

“THINGS THAT LIE AHEAD”
Israel vs the Church
(1 Thessalonians 4:13-18) Pt.4

A. The Big Picture along with Other Views

B. The Promise of the Covenants

Luke 19:11-27

- Jesus imminent death on the cross meant that the nation had _____ Him and that there would be a _____ of the Promised Coming Kingdom (Luke 19:11-27)
- Both Israel & the church would have to _____ for the return of the Lord.

Ephesians 3:1-5

- The “age of grace or the Church” was a NT “_____” =

C. Distinguish the Difference Between Israel & the Church

• **Five purposes for Israel**

- 1) **To witness to the _____ in the midst of universal idolatry and paganism (Deut. 6:4; Is. 43:10-12)**
- 2) **To be an example to the nations of the _____ of _____ the True Living God (Deut. 33:26-29; 1 Chronicles 17:20-21; Psalm 144:15)**
- 3) **To receive, preserve, and record _____ for the world (i.e. the _____ ; Deut. 4:5-8; Rom. 3:1-2)**

- 4) **To produce the _____ for mankind (Gen. 3:15; 12:3; 22:18; Is. 7:14; 9:6; Rom. 1:1-6)**
- 5) **To be _____ in a global literal _____ of peace on earth (Isa. 9:6; Jeremiah 23:5; Zechariah 14:9; Revelation 11:15, 21:1-2)**

• **Five Purposes for the Church**

- 1) **To _____ for His Name (Acts 15:14 cf 11:26)**
- 2) **To showcase the _____ of His grace & mercy (John 1:17-18; Eph 2:7; Rom. 11:30-31)**
- 3) **To get Israel's _____ & provoke them to _____ (Rom. 11:11-14)**
- 4) **To demonstrate God's _____ (Eph. 3:10-11)**
- 5) **To help prepare a body that will help _____ & _____ in the Messianic Kingdom to come (Mt 19:28; Luke 19:17, 22:28-30; 1 Cor 6:2; 2 Tim. 2:12; Rev. 20:4-6)**