

SESSION 1 — APPENDIX

Nations throughout Scripture

Old Testament Verses

Genesis 1:1

“God created the heavens and the earth.”

Genesis 9:17

God’s covenant with “all life on the earth.”

Genesis 12:1–3

God’s promise to Abraham (repeated in Genesis 18:18; 22:17–18; 26:4; 28:12–14).

Exodus 9:14–16

“I have raised you up for this very purpose ... that my name might be proclaimed in all the earth.”

Exodus 19:6

Israel was to be a “kingdom of priests.”

Numbers 14:21

“Glory of the Lord fills the whole earth.”

Deuteronomy 4:6–8

“Show your wisdom and understanding to the nations.”

Deuteronomy 10:19

“You are to love those who are foreigners.”

Deuteronomy 28:10

“All the peoples on earth will see that you are called by the name of the Lord.”

Deuteronomy 32:1

“Hear, you earth, the words of my mouth.”

Joshua 4:24

“So that all the peoples of the earth might know.”

1 Samuel 2:10

“The Lord will judge the ends of the earth.”

1 Samuel 17:46

“The whole world will know that there is a God in Israel.”

1 Kings 8:41–43, 59–60

(also in 2 Chronicles 6:32–33)

“So that all the peoples of the earth may know your name.” 2 Kings 19:15, 19

“Hezekiah prayed ... ‘Lord ... you alone are God over all the kingdoms of the earth.’”

1 Chronicles 16:23–24

“Declare his glory among the nations, his marvellous deeds among all peoples.”

1 Chronicles 16:28

“Families of nations, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.”

1 Chronicles 16:31

“Let the earth be glad; let them say among the nations, ‘The Lord reigns!’”

2 Chronicles 6:32–33

“So that all the peoples of the earth may know your name and fear you.”

Psalms 2:7–10

“You are my son I will make the nations your inheritance.”

Psalms 7:7–8

“Let the Lord judge the peoples.”

Psalms 8:9

“How majestic is your name in all the earth!”

Psalms 9:11

“Proclaim among the nations what he has done.”

Psalms 18:49

“I will praise you, Lord, among the nations.”

Psalms 19:1

“Their words to the ends of the world.”

Psalms 22:26–28

“All the families of the nations will bow down.”

Psalms 22:27

“All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the Lord.”

Psalms 24

“The earth is the Lord’s.”

Psalms 33

“Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord.”

Psalms 45:17

“The nations will praise you for ever and ever.”

Psalms 46:10

“I will be exalted among the nations.”

Psalms 47

“God reigns over the nations.”

Psalm 48:10

"Like your name, O God, your praise reaches to the ends of the earth."

Psalm 49:1

"Hear this, all you peoples; listen, all who live in this world."

Psalm 50

"From the rising of the sun to where it sets."

Psalm 57

"I will sing of you among the peoples."

Psalm 59:13

"It will be known to the ends of the earth that God rules over Jacob."

Psalm 65:5–8

"The hope of all the ends of the earth ... where morning dawns, where evening fades, you call forth songs of joy."

Psalm 66

"All the earth bows down to you Praise our God, all peoples."

Psalm 67

"Your salvation among all nations."

Psalm 68:32

"Sing to God, you kingdoms of the earth."

Psalm 72:9

"The desert tribes bow before him."

Psalm 72:11

"All nations serve him."

Psalm 72:17, 19

"All nations will be blessed through him May the whole earth be filled with his glory."

Psalm 77:14

"You display your power among the peoples."

Psalm 82

"All the nations are your inheritance."

Psalm 83:18

"You alone are the Most High over all the earth."

Psalm 86:8–13

"All the nations ... will come and worship."

Psalm 87

"The register of the peoples."

Psalm 96

"Sing to the Lord, all the earth.... Declare his glory among the nations."

Psalm 97

"The Lord reigns, let the earth be glad; let the distant shores rejoice."

Psalm 98:3

"All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God."

Psalm 98:9

"He comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity."

Psalm 99:1–3

"He is exalted over all the nations. Let them praise your great and awesome name."

Psalm 102:15

"The nations will fear the name of the Lord, all the kings of the earth will revere your glory."

Psalm 102:22

"When the peoples and the kingdoms assemble to worship the Lord."

Psalm 105:1

"Make known among the nations what he has done."

Psalm 106:8

Reason for dividing the Red Sea.

Psalm 107:2–3

"The redeemed of the Lord ... those he gathered from the lands, from east and west, from north and south."

Psalm 108:3

"I will sing of you among the peoples."

