

Mission in the Time of the Patriarchs

I will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and her offspring;
he shall bruise your head,
and you shall bruise his heel.” Gen. 3:15

Now the LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you.

And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing.

I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.” Gen. 12:1-3

Mission in the Psalms

All the ends of the earth shall remember
and turn to the LORD,
and all the families of the nations
shall worship before you. Psa. 22:27

Arise, O God, judge the earth;
for you shall inherit all the nations! Psa. 82:8

All the nations you have made shall come
and worship before you, O Lord,
and shall glorify your name. Psa. 86:9

Mission in the Prophets

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple.

Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew.

And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory!”*

And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke.

And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!” Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar.

And he touched my mouth and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.”

And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” Then I said, “Here am I! Send me.” Isaiah 6.1-6

He will not grow faint or be discouraged till he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law. Isaiah 42:4

My righteousness draws near, my salvation has gone out,
and my arms will judge the peoples; the coastlands hope for me,
and for my arm they wait. Isaiah 51:5