

## MEETING JESUS ON THE WAY

The importance of highways in history, in the Bible, and in Indiana



Video #7: Highways in the Future

Highways are featured in God's plans for the future; they will exist in \_\_\_\_\_\_!

Isaiah prophesies that harmony will exist between former enemies, who will worship the Lord together:

- Isaiah 19:23 In that day *there will be a highway from Egypt to Assyria. The Assyrians will go to Egypt and the Egyptians to Assyria.* The Egyptians and Assyrians will worship together.
- Isaiah 11:16 *There will be a highway* for the remnant of his people that is left from Assyria, as there was for Israel when they came up from Egypt.

Isaiah, also saw the desert blooming, the glory of the Lord manifested, and great miracles performed:

- Isaiah 35:8 And a highway will be there, a roadway, And it will be called the Highway of Holiness. The unclean will not travel on it, But it will be for him who walks that way, And fools will not wander on it. 9 No lion will be there, Nor will any vicious beast go up on it; These will not be found there. But the redeemed will walk there, <sup>10</sup> And the ransomed of the LORD will return, And come with joyful shouting to Zion, With everlasting joy upon their heads. They will find gladness and joy, And sorrow and sighing will flee away. (NAS)
- A time when ... Isaiah 49:11 *I will turn all my mountains into roads, and my highways will be raised up.* <sup>12</sup> See, they will come from afar—some from the north, some from the west, some from the region of Aswan.
- Isaiah 62:10 Pass through, pass through the gates! *Prepare the way for the people. Build up, build up the highway! Remove the stones.* Raise a banner for the nations.

Here is a highway, also seen by Isaiah, that is built \_\_\_\_\_\_, not for people:

Isaiah 40:3 A voice of one calling: "In the wilderness prepare the way for the LORD; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. <sup>4</sup> Every valley shall be raised up, every mountain and hill made low; the rough ground shall become level, the rugged places a plain. <sup>5</sup> And the glory of the LORD will be revealed, and all people will see it together. For the mouth of the LORD has spoken." (See also Mark 1:2-4; Matthew 3:1-3 and Luke 3:2-5)

John saw the heavenly city, and it had \_\_\_\_\_

- Revelation 21:21 *The great street* of the city was of gold, as pure as transparent glass.
- Revelation 22:1 Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb <sup>2</sup> down the middle of *the great street* of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.

*ZPEB:* "It must be summarized that the roads of the Bible are in the end eschatological and that this notion is never far from any specific meaning of the text, but undergirds them all." *5:130* 

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