

# Corona Virus and Ancient Israel -- Jerusalem Is Rebuilt

Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, Haggai,  
Zechariah, Malachi

# Help Bar Deadly Influenza From Seattle

By DR. J. D. TUTTLE,  
State Health Commissioner

Don't get into crowds, don't cough or sneeze without using a handkerchief, get plenty of fresh air, and when the symptoms of a cold appear isolate yourself as far as possible from others.

By SURGEON GENERAL RUPERT BLUE,  
U. S. Public Health Service

First there is a chill, then fever, headache, backache, reddening of the eyes, aches all over the body and general prostration. Persons so attacked should go to bed at once and call a physician.

**NIGHT EXTRA** FOR INFORMATION on any subject—the time of day, movement of trains, mails said so on—Call Main 300

## The Seattle Daily Times

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# CONFERENCES, SCHOOLS, SHOWS CLOSED

## EPIDEMIC PUTS BAN ON ALL PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES

**MR. LOVERING'S COMMENT**  
I am in victory. Buy Liberty Bonds!

**GERMANY PLAYS THE CARD OF CALM.** Comes a time in the progress of a war when the Imperial Chancellor, James W. G. Thompson, declared he had "always expected" when they ready sought peace, but would employ their peace administration Dr. Kaizer who was so opposed to a break with America, that when relations were broken, it was an interesting coincidence that the Kaiser had been in the United States when German cabinet, the former an American and the latter an English actor.

With them in the ministry are Philip Scheidemann, leader of the socialist movement in the Reichstag; Walter Rathenau, the cabinet minister and cabinet member; General Herrmann Goerdeler, the former secretary of state for the imperial labor office.

In making these appointments, Scheidemann is making the best his order by the elevation of a socialistic Reichstag member, and the Kaiser is striving to convince the Allies and our own people that a new course of imperial affairs. Based on this order, the Kaiser's cabinet may be looked for in the near future.

Germany, the Allied world and, in particular, America must realize that these men accept power at the hands of the Kaiser, that they have no voice against either the military or civil government, and that they can be displaced at any time. The Kaiser's cabinet is a cabinet in name only.

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**SEATTLE TO MAKE FIGHT ON DISEASE**

Mayor and City Health Officer Will Permit None but Gatherings in Open Air.

The following order was posted at the police station this afternoon:

**General Order No. 91.**—On account of reports of many cases of Spanish influenza existing in all places of public assembly will be closed until further orders. By order of the Board of Health and Police.

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**EVERY PLACE OF indoor public assemblies in Seattle, including schools, churches, theaters, clubs, and other places, were ordered closed immediately by Mayor Thompson and City Health Officer J. P. Warren as a means of combating further spread of Spanish influenza in Seattle.** The only public gatherings permitted will be those in open air.

Notices were sent to churches to close their meetings, and to schools to suspend their classes. Theaters and clubs were ordered to close their doors. The Board of Health and Police are taking every precaution to prevent the spread of the disease.

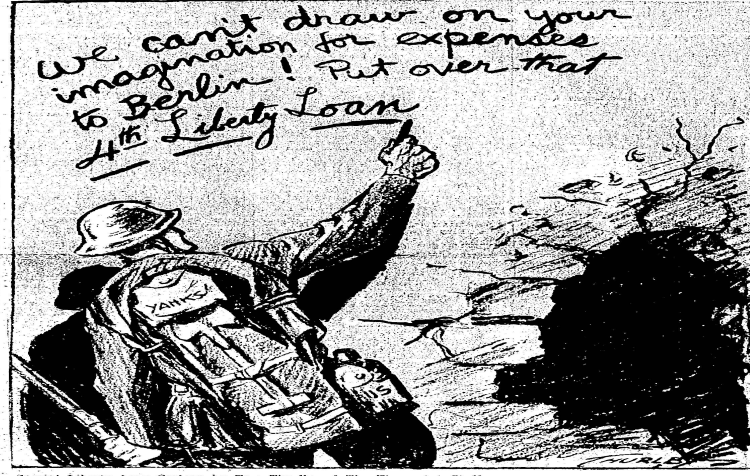
**DRAG STONES TO STAY OPEN.** Mayor Thompson also requested the closure of the drag stones, which are high and all day tomorrow. The Board of Health and Police are taking every precaution to prevent the spread of the disease.

**GERMANA TRYING TO ADVISOR TO WHICH EVIDENT.** The same objection to the German government's attempt to effect a peace settlement, designed to rally around the German government, has been diametrically opposed views as to the future of the world.

