Who Is The True Israel?

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I. INTRODUCTION

The entire premise of this article, and the passages contained herein, is that Christ is the True Israel of God. Everything found in the Old Testament and in the New Testament concerning Israel must be viewed through the blessed lens of the Lord Jesus Christ if it is to be rightly understood. Any view or concept of Israel outside of a Christ-centered view can only lead to fables, traditions, or more accurately, error. That error can rise to heresy if one starts getting into such false notions as some return to a physical temple, physical sacrifices, physical day and ordinance keeping, etc., all at some supposed, future, premillennial point. As the book of Hebrews, and other books of the Bible, make so abundantly clear, Christ and His finished work on the cross, far exceeds the Old Testament ceremonial (and related) types that pointed to Him and His salvific work. As our great, spiritual Antitype, the Lord Jesus has revealed that all of these Mosaic ordinances and observances were a shadow of who He is and what He came to do. The notion that one should look forward to the return of the shadows, at the risk of overshadowing that which the shadows typified, is absurd. The restoration of Israel is the restoration of the entire Body of Christ -- both Jew and Gentile, as the Gospel is preached and the elect Congregation (Church) of God is built up in time. The gathering in of the scattered House of Israel and the scattered House of Judah is spiritual language pointing to the gathering in, the seeking and finding of, all of God's scattered sheep -- both those in the original (Jewish) fold and those in the other fold, the Gentile fold, which (when brought together in Christ) make up the one true Flock of God led by the One True Shepherd, even that Great Shepherd, the Lord Jesus Christ. When the Apostle Paul declares in Acts 28:20 "For this cause therefore have I called for you, to see [you], and to speak with [you]: because that FOR THE HOPE OF ISRAEL I am bound with this chain;" we need to understand that this one Hope of Israel is the same hope for everyone man -- it is Christ in you, the Hope of Glory. The only Hope of Israel is Christ Jesus the Lord, in the same sense and in the same manner (presently, even now) as it is for everyone else -- because the only True Israel is Christ; all of the Israel of God pertains to Him, His bride in and with Him, and to the Godhead that indwells both Him and them. To look for another Hope of Israel, a future Hope for Israel, is to look for another Christ, another Gospel, and "another" is simply a synonym for "false" for another hope is a false hope, another christ is a false christ, another gospel is a false gospel. Dispensationalism comes dangerously close to another Gospel and, in some instances, may already cross the line into it. Why? because, once again, the only hope for national Israel, for ethnic Jews/Israelites/Hebrews, must be viewed as the same (and only) Hope for the Gentiles as well -- even the Lord Jesus Christ Himself. If, right here and right now, He is not their only Hope, then they have no hope at all because, as this article aims to show, all of the promises, for all of (elect) mankind are in Christ Jesus through His Gospel, and in this New Testament age. A future age to come, one where there is a carnal earthly land in Palestine with a carnal temple, with carnal sacrifices, with carnal rituals and ordinances, is nothing but a carnal (and thus false) hope; it is a mere fable and has no ground or substance in the Bible -- chiefly because it runs country to the glory of God in Christ Jesus and in His finished (High Priestly) work. All of the promises in Christ Jesus are spiritual, they are ours already (for both Jew and Gentile alike if we be in Christ), and these promises will have their ultimate fulfilment not in some fictional premillennial kingdom but at the Second Coming of Christ wherein He will come with all of His saints to judge the world, to destroy the old, to create the new, and to usher in an eternity of perfect, blissful, blessed ONENESS between the Godhead and Mankind; between the Triune Godhead, the Bride, and the Bridegroom, all in the person of our True Spiritual Israel, which is Christ Jesus the Lord. Nonetheless, it is one thing to assert the above and another thing to prove it; so the aim henceforth

is to prove with as little commentary of mine as possible and with as much scriptural testimony as is feasible, that Christ is Israel, that the Head and Body is Israel, and that all of the promises are spiritually to Him, in Him, and to all those who are in Him, including those promises supposedly reserved for National Israel at some future point in (some supposed premillennial) time.

II. THE ENTIRE BIBLE TESTIFIES OF CHRIST

When we read about Israel in the Old Testament, we must remember that it ultimately pictures/typifies/symbolizes Christ Himself. Why? Because the whole of Scripture testifies of Him! for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy (Revelation 19:10).

- **John 1:45** "Philip findeth Nathanael, and saith unto him, We have found Him, of whom Moses in the law, and the prophets, did write, JESUS OF NAZARETH, the son of Joseph."
- **John 5:39** "Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of Me."
- Psalm 40:7 "Then said I, Lo, I come: IN THE VOLUME OF THE BOOK [it is] written of Me..."
- **Hebrews 10:7** "Then said I, Lo, I come (IN THE VOLUME OF THE BOOK it is written of Me,) to do thy will, O God."
- Luke 24:27 "And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, He expounded unto them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself."
- Luke 24:44 "And He said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning Me."
- Acts 26:22-23 "Having therefore obtained help of God, I continue unto this day, witnessing both to small and great, saying none other things than those which the prophets and Moses did say should come: 23 That CHRIST should suffer, and that He should be the First that should rise from the dead, and should shew Light unto the people, and to the Gentiles."

III. THE TRUE ISRAEL OF GOD IS NONE OTHER THAN CHRIST

Christ is the True Israel of God; when we think of Israel in the Old Testament we must think typologically, first and foremost, in terms of Christ Himself. If we fail to realise that Israel, in the highest sense of the term, is Christ, we miss the boat entirely and our theology on the matter will be very much confused and convoluted. Dispensationalism, rooted in the traditions of men, even Jewish fables (what they expected things to be like, physically/carnally/politically, when the Messiah came), is a prime example of missing the boat. This error misses the reality of Christ in all of the Scripture and in all of the Scriptural promises. If your first concept of Israel is National Israel (i.e. an earthly nation consisting primarily of ethnic Jews or those who identify as such) then your concept is in error and you are bound to go doctrinally astray. The promises made to Israel were first and foremost to Christ Himself, by God Himself, and then to all of the believing Israelites in Him -- and in the New Testament era, to all the Jews and Gentiles in Him, without distinction. There are no remaining promises to be had for an earthly Jewish nation that are not already had, in Christ, by the elect congregation of God -- again, both Jew and Gentile (for in Christ, there is neither Jew nor Gentile - the two have become One Body, One Flesh, in Christ). I hope the following sections will make this Truth all the more clear, addressing many of the concerns and objections that are likely to arise; however, for now, consider the Oneness of the True Christ and the True Israel:

- Matthew 2:14-15 "When [Joseph] arose, he took the young child [the Lord Jesus Christ] and His
 mother by night, and DEPARTED INTO EGYPT: And was there until the death of Herod: that it
 might be fulfilled which was SPOKEN OF THE LORD by the prophet, saying, OUT OF
 EGYPT have I CALLED MY SON."
 - Numbers 24:8 "God brought [ISRAEL] forth OUT OF EGYPT; HE hath as it were the strength of an unicorn: HE shall eat up the nations HIS enemies, and shall break their bones, and pierce them through with HIS arrows."
 - Hosea 11:1 "When ISRAEL [was] a child, then I loved him, and CALLED MY SON OUT OF EGYPT."
 - Exodus 4:22-23 "And thou shalt say unto Pharaoh, Thus saith the LORD, ISRAEL [is] MY SON, [even] MY FIRSTBORN: And I say unto thee, Let MY SON go, that HE may serve ME: and if thou refuse to let HIM go, behold, I will slay thy son, even thy firstborn."
 - Hebrews 12:22-23a "But ye are come unto MOUNT SION, and unto THE CITY OF THE LIVING GOD, THE HEAVENLY JERUSALEM, and to an innumerable company of angels, 23 To the general ASSEMBLY and CHURCH OF THE FIRSTBORN..."
 - Colossians 1:15,18 [speaking of Christ] "Who is the image of the invisible God, the FIRSTBORN of every creature...18 And HE IS THE HEAD OF THE BODY, THE CHURCH: who is the beginning, THE FIRSTBORN from the dead; that in all [things] He might have the preeminence."
- Isaiah 49:1-3,6 "Listen, O isles, unto Me; and hearken, ye people, from far; The LORD hath called Me from the womb; from the bowels of My mother hath He made mention of My Name. 2 And He hath MADE MY MOUTH LIKE A SHARP SWORD; in the shadow of His Hand hath He hid Me, and made Me a polished shaft; in His quiver hath He hid Me; 3 And said unto Me, THOU [ART] MY SERVANT, O ISRAEL, IN WHOM I WILL BE GLORIFIED... 6 And He said, It is a light thing that thou shouldest be MY SERVANT to raise up THE TRIBES OF JACOB, and to restore THE PRESERVED OF ISRAEL: I will also give Thee for A LIGHT TO THE GENTILES, that Thou mayest be MY SALVATION unto THE END OF THE EARTH."
 - Revelation 1:13,16 "And in the midst of the seven candlesticks [One] like unto the SON OF MAN, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle...16 And He had in His right hand seven stars: and OUT OF HIS MOUTH WENT A SHARP TWOEDGED SWORD: and His countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength."
 - Isaiah 44:1-3 "Yet now hear, O JACOB MY SERVANT; and ISRAEL, WHOM I HAVE CHOSEN: 2 Thus saith the LORD that made Thee, and formed Thee from the womb, [which] will help Thee; Fear not, O JACOB, MY SERVANT; AND THOU, JESURUN, WHOM I HAVE CHOSEN. 3 For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I WILL POUR MY SPIRIT UPON THY SEED, and My blessing upon Thine offspring:"
 - Matthew 12:15-18 "But when JESUS knew [it], He withdrew Himself from thence: and great multitudes followed Him, and He healed them all; 16 And charged them that they should not make Him known: 17 That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, BEHOLD MY SERVANT, WHOM I HAVE CHOSEN; MY BELOVED, IN WHOM MY SOUL IS WELL PLEASED: I WILL PUT MY SPIRIT UPON HIM, and He shall SHEW JUDGMENT TO THE GENTILES."

- Luke 23:33-35 "And when they were come to the place, which is called Calvary, there they crucified Him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left. 34 Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And they parted His raiment, and cast lots. 35 And the people stood beholding. And the rulers also with them derided [Him], saying, He saved others; let Him save Himself, if He be CHRIST, THE CHOSEN OF GOD."
- Matthew 3:16-17 "And JESUS, when He was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon Him: 17 And lo a voice from Heaven, saying, THIS IS MY BELOVED SON, IN WHOM I AM WELL PLEASED."
- Psalm 2:7,12 "I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto Me, THOU [ART] MY SON; this day have I BEGOTTEN THEE... 12 KISS THE SON, lest He be angry, and ye perish [from] the way, when His wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in Him."
 - Hebrews 1:1-9 "God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, 2 Hath in these last days spoken unto us by [HIS] SON, whom He hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also He made the worlds; 3 WHO BEING THE BRIGHTNESS OF [HIS] GLORY, AND THE EXPRESS IMAGE OF HIS PERSON, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high; 4 Being made so much better than the angels, as He hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they. 5 For unto which of the angels said He at any time, THOU ART MY SON, THIS DAY HAVE I BEGOTTEN THEE? And again, I WILL BE TO HIM A FATHER, AND HE SHALL BE TO ME A SON? 6 And again, when he bringeth in the FIRSTBEGOTTEN into the world, He saith, And let all the angels of God worship him. 7 And of the angels He saith, Who maketh His angels spirits, and His ministers a flame of fire. 8 But UNTO THE SON [He saith], THY THRONE, O GOD, [is] for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness [is] the sceptre of Thy kingdom. 9 Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; THEREFORE GOD, [even] THY GOD, hath anointed Thee with the oil of gladness above Thy fellows."
- John 1:14 "And [God] the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld His glory, the glory as of THE ONLY BEGOTTEN OF THE FATHHER,) full of grace and truth."
- Isaiah 42:1 "BEHOLD MY SERVANT, whom I uphold; MINE ELECT, [IN WHOM] MY SOUL DELIGHTETH; I HAVE PUT MY SPIRIT UPON HIM: He shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles."
- Isaiah 52:13-15 "BEHOLD, MY SERVANT shall deal prudently, He shall be exalted and extolled, and be very high. 14 As many were astonied at thee; HIS VISAGE WAS SO MARRED MORE THAN ANY MAN, and HIS FORM more than the sons of men: 15 So shall He sprinkle many nations; the kings shall shut their mouths at Him: for [that] which had not been told them shall they see; and [that] which they had not heard shall they consider."
 - John 19:1-6 "Then Pilate therefore TOOK JESUS, AND SCOURGED [HIM]. 2 And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put [it] on His head, and they put on Him a purple robe, 3 And said, Hail, King of the Jews! and THEY SMOTE HIM WITH THEIR HANDS. 4 Pilate therefore went forth again, and saith unto them, Behold, I bring Him forth to you, that ye may know that I find no fault in Him. 5 Then came JESUS forth,

- wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And [Pilate] saith unto them, BEHOLD THE MAN! 6 When the chief priests therefore and officers saw Him, they cried out, saying, Crucify [Him], crucify [Him]. Pilate saith unto them, Take ye Him, and crucify [Him]: for I find no fault in Him."
- Philippians 2:5-7 "Let this mind be in you, which was also in CHRIST JESUS: 6 WHO, BEING IN THE FORM OF GOD, thought it not robbery to be EQUAL WITH GOD: 7 But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him THE FORM OF A SERVANT, and was made in the likeness of men."
- 1 Timothy 3:16 "And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: GOD WAS MANIFEST IN THE FLESH, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory."
- **Jeremiah 2:3** "ISRAEL [was] HOLINESS unto the LORD, [and] THE FIRSTFRUITS of His increase: all that DEVOUR HIM shall offend; evil shall come upon them, saith the LORD."
 - O 1 Corinthians 15:20,23 "But now is CHRIST risen from the dead, [and] become THE FIRSTFRUITS of them that slept...23 But every man in his own order: CHRIST THE FIRSTFRUITS; afterward they that are Christ's at His coming."
 - Revelation 12:1-5 "And there appeared a great wonder in Heaven; a woman clothed with the Sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars: 2 And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered. 3 And there appeared another wonder in Heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads. And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for TO DEVOUR HER CHILD as soon as it was born. 5 And she brought forth a MAN CHILD, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her Child was caught up unto God, and [to] His throne."
 - 1 Corinthians 1:30-31 "But of Him are ye in CHRIST JESUS, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and RIGHTEOUSNESS, and SANCTIFICATION [HOLINESS / HAGIASMOS / G38], and redemption: That, according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord."
 - Jeremiah 23:5 "Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will raise unto David a RIGHTEOUS BRANCH, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth. 6 In His days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and THIS [IS] HIS NAME whereby HE SHALL BE CALLED, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS."
 - Jeremiah 33:14-15 "Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will perform that good thing which I have promised unto THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL and to THE HOUSE OF JUDAH. In those days, and at that time, will I cause THE BRANCH OF RIGHTEOUSNESS to grow up unto David; and He shall execute judgment and righteousness in the land. In those days shall Judah be saved, and Jerusalem shall dwell safely: and this [is the name] wherewith SHE SHALL BE CALLED, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS."
 - Note: concerning Jeremiah 23:5 and Jeremiah 33:15, specifically the use of HE and SHE, consider how it sets up the blessed Truth expounded upon further (immediately below), how that Christ is both Head and Body... Christ is One, the Lord Jesus eternally with His elect.

