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"I will shake all nations,
and what is desired by all nations will come,
and I will fill this house with glory,'
says the Lord Almighty."
Haggai 2:7

### The Purpose of God's Shaking

The idea of God's shaking can sound ominous and frightening. Yet within it, is a profound mercy and grace. God's shaking carries judgement, to be sure, but also purification which leads to His better Promises.

### What God's Word Says About 'Shaking'

God shakes people and He shakes the earth. Both for the same purposes: to respond to collective sin that has taken His people out of covenant; and to restore His people to right relationship and right living with God the Father. God shakes to bring judgment, justice, transformation and renewal. The ultimate shaking will bring the realization of his new earth.

# **What Hebrew Tells Us About Shaking**

Hebrew words for shaking provide us deeper insight into God's purposes in shaking His people and the lands therein. 'Raad' conveys trembling and is found in 4 Old Testament scriptures.

- ◆ In Ezra 10:9, the people tremble in anticipation of the Lord's judgment for their collective (national) sin.
- ◆ Psalm 104:32 speaks of God's might and glory, "He who looks at the earth, and it trembles, who touches the mountains, and they smoke."
- ◆ In Daniel 10:11, the Prophet Daniel trembles in the presence of an angel of the Lord who also prophesies about coming battles and travails.

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The second Hebrew word for shake/shaking is *raash*, which mostly refers to the earth shaking, as in an earthquake. But invariably, the earthquake precedes and foretells a new spiritual era, through cleansing and justice.

The Intercessors Role In Bringing Forth the New Earth

Intercessors stand in the gap to proclaim God's Word, which contains God's promises. In this way, Intercessors are prophetic planters of the seed of God's Word. We water these seeds with divine faith, hope and love. Let us proclaim, amidst the purifying and sanctifying shakings, the glorious promises for a new earth, with a new America as the forerunner!

Let Us Pray Together...

Dear Heavenly Father, we come to You as your Intercessors, interceding for the people of our nation, interceding for our country America, as we go through the purification of shakings necessary to bring us to the new earth and the new America. You "set the earth on its foundations; it can never be moved", according to Psalm 104:5.

"How many are your works, Lord! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures," says Psalm 104:24. We know Lord God, that You will send us your Holy Comforter amidst the shakings, as part of the renewal of our lands, says Psalm 104:30: "When you send your Spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the ground."

Heavenly Father, we are standing on your promise of a new earth, as Psalm 46:1-6 proclaims, and we proclaim now: "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with

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their surging. There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells. God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day. Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; He lifts his voice, the earth melts."

We proclaim your glorious promises in Haggai 2:6-11, "This is what the Lord Almighty says: 'In a little while I will once more shake the heavens and the earth, the sea and the dry land. I will shake all nations, and what is desired by all nations will come, and I will fill this house with glory,' says the Lord Almighty. 'The silver is mine and the gold is mine,' declares the Lord Almighty. 'The glory of this present house will be greater than the glory of the former house,' says the Lord Almighty. 'And in this place I will grant peace,' declares the Lord Almighty." We stand on this promise for America!

We stand in hope, faith and love that the new, restored America will be much greater than the former, as we shall truly be united in one heart, one soul, one spirit, under the One True God and your Son, Jesus Christ, Yeshua Hamasheach. Amen and Amen.

## God Brings Shakings to Judge a Nation

- ◆ Dear Abba Father, Your Word in Micah tells us You bring great shakings to judge wicked nations. You can destroy in an instant to the measure a peoples are out of relationship with the One True God.
- ◆ As Micah 1:3-4 declares: "Look! The Lord is coming from his dwelling place; He comes down and treads on the heights of the earth. The mountains melt beneath him and the valleys split apart, like wax before the fire, like water rushing down a slope."
- ◆ Adonai, Just Judge, we ask You to judge the 'nations' that have planted themselves within our nation, that do <u>not</u> recognize and honor Your Son

and therefore You. We do not consent. We do not condone. We rebuke wicked dogmas that oppose your laws and your people!

