

that the common lay people began to receive the Scriptures and were in a position to read the Bible for themselves. Surely the Almighty knew this when He wrote the Scriptures, so the Old Scriptures are written primarily for us today.

We are told that during the time of Wycliffe people paid as much as \$200.00 for one handwritten copy of the Bible. There was such a revival, hunger and desire for the Word of God that those who could paid \$200.00 for a copy, and those who could not afford it rented portions of the Scripture. They kept these portions for a few days and then paid for the rental time. Some traded livestock and some sold loads of hay in order to have just a portion of the Scripture for a short time.

Was this not a revival? Was this not fulfillment of verse 2 promising that after two days (2,000 years) God would revive His people? The verse continues, *"In the third day (and thank God we are now in this period) he will raise us up, and we shall live in his sight."* This is the full manifestation of the kingdom of God on earth, first among His kingdom people in our great kingdom nation, then throughout the Israel people of the Old World, and through them to all peoples of the whole world.

Verse 3: *"Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the LORD . . ."* We will not have understanding, revelation and comfort for our day unless we have the courage and fortitude to "follow on" and accept new light and truth from the Scriptures. We should not believe everything we hear, but we should examine it in the light of the Scripture. The Bereans did this in the days of the Apostle Paul, and they were spoken of as being noble. The noble and fair thing for us to do is to consider all things in the light of Scripture, and if they are in harmony with the Word of God, follow on, and we will know the Lord.

" . . . his going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth." This beautiful verse tells in symbolic language of the blessing, favor and mercy, also the cleansing and refreshing that will come to God's kingdom people as they go on to know and conform to the Word of God. And we must conform not only to the gospel of personal salvation but to the gospel of the kingdom, God's national message and special covenants for His chosen servant people.

CHAPTER THREE

Tracing The Isaac-Sons - Anglo-Saxons

■ THE 14th chapter of *Hosea* is a beautiful prophecy full of hope, comfort, mercy and kindness for God's kingdom people. This hope is ours not because we are worthy, but because of the covenant God made with our fathers and the redemption of the Israel people accomplished by the Lord Jesus Christ when He died on the cross. Christ died not only for the salvation of the individual and the church but also for the redemption of the kingdom people. Were it not for this redemption there could be no kingdom of God on earth.

Please do not imagine I am teaching that every Anglo-Saxon is a born-again believer. No, the church (consisting of born-again believers) is a higher order. The kingdom consists of the kingdom people, who will be made to submit to kingdom laws, principles and statutes.

Hosea 14:1 reads, *"O Israel, return unto the LORD thy God; for thou hast fallen by thine iniquity."* Note first of all that this verse is addressed especially to us in the United States of America, the land of Israel's regathering. This country is the great wilderness that was to blossom as a rose.

And how does a nation "return unto the Lord"? It is very simple. A nation turns to the Lord when that nation turns to God's law for the nation, in other words, to the Gospel of the Kingdom. No matter how many people in the nation receive the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Savior, that is not the nation turning to God. We must keep these two great institutions distinct and rightly divide the word of truth. *"O Israel"* is not the church nor an individual, but the Anglo-Saxon people.

There are those who believe we have fallen into our national