

Isaiah 37:32

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

For out of Jerusalem shall go forth a remnant, and they that escape out of mount Zion: the zeal of the LORD of hosts shall do this.

Analysis

The promise "out of Jerusalem shall go forth a remnant" identifies the city as source of renewal. The parallel "out of mount Zion...they that escape" uses Zion (temple mount) to emphasize spiritual center of restoration. The declaration "the zeal of the LORD of hosts shall do this" attributes everything to divine initiative, not human effort. God's "zeal" (Hebrew *qin'ah*) indicates passionate commitment to His purposes. This assures that restoration isn't uncertain—God's jealous love for His people guarantees it.

Historical Context

Mount Zion as God's dwelling place (Psalm 132:13-14) made it the appropriate source for spiritual renewal. God's presence there guaranteed blessing would flow from Jerusalem.

Related Passages

Revelation 20:12 — Judgment according to deeds

Romans 2:1 — Judging others

Study Questions

1. How does God's zeal for His people assure the certainty of His promises?
2. What does it mean that renewal comes from God's initiative rather than human effort?
3. How should God's passionate commitment to His purposes encourage our faith?

Interlinear Text

כִּי	מִירוּשָׁלַם	יֵצֵא	שְׂאֵר יֵת	וּפְלִיטָה	
H3588	For out of Jerusalem	shall go forth	a remnant	and they that escape	
	H3389	H3318	H7611	H6413	
יְהוָה	יֵצֵא	יְהוָה	יְהוָה	יְהוָה	יְהוָה
out of mount	Zion	the zeal	of the LORD	of hosts	shall do
H2022	H6726	H7068	H3068	H6635	H6213

Additional Cross-References

Isaiah 9:7 (References Lord): Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

2 Kings 19:31 (References Lord): For out of Jerusalem shall go forth a remnant, and they that escape out of mount Zion: the zeal of the LORD of hosts shall do this.

Isaiah 59:17 (Parallel theme): For he put on righteousness as a breastplate, and an helmet of salvation upon his head; and he put on the garments of vengeance for clothing, and was clad with zeal as a cloke.

Zechariah 1:14 (References Lord): So the angel that communed with me said unto me, Cry thou, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; I am jealous for Jerusalem and for Zion with a great jealousy.

Joel 2:18 (References Lord): Then will the LORD be jealous for his land, and pity his people.

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