Attempts are being made to combine the interests and the representation of the German government with the interests of the Allies. The German government is trying to rally around the German government, but the Allies are diametrically opposed views as to the future of the world.

**BANK CLEARINGS**

Cleavings	SEATTLE, WASH.	\$1,482,145.00
Balance	Portland	\$1,482,145.00
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Balance	Spokane	\$1,482,145.00
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Special Liberty Loan Cartoon by Tom Thursty of The Times Art Staff.

**ONLY ONE-HALF OF CITY'S QUOTA FOR LOAN SUBSCRIBED**

Official Figures Given Out at Noon Today Show Total of \$13,198,000.

**NEW YORK, Saturday, Oct. 5.**—The city's subscription to the fourth Liberty Loan, which was announced last night, was only one-half of the city's quota, according to figures given out at noon today.

The city's quota for the loan is \$26,396,000. The city has subscribed only \$13,198,000. The city's subscription is the lowest of any city in the country.

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**BLAST SHATTERS DOZENS OF TOWNS IN NEW JERSEY**

Tons of T. N. T. Blow Up at Morgan Shaking Country for 50 Miles; Death Toll Heavy.

**NEW YORK, Saturday, Oct. 5.**—A powerful explosion of tons of T. N. T. exploded at Morgan, N. J., today, shattering dozens of towns and killing many people.

The explosion was caused by a train carrying a large quantity of T. N. T. The train derailed and the T. N. T. exploded, causing a massive fire and a large amount of destruction.

**FULL COLOR MAP OF WESTERN FRONT WILL APPEAR IN THE SUNDAY TIMES TOMORROW**

This is the first time that a full color map of the Western Front has been published. The map shows the positions of the Allied and German forces, and the progress of the war.

**NEW WAGE SCALE IN SHIPYARDS TO RUN FROM AUG. 1**

No Wage Worker Will Lose by Delay of Macy Board to Announce Its Awards.

**Mr. Jernome's Dispatch.** WASHINGTON, Saturday, Oct. 5.—The new wage scale for shipyard workers will be ready to announce in a few days, according to a dispatch from Mr. Jernome.

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**TIMES WHISTLE SIGNALS**

ONE LONG BLAST AT 7:00 AM. THREE SHORT BLASTS AT 7:15 AM. FOUR LONG BLASTS AT 7:30 AM. FIVE SHORT BLASTS AT 7:45 AM. SIX LONG BLASTS AT 8:00 AM. SEVEN SHORT BLASTS AT 8:15 AM. EIGHT LONG BLASTS AT 8:30 AM. NINE SHORT BLASTS AT 8:45 AM. TEN LONG BLASTS AT 9:00 AM.

**AMERICANS AND FRENCH SMASH FOE**

Associated Press Summary. FRENCH and American troops are smashing into the German positions in Champagne and have forced the enemy to withdraw from valuable ground in the hill country near the Suippe River, says today's Associated Press summary of news from the theater of war.

East and west of the Argonne and the northwest of Rheims there has been heavy fighting, to the advantage of the Allies.

On the northern sector, hostilities apparently have quieted down for the advancing enemy. The heights of the Argonne and the heights of the Suippe River are the scene of the fighting. The Allies have captured a large number of prisoners and a large amount of equipment.

**U.S. TROOPS SMASH HUNS IN ARGONNE**

Americans Attack Along Extended Front and Capture Several Villages From Foe.

PARIS, Saturday, Oct. 5.—American troops have smashed into the German positions in the Argonne and have captured several villages from the foe.

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**WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY**

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**THE WEATHER**

BY HECK THE LOCAL PUBLIC TO SEE THIS CLIP

POST

LIST OF LIBERTY SLACKERS

IT'S THE SAME OLD WEATHER

SATURDAY

Tonight and Sunday, rain; gentle southwesterly winds.

TEMPERATURE TODAY, 57

Temperature during last twenty-four hours: Maximum, 63; minimum, 35. Relative humidity, 75.

WINDS AT SEATTLE TOMORROW:

First low water, 12:05 a. m. 0.2 ft. Second low water, 1:50 p. m. 4.2 ft.

*“That which hath been is that which shall be; and that which hath been done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun. Is there a thing whereof it may be said, See, this is new? it hath been long ago, in the ages which were before us” (Eccl. 1:9-10).*

- “Black Death” spread across Europe in the years 1346-1353, killing an estimated 60 million.
- Smallpox outbreak of 1520 killed 5 - 8 million people.
- Yellow fever outbreak over the course of spring and summer of 1878 killed an estimated 13,000 - 20,000.

