

~PROMISED LAND, THE LAND THAT GOD GAVE TO ISRAEL (76)

- The land that God gave to Israel was indeed a **good land**. When Moses sent spies ahead of the nation to explore the Promised Land and to obtain samples of its produce, they brought back figs, pomegranates, and a cluster of grapes that was so large that two men carried it between them on a bar!
- Though they drew back in fear because of lack of faith, they did report; The land is indeed flowing with milk and honey.
- When they came to the torrent valley of Eshcol, they then proceeded to cut down from there a shoot with one cluster of grapes. And they went carrying it with a bar on two of the men, and also some of the pomegranates and some of the figs. **(Numbers 13:23)**
- And they went on to report to him and say; We entered into the land to which you sent us out, and it is indeed flowing with milk and honey, and this is its fruitage. **(Numbers 13:27)**
- Just before they finally entered the **land**, Yehowah's spokesman assured the people; Yehowah your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of torrent valleys of water, springs and watery deeps issuing forth in the valley plain and in the mountainous region, a land of wheat and barley and vines and figs and pomegranates, a land of oil olives and honey in which you will lack nothing, a land the stones of which are iron and out of the mountains of which you will mine copper.
- For Yehowah your God is bringing you into a good **land**, a land of torrent valleys of water, springs and watery deeps issuing forth in the valley plain and in the mountainous region. **(Deuteronomy 8:7)**
- A **land** of wheat and barley and vines and figs and pomegranates, a land of oil olives and honey. **(Deuteronomy 8:8)**
- A **land** in which you will not eat bread with scarcity, in which you will lack nothing, a land **the** stones of which are iron and out of the mountains of which you will mine copper. **(Deuteronomy 8:9)**
- To this day, **the land** continues to yield abundantly.

- The beauty and splendor of that ancient **land** of promise is of keen interest to us today. Why? Because Messianic prophecies use the abundance with which Yehowah blessed ancient **Israel** to illustrate what God will do for all mankind under the rule of Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace.
- For there has been a child born to us, there has been a son given to us. The princely rule will come to be upon his shoulder. His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. (**Isaiah 9:6**)
- Let national groups rejoice and cry out joyfully, for you will judge the peoples with uprightness, and as for national groups, on the earth you will lead them. (**Psalms 67:4**)
- Let peoples laud you, O God, let peoples, all of **them**, laud you. (**Psalms 67:5**)
- The earth itself will certainly give its produce, God, our God, will bless us. (**Psalms 67:6**)
- God will bless us, and all **the** ends of the earth will fear him. (**Psalms 67:7**)
- There will come to be plenty of grain on the earth, on the top of the mountains there will be an overflow. His fruit will be as in Lebanon, and those who are from the city will blossom like the vegetation of the earth. (**Psalms 72:16**)