

to which one returns, but so far as I know is never followed by a noun to indicate something from which one returns except by the use of the preposition "from." Two slight changes in the verb would make it read "to cause transgression to return (or turn away)" and this would correspond closely to the way the verse is quoted by Paul in Romans 11:26, "And shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob." This translation probably represents the original Hebrew text. Thus the verse describes the coming of a Redeemer who will put an end to transgression among the people of Israel.

The next verse describes God's establishment of continuing blessing upon the people descended from Jacob. The passage describes the future restoration of all Israel and is used by Paul in Romans 11 as proof of the eventual grafting of the olive branches back into their own olive tree. A nation is to be born in a day.

Verse 21 describes the future establishment of God's mercy upon Israel, leading into the Millennium. He promises that His words will remain continuously in the mouths of the descendants of Jacob "from henceforth and forever." This verse is summarized by Paul in the words: "For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins" (Romans 11:27).

Isaiah 60

Isaiah 59:19b-21 dealt with the theme: "A Banner is raised, and the Redeemer comes to Zion." The passage ended with God's covenant that His Spirit and His Word would remain with His people forever. Chapter 60 describes the work of the Redeemer. Since the passage at the end of chapter 59 is quoted by the Apostle Paul in Romans 11:26 to show that all Israel is to be saved at the end of the present age, it is natural to expect that chapter 60 would contain a picture of blessing upon God's people in the period following this age, namely, the Millennium. On examination we find that the material in the chapter accords with this expectation. The chapter consists of an address to one who is always referred to in the second person singular feminine. The identity of the one addressed may be gathered from the latter part of verse 14, which says: "And they shall call thee, The