

We Have Come to Mount Zion

Hebrews 12:22-24

²² But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels, ²³ to the general assembly and church of the firstborn who are registered in heaven, to God the Judge of all, to the spirits of just men made perfect, ²⁴ to Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things than that of Abel.

I. Zion – Historically

- A. Jebus – name of Jerusalem when the Canaanites held it
- B. Given to tribe of Benjamin as part of their inheritance
- C. Stronghold of Zion captured by David
- D. Zion – literally, “parched place”, but from a word meaning “monument”, “signpost”.
- E. Mentioned 153 times, in the OT, 7 times in the NT

II. Two dominant themes associated with Zion:

- A. _____
 - 1. City of _____
 - 2. David led the nation as _____
- B. _____
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 - 2. David led the nation as _____
- C. A type of _____
 - 1. As KING
 - 2. As PRIEST

III. Zion – the Governmental City of God

- A. Where the King dwells
- B. City of the King-Priest
- C. The City where the Lord reigns

IV. Zion – The Spiritual City of God

- A. Old Testament references
 - 1. The place where the Lord dwells
 - Psalm 9:11*
 - Psalm 74:2*
 - Joel 3:16*
 - Joel 3:21*
 - Isaiah 8:18*
 - 2. Place of Salvation
 - Psalm 14:7*
 - Psalm 53:6*
 - Psalm 69:35*
 - Isaiah 59:20*
 - Zechariah 9:9*
 - Isaiah 46:13*
 - Isaiah 62:11*
 - 3. Place of God's Strength
 - Psalm 20:2-3*
 - Psalm 84:4-7*
 - 4. Joy for the whole earth
 - Psalm 48:2*
 - Psalm 48:11*
 - Psalm 97:8*
 - Psalm 149:2*
 - 5. God's beauty shines forth
 - Psalm 50:2*
 - Lamentations 2:15*
 - 6. The Lord is praised
 - Psalm 65:1*
 - Psalm 147:12*
 - 7. Chosen by God
 - Psalm 78:67-68*
 - Isaiah 14:32*

8. God loves more than any other
Psalm 87:2
9. The Lord appears in glory
Psalm 102:13,16
Colossians 3:4
10. Place of Blessing
 - a) God blesses us:
Psalm 128:5
Psalm 134:3
 - b) We bless Him!
Psalm 135:21
11. People are Born and Established
Psalm 87:5-6
12. The Lord reigns
Psalm 99:1-2
Isaiah 24:23
Isaiah 52:7
13. His Name is declared and praised
Psalm 102:21
14. God's rest and habitation forever
Psalm 132:13-14
15. Is to have captivity turned to laughter
 - a) Captivity
Psalm 137:1-4
 - b) Laughter
Psalm 126:1-4
16. The Word of the Lord is taught
Isaiah 2:3
Micah 4:2
17. Place of shouting, singing, and comfort
Isaiah 12:6
Isaiah 51:11
Isaiah 35:10
Zechariah 2:10
Zephaniah 3:14-16
18. A Name for the people of God
Isaiah 51:16
19. Publishes good tidings
Isaiah 40:9
Isaiah 52:1-2,7,8
20. Sinners are dealt with
Isaiah 33:14

Isaiah 31:9

Isaiah 33:5

Amos 6:1

21. A city of solemn assemblies (appointed feasts)

Isaiah 33:20-24

22. Foundation stone is laid

Isaiah 28:16

1 Peter 2:6-8

Matthew 21:42

Acts 4:11

23. Where God has a faithful remnant

Isaiah 37:31-32

Jeremiah 3:14

Micah 4:7

2 Kings 19:31

24. Has the glory cloud upon her assemblies

Isaiah 4:5-6

B. New Testament references

1. Matthew 21:4-5

a) Fulfillment of Zechariah 9:9

2. Paul quotes in Romans 9:33

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3. Paul quotes Isaiah 59:20 in Romans 11:26

4. Hebrews 12:22-24

5. Peter quotes Isaiah 28:16 in 1 Peter 2:4-9

6. Revelation 14:1

V. Three Aspects to Zion

A. _____

- 1.

- 2.

- 3.

B. _____

- 1.

- 2.

- 3.

C. _____

- 1.

- 2.

- 3.