

A Perpetual Covenant of Peace A Future Glory

Isaiah 54:1–8 (NKJV)	Isaiah 54:9–17 (NKJV):
<p>1. “Sing, O barren, You who have not borne! Break forth into singing, and cry aloud, You who have not labored with child! For more are the children of the desolate Than the children of the married woman,” says the Lord.</p> <p>2. “Enlarge the place of your tent, And let them stretch out the curtains of your dwellings; Do not spare; Lengthen your cords, And strengthen your stakes.</p> <p>3. For you shall expand to the right and to the left, And your descendants will inherit the nations, And make the desolate cities inhabited.</p> <p>4. “Do not fear, for you will not be ashamed; Neither be disgraced, for you will not be put to shame; For you will forget the shame of your youth, And will not remember the reproach of your widowhood anymore.</p> <p>5. For your Maker is your husband, The Lord of hosts is His name; And your Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel; He is called the God of the whole earth.</p> <p>6. For the Lord has called you Like a woman forsaken and grieved in spirit, Like a youthful wife when you were refused,” Says your God.</p> <p>7. “For a mere moment I have forsaken you, But with great mercies I will gather you.</p> <p>8. With a little wrath I hid My face from you for a moment; But with everlasting kindness I will have mercy on you,” Says the Lord, your Redeemer.</p>	<p>9. “For this is like the waters of Noah to Me; For as I have sworn That the waters of Noah would no longer cover the earth, So have I sworn That I would not be angry with you, nor rebuke you.</p> <p>10. For the mountains shall depart And the hills be removed, But My kindness shall not depart from you, Nor shall My covenant of peace be removed,” Says the Lord, who has mercy on you.</p> <p>11. “O you afflicted one, Tossed with tempest, and not comforted, Behold, I will lay your stones with colorful gems, And lay your foundations with sapphires.</p> <p>12. I will make your pinnacles of rubies, Your gates of crystal, And all your walls of precious stones.</p> <p>13. All your children shall be taught by the Lord, And great shall be the peace of your children.</p> <p>14. In righteousness you shall be established; You shall be far from oppression, for you shall not fear; And from terror, for it shall not come near you.</p> <p>15. Indeed they shall surely assemble, but not because of Me. Whoever assembles against you shall fall for your sake. 16. “Behold, I have created the blacksmith Who blows the coals in the fire, Who brings forth an instrument for his work; And I have created the spoiler to destroy.</p> <p>17. No weapon formed against you shall prosper, And every tongue which rises against you in judgment You shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, And their righteousness is from Me,” Says the Lord.</p>

Perpetual means, never ending or changing.

Covenant means an agreement.

The death of Christ is the life of the church and of all that truly belong to it; and therefore very fitly, after the prophet had foretold the sufferings of Christ, he foretells the flourishing of the church, which is a part of his glory, and that exaltation of him which was the reward of his humiliation: it was promised him that he should see his seed, and this chapter is an explication of that promise. It may easily be granted that it has a primary reference to the welfare and prosperity of the Jewish church after their return out of Babylon, which (as other things that happened to them) was typical of the glorious liberty of the children of God, which through Christ we are brought into; yet it cannot be denied but that it has a further and principal reference to the gospel church, into which the Gentiles were to be admitted. And the first words being understood by the apostle Paul of the New-Testament Jerusalem (Gal. 4:26, 27) may serve as a key to the whole chapter and that which follows. It is here promised concerning the Christian church.

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