

Isaiah 61:1-2 and Luke 4:14-30 - proclaim liberty and the acceptable year of YHVH

Subtitle: A History of the Haftarah

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Introduction

Genesis of this article

I was listening to Nehemia Gordon and Keith Johnson on their Prophet Pearls podcast¹ specifically #51 *Nitzavim* (Torah Portion Deu 29:10(9) - 30:20, Haftarah Isaiah 61:10-63:9)². Timeline 28:05 to 31:29

Two persecutions Antiochus the 4th 175-165 BCE or of Hadrian in the 130's AD. 33:30- This isn't one of the sections of the Haftarah, the whole section of Isa is 61:1-9

¹ See <http://www.nehemiaswall.com/prophet-pearls> or <http://bfainternational.com/type/prophet-pearls/>

² See <http://www.nehemiaswall.com/torah-pearls-nitzavim-deuteronomy-299-3020> , or <http://bfainternational.com/academy-posts/prophet-pearls-51-nitzavim/>

The Big Picture is the House of Israel

ToDo: Comment above how I think that NG point above is completely missing the big picture as it does not address the ramification of what Y'shua said.

Let's start with Isaiah

Isa 61:1-2

¹ The Spirit of the Lord GOD *is* upon me; because YHVH hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to *them that are* bound; ² To proclaim the acceptable year of YHVH, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn;

Points

Who is the audience that Isaiah is speaking to?

Who is the anointed³ one?

Who are the meek, the brokenhearted and the captive?

Who needs liberty, and from what?

Is Isaiah prophesying some sort of righteous prison break to those bound up in prison⁴?

Isn't the acceptable year⁵ of YHVH and the day of vengeance⁶ jubilee⁷ like verbiage?, and if so how does this affect our understanding of who the audience that Isaiah is speaking to?

Who is mourning and needs to be comforted

³ CB Notes: **anointed**. [Mat 3:17](#), with the Divine formula of consecration, "This is My Son", for the office of Prophet; [Mat 17:5](#) for the office of Priest; [Psa 2:7](#) and [Heb 1:5](#), for the office of King.

⁴ CB Notes: **the opening of the prison** = an opening of the understanding or heart, instead of prison doors. Occurs only here. Heb, *pekah-koah*, referring to the opening of the vision.

⁵ CB Notes: **the acceptable year** = the year of acceptance, or jubilee year ([Lev 25:9](#), [Lev 25:10](#)). We may render: - A year of good-pleasure for Jehovah, [But] A day of vengeance for our God.

⁶ CB Notes: **and the day of vengeance**. Compare [Isa 59:17](#); [Isa 63:4](#). This is a notable example of how to rightly divide "the Word of truth", when we observe that the Messiah, in quoting this prophecy concerning Himself in [Luk 4:18](#), [Luk 4:19](#), "closed the book", and did not go on to quote further in [Isa 61:20](#), because the former part of the prophecy referred to the then present time, and not to the future Dispensation of judgment. The Heb, accent separates these two clauses, indicated by "[But]", above. Note that the vengeance is assigned to a "day", in contrast with "year".

⁷ TSK: **to proclaim**: The proclaiming of perfect liberty to the bound, and the year of acceptance with Jehovah, is a manifest allusion to the proclaiming of the year of the jubilee by sound of trumpet; and our Saviour, by applying this text to himself, plainly declares the typical design of that institution. [Isa 42:7](#), [Isa 49:9](#), [Isa 49:24-25](#); [Psa 102:20](#); [Jer 34:8](#); [Zec 9:11-12](#); [Joh 8:32-36](#); [Act 26:18](#); [Rom 6:16-22](#), [Rom 7:23-25](#); [2Ti 2:25-26](#)

Outline of Luke 4

It's always a good thing to try to get some background and context. That Luke 4:14 occurs right before being tempted

Outline⁸

1-13 The 40 day fasting and temptation of Yeshua. The devil tempts Yeshua 3 times in the wilderness for which Yeshua responds by quoting Deu 8:3, Deu 6:13 & Deu 6:16

14-15 He begins to preach.

16-32 The people of Nazareth marvel at words, but seek to kill him.

33-37 He cures one possessed of a demon,

38-39 Peter's mother-in-law,

40 and various other sick persons.

41 The demons acknowledge Jesus, and are reproved for it.

42-44 He preaches through the cities of Galilee.