Psalm 108:5

"Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; let your glory be over all the earth."

Psalm 110:6

"He will judge the nations."

Psalm 113:3

"From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets, the name of the Lord is to be praised."

Psalm 117

"Praise the Lord, all you nations."

Psalm 126

"It was said among the nations."

Psalm 135

"Our Lord is greater than all gods."

Psalm 138:4

"May all the kings of the earth praise you, Lord."

Ecclesiastes 3:11

"[God] has also set eternity in the human heart."

Isaiah 2:3

"Many peoples will come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the temple of the God of Jacob.'"

Isaiah 5:26

"He lifts up a banner for the distant nations, he whistles for those at the ends of the earth."

Isaiah 6:3

"They were calling to one another: 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory.'"

Isaiah 11:9

"The earth will be filled with the knowledge of the Lord."

Isaiah 11:10

"The Root of Jesse will stand as a banner for the peoples; the nations will rally to him."

Isaiah 12:4

"Make known among the nations what he has done."

Isaiah 24:14–16

"From the ends of the earth we hear singing: 'Glory to the Righteous One.'"

Isaiah 25:6

"The Lord Almighty will prepare a feast of rich food for all peoples."

Isaiah 34:1

"Come near, you nations, and listen; pay attention, you peoples!"

Isaiah 37:16

"Lord Almighty ... you alone are God over all the kingdoms of the earth."

Isaiah 37:20

"Deliver us ... so that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that you, Lord, are the only God."

Isaiah 42:4

"In his teaching the islands will put their hope."

Isaiah 42:6

"I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people and a light for the Gentiles."

Isaiah 42:10

"Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise from the ends of the earth."

Isaiah 43:6

"I will say to the north, 'Give them up!' and to the south, 'Do not hold them back.'"

Isaiah 45:6

"From the rising of the sun to the place of its setting people may know there is none besides me."

Isaiah 45:22

"Turn to me ... all you ends of the earth."

Isaiah 49:1–6

"I will also make you a light for the Gentiles."

Isaiah 49:22

"The Sovereign Lord says: 'See, I will beckon to the nations, I will lift up my banner to the peoples.'"

Isaiah 51:4–5

"My justice will become a light to the nations.... The islands will look to me and wait in hope for my arm."

Isaiah 52:10

"The Lord will lay bare his holy arm in the sight of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth will see the salvation of our God."

Isaiah 56:7

"My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations."

Isaiah 57:19

"Peace, peace, to those far and near I will heal them."

Isaiah 59:19

"From the west, people will fear the name of the Lord, and from the rising of the sun, they will revere his glory."

Isaiah 60:3

"Nations will come to your light."

Isaiah 62:11

"The Lord has made proclamation to the ends of the earth."

Isaiah 65:1

"I revealed myself to those who did not ask for me."

Isaiah 66:18–19

"They will proclaim my glory among the nations."

Jeremiah 1:5

"I appointed you as a prophet to the nations."

Jeremiah 3:17

"All nations will gather in Jerusalem to honour the name of the Lord."

Jeremiah 16:19

"To you the nations will come from the ends of the earth and say, 'Our ancestors possessed nothing but false gods, worthless idols that did them no good.'"

Jeremiah 31:10

"Hear the word of the Lord, you nations; proclaim it in distant coastlands."

Ezekiel 34:4, 6

"My sheep were scattered over the whole earth, and no one searched or looked for them."

Ezekiel 36:22–23

"The nations will know that I am the Lord."

Ezekiel 38:20

"All the people on the face of the earth will tremble at my presence."

Daniel 2:47; 4:1–2; 6:25

"Surely your God is the God of gods."

Daniel 7:13, 14

"All nations and peoples of every language worshiped him."

Jonah's story

The Old Testament missionary book.

Micah 1:2

"Hear, you peoples, all of you, listen, earth and all who live in it."

Micah 4:2

"Many nations will come."

Micah 5:4

"His greatness will reach to the ends of the earth."

Habakkuk 2:14

"The earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea."

Zephaniah 2:11

"Distant nations will bow down to him."

Zephaniah 3:9

"Then will I purify the lips of the peoples, that all of them may call on the name of the Lord."

Haggai 2:7

"Desired by all nations."

Zechariah 2:11

"Many nations will be joined with the Lord in that day and will become my people."

Zechariah 8:20–23

"Many peoples and the inhabitants of many cities will yet come."

Zechariah 9:10

"He will proclaim peace to the nations."

Zechariah 14:9

"The Lord will be king over the whole earth."

Malachi 1:10–11

"My name will be great among the nations, from where the sun rises to where it sets."