IV. IN THE MESSIANIC ROLE AND OFFICE OF CHRIST, WE SEE THE DIVINE, ETERNAL, MEDIATORIAL AGGREGATE OF THE TRIUNE GODHEAD, YOKED WITH THE LORD JESUS, YOKED WITH HIS ELECT BODY

Christ is not only God the Word made flesh; Christ (as the God-Man Mediator) is the aggregate of perfect Divinity and perfect Humanity for all whom He came to save. Thus, CHRIST is (1) God the Word incarnate, the Head of His One (Elect) Body; along with being (2) The Body, the Bride, being forever eternally yoked to her Head and Husband, with Her dwelling in Him and Him in Her (So that Christ is literally BOTH the Head and the Body); and (3) Christ is the Firstborn, the Only-Begotten Son of God, who is the express image of His Person, and who is the Fulness of the Godhead bodily. Thus, Spiritual Israel, even the Lord Jesus Christ, should be thought of as that rich, holy, spiritual dwelling place (metaphorically-speaking), wherein the fulness of God eternally dwells with the fulness of Man (even the Man Christ Jesus, along with His Bride who is ever with Him, and in Him, and Him in, and with, her). In the Old Testament, National Israel represented the people of God, the congregation of God, wherein you had a mixture of true believers (the elect) and false professors (the reprobate). In it you had the prophets, the priests, and the kings who typified the spiritual Prophet, Priest, and King that dwelt with them. In it, the Lord God dwelt in the Holy of Holies and the Spirit of God moved amongst men. Where ever the nation was sent, wherever they dwelt, whatever they experienced, their Head was right their with them. So in this nation, you had the Body of believers (some true, some false); you had the Head of that Body, and you also had the presence of the Triune Godhead. So as a figure, and yet in a very real sense, National Israel represented that holy place wherein Body, Head, and Godhead met in, and dwelt together, in One. Likewise, in reality, the Person of Christ, who is our Spiritual Israel, is the place wherein the Body dwells with, and is indwelt by, the Lord Jesus. For clarity, the Heavenly Father is never called Christ nor is the Holy Spirit; but only the Lord Jesus and, in one passage particularly, His elect bride in and with Him. Likewise, God the Father is never called Israel, nor is God the Holy Spirit, but only Christ is so called, and His people as well. It is only in Christ that the Body dwells with the Godhead and the Godhead indwells the Body. It is in Christ, in the sense of the role and office, that God the Word made Flesh, the Lord Jesus, is eternally, vitally united with His bride whilst at the very same time eternally, vitally voked with the Triune Godhead (being, again, the fulness of the Godhead bodily). So we have a perfect union, in Christ, of the Triune Godhead, with the People of God, which is a mindblowingly blessed reality to consider. The Godhead resides in our Spiritual Israel, our Spiritual Israel resides in the Godhead, and the people of God, the Body of Christ, resides in Spiritual Israel with the Godhead... this is utterly, and entirely, beyond amazing! Christ is blessed, holy, ONENESS to the utmost!

I cannot help but think of Heaven in a similar fashion given that Heaven is the place wherein the Body of Christ, forever dwells with Christ, and Christ and His Body forever dwells with the Triune Godhead (God the Word dwelling with the Father, the Holy Ghost, and with His eternal congregation, the Bride). Simply put, though Heaven is undoubtedly a real and blessed place, Heaven is first and foremost being in perfect, uninhibited, unrestrained union and communion with the Fulness of the Godhead bodily in Christ Jesus! So Spiritual Israel, Mount Zion on High, The New Jerusalem, and Heaven all represent the highest state of eternal vital union with God Almighty in Christ Jesus, the Lord. It does not get any better than this -- all else in known and unknown creation, combined, could not parallels this. How does anything even begin to approach, let alone parallel or rival, perfect, blessed union with God Himself? Yet some, taking their eyes off of this reality (or else, never seeing it in the first place) speak much of, or look heavily forward to, some earthly restoration of a political and religious nation called Israel. In this place they see some great beauty or hope; in this earhtly kingdom (albeit restored to some degree) they find their joy and pleasure. Not me; not when I consider the following passages that all testify to the glory and wonder that is inherent in a blessed and perfect God who is willing to yoke Himself with His

beloved people forever more, and to walk with them, as One Body and One Flesh. Consider the following passages and how they all build one upon another:

- John 1:1-3, 14-18 "In the beginning was THE WORD, and THE WORD WAS WITH GOD, and THE WORD WAS GOD. 2 THE SAME WAS IN THE BEGINNING WITH GOD. 3 All things were made by Him; and without Him was not anything made that was made... 14 And THE WORD WAS MADE FLESH, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld HIS GLORY, the glory as of THE ONLY BEGOTTEN of the Father,) full of grace and truth. 15 John bare witness of him, and cried, saying, This was He of whom I spake, He that cometh after me is preferred before me: for He was before me. 16 And OF HIS FULNESS have all we received, and grace for grace.17 For the law was given by Moses, [but] grace and truth came by JESUS CHRIST. 18 No man hath seen God at any time; THE ONLY BEGOTTEN SON, which is in the bosom of the Father, He hath declared [Him]."
 - o 1 Timothy 3:16 "And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: GOD WAS MANIFEST IN THE FLESH, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory."
 - Isaiah 9:6 "For unto us a Child is born, unto us A SON IS GIVEN: and the government shall be upon His shoulder: and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, THE MIGHTY GOD, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace."
 - Matthew 1:20-22 "But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for THAT WHICH IS CONCEIVED IN HER IS OF THE HOLY GHOST. 21 And SHE SHALL BRING FORTH A SON, and thou shalt call His name JESUS: for He shall save His people from their sins. 22 Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, "Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth A SON, and they shall call His name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, GOD WITH US."
 - **Hebrews 1:8** "But unto the SON [He saith], Thy throne, O GOD, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness [is] the sceptre of Thy kingdom."
 - o John 20:28 "And Thomas answered and said unto Him, MY LORD and MY GOD."
 - o **Titus 2:13-14** "Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of THE GREAT GOD AND OUR SAVIOUR Jesus Christ. 14 Who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto Himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works."
 - o **Philippians 2:5-8** "Let this mind be in you, which was also in CHRIST JESUS: 6 WHO, BEING IN THE FORM OF GOD, thought it not robbery to be EQUAL WITH GOD: 7 But made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: 8 And being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross."
- 1 Corinthians 12:12, 27 "For as THE BODY is one, and hath MANY MEMBERS, and all the members of that one body, BEING MANY, are ONE BODY: SO ALSO [IS] CHRIST... 27 Now ye are THE BODY OF CHRIST, and members in particular."

- Galatians 3:16 "Now TO ABRAHAM AND HIS SEED were the promises made. He saith NOT, AND TO SEEDS, AS OF MANY; BUT AS OF ONE, and TO THY SEED, WHICH IS CHRIST..."
 - Compare with Galatians 3:29, which states "And IF YE BE CHRIST'S, THEN ARE YE ABRAHAM'S SEED, and HEIRS according to the promise" -- clearly the Seed is singular, even One, in Galatians 3:16 and yet it incorporates many in v39; why? Because although the Seed is but One, which is the Lord Jesus Christ, we must remember that Christ, is the Head (already eternally) yoked to the Body who, together, make up that One blessed Christ!
- **Ephesians 5:25-32** "Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave Himself for her [αὐτῆς / singular, feminine]; 26 That He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, 27 That He might present her [αὐτῆς / singular, feminine] to Himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that she should be holy and without blemish. 28 So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. 29 For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church: 30 FOR WE ARE MEMBERS OF HIS BODY, OF HIS FLESH, AND OF HIS BONES. 31 For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and THEY TWO SHALL BE ONE FLESH. 32 This is a great mystery: but I SPEAK CONCERNING CHRIST AND THE CHURCH."
- Ephesians 4:4, 15-16 "[There is] ONE BODY, and ONE SPIRIT, even as ye are called in ONE HOPE [CHRIST IN YOU] of your calling... 15 But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into Him in all things, WHICH IS THE HEAD, [even] CHRIST: 16 From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love."
- Colossians 2:8-13 "Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after CHRIST. 9 FOR IN HIM DEWLLETH ALL THE FULNESS OF THE GODHEAD BODILY. 10 And ye are complete IN HIM, WHICH IS THE HEAD of all principality and power: 11 In whom also YE ARE CIRCUMCISED WITH THE CIRCUMCISION MADE WITHOUT HANDS, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh BY THE CIRCUMCISION OF CHRIST, 12 Buried with Him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with [Him] through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead. 13 And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath He quickened together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses..."
 - Ephesians 1:22 "And [The Father] hath put all things under [CHRIST'S] feet, and gave Him [to be] THE HEAD OVER all [things] to THE CHURCH, WHICH IS HIS BODY, THE FULNESS OF HIM THAT FILLETH ALL IN ALL."
 - Colossians 1:18-19 "And [CHRIST] IS THE HEAD OF THE BODY, THE CHURCH: who is the beginning, THE FIRSTBORN from the dead; that in all [things] He might have the preeminence. 19 For it pleased [The Father] that IN HIM SHOULD ALL FULNESS DWELL."
 - **Ephesians 3:14-21** "For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, 15 Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, 16 That He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might by His Spirit in the inner

man; 17 That CHRIST MAY DWELL IN YOUR HEARTS by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, 18 May be able to comprehend with all saints what [is] the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; 19 And TO KNOW THE LOVE OF CHRIST, which passeth knowledge, THAT YE MAY BE FILLED WITH ALL THE FULNESS OF GOD. 20 Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, 21 Unto Him [be] glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen."

- John 17:20-23 "Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on Me through their word; 21 That they all may be ONE; as Thou, Father, [art] in Me, and I in Thee, that they also may be ONE IN US: that the world may believe that Thou hast sent Me. 22 And the glory which thou gavest Me I have given them; that they may be ONE EVEN AS WE ARE ONE: 23 I IN THEM, and THOU IN ME, that they may be made perfect IN ONE; and that the world may know that Thou hast sent Me, and hast loved them, as Thou hast loved Me."
 - o **1 John 3:23-24** "And this is His commandment, That we should believe on the name of HIS SON JESUS CHRIST, and love one another, as He gave us commandment. 24 And He that keepeth His commandments DWELLETH IN HIM, and HE IN HIM. And hereby we know that He abideth in us, by THE SPIRIT WHICH HE HATH GIVEN US.
 - 2 John 1:9 "Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the DOCTRINE OF CHRIST, hath not God. He that abideth in the DOCTRINE OF CHRIST, he HATH BOTH THE FATHER AND THE SON."
 - John 14:23 "Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love Me, he will keep My words: and My Father will love him, and WE WILL COME UNTO HIM, and MAKE OUR ABODE WITH HIM."

V. IN SPIRITUAL ISRAEL, THAT IS, IN CHRIST, THERE IS NEITHER JEW NOR GENTILE; THERE IS ONLY ONE BODY, YOKED TO ONE HEAD, TOGETHER BEING ONE CHRIST, INDWELT BY ONE GODHEAD

The True Jews, the True Israel of God, the true Chosen People, and the True People of the Promise, are all who are in the True Israel, Christ Jesus our Lord. If you are found IN THIS ISRAEL you are a true Israelite indeed, you are a true Jew indeed, without regard to your earthly, physical, ethnic or national make-up. We are not to heed Jewish fables, human conjecture, the traditions of men, nor any other form of the twisting or denying of Scripture. Instead, we are to know and believe that, spiritually speaking, when it comes to God and His promises IN CHRIST, there is neither Jew nor Gentile anymore, just Christians, just Spiritual Israelites indwelling and indwelt by the True Christ, the Firstborn of God, the only begotten Son of God, even the Lord Jesus Christ -- all without regard to race, ethnicity, language, or nationality. We are One people, one Body, found in the One Beloved Of God.

- Galatians 3:26-29 "For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus. 27 For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. 28 THERE IS NEITHER JEW NOR GREEK, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for YE ARE ALL ONE IN CHRIST JESUS. 29 And if ye [be] CHRIST'S, THEN ARE YE ABRAHAM'S SEED, AND HEIRS ACCORDING TO THE PROMISE."
 - o Galatians 3:13 "CHRIST hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed [is] every one that hangeth on a tree. 14 That THE BLESSING OF ABRAHAM MIGHT COME ON THE GENTILES THROUGH JESUS

CHRIST; that we might receive THE PROMISE OF THE SPIRIT through faith. 15 brethren, I speak after the manner of men; Though [it be] but a man's covenant, yet [if it be] confirmed, no man disannulleth, or addeth thereto. 16 Now TO ABRAHAM AND HIS SEED WERE THE PROMISES MADE. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; BUT AS OF ONE, and to THY SEED, WHICH IS CHRIST."