- ◆ Lord God, Your Word in Isaiah 13:11-13 give us hope; and we petition You to bring your judgment now on all the wickedness and wicked ones tormenting America and your people: "I will punish the world for its evil, the wicked for their sins. I will put an end to the arrogance of the haughty and will humble the pride of the ruthless. I will make people scarcer than pure gold, more rare than the gold of Ophir. Therefore I will make the heavens tremble; and the earth will shake from its place at the wrath of the Lord Almighty, in the day of his burning anger."
- ♠ Revelations 6:12-17 reveals: "I watched as he opened the sixth seal. There was a great earthquake. The sun turned black like sackcloth made of goat hair, the whole moon turned blood red, and the stars in the sky fell to earth, as figs drop from a fig tree when shaken by a strong wind. The heavens receded like a scroll being rolled up, and every mountain and island was removed from its place. Then the kings of the earth, the princes, the generals, the rich, the mighty, and everyone else, both slave and free, hid in caves and among the rocks of the mountains. They called to the mountains and the rocks, 'Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! For the great day of their wrath has come, and who can withstand it?'"
- ✦ Heavenly Father, thank you for judging the wicked kings of the earth, for eradicating them from YOUR earth, for eradicating all of their agendas, operations, minions and wickedness once and for all. Thank you for judging and removing all that oppose You, that mock You, that create and act as facsimiles of You. "The earth is YOURS and the fullness thereof!", we your people proclaim and declare it! America is yours!

# **God Brings Shakings to Avenge a Nation**

◆ Dear Heavenly Father, we are so comforted by how You can avenge a nation of wrongs against it through your shakings, as Isaiah 29:5-8

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declares: "Suddenly, in an instant, the Lord Almighty will come with thunder and earthquake and great noise, with windstorm and tempest and flames of a devouring fire. Then the hordes of all the nations that fight against Ariel, that attack her and her fortress and besiege her, will be as it is with a dream, with a vision in the night— as when a hungry person dreams of eating, but awakens hungry still; as when a thirsty person dreams of drinking, but awakens faint and thirsty still. So will it be with the hordes of all the nations that fight against Mount Zion." Halleluia!

◆ And Isaiah 29:15-16 warns: "Woe to those who go to great depths to hide their plans from the Lord, who do their work in darkness and think, 'Who sees us? Who will know?' You turn things upside down, as if the potter were thought to be like the clay!"

God Brings Shakings to Renew a Nation

- ◆ Lord God, we proclaim Psalm 68:1, 4 & 5 as hope for the renewal of America: "May God arise, may his enemies be scattered; may his foes flee before him... Sing to God, sing in praise of his name, extol him who rides on the clouds; rejoice before him—his name is the Lord. A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling."
- ◆ Psalm 68:7-10 promises: "When you, God, went out before your people, when you marched through the wilderness, the earth shook, the heavens poured down rain, before God, the One of Sinai, before God, the God of Israel. You gave abundant showers, O God; you refreshed your weary inheritance. Your people settled in it, and from your bounty, God, you provided for the poor."

God Brings Shakings to Transform Nations

◆ Dear Heavenly Father, Your Word in Isaiah 29:17-21 demonstrates how You transform nations through your shakings: "In a very short time, will not Lebanon be turned into a fertile field and the fertile field seem like a

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forest? In that day the deaf will hear the words of the scroll, and out of gloom and darkness the eyes of the blind will see. Once more the humble will rejoice in the Lord; the needy will rejoice in the Holy One of Israel. The ruthless will vanish, the mockers will disappear, and all who have an eye for evil **will be cut down**— those who with a word make someone out to be guilty, who ensnare the defender in court and with false testimony deprive the innocent of justice."

◆ Merciful Lord God, Joel 2:30 demonstrates Your profound mercy and wonder that comes with a shaking, the transformation of hearts: "I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and billows of smoke. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord. And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved; for on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there will be deliverance, as the Lord has said, even among the survivors whom the Lord calls."

