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Promise Land Prophecy:

Did God's Promise Fail?

We are living in a day when those who deny the fulfillment of biblical prophecy are growing even more bolder. Premillennialist hold on to the idea of a so-called coming millennium. They use Genesis 15:18 as proof that the biblical prophecy was never fulfilled as God promised. Many of them believe that Israel has not yet possessed all the territory which God promised to Abraham's seed.

The bible is its best interpreter. Always has been and always will be: not the numerous commentaries or writings of religious intellectuals. Genesis 15:18 says, **"In the same day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates:..."** Lack of study and lack of understanding has led many to have the misconception that God is capable of failing at anything He would set His hand to do, or fail to keep a promise (covenant) which He had ascribed to. We must remember this truth, **"For I am the Lord, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed"** (Malachi 3:6). We see this premise expressed also in Isaiah 42:4, **"He shall not fail nor be discouraged, till he have set judgment in the earth: and the isles shall wait for his law."**

When then was the prophecy of Genesis 15:18 fulfilled or has it yet to be fulfilled? To find the answer we again must go to the book of truth in I Kings 4:21, **"And Solomon reigned over all kingdoms from the river unto the land of the Philistines, and unto the border of Egypt: they brought presents, and served Solomon all the days of his life."** The presents presented to Solomon from all these lands under his reign, were known as tribute. Tribute was a payment made of those who considered themselves servants to Solomon and understood his authority over them.

Today, there are many who have fallen into the same trap of believing that Christ (God) could fail, period! Even some ordained Christian ministers are preaching that Jesus failed and must be helped in order to save His people from

eternal torment. There is nothing worse than advocating a weak Christ, that needs the help of man to save His people eternally. Let us today, give God the glory He deserves by declaring the love and power of Christ. God's boundaries have never changed and will not change. The boundaries of His people are declared in John 6:39, **"And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day."**

Just as it was sure and steadfast that God's promise to Abram would be fulfilled, Christ will fulfill the covenant between Him and God in John 6:40 when Jesus declared, **"...I will raise him up at the last day."**

As the day proclaimed as Easter approaches, many will worship the Lord and hopefully remember the death, burial, and resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. We have His promise that He is coming back to receive us unto Himself in like manner as He was raised from the grave. Till that day occurs, may we remain faithful believers of His promises. ***"Think About It"***.