- The “Third Plague” of 1855 ultimately led to more than 12 million deaths in India and China, with about 10 million in India alone.
- The Spanish flu pandemic of 1918-1919 killed millions. Older estimates say it killed 40 - 50 million people while current estimates say 50 - 100 million people worldwide were killed. In the United States alone, about 28% of the population suffered, and 500,000 to 675,000 died.
- Eccl. 7:14 says, *“In the day of prosperity be joyful, and in the day of adversity consider.”*

# Restoration Of God's People

Jeremiah 27:22; cf. 25:11-12



# THE EMPIRE OF DAVID AND SOLOMON



**CYPRUS**

Euphrates River

Tiphsah

**THE ASSYRIAN EMPIRE**

Karkar

Hamath

Riblah

**Mediterranean Sea**

**PHOENICIA**  
Mt. Lebanon

**SYRIA**

Byblos

Sidon

Damascus

Tyre

Ijon

Mt. Hermon

Abel-beth-maacah

Kadesh

Hazor

Accho

**BASHAN**

**DESERT**

**GALILEE**

Ramoth-gilead

Dor

**ISRAEL**

**AMMON**

Megiddo

Samaria

Shechem

**PHILISTIA**

Rabbath-ammon

**JUDAH**

**MOAB**

Jabneh

Ashdod

Ashkelon

Gaza

Bethel

Jerusalem

Gath

Tekoa

Hebron

Beersheba

Kadesh-barnea

**EDOM**

Arabah

**THE EGYPTIAN KINGDOM**

**THE DIVIDED KINGDOM**  
IN THE DAYS OF  
JEROBOAM II OF ISRAEL  
AND UZZIAH OF JUDAH



Aqaba

Elath (Ezion-geber)

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# JUDAH AFTER THE FALL OF ISRAEL



Mediterranean Sea

EGYPTIAN KINGDOM

Isaiah 10:5-11



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# THE ASSYRIAN EMPIRE

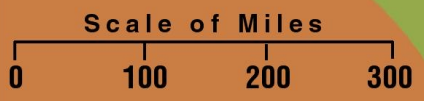


**2 Kings 18-19**

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# THE BABYLONIAN EMPIRE



**Jeremiah 25:8-11**

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Isaiah 44:27-45:1-4

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# Background of Haggai & Nehemiah

## Ezra 1-6

### Captivity

- **606 B.C.** First captives taken by Nebuchadnezzar. Dan. 1:1-2
- **597 B.C.** Second Group (10,000) taken to Babylon. 2 Kgs. 24:10-16; Ezek. 1:1-3
- **586 B.C.** Jerusalem falls, temple destroyed. 2 Kgs 25:1-21
- **539 B.C.** Babylon falls to Medes and Persians. Dan. 5: 25ff; Isa. 44:27-45:1-4

# Background of Haggai & Nehemiah

## Ezra 1-6

### Restoration

- **536 B.C.** Cyrus issues a decree (538) for the Jews to go back to Jerusalem; after 70 years. (Cf. Jer. 25:11; 29:10-14)
  - Almost 50,000 return under the leadership of Zerubbabel (2 Chron. 36:21-23; Ezra 1; 2:64-65)
- **516 B.C.** The temple is completed. Ezra 6:15
- **457 B.C.** Ezra led a second remnant of 2,058 Jews to Jerusalem. Ezra 8:1-34
- **444 B.C.** Nehemiah lead a third remnant back. Neh. 2

# Captives Free to Return **536 B.C.**

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- Approximately 50,000 Jews gathered in Babylon to start home (Ezra 2:64-65)
- No “gods” to return to the Jews, WHY? However:
  - Many valuable vessels taken from the temple and palace in Nebuchadnezzar’s day are returned.  
Ezra 2:68-69
    - 5,400 gold and silver vessels returned
  - Jews who stayed behind helped their brethren with gifts to make their trip easier. Ezra. 1
- It was a day of great joy as they began the trip!
  - However, the tasks ahead would not be easy

# Captives Free to Return

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536 B.C.

- ◇ Many Israelites stayed where they were
  - ◇ It has been almost 200 years since the first captives have been taken from Israel.  
721 B.C.
  - ◇ The most recent captives have been gone 50 years
    - ◇ They built homes and were content to stay
  - ◇ It was their choice whether to return or not.