## **God Brings Shakings to Purify the Earth**

- ◆ Dear Abba Father, your great purification of earth began with Noah. Before the purificatory flood waters, You shook the earth as a precursor and pronouncement of the coming purification to restore righteousness. We pray for this now!
- ◆ Genesis 7:11-12 says: "In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, on the seventeenth day of the second month—on that day all the springs of the great deep burst forth, and the floodgates of the heavens were opened. And rain fell on the earth forty days and forty nights."
- ◆ Revelations 16:17-20 foretells: "The seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and out of the temple came a loud voice from the throne, saying, 'It is done!' Then there came flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder and a severe earthquake. No earthquake like it has ever occurred since mankind has been on earth, so tremendous was the quake. The great city split into three parts, and the cities of the

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nations collapsed. God remembered Babylon the Great and gave her the cup filled with the wine of the fury of his wrath. Every island fled away and the mountains could not be found."

God Brings Shakings to Establish the New Earth

- ◆ Dear Abba Father, Your Word in Micah 1:3-4 describes how You begin to establish the new earth: "Look! The Lord is coming from his dwelling place; He comes down and treads on the heights of the earth. The mountains melt beneath him and the valleys split apart, like wax before the fire, like water rushing down a slope."
- ◆ Lord God, we thank you, that through your shakings "we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, for our 'God is a consuming fire," according to Hebrews 12:28-29. What a glorious vision and promise! We hold this promise in our heart of hearts, to bring it into our precious homeland, America.
- ◆ Heavenly Father, we are reminded of your promises that come through chastisement in 2 Esdras 9:1-13¹, "He answered me and said, 'Measure carefully in your mind, and when you see that a certain part of the predicted signs are past, then you will know that it is the very time when the Most High is about to visit the world which he has made. So when there shall appear in the world earthquakes, tumult of peoples, intrigues of nations, wavering of leaders, confusion of princes, then you will know that it was of these that the Most High spoke from the days that were of old, from the beginning.'
- ◆ "For just as with everything that has occurred in the world, the beginning is evident, and the end manifest; so also are the times of the Most High: the beginnings are manifest in wonders and mighty works, and the end in requital and in signs. And it shall be that every one who will be saved and will be able to escape on account of his works, or on

¹ Esdras was a famous priest and scribe for the Jewish people connected with Israel's restoration after the Exile.

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account of the faith by which he has believed, will survive the dangers that have been predicted, and will see my salvation in my land and within my borders, **which I have sanctified** for myself from the beginning.'

- ◆ "Then those who have now abused my ways shall be amazed, and those who have rejected them with contempt shall dwell in torments. For as many as did not acknowledge me in their lifetime, although they received my benefits, and as many as scorned my law while they still had freedom, and did not understand but despised it while an opportunity of repentance was still open to them, these must in torment acknowledge it after death. Therefore, do not continue to be curious as to how the ungodly will be punished; but inquire how the righteous will be saved, those to whom the age belongs and for whose sake the age was made."
- ◆ Zechariah 14:6,7 & 9 bring us hope of the new earth, that we as Intercessors are calling forth: "On that day there will be neither sunlight nor cold, frosty darkness. It will be a unique day—a day known only to the Lord—with no distinction between day and night. When evening comes, there will be light. The Lord will be king over the whole earth. On that day there will be one Lord, and his name the only name."

#### **SEALING PRAYER**

#### **New Heavens and a New Earth**

"'See, I will create new heavens and a new earth. The former things will not be remembered, nor will they come to mind.

But be glad and rejoice forever in what I will create, for I will create Jerusalem to be a delight and its people a joy.

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I will rejoice over Jerusalem and take delight in my people; the sound of weeping and of crying will be heard in it no more.

Never again will there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not live out his years; the one who dies at a hundred will be thought a mere child; the one who fails to reach a hundred will be considered accursed.

They will build houses and dwell in them; they will plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

No longer will they build houses

and others live in them, or plant and others eat.

For as the days of a tree,
so will be the days of my people;
my chosen ones will long enjoy
the work of their hands.

They will not labor in vain, nor will they bear children doomed to misfortune; for they will be a people blessed by the Lord, they and their descendants with them.

Before they call I will answer; while they are still speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb will feed together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox, and dust will be the serpent's food.

They will neither harm nor destroy on all my holy mountain,' says the Lord."

Isaiah 65:17-25