

Would you have any difficulty in identifying this particular man among one hundred men if he alone is the only man seven feet tall, and if you were given other details concerning this man which none of the other men possessed? Hardly!

It is just as easy to identify the United States of America in Bible prophecy as it would be to identify a man seven feet tall, the only man that tall in a company of one hundred men.

Now as for our figurative seven foot man, let us go to the book of Genesis, the book of beginnings, for every Bible study, every Bible doctrine must have its roots in the book of Genesis if it is to be scriptural.

God spoke to Abraham, as He reckons time, about four days ago. I say this because as the Scriptures teach, one day is as a thousand years with the Lord, and a thousand years as one day. Many good people who follow some of the unscriptural traditional teachings imagine that the Old Scriptures were written so long ago that they have no meaning, no message and no great significance for us living today. Just the opposite is true. Nothing could be further from the truth than the notion that the Old Scriptures were not written for us today.

Both the apostle Peter and the apostle Paul tell us that the Old Scriptures were written primarily for us who are living in the end of this age, commonly called "the last days."

Before we cite this promise, let me remind you that we are told repeatedly in the New Scriptures that Christ came to confirm the promises made unto the fathers. It is very important to keep this truth in our theology. Christ did not come to cancel, to

make null and void the old racial covenants of the Scriptures. To teach so is to teach a satanic deception which robs God of His glory, His majesty, His might, His dominion and His reality. Christ came to confirm the promises made unto the fathers.

I want you to note one particular promise that God made to the fathers. And as you know, the fathers are Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

God spoke to Abraham in Genesis 12 and said, "Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: and I will make of thee a great nation." Here you have the first great racial, national promise and covenant that God made with Abraham.

Every subsequent scripture and every following book of the Bible is based upon the great covenants found in the book of Genesis.

The first promise God made was, "I will make of thee a great nation." The promise continues, "I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: And I will bless them that bless thee . . . and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed."

The promise is "a great nation." It stands to reason that it was going to take some time to develop this great nation. We shall also see from the book of Genesis that this great nation would be found in Bible prophecy. And if we are to understand and interpret Bible prophecy we must be familiar with Bible history. Simply, what I'm showing you is Bible history. And there can be no argument here, no differing interpretation.

If you keep in mind what I am here calling your attention to, you will have the basis, the actual key that will open up both Bible history and Bible