Luk 4:25 RSTNE⁹

²⁵ But I tell you the *emet*; many widows were in **Beit Yisrael**⁴⁸²⁶ in the days of *Eli-Yahu*, when the *shamayim* were shut up three years and six months, when great famine was throughout all the land;

RSTNE Footnotes

4826: The House of Yisrael as seen in Old Syriac manuscript is telling. Rather than simply "Yisrael," Yahshua's pronouncement was that just as YHWH visited the widow woman from the **House of Yisrael**, or ten tribes, and just as YHWH visited Naaman from the Arameans [2Ki 5:1-27](#), among whom Efrayim mixed, He would come and rescue those same ten tribes and deliver them, using these two figures as examples of His mission as Messiah Son of Joseph. The response of brother Judah can be seen in verses [Luk 4:28-29](#).

4823: The exiles of Yisrael who need spiritual sight, freedom from exile and sin, and a remarriage to their King. The concept here is one of liberty, or yovel/jubilee for the exiles of the nation.

4824: The official announcement that Yisrael's nightmare of national exile was over, and that the regathering process had begun that very day in that very synagogue.

4825: In first-century understanding, the Messiah would come in two persons – one to suffer and regather the ten lost tribes, and the other to reign on David's throne. The plain declaration here is that Yeshua is Joseph's stepson, but on the *remez*, or hint understanding the question being raised in light of Yeshua's pronouncement of Isaiah 61 coming to fulfillment was: Is this man whom we knew as a boy really the Messiah Ben (or "Son of") Joseph, or the suffering Messiah to die in a war (over evil) in order to return *Yisrael's* exiles?

⁸ ToDo: do I need these references → 1Ki 17:1, 1Ki 18:1-2

⁹ **RSTNE:** Restored Scripture True Name Edition.

Luk 4:25 KJV But I tell you of a truth, many widows were in Israel in the days of Elias, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, when great famine was throughout all the land;

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Search for House of Israel

Mat 10:23 Lamsa NT - "you shall not finish converting all the cities of the house of Israel, until the Son of man returns"

When they persecute you in this city, escape to another; for truly I say to you, that you shall not finish converting all the cities of **the house of Israel**, until the Son of man returns.

Mat 10:23 KJV

But when they persecute you in this city, flee ye into another: for verily I say unto you, Ye shall not have gone over the cities of **Israel**, till the Son of man be come.

Act 2:36-39 KJV "...let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God hath made that same Yeshua...both Lord and Christ"

³⁶ Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ. ³⁷ Now when they heard *this*, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men *and* brethren, what shall we do? ³⁸ Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. ³⁹ For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, *even* as many as the Lord our God shall call.

(EWB-CB) Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus, Whom ye crucified, both Lord and Christ."

(KJV) Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ.

(Lamsa NT) Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this very Jesus whom you have crucified, both Lord and Christ.

(OJB) "Therefore, assuredly let Klal Yisroel have da'as that this Yehoshua, whom you made talui al HaEtz (being hanged on the Tree, DEVARIM 21:23), this one Hashem has made both Adoneinu and Rabbeinu, Melech HaMoshiach."

Acts 4:8 - ...rulers of the people, and elders of Israel

(EWB-CB) Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit [gifts], said unto them, "Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel,

(KJV) Then Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, said unto them, Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel,

(Lamsa NT) Then Simon Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, Leaders of the people and elders of the house of Israel, listen.

(OJB) Then Kefa, having been filled with the Ruach Hakodesh, said to them, "Sarei HaAm and Zekenim,

Heb 8:8 - a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah ^{Jer 31:30-33}

(EWB-CB) For finding fault with them, He saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will complete a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah:

(KJV) For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah:

(Lamsa NT) For he found fault with them, and said, Behold, the day is coming, saith the LORD, when I will perfect a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah:

(OJB) For, when Hashem finds fault with them, he says, "HINEI YAMIM BA'IM, NE'UM HASHEM, VKHARATI ES BEIS YISRAEL V'ES BEIS YEHUDAH BRIT CHADASHA"("Behold, days are coming, says Hashem, when I will establish with the Beis Yisroel and with the Beis Yehudah a Brit Chadasha").

Heb 8:10 – “For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel...”

(EWB-CB) For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put My laws into their mind, and write them upon their hearts: and I will be to them for God, and they shall be to Me a people:

(KJV) For this *is* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:

(Lamsa NT) For this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, I will put my law into their minds, and I will write it on their hearts: and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

(OJB) "KI ZOT HABRIT ASHER EKHROT ES BEIS YISROEL ACHAREI HAYAMIM HAHEN, NE'UM HASHEM; NATATI ES TORATI BEKIRBAM V'AL LIBAM EKHTAVENNAH, V'HAYITI LAHEM L'ELOHIM V'HEMMAH YIH'YU LI LE'AM" ("Because this is the Brit which I will make with the Beis Yisroel after those days, says Hashem: putting my Torah into the mind of them and upon the levavot of them I will write it and I will be to them G-d and they will be to Me a people"— see Jer 31:30-33; also Prov 30:4; 8:30; Yn 1:1; Rev 3:20).