RESTORATION – Part 1

National and International Restoration 8/12/23

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	A few examples – National Restoration
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Biblical Israel

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Exod. 1:13 14	the Egyptians made the children of Israel serve with rigor the Egyptians made their lives bitter with hard bondage – in mortar, in brick, in all manner of service in the field
Exod. 12:31 32	rise, go out from among my people – go & serve the Lord as you have said take your flocks & your herds – be gone – and bless me also
Exod. 14:30	the Lord saved Israel that day – out of the hands of the Egyptians
	Judah
Jer. 1:1-3 Jer. 7:16 Jer. 11:14 Jer. 14:11 Jer. 25:11	kings of Judah – until the carrying away of Jerusalem captive do not pray for these people do not pray for these people do not pray for these people shall serve the king of Babylon for 70 years after 70 years – I will punish the king of Babylon
•	Nineveh
Jonah 1:2 Jonah 3:2 Jonah 3:10	go to Nineveh (that great city) – and cry out against it go to Nineveh (that great city) – and preach to it the message that I tell you God saw that they turned from their evil way – relented from the disaster that He had said He would bring upon them
	Historians say that Nineveh eventually fell around 612 B.C. That may have been 150 years after their repentance after Jonah's warning

Remember – International Restoration

Revelation 13:1-18 Revelation 18:1-24 Revelation 19:11-21 **RESTORATION – Part 2**

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	· Ultimate restoration – salvation in the Kingdom of God
	· Temporary restoration – blessings, answered prayers, healing
	Trials have an important purpose
Acts 14:22	exhorting the disciples to continue in the faith – "We must through many tribulations enter the kingdom of God"
2 Tim. 3:12	all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus – will suffer persecution
	· Scriptures – why some people expect immediate healing
John 14:12	Son of God said – he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also – and greater works than these he will do – because I go to My Father
13	Son of God said – whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son
John 15:16	Son of God said – I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should remain – that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you
John 16:23-24	Son of God said – in that day you will ask Me nothing – most assuredly, I say to you: whatever you ask the Father in My name, He will give you – Until now, you have asked nothing in My name – Ask and you will receive, that your joy may be full

Consider the following 5 sections of scripture – (2 of them twice)

2 Cor. 12:7-9	Paul's fervent prayer – accepted God's answer – not to heal immediately				
James 5:14-16 fervent prayer – (if he has committed sin)					
John 9:1-5	did this man sin or did his parents sin? – neither				
Matt. 9:12	those who are sick need a physician				
John 9:6-7	spit and saliva into clay – "go wash in the pool"				
2 Kings 20:1-3	Hezekiah approached God				
4-6	God added 15 years				
7	take a lump of figs – laid it on the boil				
2 Cor. 12:10	when I am weak (physically) – then I am strong (spiritually)				