



#### THE OLD TESTAMENT

# BIBLICAL PROPHECIES

These are just a few examples of the many prophecies in the Bible about Israel.

They all point to the idea that God has a special plan for the Jewish people and their land and that He will ultimately bring about their restoration and salvation.

# THE RETURN OF THE JEWS TO ISRAEL

In Ezekiel 37, the prophet sees a vision of dry bones coming to life and becoming a great army. The Lord tells Ezekiel that this vision represents the restoration of Israel: "Behold, I will take the people of Israel from the nations among which they have gone, and will gather them from all around, and bring them to their own land" (Ezekiel 37:21).





# THE RESTORATION OF JERUSALEM

In Zechariah 8, the Lord promises to restore Jerusalem and make it a city of peace: "Thus says the Lord of hosts: I am jealous for Zion with great jealousy, and I am jealous for her with great wrath. Thus says the Lord: I will return to Zion and will dwell in the midst of Jerusalem, and Jerusalem shall be called the faithful city, and the mountain of the Lord of hosts, the holy mountain" (Zechariah 8:2-3).



# THE REIGN OF THE MESSIAH

In Isaiah 11, the prophet describes the coming of a great king who will rule over Israel and bring peace to the earth: "There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. And the Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord" (Isaiah 11:1-2).

## THE RESTORATION OF ISRAEL'S FORTUNE

In Jeremiah 30, the Lord promises to bring back the people of Israel from captivity and restore their fortunes: "For I will restore health to you, and your wounds I will heal, declares the Lord, because they have called you an outcast: 'It is Zion, for whom no one cares!' Thus says the Lord: Behold, I will restore the fortunes of the tents of Jacob and have compassion on his dwellings" (Jeremiah 30:17-18).

