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"TO CONFIRM"

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"Now I say that Jesus Christ was a minister of the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises made unto the fathers." (Romans 15:8) Circumcision in the Old Scripture was a ritual God required of the Isaacsons as a witness that they were His special, servant, earthly, kingdom people. This was the circumcision of the flesh. Every Isaacson was not circumcised, but it was a practice. In the New Scripture God requires the circumcision of the heart or the new birth. This is also a sign and a witness that the Isaacsons are God's special, servant, earthly, kingdom people. Every Isaacson or Anglo-Saxon is not circumcised in heart, but as a people they hold Christianity as their religion and it is the only religion that provides the circumcision of the heart or the new birth.

It would be very difficult to list all the promises God gave to the fathers which Christ confirmed by His death and resurrection. A number of these promised blessings are listed in Deuteronomy 28. Verse 1 states: "And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe and to do all these commandments which I command thee this day, that the Lord thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth." Note the condition for these promised blessings is not that every Anglo-Saxon must be a born again Christian; the condition is that the nation must honor and administer the national laws of the Bible, or in other words they must conform to the gospel of the kingdom. This verse contains the tremendous promise or blessing: "Thy God shall set thee on high above all the nations of the earth." Is there a people or a nation today which has been set high above all the other nations of the earth?

Verse 2 states: "And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God." "The voice of the Lord," of course, means the Word of God. And the only word they had at that time was the Old Scripture. In verse 3 we have two more blessings: "Blessed shalt thou be in the city, and blessed shalt thou be in the field." In verse 4 we have five more great promised bless-

ings: "Blessed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, and the fruit of thy cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep."

Verse 5 contains two blessed promises: "Blessed shall be thy basket and thy store." And more in verse 6: "Blessed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and blessed shalt thou be when thou goest out." Verse 7 is God's promise to His special, servant, earthly, kingdom people in regard to its enemies: "The Lord shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways."

In verse 8 God promises His special, servant, earthly, kingdom people that He would bless their storehouses and everything they do. "The Lord shall command the blessing upon thee in thy storehouses, and in all that thou settest thine hand unto; and he shall bless thee in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee."

Verse 9 states: "The Lord shall establish thee an holy people unto himself, as he hath sworn unto thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of the Lord thy God, and walk in his ways." "An holy people" does not mean a sinless people. It means a people blessed and used of God. Anything in the scripture used by God was called holy, even vessels. Note again the condition is stated — keep God's commandments and as a nation walk in His ways.

In verse 10 we read: "And all people of the earth shall see that thou art called by the name of the Lord: and they shall be afraid of thee." There is only one people in all history called by the name of the Lord, and that is the nations of Christendom. In verse 11 we have these tremendous promises to His special, servant, earthly, kingdom people. "And the Lord shall make thee plenteous in goods, in the fruit of thy body, in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which the Lord sware unto thy fathers to give thee."

In verse 12 there are three more promises to His special, servant, earthly kingdom people: "The Lord shall open unto thee his good treasure,