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**JERUSALEM WILL BE A CROWN OF GLORY IN THE HAND OF THE LORD**

“For Zion’s sake I will not hold My peace, and for Jerusalem’s sake I will not rest, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a lamp that burns. The Gentiles shall see your righteousness, and all kings your glory. You shall be called by a new name, which the mouth of the LORD will name. You shall also be a crown of glory in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no longer be termed Forsaken, nor shall your land any more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called Hephzibah, and your land Beulah; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a virgin, so shall your sons marry you; and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.” Isaiah 62:1-5 NKJV

God unveils His passionate affection for Zion. He desires to see her righteousness shining brightly. He commits to working unceasingly until her salvation glows like a burning lamp. God will be so pleased with Jerusalem that He will want all the kings to see her glory. His great joy about her will not remain private; it will go public. He will present her to the nations like king Ahasuerus took pride in showing the beauty of his queen to all his guests of honor.

God promises to call Jerusalem by a new name. She will no longer be named “Forsaken,” but she will be called “My delight is in her.” Her land will no more be labeled “Desolate” but “Married.” Is not a love story “in all purity and holiness” the best way to describe this story between God and Jerusalem? The heart of a delighted husband radiates all through this scripture.

God bestows prophetic praises and life-giving compliments on Zion. He proclaims that she shall be a crown of glory and a royal diadem in His hand. God is exceptionally proud of Jerusalem. He declares her beauty and treats her like a queen. He rejoices over her as a bridegroom rejoices over his bride!

**PRAYER I**

Our Father,

We bless Your holy name. We praise You for Your desire and commitment to see Jerusalem’s righteousness shine brightly. We thank you for changing her name from being “Forsaken” to becoming “My delight is in her.” Your love gives her a new identity.

We pray for the righteousness of Jerusalem to go forth. We pray for her salvation. We pray for the Jewish people who feel that You have forsaken them. Open their eyes to Your love. Let them know that You delight in them. Show them that You work tirelessly for their salvation.

In the name of Jesus. Amen.

## PRAYER II

Day 17 (Day 47 of the Omer, 23 May 2023) Verse 6(a)

“I have set watchmen on your walls, O Jerusalem”

On my knees, I thank You for setting me as a watchman on the walls of Jerusalem. Thank You that in these last days, You have joined me to a global company of watchmen for Your city. Thank You for the loving stance, support and synergy of Christians in the nations who fast and pray for Jerusalem. In the Name and for the sake of Yeshua, King of Jerusalem, I ask You to add to their numbers daily. Sound a trumpet call that will awaken millions -- especially the young -- to fast, watch and pray. Bless them boundlessly as You set them in place and as they take their posts. Keeper of Israel, align us on the walls of Jerusalem by the strategies of heaven. As watchmen, grace us to keep our eyes on You, for You Yourself keep watch over Jerusalem.

As we watch You and what You are doing with the city, I ask that Your protection and anointing rest powerfully on each of us. I pray especially for three groups of watchmen who watch inside the literal city of Jerusalem. First, I lift up to You all who literally stand on the physical stone walls of Jerusalem to keep watch over her, including Israeli security forces who may or may not yet know Yeshua. Second, would You remember those watchmen in the Spirit who worship Yeshua and literally live or serve, or both, in literal Jerusalem. Third, I pray for the spiritual leaders of Your ekklesia in the literal city of Jerusalem.

Grant each of these watchmen whom You have posted physically in Jerusalem an abundance of peace as last days shakings occur. Shelter each one in Your embrace. Hide them from Your enemies. Assign watching, warring angels to them. Anoint them with power and perseverance. Grant them revelatory gifts to see what You are doing and prophetic gifts to tell others what You want them to say. Position and connect each of Your watchmen in the literal city by divine strategy.

In Yeshua’s Name, I bless the recently launched initiative in which Jerusalem area pastors and congregations now pray over their city 24/7/365. In Your hands, with Your protection and anointing, may this initiative prosper in every way. Thank You for accepting the pleas of my heart according to Your Word.