# The People of Palestine

- ◇ They profited from the Jews' absence
- ◇ **Samaritans** had grown in power
  - ◇ Claimed the territory around the ruins of Jerusalem
- ◇ **Ammonites** moved out of their near-desert territory into the fertile highlands of Gilead
- ◇ **Edom** moved out of the dry Negeb into land once belonging to Judah
- ◇ **Nomadic tribes** moved nearer the fertile lands





# Persian Kings

These rulers cover the period of restoration during the time of: Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, Haggai, Zechariah, and Malachi.

- **Cyrus (559-529)** Conquered Babylon in 539 B.C. with Darius the Mede. Dan. 5:30-31
- **Cambyses (529-522)** Also called “Artaxerxes”  
Commanded work on temple to cease.  
Ezra 4:7,11,23

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- **Darius I (522-486)** Authorized the completion of temple. Ezra 4:24-6:15, Book of Haggai
- **Xerxes (485-465)** Also called “Ahasuerus”  
--Esther was his queen, Book of Esther.
- **Artaxerxes (465-425)** Authorized Nehemiah to rebuild Jerusalem, Ezra 7; Book of Nehemiah.

# The “three returns” in Ezra and Nehemiah:

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1. Jews return home under the leadership of **Zerubbabel** to build the temple. (Book of Haggai)  
Cf. Ezra 3:10ff; cf. Haggai 2:3
2. **Ezra** returns with the Priests to start the spiritual reform. Ezra 3
3. **Nehemiah** returns to build the walls. (Book of Nehemiah)
  - ◇ **Adversaries:** Samaritans desired to help build the temple. Ezra 4:1ff; Nehemiah 2:17ff; cf. 2 Kings 17:32.
  - ◇ Jews accused of treason. Ezra 4:6ff; 11ff

# Remnant Returns

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- ◇ Praised God for His mercy
- ◇ Grief that day also
  - ◇ Some present who could remember the splendor of the temple Nebuchadnezzar had burned
  - ◇ This one would never compare to it!
- ◇ Cf. Ezra 3:10ff; cf. Haggai 2:3

# Remnant Returns

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- ◆ Enemies wrote a letter to the new king **Cambyses** (Cyrus' son) after Cyrus had died
- ◆ Asked the king to check the records to see if Jerusalem had not always been rebellious. Ezra 4:15
  - ◆ Cambyses checked and he found that Jerusalem had been rebellious. Ezra 4:17ff
  - ◆ As a result, he had the work stopped and nothing more was accomplished for 16 years. Ezra 4:21
  - ◆ The people built for themselves houses, yet did not prosper. Haggai 1:2-11

# Remnant Returns

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- ◇ When king **Darius the Great** (Cyrus' grandson) Darius came to power, **Haggai** and **Zechariah** urged the people to resume work. (Ezra 5:1)
  - ◇ The people really needed this encouragement

# Remnant Returns

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- ◇ A new letter is sent to the king telling the story of Jerusalem correctly (Ezra 5)
  - ◇ **Darius** checked the records and found the original decree from Cyrus in the palace of Achmetha in Media
  - ◇ He gave orders for the work to be finished and he forbade ANY opposition. (Ezra 6:1-2)
- ◇ The temple was finished 20 years after it was begun
  - ◇ A total of 4 years labor time (520-516 B.C.)

# Esther

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- ◆ **Takes place approximately between chapters 6 and 7 of the book of Ezra.**



# History – Haggai

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Note four oracles are dated in this book that cover a period of four months.

1:1 In the second year of Darius, the sixth month, first day.

2:1 In the seventh month, twenty-first day.

2:10 In the ninth month, twenty-fourth day.

2:20 In the ninth month, twenty-fourth day.

# History – Haggai

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- ❖ **Date of the writing of Haggai. 1:1 (520 B.C.)**
- ❖ Darius I, reigned over Persia from 522 to 486 B.C. Therefore these four messages would have been delivered by Haggai about 520 B.C., *“in the second year of Darius the king”* (1:1).
- ❖ Sixteen years earlier (536 B.C.) 50,000 Jews had returned under the leadership of Zerubbabel. (cf. Isaiah 44:24-45:7; Jeremiah 25:11)

# History – Haggai

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- ◇ Haggai and Zechariah were sent to stir up the people and encourage them to complete the work. Ezra 5:1-2
- ◇ *Apathy. Haggai 1:2ff “It is not the time (for us) to come, the time for Jehovah's house to be built.”*
- ◇ NOTE: Neither danger nor difficulty had prevented them from building their own luxurious houses.

