

The Faithful Remnant

Defining the Remnant in Scripture is somewhat like trying to nail pudding to the wall. There are at least three groups which are referred to as God's Remnant. All three are faithful. One is prophetic.

- All who are faithful to God in the past even during scandalous times. *The most common usage.*
 - The OT believers who will enter the millennial Kingdom. These are often people to whom Jesus spoke in the Gospels. These seem to be resurrected from the dead, David among others, and *[probably] live in glorified bodies, Matt 25.4-10 Phil's best guess.*
 - Those who endure through the Tribulation period and stroll into the Kingdom in their natural bodies. These will be ruled over by the Church Age saints, *Rev 20.6.*
 - * It is often unclear when talking about those who enter the Kingdom whether they are the OT saints or the Trib saints.
- ⇒ There are many who think the formation of the nation of Israel in 1948 was a prophetic fulfillment of the OT predictions about the Remnant returning to God in the end times. This seems impossible since they did not return "in faith." *Isa 10.20-22*
- * This is an OT prophecy and will be fulfilled during the OT period mentioned in the prophets, i.e. either the Tribulation era or the millennial era.
- ⇒ This is the group known as the "scattered to be regathered" bunch.

Our outline

1. Remnant
2. Gathering
3. Remnant returns in faith
4. At the king's Second Coming
5. Other

REMNANT

Isa 1:9 Except the LORD of hosts had left unto us a [very small remnant](#), we should have been as Sodom, and we should have been like unto Gomorrah.

Isa 10:20 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the [remnant of Israel](#), and such as are escaped of the house of Jacob, shall no more again stay upon him that smote them; but shall [stay upon the LORD](#), the Holy One of Israel, in truth.

Isa 10:21 The [remnant shall return](#), even the remnant of Jacob, [unto the mighty God](#).

Isa 10:22 For though thy people Israel be as the sand of the sea, yet a [remnant of them shall return](#): the consumption decreed shall [overflow with righteousness](#).

Jer 23:3 And I will [gather the remnant of my flock](#) out of all countries whither I have driven them, and will bring them again to their folds; and they shall be [fruitful and increase](#).

Zec 2:12 And the LORD shall inherit Judah his portion in the holy land, and shall [choose Jerusalem](#) again.

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Rom 9:27 Isaiah also crieth concerning Israel, Though the number of the children of Israel be as the sand of the sea, a [remnant shall be saved](#):

GATHERING

Jer 31:10 Hear the word of the LORD, O ye nations, and declare it in the isles afar off, and say, He that scattered Israel will [gather him](#), and keep him, as a shepherd doth his flock.

Isa 10:14 And my hand hath found as a nest the riches of the people: and [as one gathereth eggs](#) that are left, have I [gathered all the earth](#); and there was none that moved the wing, or opened the mouth, or peeped.

Eze 36:24 For I will take you from among the heathen, and [gather you out of all countries](#), and will bring you into your own land.

Jer 23:8 But, The LORD liveth, which [brought up](#) and which led the seed of the house of Israel [out of the north](#) country, and from all countries whither [I had driven them](#); and they shall dwell [in their own land](#).

Mat 13:41 The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they [shall gather out of his kingdom](#) all things that offend, and them which do iniquity.

Matt at 24:13,15 But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved. 15 When ye therefore shall see the [Abomination of Desolation](#), spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand.

Mat 24:21 For then shall be [great Tribulation](#), such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

Mat 24:29,30,31 Immediately [after the tribulation](#) of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken 30 and [then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven](#): and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man [coming in the clouds](#) of heaven with power and great glory. 31 And he shall send his [angels](#) with a great sound of a trumpet, and [they shall gather together](#) his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

REMNANT RETURNS IN FAITH

Eze 36:26 [A new heart](#) also will I give you, and a [new spirit](#) will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh.

Eze 36:27 And I will put [my spirit within you](#), and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them.

Zec 2:11 And many nations shall be joined to the LORD in that day, and shall be my people: and I will dwell in the midst of thee, and thou [shalt know that the LORD of hosts](#) hath sent me unto thee.

Mat 25:21 His lord said unto him, [Well done](#), thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been [faithful](#) over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

AT THE KING'S SECOND COMING

Jer 23:5 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and [a King shall reign and prosper](#), and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth. *Written by Jeremiah BC 600, 400 years after David's reign.*

Rev 7:4-8 And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed 144,000 of all the tribes of the children of Israel.

Jewish males

* born during the Tribulation?

* born in OT but resurrected after the Trib begins?

Mat 13:41 The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they [shall gather out of his kingdom](#) all things that offend, and them which do iniquity. *Jesus started gathering citizens for the Kingdom of God during His*

ministry.

** These folks would actually become members of the Church Universal, also.*

Mat 25:4-10 But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. 5 While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept. 6 And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the [bridegroom cometh](#); go ye out to meet him. 7 Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps. 8 And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out. 9 But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves. 10 And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut.

** Some, during the first century were eagerly prepared, and some poorly prepared for entrance into the Kingdom.*

OTHER

Jer 23:6 In his days [Judah shall be saved](#), and Israel shall [dwell safely](#): and this is his name whereby he shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.

Mat 25:30 And cast ye the [unprofitable](#) servant into [outer darkness](#): there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Observations

- All are young Christians who were saved after the Rapture.
- The predictive aspect of God's faithful Remnant will be His gathering, *by the angels*, at the Second coming of the Lord.
- They were all eagerly waiting and ready for the Lord's return.
- Perhaps they could anticipate the end of the Tribulation within a couple months.
- Revelation 19 says the Messiah comes on a white horse with a sword in His mouth to defeat the armies of the AntiChrist, *the Beast*, during the Battle of Armageddon in the Valley of Jezreel at the close of the 7-year Tribulation.
- These believers have endured up to seven horrible years of persecution.
- Some are probably baby believers in the coming Messiah.
- There, of course, will be the 144,000 Jewish guys as well.
- They will evidently be exhausted from the rabid persecution.

