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- God is FAITHFUL He has a plan for His people
- God is GOOD He gives good things to His people
- God is WISE He knows what is best for His people
- God is IN CONTROL

- BLESSINGS
- Ezekiel 34:11
- For thus says the Lord GOD:

 Indeed I Myself will search for My sheep and seek them out.

thus says YHWH Adonai:
 <u>Hinenih ani</u> will search for My sheep

- BLESSINGS
- Ezekiel 34:12 As a shepherd seeks out his flock on the day he is among his scattered sheep, so will I seek out My sheep and deliver them from all the places where they were scattered on a cloudy and dark day.

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Millennial Kingdom
Ezekiel 40-48

all promises to Israel
fulfilled on Earth

1000 years

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New Heavens, New Earth, and New Jerusalem

Resurrection of OT Saints and Tribulation

Martyrs

Resurrection of all unbelievers

Matthew 24:15-16 Therefore when you see the 'abomination of desolation,' spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing **Jesus** I **Returns**N P in the holy place (whoever reads, let him to Earti as King understand), then let those who are in R Judea flee to the mountains. **Millennial Kingdom** New Heavens, War of Ezekiel 40-48 Gog? New Earth, all promises to Israel and Eze R fulfilled on Earth 38-39 New TRIB ILAT ON 1000 years **Jerusalem** Resurrection of OT Saints Resurrection of and Tribulation all unbelievers **Martyrs**

Ezekiel 34:13-16 And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own land; I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, in the valleys and in all the inhabited places of the country. 14 "I will feed them in good pasture, and their fold shall be on the high mountains of Israel. There they shall lie down in a good fold and feed in rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. 15 "I will feed My flock, and I will make them lie down," says the Lord GOD. 16 "I will seek what was lost and bring back what was driven away, bind up the broken and strengthen what was sick; but I will destroy the fat and the strong, and feed them in judgment."

- 1.God will regather Israel to their own land
- 2.God will provide for Israel
- 3.God will take care of His flock
- 4.God will judge at the end of the tribulation.

Only those who know Jesus as their Messiah will survive and be alive when the Messianic Kingdom begins.

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David – resurrected David

1st: The Golden Rule of Interpretation - Dr. David Cooper

"When the plain sense of Scripture makes common sense, seek no other sense;

therefore, take every word at its primary, ordinary, usual, literal meaning,

unless the facts of the immediate context, studied in the light of related passages and axiomatic and fundamental truths, indicate clearly otherwise."

David – resurrected David

- 2nd in the book of Ezekiel
- Kings of Israel always called shepherds or princes (nasi)
- Nebuchadnezzar and Pharoah are called kings (melek)

David – resurrected David

- 3rd in the book of Ezekiel
- The Lord gives instructions specifically to Ezekiel Ezekiel 43:18-19 And He said to me, "Son of man, thus says the Lord GOD: 'These are the ordinances for the altar on the day when it is made, for sacrificing burnt offerings on it, and for sprinkling blood on it. You shall give a young bull for a sin offering to the priests, the Levites, who are of the seed of Zadok, who approach Me to minister to Me,' says the Lord GOD."

David – resurrected David

• 4th - references to the prince indicate someone other than Jesus.

• A. Ezekiel 44:3 As for the prince, because he is the prince, he may sit in it to eat bread before the LORD; he shall enter by way of the vestibule of the gateway, and go out the same way.

David – resurrected David

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- B. Ezekiel 45:22 And on that day the prince shall prepare for himself and for all the people of the land a bull for a sin offering.
- Psalm 110:4 The LORD has sworn And will not relent, "You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek."

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C. Ezekiel 46:16 Thus says the Lord GOD: "If the prince gives a gift of some of his inheritance to any of his sons, it shall belong to his sons; it is their possession by inheritance.