# Message 1 – The Time For Rebuilding The Temple Is Overdue. 1:1-15

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Consider your ways! Literally, the prophet urged, “Set your heart upon your ways.”

- ◇ Work, but never satisfied.
  - ◇ Without the Lord, contentment and lasting happiness is impossible. Haggai 1:6
- ◇ Cf. Isaiah 5:8, 12; Proverbs 4:25-27
- ◇ Priorities were wrong. Proverbs 14:12; Jeremiah 10:23; cf. Matthew 6:33; 1 Timothy 6:6-8; Philippians 4:6-7

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## Response to this message. Haggai 1:12 -15

◆ Remnant of the people obeyed and feared.

*“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom” (Proverbs 9:10).*

◆ Spirit stirred.

◆ Work started 23 days after the word was first delivered by Haggai (cf. 1:1 with 1:15)

# Message 2 – Consolation To Those Who Remembered The Former Glory. 2:1-9

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## The Lord will be with the builders of the temple. 2:1-5

- ◇ Anticipated disappointment. Cf. Ezra 3:12
- ◇ Splendor of Solomon's temple. 1 Kings 6:22,28,30; 7:48-50
- ◇ *“Be Strong”* -- Strength not in numbers (Deuteronomy 7:7-8; Judges 7; cf. Ephesians 6:10)
- ◇ *“Work”* – cf. Nehemiah 4:6; Matthew 9:37-39
- ◇ *“I am with you.”* cf. Matthew 28:20

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## The Temple's Future Glory. 2:6-9

- ◇ Gifts received from:
  - ◇ Cyrus (Ezra 1:7-11; 3:7)
  - ◇ Darius (Ezra 6:9-13)
  - ◇ Artaxerxes (Ezra 7:12-26)
  - ◇ Other Gentiles. (Isaiah 60:5,11) Glorified Zion.
  
- ◇ May be a type of the temple built by Christ.  
(cf. Ephesians 2:21-22; 1 Corinthians 3:16-17;  
Hebrews 12:26-29)

# Message 3 – Reply To Those Who Thought God's Blessings Were To Slow. 2:10-19

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## Israel needed to be cleansed. 2:10-14

◇ Can that which is unclean be made holy by coming in contact with that which is holy?  
NO! (Cf. Leviticus 10:8-10)

◇ Can that which is clean be made unclean by coming in contact with that which is unclean?  
YES! (cf. Numbers 19:11,22)

➤ Returning to the land, rebuilding the temple did not make them clean... needed a renewed attitude toward the Lord. Vs. 14



# Message 3 – Reply To Those Who Thought God’s Blessings Were To Slow. 2:10-19

Apathy had corrupted them. Cf. Malachi 1:7ff

◆ Zeal for the Lord’s work would renew  
God’s blessings. 2:15-19

◆ Look from this day and backward 14-16 years  
to the present.

◆ God had not blessed them.

Cf. Amos 4:6-11

◆ Look from this day forward with a change<sub>33</sub> of  
spirit to God’s blessings.

# History

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◇ Work finished: Cf. Nehemiah 4:6; 6:15

*“And the elders of the Jews builded and prospered, through the prophesying of Haggai the prophet and Zechariah the son of Iddo. And they builded and finished it, according to the commandment of the God of Israel, and according to the decree of Cyrus, and Darius, and Artaxerxes king of Persia. And this house was finished on the third day of the month Adar, which was in the sixth year of the reign of Darius the king.”* Ezra 6:14-15<sup>34</sup>

# Message 4 – The Lord Renews The Promise Of Salvation. 2:20-23

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## God rules in the kingdoms of men. 2:21-22

- ◆ Prophets declared God's promise to overthrow the *“throne of kingdoms”* and the *“strength of the kingdoms of nations.”*
- ◆ *Haggai repeats the prophecy of the shaking of the world. When this shaking takes place the throne of the kingdoms of men shall be thrown down, and the unshakeable kingdom of God shall be established. (Daniel 2:44; Hebrews 12:26-28)*

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- ◆ Messianic Hope Preserved In Zerubbabel. 2:23
  - ◆ Make thee “*as a signet,*” (seal of authority).
  - ◆ God did keep his promise to Zerubbabel because he is a direct descendant of David (2 Samuel 7:11-14) and an ancestor of Jesus in the flesh (Matthew 1:12-13; Luke 3:27).

# Application

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- ◆ God blesses those who put Him first.
- ◆ Matthew 6:19-20, 33; Luke 12:16-21;  
Luke 14:16-24; Colossians 3:1ff