- Genesis 22:15 "And the angel of the LORD called unto Abraham out of Heaven the second time, 16 And said, BY MYSELF HAVE I SWORN, SAITH THE LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only [son]: 17 THAT IN BLESSING I WILL BLESS THEE, and in multiplying I WILL MULTIPLY THY SEED as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which [is] upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies; 18 AND IN THY SEED SHALL ALL THE NATIONS OF THE EARTH BE BLESSED; because thou hast obeyed My voice."
- Ephesians 3:5 "Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto His holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit; 6 That THE GENTILES SHOULD BE FELLOWHEIRS, and OF THE SAME BODY; and PARTAKERS OF HIS PROMISE IN CHRIST by the Gospel."
- Hebrews 11:8-16 "BY FAITH ABRAHAM, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went. 9 BY FAITH HE SOJOURNED IN THE LAND OF PROMISE, AS [IN] A STRANGE COUNTRY, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, THE HEIRS WITH HIM OF THE SAME PROMISE: 10 FOR HE LOOKED FOR A CITY WHICH HATH FOUNDATIONS, WHOSE BUILDER AND MAKER [IS] GOD, 11 Through faith also Sara herself received strength to conceive seed, and was delivered of a child when she was past age, because she judged Him faithful who had promised. 12 Therefore sprang there even of one, and him as good as dead, [so many] as the stars of the sky in multitude, and as the sand which is by the sea shore innumerable. 13 THESE ALL DIED IN FAITH, NOT HAVING RECEIVED THE PROMISES, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of [them], and embraced [them], and CONFESSED THAT THEY WERE STRANGERS AND PILGRIMS ON THE EARTH. 14 For they that say such things declare plainly that THEY SEEK A COUNTRY. 15 And truly, if they had been mindful of that [country] from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned. 16 But now THEY DESIRE A BETTER [COUNTRY], THAT IS, AN HEAVENLY: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for HE HATH PREPARED FOR THEM A CITY."
 - Hebrews 13:14 "For HERE HAVE WE NO CONTINUING CITY, but WE SEEK ONE TO COME."
 - Revelation 21:1-3 "And I saw A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. 2 And I John saw THE HOLY CITY, NEW JERUSALEM, COMING DOWN FROM GOD OUT OF HEAVEN, prepared AS A BRIDE ADORNED FOR HER HUSBAND. 3 And I heard a great Voice out of Heaven saying, Behold, THE TABERNACLE OF GOD [is] WITH MEN, AND HE WILL DWELL WITH THEM, and they shall be His people, and GOD HIMSELF SHALL BE WITH THEM, [and be] THEIR GOD."
 - Genesis 17:7-8 "And I WILL ESTABLISH MY COVENANT BETWEEN ME AND THEE AND THY SEED AFTER THEE in their generations for an everlasting covenant,

- to be a God unto thee, and TO THY SEED after thee. 8 And I will give unto thee, and TO THY SEED AFTER THEE, THE LAND WHEREIN THOU ART A STRANGER, ALL THE LAND OF CANAAN, FOR AN EVERLASTING POSSESSION, I WILL BE THEIR GOD."
- Genesis 12:4-7 "So Abram departed, as the LORD had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram [was] seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran. 5 And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their substance that they had gathered, and the souls that they had gotten in Haran; and they went forth to go into the land of Canaan; and into the land of Canaan they came. 6 And Abram passed through the land unto the place of Sichem, unto the plain of Moreh. And the Canaanite [was] then in the land. 7 And the LORD appeared unto Abram, and said, UNTO THY SEED WILL I GIVE THIS LAND: and there builded he an altar unto the LORD, who appeared unto him."
- Isaiah 66:22 "For as THE NEW HEAVENS AND THE NEW EARTH, which I will
 make, shall remain before me, saith the LORD, SO SHALL YOUR SEED AND YOUR
 NAME REMAIN."
- 2 Peter 3:12-13 "Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat? 13 Nevertheless we, ACCORDING TO HIS PROMISE, look for NEW HEAVENS AND A NEW EARTH, wherein dwelleth righteousness.
- o **Revelation 3:12-13** "Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of My God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the Name of My God, and the name of THE CITY OF MY GOD, [which is] NEW JERUSALEM, WHICH COMETH DOWN OUT OF HEAVEN FROM MY GOD: and [I will write upon him] My new Name. 13 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches."
- Joel 2:32 "And it shall come to pass, [that] whosoever shall call on the Name of the LORD shall be delivered: for in MOUNT ZION AND IN JERUSALEM shall be deliverance, as the LORD hath said, and in the remnant whom the LORD shall call."
- Hebrews 12:22-29 "But ye are come unto MOUNT SION, and unto THE CITY OF THE LIVING GOD, THE HEAVENLY JERUSALEM, and to an innumerable company of angels, 23 TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND CHURCH OF THE FIRSTBORN, which are written in Heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect, 24 And to Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel. 25 See that ye refuse not him that speaketh. For if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth, much more [shall not] we [escape], if we turn away from Him that [speaketh] from heaven: 26 Whose Voice then shook the earth: but now He hath promised, saying, Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven. 27 And this [word], Yet once more, signifieth the removing of those things that are shaken, as of things that are made, that those things which cannot be shaken may remain. 28 WHEREFORE WE RECEIVING A KINGDOM WHICH CANNOT BE MOVED, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear: 29 For our God [is] a consuming fire.""
- Isaiah 52:1-2 "Awake, awake; put on thy strength, O ZION; put on thy beautiful garments, O JERUSALEM, THE HOLY CITY: for henceforth there shall no more come into thee the uncircumcised and the unclean. 2 shake thyself from the dust; arise, and sit down, O JERUSALEM: loose thyself from the bands of thy neck, O captive daughter of ZION.

- Ephesians 2:11-22 "Wherefore remember, that YE [BEING] IN TIMES PAST GENTILES IN THE FLESH, WHO ARE CALLED UNCIRCUMCISION BY THAT WHICH IS CALLED THE CIRCUMCISION IN THE FLESH MADE BY HANDS: 12 THAT AT THAT TIME YE WERE WITHOUT CHRIST, BEING ALIENS FROM THE COMMONWEALTH OF ISRAEL, AND STRANGERS FROM THE COVENANTS OF PROMISE, HAVING NO HOPE, AND WITHOUT GOD IN THE WORLD: 13 BUT NOW IN CHRIST JESUS YE WHO SOMETIMES WERE FAR OFF ARE MADE NIGH BY THE BLOOD OF CHRIST. 14 FOR HE IS OUR PEACE, WHO HATH MADE BOTH ONE, AND HATH BROKEN DOWN THE MIDDLE WALL OF PARTITION [BETWEEN US]; 15 Having abolished IN HIS FLESH the enmity, [even] the law of commandments [contained] in ordinances; FOR TO MAKE IN HIMSELF OF TWAIN ONE NEW MAN, [SO] MAKING PEACE; 16 AND THAT HE MIGHT RECONCILE BOTH UNTO GOD IN ONE BODY BY THE CROSS, having slain the enmity thereby: 17 And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh. 18 FOR THROUGH HIM WE BOTH HAVE ACCESS BY ONE SPIRIT UNTO THE FATHER. 19 NOW THEREFORE YE ARE NO MORE STRANGERS AND FOREIGNERS. BUT FELLOWCITIZENS WITH THE SAINTS, AND OF THE HOUSEHOLD OF GOD; 20 And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, JESUS CHRIST HIMSELF being the chief corner [stone]; 21 IN WHOM all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: 22 IN WHOM ye also are builded TOGETHER for an habitation of God through the Spirit."
 - Galatians 6:12-16 "As many as desire to make a fair shew in the flesh, they constrain you to be circumcised; only lest they should suffer persecution for the cross of Christ. 13 For neither they themselves who are circumcised keep the law; but desire to have you circumcised, that they may glory in your flesh. 14 But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world. 15 FOR IN CHRIST JESUS NEITHER CIRCUMCISION AVAILETH ANY THING, NOR UNCIRCUMCISION, BUT A NEW CREATURE. 16 And as many as walk according to this rule, peace [be] on them, and mercy, and upon THE ISRAEL OF GOD."
 - Romans 10:11-12 "For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on Him shall not be ashamed. 12 For there is NO DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE JEW AND THE GREEK: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon Him."
 - O 1 Corinthians 12:12-14 "For AS THE BODY IS ONE, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: SO ALSO [IS] CHRIST. 13 For by ONE SPIRIT are we all baptized into ONE BODY, WHETHER [WE BE] JEWS OR GENTILES, whether [we be] bond or free; and have been all made to drink into ONE SPIRIT. 14 For THE BODY is not one member, but MANY."
 - OGalatians 3:7-9 "Know ye therefore that THEY WHICH ARE OF FAITH, THE SAME ARE THE CHILDREN OF ABRAHAM. 8 And the Scripture, foreseeing that GOD WOULD JUSTIFY THE HEATHEN THROUGH FAITH, preached before the Gospel unto Abraham, saying, IN THEE SHALL ALL NATIONS BE BLESSED. 9 SO THEN THEY WHICH BE OF FAITH ARE BLESSED WITH FAITHFUL ABRAHAM."
 - Romans 4:9-16 "[Cometh] this blessedness then upon the circumcision [only], or upon the uncircumcision also? for we say that faith was reckoned to Abraham for righteousness. 10 How was it then reckoned? when he was in circumcision, or in uncircumcision? Not in circumcision, but in uncircumcision. 11 And he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which [he had] yet being uncircumcised: THAT HE MIGHT

- BE THE FATHER OF ALL THEM THAT BELIEVE, THOUGH THEY BE NOT CIRCUMCISED; that righteousness might be imputed unto them also: 12 And the father of circumcision to them who are not of the circumcision only, but who also walk in the steps of that faith of OUR FATHER Abraham, which [he had] being yet uncircumcised. 13 For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, [was] not to Abraham, or to his seed, through the law, but through the righteousness of faith. 14 For if they which are of the law [be] heirs, faith is made void, and the promise made of none effect: 15 Because the law worketh wrath: for where no law is, [there is] no transgression. 16 Therefore [it is] of faith, that [it might be] by grace; TO THE END THE PROMISE MIGHT BE SURE TO ALL THE SEED; not to that only which is of the law, BUT TO THAT ALSO WHICH IS OF THE FAITH OF ABRAHAM; WHO IS THE FATHER OF US ALL..."
- Romans 9:6-8 "Not as though the word of God hath taken none effect. For THEY [ARE] NOT ALL ISRAEL, WHICH ARE OF ISRAEL: 7 NEITHER, BECAUSE THEY ARE THE SEED OF ABRAHAM, ARE THEY ALL CHILDREN: BUT, IN ISAAC SHALL THY SEED BE CALLED. 8 THAT IS, THEY WHICH ARE THE CHILDREN OF THE FLESH, THESE ARE NOT THE CHILDREN OF GOD: BUT THE CHILDREN OF THE PROMISE ARE COUNTED FOR THE SEED."
- Romans 9:21-33 "Hath not the Potter power over the clay, of the same lump to make one vessel unto honour, and another unto dishonour? 22 [What] if God, willing to shew [His] wrath, and to make His power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath fitted to destruction: 23 And that He might make known the riches of His glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared unto glory, 24 EVEN US, WHOM HE HATH CALLED, NOT OF THE JEWS ONLY, BUT ALSO OF THE GENTILES? 25 AS HE SAITH ALSO IN OSEE, I WILL CALL THEM MY PEOPLE, WHICH WERE NOT MY PEOPLE; AND HER BELOVED, WHICH WAS NOT BELOVED. 26 AND IT SHALL COME TO PASS, [THAT] IN THE PLACE WHERE IT WAS SAID UNTO THEM, YE [ARE] NOT MY PEOPLE; THERE SHALL THEY BE CALLED THE CHILDREN OF THE LIVING GOD. 27 ESAIAS ALSO CRIETH CONCERNING ISRAEL, THOUGH THE NUMBER OF THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL BE AS THE SAND OF THE SEA, A REMNANT SHALL BE SAVED: 28 For He will finish the work, and cut [it] short in righteousness: because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth. 29 AND AS ESAIAS SAID BEFORE, EXCEPT THE LORD OF SABAOTH HAD LEFT US A SEED, WE HAD BEEN AS SODOMA, AND BEEN MADE LIKE UNTO GOMORRHA. 30 What shall we say then? That the Gentiles, which followed not after righteousness, have attained to righteousness, even the righteousness which is of faith. 31 But Israel, which followed after the law of righteousness, hath not attained to the law of righteousness. 32 Wherefore? Because [they sought it] not by faith, but as it were by the works of the law. For they stumbled at that Stumblingstone; 33 As it is written, Behold, I lay in Sion a Stumblingstone and Rock of Offence: and whosoever believeth on Him shall not be ashamed."
- Romans 2:25-29 "For circumcision verily profiteth, if thou keep the law: but if thou be a breaker of the law, thy circumcision is made uncircumcision. 26 Therefore if the uncircumcision keep the righteousness of the law, shall not his uncircumcision be counted for circumcision? 27 And shall not uncircumcision which is by nature, if it fulfil the law, judge thee, who by the letter and circumcision dost transgress the law? 28 FOR HE IS NOT A JEW, WHICH IS ONE OUTWARDLY; NEITHER [IS THAT] CIRCUMCISION, WHICH IS OUTWARD IN THE FLESH: 29 BUT HE [IS] A JEW, WHICH IS ONE INWARDLY; AND CIRCUMCISION [IS THAT] OF THE HEART, IN THE SPIRIT, [AND] NOT IN THE LETTER; whose praise [is] not of men, but of God.

- o Romans 3:28-31 "Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law. 29 [IS HE] THE GOD OF THE JEWS ONLY? [IS HE] NOT ALSO OF THE GENTILES? YES, OF THE GENTILES ALSO: 30 SEEING [IT IS] ONE GOD, which shall justify the circumcision by faith, and uncircumcision through faith. 31 Do we then make void the law through faith? God forbid: yea, we establish the law."
- Revelation 2:9 "I know thy works, and tribulation, and poverty, (but thou art rich) and [I know] the blasphemy of them WHICH SAY THEY ARE JEWS, AND ARE NOT, BUT ARE OF THE SYNAGOGUE OF SATAN."
- Revelation 3:9 "Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, WHICH SAY THEY ARE JEWS, AND ARE NOT, BUT DO LIE; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee."
- Philippians 3:1-3 "Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you, to me indeed [is] not grievous, but for you [it is] safe. 2 Beware of dogs, beware of evil workers, beware of the concision. 3 FOR WE ARE THE CIRCUMCISION, WHICH WORSHIP GOD IN THE SPIRIT, AND REJOICE IN CHRIST JESUS, and have no confidence in the flesh."
 - Colossians 2:6,11-17 "As ye have therefore received CHRIST JESUS THE LORD, [so] walk ye in Him... 11 IN WHOM ALSO YE ARE CIRCUMCISED WITH THE CIRCUMCISION MADE WITHOUT HANDS, IN PUTTING OFF THE BODY OF THE SINS OF THE FLESH BY THE CIRCUMCISION OF CHRIST: 12 BURIED WITH HIM IN BAPTISM, WHEREIN ALSO YE ARE RISEN WITH [HIM] THROUGH THE FAITH OF THE OPERATION OF GOD, WHO HATH RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD. 13 And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath He quickened together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses; 14 Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to His cross; 15 [And] having spoiled principalities and powers, He made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it. 16 Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath [days]: 17 Which are a shadow of things to come; but THE BODY [IS] OF CHRIST."