David – resurrected David

Ezekiel 37:24-25 David My servant shall be king over them, and they shall all have one shepherd; they shall also walk in My judgments and observe My statutes, and do them. Then they shall dwell in the land that I have given to Jacob My servant, where your fathers dwelt; and they shall dwell there, they, their children, and their children's children, forever; and My servant David shall be their prince forever.

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David – resurrected David

- Ezekiel 37:22 and I will make them one nation in the land, on the mountains of Israel; and one king shall be king over them all; they shall no longer be two nations, nor shall they ever be divided into two kingdoms again.
- Messianic Kingdom specific geographical locations / countries / nations
- The mortals living in Israel will have government.
- Resurrected David will be king over this government.

Who else will be ruling in Israel?

Jesus' disciples

CSB Matthew 19:28: Jesus said to them, "I assure you: In the Messianic Age, when the Son of Man sits on His glorious throne, you who have followed Me will also sit on 12 thrones, judging the 12 tribes of Israel."

Other nations will have other governing officials.
Who will they be?

Mortals or resurrected saints

ESV Revelation 20:6 Blessed and holy is the one who shares in the first resurrection! Over such the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ, and they will reign with him for a thousand years.

JESUS – KING OF	KINGS OVER ALL
GENTILE BRANCH	JEWISH BRANCH
CHURCH AND TRIBULATION SAINTS	DAVID
KINGS	12 APOSTLES
GENTILE NATIONS	PRINCES
	JUDGES AND COUNSELORS
	ISRAEL
	GENTILES

From God's perspective:

Jesus is King

David is co-regent (undershepherd)

From Israel's perspective:

David is their king

Messiah King Jesus over him

David said:

ESV Psalm 110:1 A PSALM OF DAVID.

The LORD says to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies your footstool."

Jesus tells us that David is calling him "my Lord".

I will extol you, <u>my God and King</u>, and bless your name forever and ever.

More blessings!

1. No wild animals to be afraid of.

Ezekiel 34:25 I will make a covenant of peace with them, and cause wild beasts to cease from the land; and they will dwell safely in the wilderness and sleep in the woods.

2. God will make His millennial kingdom mountain a blessing

Ezekiel 34:26 I will make them and the places all around My hill a blessing;

More blessings!

- 3. The rains will come in the appropriate seasons

 Ezekiel 34:26 and I will cause showers to come down in their season; there shall be showers of blessing.
- 4. These seasonal rains will cause the land to be abundantly fruitful, no hunger.
- Ezekiel 34:27 Then the trees of the field shall yield their fruit, and the earth shall yield her increase.

More blessings!

5. The Jews will be safe at home.

Ezekiel 34: 27 They shall be safe in their land; and they shall know that I am the LORD,

6. No more oppression from other nations.

Ezekiel 34: 27 -28 when I have broken the bands of their yoke and delivered them from the hand of those who enslaved them. And they shall no longer be a prey for the nations, nor shall beasts of the land devour them; but they shall dwell safely, and no one shall make *them* afraid.

More blessings!

7. The Lord again declares that the land will be fruitful, a garden of renown.

Ezekiel 34: 29 I will raise up for them a garden of renown, and they shall no longer be consumed with hunger in the land, nor bear the shame of the Gentiles anymore.

More blessings!

8. Israel will enter into the Messianic kingdom as believers in the Messiah their Savior, and they will know their God.

Ezekiel 34:30 Thus they shall know that I, the LORD their God, am with them, and they, the house of Israel, are My people," says the Lord GOD.' " 31 "You are My flock, the flock of My pasture; you are men, and I am your God," says the Lord GOD.

Ezekiel 36:10-11 I will multiply men upon you, all the house of Israel, all of it; and the cities shall be inhabited and the ruins rebuilt. I will multiply upon you man and beast; and they shall increase and bear young; I will make you inhabited as in former times, and do better for you than at your beginnings. Then you shall know that I am the LORD.

- 9. God will multiply the people.
- 10. Cities will be rebuilt and inhabited.
- 11. The Lord will do more good to Israel than ever before!