries where you have been scattered; and I will be hallowed in you before the Gentiles.” (Ezek. 20:34-41)

- Q. Prayer #17 (Ezek. 34:11-31 with Jer. 3:14-18): that the Lord would rescue, heal, and unify the Jewish people and release great blessing on them including their agriculture .

11...“I Myself will search for My sheep...12As a shepherd seeks out his flock...so I will seek out My sheep and deliver them...16I will seek what was lost and bring back what was driven away, bind up the broken and strengthen what was sick...26I will make them...a blessing; and I will cause showers to come down in their season; there shall be showers of blessing. 27Then the trees of the field shall yield their fruit, and the earth shall yield her increase...” (Ezek. 34:11-27)

14“Return, O backsliding children...for I am married to you...I will bring you to Zion.

15I will give you shepherds according to My heart, who will feed you with knowledge and understanding...18In those days the house of Judah shall walk with the house of Israel...”
(Jer. 3:14-18)

- R. Prayer #18 (Amos 9:11-15): that the Lord would restore the tabernacle of David which speaks of establishing the earthly throne of David in Jerusalem or the leadership of Jesus when He returns. We ask the Lord to magnify Jesus' leadership in all the spheres of society in Israel and the nations.
- 11"On that day I will raise up the tabernacle of David, which has fallen down...I will raise up its ruins, and rebuild it...12that they may possess the remnant of Edom, and all the Gentiles who are called by My name," says the LORD who does this thing...14"I will bring back the captives of My people Israel; they shall build the waste cities...they shall plant vineyards and drink wine from them; they shall also make gardens and eat fruit from them" (Amos 9:11-14)***
- S. Prayer #19 (Ezek. 34:11-31): that the Lord would glorify His name as He supernaturally transforms Jewish people by His Spirit. The nations will see the holiness or transcendent greatness of God's name as they witness the miraculous work that God will do in the lives of Jewish people.
- 23"I will sanctify My great name...and the nations shall know that I am the LORD...when I am hallowed in you [Israel] before their eyes. 24For I will take you from among the nations...bring you into your own land...26I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you...27I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes...30I will multiply the fruit of your trees and the increase of your fields...36Then the nations which are left all around you shall know that I, the LORD, have rebuilt the ruined places and planted what was desolate. I, the LORD, have spoken it, and I will do it...37I will also let the house of Israel inquire of Me to do this for them: I will increase their men...the ruined cities be filled with...men." (Ezek. 36:23-37)***
- T. Prayer #20 (Ezek. 37:1-14): is to prophesy to the dry bones of unbelieving Israel (37:4) and to the breath of God (37:9) to impart spiritual life to Israel in the face of great hopelessness (37:11).
- 4Again He said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them, 'O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD... 5surely I will cause breath to enter into you, and you shall live...'" 9Also He said to me, "Prophecy to the breath...say to the breath, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live"'"...11He said to me, "...these bones are the whole house of Israel. They indeed say, 'Our bones are dry, our hope is lost, and we ourselves are cut off!'12Therefore prophesy and say to them, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Behold, O My people...14I will put My Spirit in you,...and I will place you in your own land.'" (Ezek. 37:4-14)***
- U. Prayer #21 (Joel 2:15-32): that the Lord establish solemn assemblies throughout the land of Israel, inspire the leaders of the Jewish people to cry out to Him (2:17), and to increase the activity of His Spirit including prophetic dreams and visions with signs and wonders in the sky and on the earth.
- 15Blow the trumpet in Zion, consecrate a fast, call a sacred assembly; 16Gather the people...17Let the priests...weep between the porch and the altar; let them say, "Spare Your people, O LORD..." 28"It shall come to pass afterward that I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions...30I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth...31The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the coming of the great and awesome day of the LORD...32whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be deliverance...among the remnant whom the Lord calls." (Joel 2:15-32)***