VI. ALL OF THE LAND PROMISES GIVEN TO NATIONAL ISRAEL HAVE ALREADY BEEN FULFILLED.

Yet, despite the overwhelming biblical testimony, many will insist on referring to some notion of a promise remaining for the natural seed of Abraham, especially as it relates to physical/geographical land in the region of the world called Palestine, without regard to whether they are in, or outside of, Christ. They simply will not believe that those physical Jews, or Israelites, or "Israelis," or Hebrews who are outside of Christ are spiritually the equivalent of Ishmaelites and Edomites and are, thus, not the children of the Promise. In fact, as (a) Children of the Promise; (b) Fellowheirs with the saints; (c) Members of the Commonwealth of Israel; (d) Fellowcitizens of the Household of God; (e) The (true, spiritual) circumcision, etc., it is the Christian (Jew and Gentile alike) who would have far more claim to the disputed land over there than the unbelieving seed (after the flesh) of Abraham currently inhabiting that nation currently called Israel. Yet, even this is folly because it is not about the earthly land -- it is about what that land represented, typified, a New Heaven and a New Earth, spiritual Mount Zion/New Jerusalem/The Israel of God. Which is why those saints living in the earthly borders of Israel and Judah, nonetheless, viewed themselves as but strangers and pilgrims there. They looked for a better Hope, a

better Land, a spiritual country and nation, which is what we have IN CHRIST JESUS and which is what we will indwell forever if we be found IN HIM!

Thus, those who hold to some earthly land right, or some other ethnic-based special privileges, for those who are part of some separate "chosen people" other than the totality of the elect church (Jew and Gentile alike), fail to see that one simply does not become a True Jew, a True Israelite, an inheritor of the Promises, until one is found in Christ Jesus (objectively, before the world was, but subjectively/experimentally, when the Spirit of God quickens and converts a lost sinner -- giving them spiritual Life, ears to hear, and faith to believe the Truth of the Gospel). Such people also fail to realise that the Bible is abundantly clear that the Abrahamic land promises to National Israel were fulfilled in Joshua's day. It is true that some of the land gains were lost for a season but they were taken back (restored) in the days of David and Solomon per 2 Samuel 8:3; 1 Chronicles. 18:3; 1 Kings 4:21-25; and 2 Chronicles 9:26-29 -- all evidencing that Genesis 15:18 had been fulfilled:

- Genesis 15:18-21 "In the same day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, UNTO THY SEED HAVE I GIVEN THIS LAND, FROM THE RIVER OF EGYPT UNTO THE GREAT RIVER, THE RIVER EUPHRATES: 19 The Kenites, and the Kenizzites, and the Kadmonites, 20 And the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Rephaims, 21 And the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Girgashites, and the Jebusites."
- Exodus 23:27-31 "I will send my fear before thee, and will destroy all the people to whom thou shalt come, and I will make all thine enemies turn their backs unto thee. 28 And I will send hornets before thee, which shall drive out the Hivite, the Canaanite, and the Hittite, from before thee. 29 I will not drive them out from before thee in one year; lest the land become desolate, and the beast of the field multiply against thee. 30 By little and little I will drive them out from before thee, until thou be increased, and inherit the land. 31 AND I WILL SET THY BOUNDS FROM THE RED SEA EVEN UNTO THE SEA OF THE PHILISTINES, AND FROM THE DESERT UNTO THE RIVER: for I will deliver the inhabitants of the land into your hand; and thou shalt drive them out before thee."
- **Deuteronomy 11:24** "Every place whereon the soles of your feet shall tread shall be yours: FROM THE WILDERNESS AND LEBANON, FROM THE RIVER, THE RIVER EUPHRATES, EVEN UNTO THE UTTERMOST SEA shall your coast be."
- **Joshua 21:43-45** "AND THE LORD GAVE UNTO ISRAEL ALL THE LAND WHICH HE SWARE TO GIVE UNTO THEIR FATHERS; AND THEY POSSESSED IT, AND DWELT THEREIN. 44 And the LORD gave them rest round about, ACCORDING TO ALL THAT HE SWARE UNTO THEIR FATHERS: and there stood not a man of all their enemies before them; the LORD delivered all their enemies into their hand. 45 THERE FAILED NOT OUGHT OF ANY GOOD THING WHICH THE LORD HAD SPOKEN UNTO THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL; ALL CAME TO PASS."
- Joshua 23:14-16 "And, behold, this day [I am] going the way of all the earth: and ye know in all your hearts and in all your souls, THAT NOT ONE THING HATH FAILED OF ALL THE GOOD THINGS WHICH THE LORD YOUR GOD SPAKE CONCERNING YOU; ALL ARE COME TO PASS UNTO YOU, [AND] NOT ONE THING HATH FAILED THEREOF. 15 THEREFORE IT SHALL COME TO PASS, [THAT] AS ALL GOOD THINGS ARE COME UPON YOU, WHICH THE LORD YOUR GOD PROMISED YOU; SO SHALL THE LORD BRING UPON YOU ALL EVIL THINGS, UNTIL HE HAVE DESTROYED YOU FROM OFF THIS GOOD LAND WHICH THE LORD YOUR GOD HATH GIVEN YOU. 16 When ye have transgressed the covenant of the LORD your God, which he commanded you, and have

- gone and served other gods, and bowed yourselves to them; then shall the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, , AND YE SHALL PERISH QUICKLY FROM OFF THE GOOD LAND WHICH HE HATH GIVEN UNTO YOU."
- **Deuteronomy 19:4-10** "And this [is] the case of the slayer, which shall flee thither, that he may live: Whoso killeth his neighbour ignorantly, whom he hated not in time past; 5 As when a man goeth into the wood with his neighbour to hew wood, and his hand fetcheth a stroke with the axe to cut down the tree, and the head slippeth from the helve, and lighteth upon his neighbour, that he die; he shall flee unto one of those cities, and live: 6 Lest the avenger of the blood pursue the slayer, while his heart is hot, and overtake him, because the way is long, and slay him; whereas he [was] not worthy of death, inasmuch as he hated him not in time past. 7 WHEREFORE I COMMAND THEE, SAYING, THOU SHALT SEPARATE THREE CITIES FOR THEE. 8 AND IF THE LORD THY GOD ENLARGE THY COAST, AS HE HATH SWORN UNTO THY FATHERS, AND GIVE THEE ALL THE LAND WHICH HE PROMISED TO GIVE UNTO THY FATHERS; 9 If thou shalt keep all these commandments to do them, which I command thee this day, to love the LORD thy God, and to walk ever in his ways; THEN SHALT THOU ADD THREE CITIES MORE FOR THEE, BESIDE THESE THREE: 10 That innocent blood be not shed in thy land, which the LORD thy God giveth thee [for] an inheritance, and [so] blood be upon thee."
- Joshua 20:2-9 "Speak to the children of Israel, saying, Appoint out for you cities of refuge, whereof I spake unto you by the hand of Moses: 3 That the slayer that killeth [any] person unawares [and] unwittingly may flee thither: and they shall be your refuge from the avenger of blood. 4 And when he that doth flee unto one of those cities shall stand at the entering of the gate of the city, and shall declare his cause in the ears of the elders of that city, they shall take him into the city unto them, and give him a place, that he may dwell among them. 5 And if the avenger of blood pursue after him, then they shall not deliver the slaver up into his hand; because he smote his neighbour unwittingly, and hated him not beforetime. 6 And he shall dwell in that city, until he stand before the congregation for judgment, [and] until the death of the high priest that shall be in those days: then shall the slayer return, and come unto his own city, and unto his own house, unto the city from whence he fled. 7 And they appointed Kedesh in Galilee in mount Naphtali, and Shechem in mount Ephraim, and Kirjatharba, which [is] Hebron, in the mountain of Judah. 8 And on the other side Jordan by Jericho eastward, they assigned Bezer in the wilderness upon the plain out of the tribe of Reuben, and Ramoth in Gilead out of the tribe of Gad, and Golan in Bashan out of the tribe of Manasseh. 9 These were the cities appointed for all the children of Israel, and for the stranger that sojourneth among them, that whosoever killeth [any] person at unawares might flee thither, and not die by the hand of the avenger of blood, until he stood before the congregation." -- Note: Six cities are listed here, fulfilling Deuteronomy 19:7-9
- Nehemiah 9:7-8 "Thou [art] the LORD the God, who didst choose Abram, and broughtest him forth out of Ur of the Chaldees, and gavest him the name of Abraham; 8 And foundest his heart faithful before Thee, AND MADEST A COVENANT WITH HIM TO GIVE THE LAND OF THE CANAANITES, the Hittites, the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Jebusites, and the Girgashites, to give [it, I say], to his seed, AND HAST PERFORMED THY WORDS; FOR THOU [ART] RIGHTEOUS."
- **Jeremiah 11:1-5** "The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying, 2 Hear ye the words of this covenant, and speak unto the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem; 3 And say thou unto them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel; Cursed [be] the man that obeyeth not the words of this covenant, 4 Which I commanded your fathers in the day [that] I brought them forth

out of the land of Egypt, from the iron furnace, saying, Obey my voice, and do them, according to all which I command you: so shall ye be my people, and I will be your God: 5 That I may perform the oath which I have sworn unto your fathers, TO GIVE THEM A LAND FLOWING WITH MILK AND HONEY, AS [IT IS] THIS DAY. Then answered I, and said, So be it, O LORD."

So we see two things very clearly (1) God gave them all the land He promised to give them and (2) that land grant was conditional upon their obedience. So in all things, the natural promise was fulfilled beyond any shadow of doubt. Yet, we should not miss the point; though this formerly Canaanitish land, the earthly Promised Land, was fully given to the people of Israel -- thus fulfilling all promises concerning that land, we must remember that this land was but a type of the Heavenly Israel, Mount Zion from on High, the New Jerusalem to come. Even in the earthly promised land, God's people, including the Patriarchs to whom the promises were first made, saw themselves as but pilgrims and sojourners in said land. They did not put their hope, stock, or desire in land that would be burned up when this current heavens and earth is so destroyed. Instead, they saw it rightly as a type, a historic/geographic parable, and though they appreciated the land God gave to them as a type, and as an earthly home/abode, they longed for a heavenly one to come. I trust that if given a choice between some thousand year reign in the borders of a restored, earthly National Israel, compared to all of eternity in Mount Zion on High, the New Jerusalem from Above, the Heavenly Israel of God that cometh down from Heaven, the Patriarchs would have taken the latter over the former in an instant. Thankfully, they are already there, along with all of those who died in Christ, and (I trust) have no desire to return to a carnal 'premillennial age' that so many in our day seem to desire so heavily.

Moreover, concerning the fact that the land promises were always conditioned on obedience, when the sins of the people grew to the point wherein God ordained to take action, He did so, removing them from the land. There is no promise to give Israel after the flesh an earthly land for all time because they rebelled against God, the Kingdom was taken from them (except for a remnant that God Has sworn and purposed to save), and the spiritual kingdom was given primarily (as far as numbers go) to the elect Gentiles -- so that together, elect Jew with elect Gentile (both being One in Christ) would inherit the spiritual promises of Abraham in Christ Jesus. All the language in the Old Testament that speaks of a future gathering of Israel and Judah pertain to the entire elect church and not literally those who are Israelites, Hebrews, or Jews after the flesh -- it pertains to the gathering in of all of the scattered, spiritual Israel of God wherein there is no longer Jew nor Gentile -- when rightly and spiritually discerned.

VII. THE OLD TESTAMENT NAMES/TITLES/AND PROMISES FOR THE FAITHFUL AMONGST NATIONAL ISRAEL APPLY TO CHRIST AND HIS BODY FOREVER, BEING FULFILLED IN THEM, WITHOUT REGARD TO ETHNIC DISTINCTION

The promises that appear to be to National Israel, for some future time, are (even now) already fulfilled IN CHRIST, and to all those who are in Him without distinction. The blessings and promises fall upon the elect bride, the elect assembly, the chosen nation of God's One Spiritual Body -- all without regard to ethnicity, nationality, or language. There are no promises to Israel after the flesh that are not already given to the true, spiritual Israel of God (Jew and Gentile), IN CHRIST, after the Spirit. There is but One Body, and that Body is Christ, with the Lord Jesus being our Husband and Head and with all of the elect (without regard to person, heritage, etc.) being forever and eternally One with Him. There is simply no grounds to argue that ethnic flesh has a reward, or a promise, yet to be fulfilled that is somehow separate from the Promise that applies to all of the Children of Promise, by faith, again -- in Christ -- for "...as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, [even] to them that

believe on His name: 13 Which were born, NOT OF BLOOD, NOR OF THE WILL OF THE FLESH, nor of the will of man, but of God" (John 1:12-13). We must remember that, per Romans 9:7-8, "Neither, because they are the seed of Abraham, [are they] all children: but, In Isaac shall thy seed be called. 8 That is, They which are the children of the flesh, these [are] not the children of God: but the children of the promise are counted for the seed" seeing that "That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit" (John 3:6). Those who confuse the two lineages will forever get their eschatology, and in many cases, even their theology and soteriology incorrect -- the latter, being a very grievous and dangerous thing.

To help solidify these points, the following chart is designed to show that the very same names, titles, and promises given to faithful National Israel (i.e. to those in National Israel who were elect and not reprobate), are the same names, titles, and promises given to all who make up the elect Congregation of God (Jew and Gentile), in Christ Jesus, in both this New Testament era and in the eternal age to come (as opposed to some supposed premillennial age).

