

PRAYING PSALM 122

“Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: May they prosper who love you’ (Psalm 122:6).

This psalm has David’s name attached to it. It makes three declarations about Jerusalem: 1. JERUSALEM, THE HOME OF WORSHIP (1-2). The thought of worshipping in Jerusalem made those on pilgrimage there glad. Jerusalem was where the House of the Lord (Temple) was built for worship. 2. JERUSALEM, THE CENTER OF LIFE (3-5). Jerusalem means city of peace. It was built for worship. Thrones were set up there for judgment. 3. JERUSALEM, THE SUBJECT OF PRAYER (3-8). Peace will be in your walls (in the Millennium).

Jerusalem is the permanent home to God’s people Israel. When the Jews were taken captive to Babylon, they were removed from their home, their center of life, and their temple which was God’s house of prayer. During the lifetime of Jesus the religious leaders of the Jews turned God’s house of prayer to a den of thieves. When you pray for the peace of Jerusalem you are praying for restoration of Jerusalem as a home of worship, a center of life, and a place of prayer. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem. Peace in Jerusalem means peace everywhere. There will be no peace on earth like Millennial peace. Today there is neither peace on earth, neither good will toward men. But Jesus can change all that. That is why He came. Pray He will come again soon.