New Testament Verses**Matthew 4:8–11 — Temptation of Jesus**

"All the kingdoms of the world."

Matthew 6:9–10 — The Lord's Prayer

"Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth."

Matthew 8:11 (Luke 13:29)

"Many will come from the east and the west, and will take their places at the feast ... in the kingdom of heaven."

Matthew 9:37

"Harvest is plentiful but the workers are few."

Matthew 10:18

"On my account you will be brought before governors and kings as witnesses to them and to the Gentiles."

Matthew 13 (Ezekiel 17:23)

Parables of the sower, weeds, mustard seed, fishing net.

Matthew 21:13 (Isaiah 56:7)

"A house of prayer for all nations."

Matthew 24:14

"This gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world."

Matthew 28:19–20; Mark 16:15

The Great Commission (which many say is a restatement of God's promise to Abraham in Genesis 12).

Mark 11:17

See Matthew 21:13.

Mark 13:10

"The gospel must first be preached to all nations."

Mark 16:15

See Matthew 28:19–20.

Luke 2:32

"A light for revelation to the Gentiles."

Luke 10:2

"Harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few."
(See John 4:35.)

Luke 10:27

"Love your neighbour as yourself."

Luke 15:4

Parable of the lost sheep.

Luke 19:46

See Matthew 21:13.

Luke 24:47

"Repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached ... to all nations."

John 3:16

"For God so loved the world."

John 4:35

Ripe harvest fields.
(See Luke 10:2 and Matthew 9:37.)

John 12:32

"I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself."

John 17:23

"The world will know that you sent me and have loved them."

John 20:21

"As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."

John 21:4–14

Some biblical commentators have said the 153 fish equal the number of all the tribes and nations that the ancients thought existed on earth.

Acts 1:8; 2:5–12; 13:47 (Isaiah 49:6)

Witnesses in all the earth.

Acts 3:25

"He said to Abraham, 'Through your offspring all peoples on earth will be blessed.'"

Acts 9:15

"Go! This man is my chosen instrument to proclaim my name to the Gentiles and their kings."

Acts 10:34–35

"God ... accepts from every nation the one who

fears him and does what is right."

Acts 11:18

"They ... praised God, saying, 'So then, even to Gentiles God has granted repentance that leads to life.'"

Acts 13:47

"I have made you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth" (Isaiah 49:6).

Acts 14:27

"They ... reported all that God had done through them and how he had opened a door of faith to the Gentiles."

Acts 28:28

"Therefore I want you to know that God's salvation has been sent to the Gentiles, and they will listen!"

Romans 1:5

"We received grace and apostleship to call all the Gentiles to obedience."

Romans 1:16

"The gospel ... is the power of God that brings salvation ... first to the Jew, then to the Gentile."

Romans 3:29

"Is God the God of Jews only? Is he not the God of Gentiles too? Yes, of Gentiles too."

Romans 9:17

"That my name might be proclaimed in all the earth."

Romans 10:12–15

"How can they hear?"

Romans 15:10

"Rejoice, you Gentiles, with his people"
(Deuteronomy 32:43).

Romans 15:11

"Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles; let all the peoples extol him" (Psalm 117:1).

Romans 16:26

So that all nations might believe.

1 Corinthians 1:24

"To those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks."

2 Corinthians 4:15

"Grace that is reaching more and more people."

2 Corinthians 10:16

"So that we can preach the gospel in the regions beyond you."

Galatians 3:8

“Scripture foresaw that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, and announced the gospel in advance to Abraham: ‘All nations will be blessed through you’” (Genesis 12:3; 18:18; 22:18).

Galatians 3:14

“He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles.”

Ephesians 1:10

“To bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ.”

Ephesians 2:11–19

“You are no longer foreigners and strangers.”

Philippians 2:10

“Every knee should bow.”

1 Thessalonians 2:15–16

“To keep us from speaking to the Gentiles so that they may be saved.”

Hebrews 6:13–14

“God made his promise to Abraham.”

2 Peter 3:9, 12

“Not wanting anyone to perish.”

1 John 2:2

“He is the atoning sacrifice ... for the sins of the whole world.”

Revelation 5:9

“You purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation.”

Revelation 7:9

“Every nation, tribe, people and language.”

Revelation 14:6

The “angel ... had the eternal gospel to proclaim to those who live on the earth — to every nation, tribe, language and people.”

Revelation 15:4

“All nations will come and worship before you.”

Revelation 21:23–24

“The Lamb is its lamp. The nations will walk by its light.”