GOD'S CHOSEN	NATIONAL / NATURAL	SPIRITUAL ISRAEL / THE ONE
PEOPLE	ISRAEL	BODY OF CHRIST
Saints of God	Psalm 148:14 "He also exalteth the Horn of His people, THE PRAISE OF ALL HIS SAINTS; [EVEN] OF THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL, a people near unto Him. Praise ye the LORD." Hosea 11:12 "Ephraim compasseth me about with lies, and the house of Israel with deceit: but JUDAH YET RULETH WITH GOD, AND IS FAITHFUL WITH THE SAINTS." Deuteronomy 33:1-5 "And this [is] the blessing, wherewith Moses the man of God blessed the children of Israel before his death. 2 And he said, The LORD came from Sinai, and rose up from Seir unto them; he shined forth from mount Paran, and HE CAME WITH TEN THOUSANDS OF SAINTS: from His Right Hand [went] a fiery law for them. 3 Yea, He loved the people; ALL HIS SAINTS [ARE] IN THY HAND: and they sat down at Thy feet; [every one] shall receive of Thy words. 4 Moses commanded us a law, [even] the inheritance of the	2 Thessalonians 1:9-10 "Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of His power; 10 When He shall come to be glorified IN HIS SAINTS, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day." 1 Corinthians 1:2-3 "Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, TO THEM THAT ARE SANCTIFIED IN CHRIST JESUS, CALLED [TO BE] SAINTS, WITH ALL THAT IN EVERY PLACE CALL UPON THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD, both theirs and ours: 3 Grace [be] unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and [from] the Lord Jesus Christ."

the people [and] the tribes of Israel purpose." were gathered together."

favour [is] life: weeping may endure that pertain to this life?" for a night, but joy [cometh] in the morning."

and plentifully rewardeth the proud that hope in the LORD."

YE HIS SAINTS: for [there is] no giving of thanks." want to them that fear Him."

ever."

Zechariah 14:3-5 "Then shall the

king in Jeshurun, when the heads of who are the called according to [His]

1 Corinthians 6:1-3 "Dare any of you, **Psalm 30:3-5** "O LORD, thou hast having a matter against another, go to law brought up my soul from the grave: before the unjust, AND NOT BEFORE thou hast kept me alive, that I should THE SAINTS? 2 DO YE NOT KNOW not go down to the pit. 4 Sing unto THAT THE SAINTS SHALL JUDGE THE the LORD, O YE SAINTS OF HIS, WORLD? and if the world shall be judged and give thanks at the remembrance by you, are ye unworthy to judge the of His holiness. 5 For His anger smallest matters? 3 Know ye not that we [endureth but] a moment; in His shall judge angels? how much more things

Ephesians 2:19-21 "Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, BUT **Psalm 31:22-24** "For I said in my FELLOWCITIZENS WITH THE SAINTS, haste, I am cut off from before Thine AND OF THE HOUSEHOLD OF GOD; 20 eyes: nevertheless Thou heardest the And are built upon the foundation of the voice of my supplications when I apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself cried unto Thee. 23 O LOVE THE being the Chief Corner [stone]; 21 In whom LORD, ALL YE HIS SAINTS: [for] all the building fitly framed together the LORD preserveth the faithful, groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord:"

doer. 24 Be of good courage, and He **Ephesians 5:1-4** "Be ye therefore followers shall strengthen your heart, all ye of God, as dear children; 2 And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given Himself for us an offering and a **Psalm 34:7-9** "The Angel of the sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour. LORD encampeth round about them 3 But fornication, and all uncleanness, or that fear Him, and delivereth them. 8 covetousness, let it not be once named O taste and see that the LORD [is] among you, AS BECOMETH SAINTS; 4 good: blessed [is] the man [that] Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor trusteth in Him. 9 O fear the LORD, jesting, which are not convenient: but rather

1 Thessalonians 3:11-13 "Now God **Psalm 37:27-29** "Depart from evil, Himself and our Father, and our Lord Jesus and do good; and dwell for Christ, direct our way unto you. 12 And the evermore. 28 For the LORD loveth Lord make you to increase and abound in judgment, AND FORSAKETH NOT love one toward another, and toward all HIS SAINTS; they are preserved for [men], even as we [do] toward you: 13 To ever: but the seed of the wicked shall the end He may stablish your hearts be cut off. 29 The righteous shall unblameable in holiness before God, even inherit the land, and dwell therein for our Father, AT THE COMING OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST WITH ALL HIS SAINTS."

LORD go forth, and fight against Revelation 19:6-9 "And I heard as it were

like as ye fled from before the of God." earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah: and the LORD my God shall come, [AND] ALL THE SAINTS WITH THEE."

those nations, as when He fought in the voice of a great multitude, and as the the day of battle. 4 And His feet shall voice of many waters, and as the voice of stand in that day upon the Mount of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Olives, which [is] before Jerusalem Lord God omnipotent reigneth. 7 Let us be on the east, and the Mount of Olives glad and rejoice, and give honour to Him: shall cleave in the midst thereof for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and toward the east and toward the west, His wife hath made herself ready. 8 And to [and there shall be] a very great her was granted that she should be arrayed valley; and half of the mountain shall in fine linen, clean and white: FOR THE remove toward the north, and half of FINE LINEN IS THE RIGHTEOUSNESS it toward the south. 5 And ye shall OF SAINTS. 9 And he saith unto me, flee [to] the valley of the mountains; Write, Blessed [are] they which are called for the valley of the mountains shall unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And reach unto Azal: yea, ye shall flee, he saith unto me, These are the true sayings

Chosen People

Holy People/Nation

Kingdom of **Priests**

Peculiar/Special People

People of God

Redeemed **People**

nations that [are] upon the earth.

YOU: and My Soul shall not abhor you. 12 And I WILL WALK 2 MY PEOPLE."

ISRAEL, AND **SANCTIFY TABERNACLE** OF will sanctify also both Aaron and his

Deuteronomy 14:2 "For thou [art] 1 **Peter 2:9-10** "But ye [are] a CHOSEN an HOLY PEOPLE unto the LORD generation, a ROYAL PRIESTHOOD, an thy God, and the LORD hath HOLY NATION, a PECULIAR PEOPLE; CHOSEN thee to be a PECULIAR that ye should shew forth the praises of Him PEOPLE unto Himself, above all the who hath called you out of darkness into His marvellous light: 10 Which in time past were not a people, but are now THE Leviticus 26:11-12 "And I WILL PEOPLE OF GOD: which had not obtained SET MY TABERNACLE AMONG mercy, but now have obtained mercy."

Corinthians 6:14-16 "Be ye AMONG YOU, AND WILL BE unequally yoked together with unbelievers: YOUR GOD, AND YE SHALL BE for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? 15 And what concord **Exodus 29:43-46** "And there I will hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he meet with THE CHILDREN OF that believeth with an infidel? 16 And what THE agreement hath the temple of God with TABERNACLE] shall be sanctified idols? for ye are the temple of the Living by My glory. 44 AND I WILL God; AS GOD HATH SAID, I WILL THE DWELL IN THEM, AND WALK IN THE [THEM]; AND I WILL BE THEIR GOD, CONGREGATION, and the altar: I AND THEY SHALL BE MY PEOPLE."

sons, to minister to me in the priest's **Revelation 21:3** "And I heard a great Voice office. 45 AND I WILL DWELL out of Heaven saying, BEHOLD, THE AMONG THE CHILDREN OF TABERNACLE OF GOD [IS] WITH ISRAEL, AND WILL BE THEIR MEN, AND HE WILL DWELL WITH GOD. 46 And they shall know that I THEM, AND THEY SHALL BE HIS

Egypt, THAT I MAY DWELL GOD." AMONG THEM: I [AM] THE LORD THEIR GOD."

6 And ye shall be unto Me a works." KINGDOM OF PRIESTS, and an the CHILDREN OF ISRAEL.

Psalm 130:7-8 "LET LORD [there is] mercy, and with JEW, Him [is] plenteous redemption. 8 NOR AND HE **SHALL ISRAEL FROM** ALL **INIQUITIES."**

HOLY PEOPLE unto the LORD thy meekness, longsuffering; God: the LORD thy God hath earth."

PEOPLE [whom] HECHOSEN for His own inheritance."

Isaiah 62:11-12 "Behold, the LORD called, Sought out, A city not forsaken."

[am] the LORD their God, that PEOPLE, AND GOD HIMSELF SHALL brought them forth out of the land of BE WITH THEM, [AND BE] THEIR

Titus 2:13-14 "LOOKING FOR THAT BLESSED HOPE, and the glorious **Exodus 19:5-6** "Now therefore, if ye appearing of the great God and our Saviour will obey My voice indeed, and keep Jesus Christ; 14 Who gave Himself for us, My covenant, then ye shall be a that HE MIGHT REDEEM US FROM ALL PECULIAR treasure unto Me above INIQUITY, and purify unto Himself A all people: for all the earth [is] Mine: PECULIAR PEOPLE, zealous of good

HOLY NATION. These [are] the Colossians 3:9-12 "Lie not one to another, words which thou shalt speak unto seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds; and have put on THE NEW [MAN], which is renewed in knowledge ISRAEL after the image of Him that created him: 11 HOPE IN THE LORD: for with the Where THEIR IS NEITHER GREEK NOR CIRCUMCISION UNCIRCUMCISION, Barbarian, REDEEM Scythian, bond [nor] free: but CHRIST [IS] HIS ALL, AND IN ALL, 12 Put on therefore, AS THE ELECT [CHOSEN] OF GOD, HOLY AND BELOVED, bowels of **Deuteronomy 7:6** "For thou [art] an imercies, kindness, humbleness of mind,

CHOSEN thee to be a SPECIAL Revelation 1:5-6 "And from JESUS PEOPLE unto Himself, above all CHRIST, [who is] the Faithful Witness, people that [are] upon the face of the [and] THE FIRST BEGOTTEN of the dead, and the Prince of the kings of the earth. Unto Him that loved us, and washed us **Psalm 33:12** "Blessed [is] the nation from our sins in His own blood, 6 And whose God is the LORD; [and] THE HATH MADE US KINGS AND PRIESTS HATH UNTO GOD AND HIS FATHER; to Him [be] glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen."

hath proclaimed unto the end of the **Revelation 5:9** "And they sung a new song, world, Say ye to the daughter of saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, Zion, Behold, thy Salvation cometh; and to open the seals thereof: for Thou wast behold, His reward [is] with Him, slain, and hast redeemed us to God by Thy and His work before Him. 12 And blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and they shall call them, THE HOLY people, and nation; 10 AND HAST MADE PEOPLE, THE REDEEMED OF US UNTO OUR GOD KINGS AND THE LORD: and thou shalt be PRIESTS: and we shall reign on the earth."

Psalm 80:1-3 "...Give ear, SHEPHERD **OF** ISRAEL. THOUGH THAT LEADEST JOSPEH LIKE A FLOCK; Thou that dwellest [between] the cherubims, shine forth. 2 Before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh stir up Thy strength, and come [and] save us. 3 Turn us again, O God, and cause Thy face to shine; and we shall be saved."

Zechariah 13:7-9 "Awake, O sword. MY SHEPHERD, against AGAINST THE MAN [that is] MY FELLOW, saith the LORD of hosts: SMITE THE SHEPHERD, and THE SHEEP SHALL BE SCATTERED: and I will turn mine hand upon the little ones. 8 And it shall come to pass, [that] in all the land, saith the LORD, two parts therein shall be cut off [and] die; but the third shall be left therein. 9 And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on My name, and I will hear them: I will say, It [is] My people: and they shall say, The LORD [is] my God."

Ezekiel 34:5-16 "And THEY WERE SCATTERD, BECAUSE [there is] NO SHEPHERD: and they became meat to all the beasts of the field, when they were scattered. 6 MY SHEEP WANDERED through all the mountains, and upon every high MY **FLOCK** WAS hill: yea, SCATTERED UPON ALL THE FACE OF THE EARTH, and none did search or seek [after them]. 7 Therefore, ye shepherds, hear the Word of the LORD; 8 [As] I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely because My flock became a prey, and My flock became meat to every beast of the field, because [there was] no shepherd, neither did My shepherds

John 10:14-16 "I AM the Good Shepherd, and know My [sheep], and am known of Mine. As the Father knoweth Me, even so know I the Father: and I LAY DOWN MY LIFE FOR THE SHEEP. 16 And OTHER SHEEP I HAVE, WHICH ARE NOT OF THIS FOLD: them also I must bring, and they shall hear My Voice; and THERE SHALL BE ONE FOLD, [and] ONE SHEPHERD."

John 11:47-52 "Then gathered the chief priests and the Pharisees a council, and said, What do we? for this Man doeth many miracles. 48 If we let Him thus alone, all [men] will believe on Him: and the Romans shall come and take away both our place and nation. 49 And one of them, [named] Caiaphas, being the high priest that same year, said unto them, Ye know nothing at all, 50 Nor consider that it is expedient for us, that ONE MAN SHOULD DIE FOR THE PEOPLE, and that the whole nation perish not. 51 And this spake he not of himself: but being high priest that year, HE PROPHESIED THAT JESUS SHOULD DIE FOR THAT NATION; 52 AND NOT FOR THAT NATION ONLY, but that also HE SHOULD GATHER TOGETHER IN ONE THE CHILDREN OF GOD THAT WERE SCATTERED ABROAD."

