

### 1.3.3.3 *Millennial Kingdom Prophecies (Including the Restoration of Israel)*

The final section of prophecies that address the Eschatological Gospel in the Old Testament relates to the restoration of Israel as *Yahweh's* chosen people and the establishment of the Messianic Millennial Kingdom (although it appears that the restoration of Israel comes just slightly before Jesus sets up the earthly millennial kingdom). Many of these prophecies are located in the same passages of scripture as noted in the above two sections: Psalms 2:1-12; 8:4-8; 22:28-31; and 24:7-10; Isaiah 2:1-5; 4:2-6; 9:7; 11:4-12; 32; 35:1-10; 56:6-7; 60; and 66:7-9; Daniel 2:44; Hosea 6:2; Joel 2:28-32; Obadiah 17-21; Micah 5:1-15 (Biederwolf 1985:28-30, 30-1, 31, 32, 46, 51-2, 55-7, 58-62, 91-3, 100-02, 109, 112-17, 136-140, 201, 204, 245, 251-2, 261-2, 266-8); and Psalms 2:6-8; and 95-106 (Church 1986:47, 282-301). There are those scriptures that separately speak of the coming Millennial Kingdom: Psalms 45, 68, 89, and Joel 3:17-21 (Biederwolf 1985:32-3, 34, 37-9, and 254-6) and Psalms 72:1-8, 79:13, 113:4-9, and 145 (Church 1986:191, 216, 318, and 362-3). Then, there are those verses that deal only with the restoration of Israel, Jerusalem and the Temple. These citations are listed as follows: Jeremiah 3:14-18; 23:1-8; 29:12-14; 30:1-3; 32:36-44; 50:4-7, 19-20, 33 - 34; Ezekiel 11:17-21; 28:25-6; 29:21; 34:11-31; 36 - 37; Hosea 1:10-11; 3:5; 12:9; 13:14; Amos 9:11-15; Micah 2:12-3; 4:1-13; 7:1-20; Zephaniah 3:11-20; Haggai 2:6-9; and Zechariah 8 (Biederwolf 1985:146-8, 149-52, 153, 153-5, 165-6, 170-1, 172, 180, 181, 182-3, 184-9, 242-3, 245, 246, 259-260, 263, 264-6, 269-70, 273-4, 274-8, and 292-4) and Psalms 48:4-7, 11-13; 51:7; 67; 69:35-6; 73; 84:1-2, 4, 10; and 85:1, 6, 9, 13 (Church 1986:150-2, 157-8, 183, 201-4, 227- 31, and 231-6).

From these prophetic Old Testament verses of scripture it may be concluded that the concept of the Eschatological Gospel was born, grown and established by *Yahweh* in Old Testament times using all the related concepts addressed above (the messianic First Advent,

kingdom of heaven/God—*malkut shamayim*, the messianic Second Advent/*Parousia*, day of the Lord, restoration of Israel, and the Millennial Kingdom) to convey the thought. This is confirmed by Jesus and His ministry and the continuation of that ministry by the Apostles in New Testament times. The following New Testament scriptures connect the Old Testament to the New Testament in this regard and provide a source of continuity of the Eschatological Gospel with the words “before the foundation of the world”: Matthew 25:34; John 17:24; Ephesians 1:4-6; Hebrews 4:3; 9:26; 1 Peter 1:18-21; and Revelation 13:8; 17:8.