## God's Plan for the Whole World and for His People: God's Seven-Step Plan for the World

Isaiah 25: 01–12

## 1. God's plan:

A personal relationship with His people: To be "my God" to every believer

- a. To praise His name
- b. To declare His faithfulness
- 2. God's plan:

Establish His worship among all people (salvation of the Gentiles)

- a. God will destroy all the cities of the Gentiles (unbelievers)
- b. God will arouse the Gentiles to worship Him
- 3. God's plan:

Protect His people:
To be a refuge and shelter for the needy

- a. His reason:Oppression by the ruthless people
- b. His protection:Will subdue the roarof the ruthless and the oppressive
- 4. God's plan:

Provide a feast for all of His people: To be held in Jerusalem (The Great Supper of God's Kingdom) Mt. 8:11; 22:1-14; Lk.13:28-29; 14:15-24

5. God's plan:

Conquer death forever:

- a. He will wipe away all tears of sorrow and grief. Rev. 7:17; 21:4
- b. He will remove the mockery and persecution by enemies
- c. He guarantees the conquest of death by His Word

- 1 O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you and praise your name, for in perfect faithfulness you have done marvelous things, things planned long ago.
- 2 You have made the city a heap of rubble, the fortified town a ruin, the foreigners' stronghold a city no more; it will never be built.
- 3 Therefore strong peoples will honour you; cities of ruthless nations will revere you.
- 4 You have been a refuge for the poor, a refuge for the needy in their distress, a shelter from the storm and a shade from the heat.

  For the breath of the ruthless is like a storm driving against a wall
- 5 And like the heat of the desert.
  You silence the uproar of foreigners;
  as heat is reduced by the shadow of a cloud,
  so the song of the ruthless is stilled.
- 6 On this mountain the Lord Almighty will prepare a feast of rich food for all peoples,
  a banquet of aged wine –
  the best of meats and the finest of wines.
- 7 On this mountain he will destroy the shroud that enfolds all peoples, the sheet that covers all nations;
- 8 He will swallow up death forever.

  The Sovereign Lord will wipe away the tears from all faces; he will remove the disgrace of his people from all the earth.

  The Lord has spoken.

## 6. God's plan:

Arouse people to trust and rejoice in His salvation:

## 7. God's plan:

Assure His people of victorious lives

- a. Before God,
   all enemies will be as worthless straw
- b. Before God,
   all enemies will be like swimmers
   seeking to escape the cesspool
   of guilt and condemnation
- c. Before God,all the prideful peoplewill be brought low and destroyed

- 9 In that day they will say,"Surely this is our God;we trusted in him, and he saved us.This is the Lord, we trusted in him;let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation.
- 10 The hand of the LORD will rest on this mountain; but Moab will be trambled in their land as straw is trambled down in the manure.
- 11 They will stretch out their hands in it, as swimmers stretch out their hands to swin. God will bring down their pride despite the cleverness of their hands.
- 12 He will bring down your high fortified walls and lay them low; he bring them down to the ground, to the very dust.