1 Peter 2:21-25 "For even hereunto were ye called: because **CHRIST ALSO** SUFFERED FOR US, leaving us an example, that ye should follow His steps: 22 Who did no sin, neither was guile found in His mouth: 23 Who, when He was reviled, reviled not again; when He suffered, He threatened not; but committed [Himself] to Him that judgeth righteously: 24 Who His own Self bare our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed. 25 FOR YE WERE AS GOING ASTRAY; BUT SHEEP ARE NOW RETURNED UNTO THE SHEPHERD AND BISHOP OF YOUR

Flock of God Sheep of God

Scattered Children of God

search for My flock, but the SOULS." shepherds fed themselves, and fed shepherds feed themselves any more; Galilee" [See also Mark 14:27-28]. for I will deliver My flock from their mouth, that they may not be meat for Luke 19:9-10 "And Jesus said unto him, SHEPHERD SEEKETH OUT HIS WAS LOST." FLOCK IN THE DAY THAT HE IS AMONG HIS SHEEP [THAT ARE] | Romans 8:31-39 "What shall we then say BEEN SCATTERED IN will strengthen that which was sick: Jesus our Lord." but I will destroy the fat and the judgment."

not My flock; 9 Therefore, O ye Matthew 26:31-32 "Then saith JESUS unto shepherds, hear the word of the them, All ye shall be offended because of LORD; 10 Thus saith the Lord GOD; Me this night: for it is written, I WILL Behold, I [am] against the shepherds; SMITE THE SHEPHERD, AND THE and I will require My flock at their SHEEP OF THE FLOCK SHALL BE hand, and cause them to cease from SCATTERED ABROAD. 32 But after I am feeding the flock; neither shall the risen again, I will go before you into

them. 11 For thus saith the Lord This day is Salvation come to this house, GOD; BEHOLD, I, [even] I, WILL forsomuch as he also is a son of Abraham. BOTH SEARCH MY SHEEP, AND 10 FOR THE SON OF MAN IS COME TO SEEK THEM OUT. 12 AS A SEEK AND TO SAVE THAT WHICH

SCATTERED; SO WILL I SEEK to these things? If God [be] for us, who [can OUT MY SHEEP, AND WILL be against us? 32 He that spared not His DELIVER THEM OUT OF ALL own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, PLACES WHERE THEY HAVE how shall He not with Him also freely give THE us all things? 33 Who shall lay any thing to CLOUDY AND DARK DAY. 13 the charge of God's elect? [It is] God that And I will bring them out from the justifieth. 34 Who [is] he that condemneth? people, and gather them from the [It is] Christ that died, yea rather, that is countries, and will bring them to risen again, who is even at the right hand of their own land, AND FEED THEM God, who also maketh intercession for us. UPON THE MOUNTAINS OF 35 Who shall separate us from the love of ISRAEL BY THE RIVERS, AND Christ? [shall] tribulation, or distress, or IN ALL OF THE INHABITED persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or PLACES OF THE COUNTRY. 14 I peril, or sword? 36 As it is written, FOR will feed them in a good pasture, and THY SAKE ARE WE KILLED ALL THE upon the high mountains of Israel DAY LONG; WE ARE ACCOUNTED AS shall their fold be: there shall they lie SHEEP FOR THE SLAUGHTER. 37 Nay, in a good fold, and [in] a fat pasture in all these things we are more than shall they feed upon the mountains conquerors through Him that loved us. 38 of Israel. 15 I will feed My flock, For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor and I will cause them to lie down, life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor saith the Lord GOD. 16 I will seek powers, nor things present, nor things to that which was lost, and bring again come, 39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any that which was driven away, and will other creature, shall be able to separate us bind up [that which was] broken, and from the love of God, which is in Christ

strong; I will feed them with Matthew 15:21-28 "Then Jesus went thence, and departed into the coasts of TYRE AND SIDON. 22 And, behold, A

King, God: FOR THE SLAUGHTER.

the high mountain; [Hand], and His Arm shall rule for hour." Him: behold, His reward [is] with that are with young."

say, HE THAT AND **KEEP** AS HIM, LORD, for wheat, and for wine, and refuted]. for oil, and for the young of the flock and of the herd: and their soul shall be as a watered garden; and they shall not sorrow any more at all."

Psalm 44:4,11,22 "Thou art my WOMAN OF CANAAN came out of the COMMAND same coasts, and cried unto Him, saying, DELIVERANCES FOR JACOB... Have mercy on me, O Lord, [Thou] Son of 11 Thou hast given us LIKE SHEEP David; my daughter is grievously vexed APPOINTED FOR MEAT; and hast with a devil. 23 But He answered her not a scattered us among the heathen... 22 word. And His disciples came and besought Yea, FOR THY SAKE ARE WE Him, saying, Send her away; for she crieth KILLED ALL THE DAY LONG: after us. 24 But He answered and said. I WE ARE COUNTED AS SHEEP AM NOT SENT BUT UNTO THE LOST SHEEP OF THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL. 25 Then came she and worshipped Him, Isaiah 40:9-11 "O ZION, that saying, Lord, help me. 26 But He answered bringest good tidings, get thee up and said, It is not meet to take the children's O bread, and to cast [it] to dogs. 27 And she JERUSALEM, that bringest good said, Truth, Lord: yet the dogs eat of the tidings, lift up thy voice with crumbs which fall from their masters' table. strength; lift [it] up, be not afraid; 28 Then Jesus answered and said unto her, say unto THE CITIES OF JUDAH, O WOMAN, GREAT [IS] THEY FAITH: Behold your God! 10 Behold, the be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her Lord GOD will come with strong daughter was made whole from that very

Him, and His work before Him. 11 [Note: though the Lord was not sent but HE SHALL FEED HIS FLOCK unto the lost sheep of the House of Israel, LIKE A SHEPHERD: HE SHALL we know that spiritually, the House of Israel GATHER THE LAMBS WITH HIS is the Body of Christ, which is the Temple ARM, and carry [them] in His of God, made up of elect Jews and Gentiles bosom, [and] shall gently lead those who have believed, and have been spiritually baptized, thus evidencing that they have been eternally yoked with the Jeremiah 31:10-12 "Hear the word Lord Jesus who is the fulness of the of the LORD, O ye nations, and Godhead bodily. If the Canaanitish women declare [it] in the isles afar off, and was not counted amongst the Lost Sheep of SCATTERETH the House of Israel, the Lord would never ISRAEL WILL GATHER HIM, have been in the coasts of Tyre and Sidon, A and would never have both manifested her SHEPHERD [DOTH] HIS FLOCK, great faith and healed her daughter. The 11 For the LORD hath redeemed seeking out of the lost sheep started in Jacob, and ransomed him from the national Israel but text, after text, after text hand of [him that was] stronger than proves that it neither ended there nor was it he. 12 Therefore they shall come and limited to there. All of the elect, out of all sing in the height of Zion, and shall nations, ethnicities, and tongues, make up flow together to the goodness of the the spiritual House of Israel - this cannot be

eyes for the dead."

Thee, I have called [Thee] by Thy THROUGH CHRIST." name; Thou [art] mine. 2 When Holy One of Israel, Thy Saviour: I Thy life. 5 Fear not: for I [am] with scattered abroad." Thee: I will bring Thy seed from the

Isaiah 45:11 "Thus saith the LORD, together." the Holy One of Israel, and His concerning MY SONS, command ye Me."

[and] the praises of the LORD,

Deuteronomy 14:1 "YE [ARE] THE **Galatians 4:4-7** "But when the fulness of CHILDREN OF THE LORD YOUR the time was come, God sent forth His Son, GOD: ye shall not cut yourselves, made of a woman, made under the law, 5 nor make any baldness between your To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the ADOPTION OF SONS. 6 And because YE ARE SONS, God **Isaiah 43:1-7** "But now thus saith hath sent forth the Spirit of His Son into the LORD that created Thee, O your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. 7 Jacob, and He that formed Thee, O Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed son; and if a son, then AN HEIR OF GOD

Thou passest through the waters, I John 1:12 "He came unto His own, and His [will be] with Thee; and through the own received Him not. But as many as rivers, they shall not overflow Thee: received Him, to them gave He power to when Thou walkest through the fire, become THE SONS OF GOD, [even] to Thou shalt not be burned; neither them that believe on His name: Which were shall the flame kindle upon Thee. 3 born, not of blood, nor of the will of the For I [am] the LORD Thy God, the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God."

gave Egypt [for] Thy ransom, John 11:51-52 "And this spake he not of Ethiopia and Seba for Thee. 4 Since himself: but being high priest that year, he Thou wast precious in My sight, prophesied that Jesus should die for that Thou hast been honourable, and I nation; 52 And not for that nation only, but have loved Thee: therefore will I that also He should gather together in one give men for Thee, and people for THE CHILDREN OF GOD that were

east, and gather Thee from the west; Romans 8:15-17 "For ye have not received 6 I will say to the north, Give up; and the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye to the south, Keep not back: bring have received the Spirit of adoption, MY SONS from far, and MY whereby we cry, Abba, Father. 16 The DAUGHTERS from the ends of the Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, earth; 7 [Even] every one that is that we are THE CHILDREN OF GOD: 17 called by My name: for I have AND IF CHILDREN, THEN HEIRS; created Him for My glory, I have HEIRS OF GOD, AND JOINT-HEIRS formed Him; yea, I have made Him." WITH CHRIST; if so be that we suffer with [Him], that we may be also glorified

Maker. Ask Me of things to come Romans 9:7-8 "Neither, because they are and the seed of Abraham, [are they] all children: concerning the work of My hands but, In Isaac shall thy seed be called. 8 That is, They which are the children of the flesh, these [are] not THE CHILDREN OF GOD: Isaiah 63:7-9 "I will mention the BUT THE CHILDREN OF THE PROMISE lovingkindnesses of the LORD, ARE COUNTED FOR THE SEED."

according to all that the LORD hath Romans 9:25-26 "As He saith also in Osee

Sons of God

Sons and Daughters of God

Children of God

SURELY THEY [ARE] PEOPLE. **CHILDREN** [THAT] WILL NOT LIE: so He was their 2 the days of old."

of the sea, which cannot be measured SHALL pass, [that] in the place where it was THE LIVING GOD."

seen with My Father: and ye do that promise."" which ye have seen with your father. saith unto they to Him, We be not born of sufferings." fornication; we have one Father,

bestowed on us, and the great [Hosea 1:10], I will call them My people, goodness toward THE HOUSE OF which were not My people; and her ISRAEL, which He hath bestowed beloved, which was not beloved.26 And it on them according to His mercies, shall come to pass, [that] in the place where and according to the multitude of His it was said unto them, Ye [are] not my lovingkindnesses. 8 For He said, people; there shall they be called THE MY CHILDREN OF THE LIVING GOD.

Corinthians 6:16-18 "And what Saviour. 9 In all their affliction He agreement hath the Temple of God with was afflicted, and the Angel of His idols? for ye are the Temple of the Living Presence saved them: in His love and God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, in His pity He redeemed them; and and walk in [them]; and I will be their God, He bare them, and carried them all and they shall be My people. 17 Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the **Hosea 1:10** "Yet the number of the unclean [thing]; and I will receive you, 18 children of Israel shall be as the sand And will be a Father unto you, and YE BE MY **SONS** AND nor numbered; and it shall come to DAUGHTERS, saith the Lord Almighty."

said unto them, Ye [are] not My Galatians 3:26-29 "For ye are all THE people, [there] it shall be said unto CHILDREN OF GOD by faith in Christ them, [YE ARE] THE SONS OF Jesus. 27 For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. 28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is John 8:37-44 "I know that ye are neither bond nor free, there is neither male Abraham's seed; but ye seek to kill nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Me, because My word hath no place Jesus. 29 And if ye [be] Christ's, then are ye in you. 38 I speak that which I have Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the

39 They answered and said unto Hebrews 2:9-10 "But we see Jesus, who Him, Abraham is our father. Jesus was made a little lower than the angels for them, If ye were the suffering of death, crowned with glory Abraham's children, ye would do the and honour; that He by the grace of God works of Abraham. 40 But now ye should taste death for every man. 10 For it seek to kill Me, a Man that hath told became Him, for whom [are] all things, and you the truth, which I have heard of by whom [are] all things, in bringing God: this did not Abraham. 41 Ye do MANY SONS UNTO GLORY, to make the the deeds of your father. Then said Captain of Their Salvation perfect through

[even] God. 42 Jesus said unto them, 1 John 3:1-2, 10 "Behold, what manner of IF GOD WERE YOUR FATHER, love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that YE WOULD LOVE ME: for I we should be called THE SONS OF GOD: proceeded forth and came from God; therefore the world knoweth us not, because neither came I of Myself, but He sent lit knew Him not. 2 Beloved, now are we Me. 43 Why do ye not understand THE SONS OF GOD, and it doth not yet

is no truth in him. When he speaketh neither he that loveth not his brother." a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it."

My speech? [even] because ye appear what we shall be: but we know that, cannot hear My word. 44 Ye are of when He shall appear, we shall be like Him; [your] father the devil, and the lusts for we shall see Him as He is. ... 10 In this of your father ve will do. He was a THE CHILDREN OF GOD are manifest, murderer from the beginning, and and the children of the devil: whosoever abode not in the truth, because there doeth not righteousness is not of God,

> **Philippians** 2:12-16 "Wherefore, beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling. 13 For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of [His] good pleasure. 14 Do all things without murmurings and disputings: 15 That ye may be blameless and harmless, THE SONS OF GOD, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world; 16 Holding forth the Word of Life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither laboured in vain."

Field of God Vineyard of God The Olive Tree

touching vineyard. His will take away the hedge thereof, and disciples." it shall be eaten up; [and] break down the wall thereof, and it shall be Luke 20:9-19 "Then began He to speak to

Isaiah 5:1-7 "Now will I sing to my John 15:1-8 "I am the True Vine, and my Wellbeloved a song of my Beloved Father is the Husbandman. 2 Every branch My in Me that beareth not fruit He taketh away: Wellbeloved hath a vineyard in a and every [branch] that beareth fruit, He very fruitful hill: 2 And He fenced it, purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit. and gathered out the stones thereof, 3 Now ye are clean through the Word which and planted it with the Choicest I have spoken unto you. 4 Abide in Me, and Vine, and built a tower in the midst I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of of it, and also made a winepress itself, except it abide in the Vine; no more therein: and He looked that it should can ye, except ye abide in Me. 5 I AM THE bring forth grapes, and it brought VINE, ye [are] the branches: He that forth wild grapes. 3 And now, O abideth in Me, and I in Him, the same inhabitants of Jerusalem, and men of bringeth forth much fruit: for without Me ye Judah, judge, I pray you, betwixt Me can do nothing. 6 If a man abide not in Me, and My vineyard. 4 What could have he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; been done more to My vineyard, that and men gather them, and cast [them] into I have not done in it? wherefore, the fire, and they are burned. 7 If ye abide in when I looked that it should bring Me, and My words abide in you, ye shall forth grapes, brought it forth wild ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto grapes? 5 And now go to; I will tell you. 8 Herein is my Father glorified, that ye you what I will do to My vineyard: I bear much fruit; so shall ye be My

HOSTS [IS] THE HOUSE OF but behold a cry."

