## Welcome friends to another broadcast of "Morsels for Zion's Poor"

A Holy place is where GOD is, not where HE was at one time. HE illustrated this point to the prophet Isaiah when HE said, "The heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool: where is the house that ye build unto me? and where is the place of my rest? "For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place,." Then HE goes on to say where HE is pleased to dwell with men. It is not a a destination which they can arrive at through an action of their own free will, since HE says HE will dwell "with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones."

This is exactly what HE told the woman at the well in Samaria when she enquired of HIM, which religious tradition is the right one, "Our fathers worshipped in this mountain; and ye say, that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship." HIS answer was quite startling to her as HE laid the axe to the root of her pride in her religious affiliations. "Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father. Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father see keth such to worship him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth."

The true "Mount of GOD" is any "place" where GOD is pleased to meet with men according to HIS own appointment and purpose. Men cannot take hold of GOD in any fashion to bring HIM to where they are nor design some religious tradition which will insure HIS continued presence in their midst, regardless of their sincerity or scriptural adherence. We must wait upon HIM, HE does not wait upon us, but is pleased to visit HIS people and dwell with them on HIS terms and in HIS time for their benefit. This is the glorious truth of the gospel which is sent to lighten the minds of those who are awakened declaring the wonders of HIS redeeming love of unworthy sinners and HIS determined purpose to meet with them and nurture them according to the riches of HIS amazing grace. It is here that the LORD is pleased to bring HIS sheep which have been scattered far and wide upon the crags and rocks of this world? "Even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon mine altar; for mine house shall be called an house of prayer for all people." This is indeed that of which HE speaks to HIS disciples when HE said, "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." There are many "mounts" spoken of in the scriptures which denote the determined purpose of the LORD to dwell with the people of HIS choosing.

Mount Ararat, where the Ark of Noah's salvation came to rest and from which he saw the "bow of promise" signifying the grace and mercy of GOD to unworthy sinners.

<u>Mount Moriah</u> where Abraham was sent to sacrifice his son, Isaac. It was here that the LORD did, "provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering:"

<u>Mount Horeb</u> where the LORD was pleased to meet with Moses in the burning bush and he first became acquainted with the absolute Holiness of GOD.

Mount Sinai, where the LORD was pleased to give to Moses the coded law. Though this law has served as a "schoolmaster" to bring HIS people unto CHRIST. As Paul said, "I had not known sin, but by the law."

<u>Mount Pisgah</u>, where Moses surveyed the land of promise as a place he could not enter, thus signifying the weakness of the law and its limited purpose.

Mount Carmel, where the LORD demonstrated the authority of HIS PROPHET who would scatter HIS enemies and triumph utterly over them all.

Mount Zion, where King David brought the Ark of the Covenant, and is synonymous with the Kingdom of GOD. "Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion."

<u>The Mount of Olives</u>. It is here that the LORD taught HIS disciples and often consorted with them. It is here that the LORD prayed did pour out HIS soul unto death for those HE loved from before the foundation of the world. It is here that HE ascended back to heaven to appear as our INTERCESSOR and it is here that HE comes again at the last trump to receive HIS purchased possession.

<u>Mount Calvary</u>. The most glorious mount in all of the scriptures. That which took place here is that which we are commanded to remember till HE comes again. That of which Paul says, "God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ." "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the LORD. Have you been to the Mount of GOD?

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