

Isaiah 59:20

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And the Redeemer shall come to Zion, and unto them that turn from transgression in Jacob, saith the LORD.

Analysis

'And the Redeemer shall come to Zion, and unto them that turn from transgression in Jacob, saith the LORD.' The Hebrew 'Go'el' (Redeemer/Kinsman-Redeemer) comes with conditions: He comes to those who 'turn from transgression.' Repentance is the prerequisite for experiencing redemption. Paul quotes this in Romans 11:26.

Historical Context

This promise of the Redeemer's coming to Zion finds fulfillment in Christ's first coming and ultimate fulfillment in His return. Paul applies it to future Israel's salvation.

Related Passages

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

Study Questions

1. What is the relationship between turning from transgression and receiving the Redeemer?

2. How does Paul's use of this verse in Romans 11 inform your understanding of Israel's future?

Interlinear Text

בָּאֵת	לִצְיוֹן	וְאֵלָי	וְלִשְׁבָּבָי	פְּשָׁע
shall come	to Zion	And the Redeemer	and unto them that turn	from transgression
H935	H6726	H1350	H7725	H6588
בְּיַעֲקֹב	מֹאֲמָן	יְהִיָּה	בְּיַעֲקֹב	
in Jacob	saith	the LORD		
H3290	H5002	H3068		

Additional Cross-References

Hebrews 12:14 (References Lord): Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord:

Acts 3:19 (Sin): Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;

Joel 2:32 (References Lord): And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered: for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD hath said, and in the remnant whom the LORD shall call.

Isaiah 40:9 (Parallel theme): O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God!

Acts 3:26 (Parallel theme): Unto you first God, having raised up his Son Jesus, sent him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities.

Acts 26:20 (Parallel theme): But shewed first unto them of Damascus, and at Jerusalem, and throughout all the coasts of Judaea, and then to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, and do works meet for repentance.

Daniel 9:13 (References Lord): As it is written in the law of Moses, all this evil is come upon us: yet made we not our prayer before the LORD our God, that we might turn from our iniquities, and understand thy truth.

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