"THOU Psalm 80:8-11 branches unto the river."

about [are] against her; come ye, against them." assemble all the beasts of the field, devour. 10 come to layeth [it] to heart."

trodden down: 6 And I will lay it the people this parable; A certain Man waste: it shall not be pruned, nor planted a vineyard, and let it forth to digged; but there shall come up husbandmen, and went into a far country for briers and thorns: I will also a long time. 10 And at the season He sent a command the clouds that they rain servant to the husbandmen, that they should no rain upon it. 7 FOR THE give him of the fruit of the vineyard: but the VINEYARD OF THE LORD OF husbandmen beat him, and sent [him] away empty. 11 And again He sent another ISRAEL, AND THE MEN OF servant: and they beat him also, and JUDAH HIS PLEASANT PLANT: entreated [him] shamefully, and sent [him] and he looked for judgment, but away empty. 12 And again He sent a third: behold oppression; for righteousness, and they wounded him also, and cast [him] out. 13 Then said the Lord of the vineyard, What shall I do? I will send My Beloved HAST Son: it may be they will reverence [Him] BROUGHT A VINE OUT OF when they see Him. 14 But when the EGYPT: Thou hast cast out the husbandmen saw him, they reasoned among heathen, and planted it. 9 Thou themselves, saying, This is the Heir: come, preparedst [room] before it, and didst let us kill Him, that the inheritance may be cause it to take deep root, and it ours. 15 So they cast Him out of the filled the land. 10 The hills were vineyard, and killed [Him]. What therefore covered with the shadow of it, and shall the Lord of the vineyard do unto them? the boughs thereof [were like] the 16 He shall come and destroy these goodly cedars. 11 She sent out her husbandmen, AND SHALL GIVE THE boughs unto the sea, and her VINEYARD TO OTHERS. And when they heard [it], they said, God forbid. 17 And He beheld them, and said, What is this then that Jeremiah 12:7-11 "I have forsaken is written, The Stone which the builders Mine house, I have left Mine rejected, the same is become the Head of heritage; I have given the dearly the corner? 18 Whosoever shall fall upon beloved of My Soul into the hand of that Stone shall be broken; but on her enemies. 8 Mine heritage is unto whomsoever It shall fall, It will grind him to Me as a lion in the forest; it crieth powder. 19 And the chief priests and the out against Me: therefore have I scribes the same hour sought to lay hands hated it. 9 Mine heritage [is] unto Me on Him; and they feared the people: for they [as] a speckled bird, the birds round perceived that He had spoken this parable

MANY 1 Corinthians 3:5-9 "Who then is Paul, and PASTORS HAVE DESTROYED who [is] Apollos, but ministers by whom ye MY VINEYARD, they have trodden believed, even as the Lord gave to every My portion under foot, they have man? 6 I have planted, Apollos watered; but made My pleasant portion a desolate God gave the increase. 7 So then neither is wilderness. 11 They have made it he that planteth any thing, neither he that desolate, [and being] desolate it watereth; but God that giveth the increase. 8 mourneth unto Me; the whole land is Now he that planteth and he that watereth made desolate, because no man are one; and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labour. 9 For we are labourers together with God: YE

up a cry or prayer for them: for I will ARE GOD'S BUILDING." not hear [them] in the time that they anger in offering incense unto Baal."

will heal their backsliding, I will alway. love them freely: for Mine anger is SHALL SPREAD, AND

Jeremiah 11:14-17 "Therefore pray ARE GOD'S HUSBANDRY [Georgion / not thou for this people, neither lift G1091 / A CULTIVATED FIELD], [YE

cry unto Me for their trouble. 15 Romans 11:1-28 "I say then, Hath God cast What hath My beloved to do in Mine away His people? God forbid. For I also am house, [seeing] she hath wrought an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, [of] the lewdness with many, and the holy tribe of Benjamin. 2 God hath not cast away flesh is passed from thee? when thou His people WHICH HE FOREKNEW. Wot doest evil, then thou rejoicest. 16 ye not what the scripture saith of Elias? how The LORD called thy name, A he maketh intercession to God against GREEN OLIVE TREE, fair, [and] of Israel, saying, 3 Lord, they have killed Thy goodly fruit: with the noise of a great prophets, and digged down Thine altars; and tumult He hath kindled fire upon it, I am left alone, and they seek my life. 4 But and the branches of it are broken. 17 what saith the answer of God unto him? I For the LORD of hosts, that planted have reserved to Myself seven thousand thee, hath pronounced evil against men, who have not bowed the knee to [the thee, for the evil of THE HOUSE OF image of Baal. 5 Even so then at this ISRAEL AND OF THE HOUSE OF present time also there is a remnant JUDAH, which they have done according to the election of grace. 6 And if against themselves to provoke Me to by grace, then [is it] no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if [it be] of works, then is it no more grace: Hosea 14:1-9 "O Israel, return unto otherwise work is no more work. 7 What the LORD thy God; for thou hast then? Israel hath not obtained that which he fallen by thine iniquity. 2 Take with seeketh for; but the election hath obtained it, you words, and turn to the LORD: and the rest were blinded 8 (According as it say unto Him, Take away all is written, God hath given them the spirit of iniquity, and receive [us] graciously: slumber, eyes that they should not see, and so will we render the calves of our ears that they should not hear;) unto this lips. 3 Asshur shall not save us; we day. 9 And David saith, Let their table be will not ride upon horses: neither made a snare, and a trap, and will we say any more to the work of stumblingblock, and a recompense unto our hands, [Ye are] our gods: for in them: 10 Let their eyes be darkened, that Thee the fatherless findeth mercy. 4 I they may not see, and bow down their back

turned away from Him. 5 I WILL BE 11 I say then, Have they stumbled that they AS THE DEW UNTO ISRAEL: HE should fall? God forbid: but [rather] through SHALL GROW AS THE LILY, their fall salvation [is come] unto the AND CAST FORTH HIS ROOTS Gentiles, for to provoke them to jealousy. AS LEBANON. 6 HIS BRANCHES 12 Now if the fall of them [be] the riches of HIS the world, and the diminishing of them the BEAUTY SHALL BE AS THE riches of the Gentiles; how much more their OLIVE TREE, and His smell as fulness? 13 For I speak to you Gentiles, Lebanon. 7 They that dwell under inasmuch as I am the apostle of the His shadow shall return; they shall Gentiles, I magnify mine office: 14 If by revive [as] the corn, and grow as the any means I may provoke to emulation vine: the scent thereof [shall be] as [them which are] my flesh, and might save

the wine of Lebanon. 8 Ephraim some of them. 15 For if the casting away of transgressors shall fall therein."

earth."

[shall say], What have I to do any them [be] the reconciling of the world, what more with idols? I have heard [Him], [shall] the receiving [of them be], but life and observed Him: I [am] like a from the dead? 16 For if THE FIRSTFRUIT green fir tree. From Me is thy fruit [be] holy, the lump [is] also [holy]: and if found. 9 Who [is] wise, and he shall THE ROOT [be] holy, so [are] the understand these [things]? prudent, branches. 17 And if some of the branches be and he shall know them? for the broken off, and thou, BEING A WILD ways of the LORD [are] right, and OLIVE TREE, WERT GRAFFED IN the just shall walk in them: but the AMONG THEM, AND WITH THEM PARTAKEST OF THE ROOT AND FATNESS OF THE OLIVE TREE; 18 **Zechariah 4:11-14** "Then answered Boast not against the branches. But if thou I, and said unto Him, What [are] boast, thou bearest not the Root, but the these TWO OLIVE TREES upon the Root thee. 19 Thou wilt say then, The right [side] of the candlestick and branches were broken off, that I might be upon the left [side] thereof? 12 And I | graffed in. 20 Well; because of unbelief answered again, and said unto Him, they were broken off, and thou standest by What [be these] TWO OLIVE faith. Be not highminded, but fear: 21 For if BRANCHES which through the two God spared not the natural branches, [take golden pipes empty the golden [oil] heed] lest He also spare not thee. 22 Behold out of themselves? 13 And He therefore the goodness and severity of God: answered me and said, Knowest thou on them which fell, severity; but toward not what these [be]? And I said, No, thee, goodness, if thou continue in [His] my Lord. 14 Then said He, These goodness: otherwise thou also shalt be cut [are] the two anointed ones, that off. 23 And they also, if they abide not still stand by the Lord of the whole in unbelief, shall be graffed in: for God is able to graff them in again. 24 For if thou wert cut out of THE OLIVE TREE which is wild by nature, and wert graffed contrary to nature into a GOOD OLIVE TREE: how much more shall these, which be the natural [branches], be graffed into THEIR OWN OLIVE TREE? 25 For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in. 26 And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written. There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob: 27 For this [is] my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins. 28 As concerning the gospel, [they are] enemies for your sakes: but as touching the election, [they are] beloved for the fathers' sakes.

Revelation 11:1-5 "And there was given

me a reed like unto a rod: and the Angel stood, saving, Rise, and measure the Temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein. 2 But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the Holy City shall they tread under foot forty [and] two months. 3 And I will give [power] unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred [and] threescore days, clothed in sackcloth. 4 THESE ARE THE TWO OLIVE TREES. and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth. 5 And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed.

the LORD.

up their voices, and wept sore..."

House of God

Temple of God

FOR THE ARK OF for the footstool of our God, and had our God said unto me, Thou shalt not pure water." build an house for My name, because

Judge 20:26 "Then ALL THE Timothy 3:14-16 "These things write I unto CHILDREN OF ISRAEL, and all the thee, hoping to come unto thee shortly: 15 people, went up, and came unto THE But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know HOUSE OF GOD, and wept, and sat how thou oughtest to behave thyself IN there before the LORD, and fasted THE HOUSE OF GOD, WHICH IS THE that day until even, and offered burnt CHURCH OF THE LIVING GOD, THE offerings and peace offerings before PILLAR AND GROUND OF TRUTH. 16 And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in **Judge 21:2** "And the people came to the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of THE HOUSE OF GOD, and abode angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed there till even before God, and lifted on in the world, received up into glory."

Hebrews 10:19-22 "Having therefore. Kingdom of God | 1 Chronicles 28:2-7 "Then David | brethren, boldness to enter into the Holiest the king stood up upon his feet, and by the blood of Jesus, 20 By a New and said, Hear me, my brethren, and my Living Way, which He hath consecrated for people: [As for me], I [had] in mine us, through the veil, that is to say, His flesh; heart to build AN HOUSE OF REST 21 And [having] an High Priest over THE THE HOUSE OF GOD; 22 Let us draw near with COVENANT OF THE LORD, and a true heart in full assurance of faith, having hearts sprinkled from made ready for the building: 3 But conscience, and our bodies washed with

> thou [hast been] a man of war, and 1 Peter 4:14-19 "If ye be reproached for the hast shed blood. 4 Howbeit the name of Christ, happy [are ye]; for the LORD God of Israel chose me Spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you: before all the house of my father to on their part He is evil spoken of, but on be king over Israel for ever: for He your part He is glorified. 15 But let none of

sons.) He hath son, and I will be his Father. 7 Moreover I will establish kingdom for ever, if he be constant judgments, as at this day."

said, Hear me, thou Jeroboam, and [Temple] ye are." all Israel: 5 Ought ve not to know strengthened themselves tenderhearted. and could withstand them."

Matthew 21:43-46 "Therefore say I unto you, THE KINGDOM OF GOD saith the Lord Almighty." shall be taken from you, and given to chief priests and Pharisees had heard

hath chosen Judah [to be] the Ruler; you suffer as a murderer, or [as] a thief, or and of the house of Judah, the house [as] an evildoer, or as a busybody in other of my father; and among the sons of men's matters. 16 Yet if [any man suffer] as my father he liked me to make [me] a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let king over all Israel: 5 And of all my him glorify God on this behalf. 17 For the sons, (for the LORD hath given me time [is come] that judgment must begin at chosen THE HOUSE OF GOD: AND IF [IT] Solomon my son to sit upon the FIRST [BEGIN] AT US, what shall the end throne of the THE KINGDOM OF [be] of them that obey not the Gospel of THE LORD over Israel. 6 And He God? 18 And if the righteous scarcely be said unto me, Solomon thy son, he saved, where shall the ungodly and the shall build My house and My courts: sinner appear? 19 Wherefore let them that for I have chosen him [to be] My suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls [to Him] in well his doing, as unto a faithful Creator."

to do My commandments and My 1 Corinthians 3:16-17 "Know ye not that ye are THE TEMPLE OF GOD, and [that] the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? 17 If any 2 Chronicles 13:4-7 "And Abijah man defile the THE TEMPLE OF GOD, stood up upon Mount Zemaraim, Him shall God destroy; for the THE which [is] in Mount Ephraim, and TEMPLE OF GOD, is Holy, which

that the LORD GOD OF ISRAEL 2 Corinthians 6:14-18 "Be ye GAVE THE KINGDOM OVER unequally yoked together with unbelievers: ISRAEL TO DAVID FOR EVER, for what fellowship hath righteousness with [even] to him and to his sons by a unrighteousness? and what communion hath covenant of salt? 6 Yet Jeroboam the light with darkness? 15 And what concord son of Nebat, the servant of Solomon hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he the son of David, is risen up, and that believeth with an infidel? 16 And what hath rebelled against his lord. 7 And agreement hath the temple of God with there are gathered unto him vain idols? for ye are the THE TEMPLE OF men, the children of Belial, and have THE LIVING GOD; as God hath said, I against will dwell in them, and walk in [them]; and Rehoboam the son of Solomon, I will be their God, and they shall be My when Rehoboam was young and people. 17 Wherefore come out from among not them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean [thing]; and I will receive you, 18 And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be My sons and daughters.

a nation bringing forth the fruits **Revelation 11:19** "AND THE TEMPLE OF thereof. 44 And whosoever shall fall GOD was opened in Heaven, and there was on this Stone shall be broken: but on seen in His temple the ark of His testament: whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind and there were lightnings, and voices, and him to powder. 45 And when the thunderings, and an earthquake, and great His parables, they perceived that He hail." spake of them. 46 But when they took Him for a prophet."

