

## Isaiah 59:19, 20

So shall they fear the name of the Lord from the west, and His glory from the rising of the sun. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall lift up a standard against him.

And the Redeemer shall come to Zion, and unto them that turn from transgression in Jacob, saith the LORD.

To convey a deeper spiritual truth let us look at this from the stylistic approach of the prophet to the discerning reader.

*Believers trusting Jesus all the day (from sunset to sunrise)*

*When the enemy brings a flood of temptation*

- *The Spirit of the Lord shall*
  - *Lift up a standard against him*
- } Pinnacle thought of the passage*

*The Redeemer comes to Zion*

*To bring deliverance and overcoming grace to them in Jacob*

*The key is found in vs. 19- Those who trust in the Lord, will find the Spirit lifting up a standard in their behalf, when the tempter shows up. That standard is the righteousness of Christ seen in His obedience to the law. As His child trusts in Him (turning from transgression in Jacob), the Spirit brings this standard to his aid. That righteousness brings victory to them, making them overcomers. Jacob can also be thought of as illustrating ‘carnal Christianity’; for when Jacob got the victory, His name was changed to – Israel. That is why the text says, “to them which turn from transgression in Jacob.”*

*I can’t claim this wisdom as my own, for the Lord gave it to me, partly when studying this passage the other day and partly as I wrote this at the present. The Spirit will lead all who seek to understand the deep things in the Word. Praise His name!*