

6O Jerusalem, I have posted watchmen on your walls; they will pray day and night, continually. Take no rest, all you who pray to the Lord. 7Give YHWH no rest until he completes his work, until he makes Jerusalem the pride of the earth. Isaiah 62:6-7

Intercessors on the Wall for Jerusalem

Here are some thoughts after the first week of the global Isaiah 62 fasting for Israel.

I hate longer fasts: There are so many physical negatives associated with this! I know there are positive spiritual dynamics--though unfortunately I usually experience those after the fast.

God requires human partnership: YHWH refuses to do it on His own. We could erroneously state that His covenant with Israel is unconditional and sit ourselves down in an easy chair to watch the show. But, God requires human partnership to even do that which He has promised to do. And He uses the intercession of His people to partner with Him to set His kingdom dynamics in place.

5 Million Intercessors for Israel is Sobering: I've been thinking about why YHWH has sovereignly orchestrated this many Believers to fast and pray for Israel night and day for three weeks. I am encouraged but significantly sobered at what seems to be coming that would need this scope of intercession.

Interceding for Jerusalem is a Long Haul: I believe this is a lot more than just a three week spiritual exercise. Isaiah 62:7 states that we are to be persistent in our prayers until Jerusalem is a praise in all the earth which means that we are to keep praying for her until Yeshua's return. This return is getting closer but is still a number of years away--so this is a long prayer assignment!

All Israel will be Saved at Yeshua's Second Coming: While we pray for YHWH to open up the eyes of Jews around the world to the truth of Yeshua there will still be a sizable majority that don't respond to the Gospel before Yeshua's return. This is because of the Scriptural prophecies of national Israeli's role of being human priests serving in Jerusalem under Yeshua's leadership in the millennium. We must not become discouraged when many Jews don't respond to the Gospel, but we are to love and serve them unconditionally as the apple of God's eye.

I Need Greater Revelation Myself: While we are praying for God to sovereignly place watchmen on the walls to pray for Jerusalem I realize that I need greater understanding to be able to be set more effectively on the wall to pray with more of God's heart. So, I'm certainly not neglecting to pray for myself along with praying for Jerusalem and others to be marked to take their place.

These are just a few of many thoughts swirling in my head. I look forward to discovering more of what YHWH does during this sovereignly appointed time. I hope you do too.