THE **CHILDREN OF** outer darkness: there shall weeping and gnashing of teeth."

speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, He might have the preeminence." Behold the Man whose Name [is] His throne: and the Counsel of peace and [in] the spirit of meekness?" shall be between Them Both. 14 And you. And [this] shall come to pass, if the LORD your God."

sought to lay hands on Him, they Colossians 1:12-18 "Giving thanks unto the feared the multitude, because they Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in Light: 13 Who hath delivered us from the Matthew 8:11-12 "And I say unto power of darkness, and hath translated [us] you, That many shall come from the into THE KINGDOM OF HIS DEAR SON: east and west, and shall sit down 14 In whom we have redemption through with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, His blood, [even] the forgiveness of sins: 15 in the kingdom of heaven. 12 But Who is the Image of the Invisible God, the THE Firstborn of every creature: 16 For by Him KINGDOM shall be cast out into were all things created, that are in Heaven, be and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether [they be] thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were **Zechariah 6:11-15** "Then take silver created by Him, and for Him: 17 And He is and gold, and make crowns, and set before all things, and by Him all things [them] upon the head of Joshua the consist. 18 And He is the Head of the Body, son of Josedech, the high priest; 12 the Church: who is The Beginning, the And speak unto him, saying, Thus Firstborn from the dead; that in all [things]

The BRANCH; and He shall grow 1 Corinthians 4:18-21 "Now some are up out of His place, and HE SHALL puffed up, as though I would not come to BUILD THE TEMPLE OF THE you. 19 But I will come to you shortly, if LORD: 13 EVEN HE SHALL the Lord will, and will know, not the speech BUILD THE TEMPLE OF THE of them which are puffed up, but the power. LORD; and He shall bear the Glory, 20 For THE KINGDOM OF GOD [is] not and shall sit and rule upon His in word, but in power. 21 What will ye? throne; and He shall be a Priest upon shall I come unto you with a rod, or in love,

the crowns shall be to Helem, and to **Romans 14:17-19** "For THE KINGDOM Tobijah, and to Jedaiah, and to Hen OF GOD is not meat and drink; but the son of Zephaniah, for a memorial righteousness, and peace, and joy in the in the TEMPLE OF THE LORD. 15 Holy Ghost. 18 For he that in these things And they [that are] far off shall come serveth Christ [is] acceptable to God, and and build in the TEMPLE OF THE approved of men. 19 Let us therefore follow LORD, and ye shall know that the after the things which make for peace, and LORD of hosts hath sent me unto things wherewith one may edify another."

ye will diligently obey the Voice of Luke 17:20-21 "And when He was demanded of the Pharisees, when THE KINGDOM OF GOD should come. He answered them and said, THE KINGDOM OF GOD cometh not with observation: 21 Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, BEHOLD, THE KINGDOM OF GOD

IS WITHIN YOU."

John 3:1-8 "There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: 2 The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that Thou art a Teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that Thou doest. except God be with Him. 3 Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot THE KINGDOM OF GOD Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? 5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and [of] the Spirit, he cannot enter into THE KINGDOM OF GOD. 6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7 Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again. 8 The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit."

Acts 14:21-23 "And when they had preached the Gospel to that city, and had taught many, they returned again to Lystra, and [to] Iconium, and Antioch, 22 Confirming the souls of the disciples, [and] exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that we must through much tribulation enter into THE KINGDOM OF GOD. 23 And when they had ordained them elders in every church, and had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they believed."

Luke 18:29-30 "And He said unto them, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or parents, or brethren, or wife, or children, for THE KINGDOM OF GOD'S sake, 30 Who shall not receive manifold more in this present time, and in the world to come life everlasting."

Jeremiah 31:31-34 "Behold, the

the **Hebrews 8:1-13** "Now of the things which

New Covenant

Wife/Bride of God

Recipients of the days come, saith the LORD, that I we have spoken [this is] the sum: We have remember their sin no more."

> treacherous Judah. 12 Go say, Return, [anger] ever. 13 backsliding children, saith of a city, and two of a family, and I

WILL MAKE A NEW COVENANT such an High Priest, who is set on the right WITH THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL, hand of the throne of the Majesty in the AND WITH THE HOUSE OF heavens; 2 A Minister of the sanctuary, and JUDAH: 32 Not according to the of the true tabernacle, which the Lord covenant that I made with their pitched, and not man. 3 For every high fathers in the day [that] I took them priest is ordained to offer gifts and by the hand to bring them out of the sacrifices: wherefore [it is] of necessity that land of Egypt; which My covenant this man have somewhat also to offer. 4 For they brake, ALTHOUGH I WAS AN if He were on earth, He should not be a HUSBAND UNTO THEM, SAITH priest, seeing that there are priests that offer THE LORD: 33 BUT THIS SHALL gifts according to the law: 5 Who serve unto BE] THE COVENANT THAT I the example and shadow of heavenly things, WILL MAKE WITH THE HOUSE as Moses was admonished of God when he OF ISRAEL; After those days, saith was about to make the tabernacle: for, See, the LORD, I will put My law in their saith He, [that] thou make all things inward parts, and write it in their according to the pattern shewed to thee in hearts; and will be their God, and the mount. 6 But now hath he obtained a they shall be My people. 34 And more excellent ministry, by how much also they shall teach no more every man HE IS THE MEDIATOR OF A BETTER his neighbour, and every man his COVENANT, which was established upon brother, saying, Know the LORD: better promises. 7 For if that first [covenant] for they shall all know Me, from the had been faultless, then should no place least of them unto the greatest of have been sought for the second. 8 For them, saith the LORD: for I will finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, forgive their iniquity, and I will the days come, saith the Lord, when I WILL MAKE A NEW COVENANT WITH THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL AND WITH THE **Jeremiah 3:11-18** "And the LORD HOUSE OF JUDAH: 9 Not according to said unto me, The backsliding Israel the covenant that I made with their fathers hath justified herself more than in the day when I took them by the hand to and lead them out of the land of Egypt; because proclaim these words toward the they continued not in My covenant, and I thou regarded them not, saith the Lord. 10 For backsliding Israel, saith the LORD; this [is] the covenant THAT I WILL MAKE [and] I will not cause Mine anger to WITH THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL after fall upon you: for I [am] merciful, those days, saith the Lord; I will put My saith the LORD, [and] I will not keep laws into their mind, and write them in their Only hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they acknowledge thine iniquity, that thou shall be to Me a people: 11 And they shall hast transgressed against the LORD not teach every man his neighbour, and thy God, and hast scattered thy ways every man his brother, saying, Know the to the strangers under every green Lord: for all shall know Me, from the least tree, and ye have not obeyed My to the greatest. 12 For I will be merciful to voice, saith the LORD. 14 Turn, O their unrighteousness, and their sins and the their iniquities will I remember no more. 13 LORD; FOR I AM MARRIED In that He saith, A new [covenant], He hath UNTO YOU: and I will take you one made the first old. Now that which decayeth give you pastors according to Mine they remember it; neither shall they THE visit [it]; neither shall [that] be done COVENANT, call Jerusalem the throne of the [that of] Abel." LORD; and all the nations shall be imagination of their evil heart. 18 In BARREN those days THE HOUSE JUDAH SHALL WALK WITH TRAVAILEST THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL, and they DESOLATE

BEAR; BREAK THOU [THAT] **DIDST** THE DESOLATE THAN CHILDREN OF THE MARRIED SHALL INHERIT

will bring you to Zion: 15 And I will and waxeth old [is] ready to vanish away."

heart, which shall feed you with Hebrews 12:22-24 "But ye are come unto knowledge and understanding. 16 Mount Sion, and unto The City of the And it shall come to pass, when ye Living God, the Heavenly Jerusalem, and to be multiplied and increased in the an innumerable company of angels, 23 To land, in those days, saith the LORD, the general assembly and church of the they shall say no more, The ark of Firstborn, which are written in heaven, and the covenant of the LORD: neither to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of shall it come to mind: neither shall just men made perfect, 24 And to JESUS **MEDIATOR** OF THE and to the blood any more. 17 At that time they shall sprinkling, that speaketh better things than

gathered unto it, to the name of the Galatians 4:26-31 "But Jerusalem which is LORD, to Jerusalem: neither shall above is free, which is the mother of us all. they walk any more after the 27 For it is written, REJOICE, [THOU] **THAT BEAREST** NOT: OF BREAK FORTH AND CRY, THOU THAT NOT: FOR THE **HATH MANY MORE** shall come together out of the land of CHILDREN THAN SHE WHICH HATH the north to the land that I have given AN HUSBAND. 28 Now we, brethren, as for an inheritance unto your fathers." | Isaac was, are the children of promise. 29 But as then he that was born after the flesh Isaiah 54:1-8 "SING, O BARREN, persecuted him [that was born] after the THOUGH [THAT] DIDST NOT Spirit, even so [it is] now. 30 Nevertheless FORTH INTO what saith the scripture? Cast out the SINGING, AND CRY ALOUD, bondwoman and her son: for the son of the NOT bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of TRAVAIL WITH CHILD: FOR the freewoman. 31 So then, brethren, we are MORE [ARE] THE CHILDREN OF not children of the bondwoman, but of the THE free."

WIFE, saith the LORD. 2 Enlarge Hebrews 9:8-15 "The Holy Ghost this the place of thy tent, and let them signifying, that the way into the Holiest of stretch forth the curtains of thine All was not yet made manifest, while as the habitations: spare not, lengthen thy first tabernacle was yet standing: 9 Which cords, and strengthen thy stakes; 3 [was] a figure for the time then present, in For thou shalt break forth on the which were offered both gifts and sacrifices. right hand and on the left; and THY that could not make him that did the service THE perfect, as pertaining to the conscience; 10 GENTILES, and make the desolate [Which stood] only in meats and drinks, and cities to be inhabited. 4 Fear not; for divers washings, and carnal ordinances, thou shalt not be ashamed: neither be imposed [on them] until the time of thou confounded; for thou shalt not reformation. 11 But Christ being come an be put to shame: for thou shalt forget High Priest of good things to come, by a the shame of thy youth, and shalt not greater and more perfect tabernacle, not

thee; but with great mercies will I THE Redeemer."

Hosea UNTO BETROTH THE FOREVER; YEA, I BETROTH THEE UNTO ME IN THROUGH RIGHTEOUSNESS, and it shall come to pass in that day, I ever. Amen." will hear, saith the LORD, I will hear God."

Jeremiah 3:1,20 "They say, If a man

remember the reproach of thy made with hands, that is to say, not of this widowhood any more. 5 FOR THY building: 12 Neither by the blood of goats MAKER [IS] THINE HUSBAND; and calves, but by His own blood He THE LORD OF HOSTS [IS] HIS entered in once into the holy place, having NAME; AND THEY REDEEMER obtained eternal redemption [for us]. 13 For THE HOLY ONE OF ISRAEL; if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the THE GOD OF THE WHOLE ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean. EARTH SHALL HE BE CALLED. sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh: 14 6 For the LORD hath called thee as a How much more shall the blood of Christ, woman forsaken and grieved in who through the eternal Spirit offered spirit, and a wife of youth, when Himself without spot to God, purge your thou wast refused, saith thy God. 7 conscience from dead works to serve the For a small moment have I forsaken Living God? 15 And for this cause HE IS **MEDIATOR** OF THE **NEW** gather thee. 8 In a little wrath I hid TESTAMENT, that by means of death, for My face from thee for a moment; but the redemption of the transgressions [that with everlasting kindness will I have were under the first testament, they which mercy on thee, saith the LORD thy are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance."

2:19-23 "AND I WILL Hebrews 13:20-21 "Now the God of peace, ME that brought again from the dead our Lord WILL Jesus, that Great Shepherd of the sheep, THE BLOOD OF THE in EVERLASTING COVENANT, 21 Make judgment, and in lovingkindness, and you perfect in every good work to do His in mercies. 20 I will even betroth will, working in you that which is thee unto Me in faithfulness: and wellpleasing in His sight, through Jesus thou shalt know the LORD. 21 And Christ; to whom [be] glory for ever and

the heavens, and they shall hear the Matthew 26:26-29 "And as they were earth; 22 And the earth shall hear the eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed [it], corn, and the wine, and the oil; and and brake [it], and gave [it] to the disciples, THEY SHALL HEAR JEZREEL. 23 and said, Take, eat; this is My body. 27 And And I will sow her unto Me in the he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave earth; and I will have mercy upon [it] to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; 28 her that had not obtained mercy; and FOR THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW I will say to [them which were] not TESTAMENT, which is shed for many for My people, Thou [art] My people; the remission of sins. 29 But I say unto you, and they shall say, [Thou art] my I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom."

put away his wife, and she go from 2 Corinthians 11:1-2 "Would to God ye him, and become another man's, could bear with me a little in [my] folly: and shall he return unto her again? shall indeed bear with me. 2 For I am jealous not that land be greatly polluted? but over you with godly jealousy: FOR I HAVE thou hast played the harlot with ESPOUSED YOU TO ONE HUSBAND,

saith the LORD... 20 SURELY [AS] Christ." WIFE TREACHEROUSLY DEPARTETH FROM LORD."

ornaments, and I put bracelets upon AND THE CHURCH." thy hands, and a chain on thy neck. linen, and silk, and broidered work; HATH beauty: for it [was] perfect through [must] decrease." My comeliness, which I had put passed by; his it was. 16 And of thy down from God

many lovers; yet return again to Me, that I may present [you as] a chaste virgin to

HER Ephesians 5:25-32 "HUSBANDS LOVE HUSBAND, SO HAVE YE DEALT YOUR WIVES, EVEN AS CHRIST ALSO TREACHEROUSLY WITH ME, O LOVED THE CHURCH, AND GAVE HOUSE OF ISRAEL, SAITH THE HIMSELF FOR HER [αὐτῆς / singular, feminine]; 26 That He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the **Ezekiel 16:8-16** "Now when I word, 27 That He might present her [αὐτῆς / passed by thee, and looked upon singular, feminine to Himself a glorious thee, behold, thy time [was] the time church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any of love; and I spread My skirt over such thing; but that she should be holy and thee, and covered thy nakedness: without blemish. 28 So ought men to love yea, I sware unto thee, and entered their wives as their own bodies. He that into a covenant with thee, saith the loveth his wife loveth himself. 29 For no Lord GOD, and thou becamest Mine. man ever yet hated his own flesh; but 9 Then washed I thee with water; nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the yea, I throughly washed away thy Lord the church: 30 For we are members of blood from thee, and I anointed thee His Body, of His Flesh, and of His Bones. with oil. 10 I clothed thee also with 31 For this cause shall a man leave his broidered work, and shod thee with father and mother, and shall be joined unto badgers' skin, and I girded thee about his wife, and THEY TWO SHALL BE with fine linen, and I covered thee ONE FLESH. 32 This is a great mystery: with silk. 11 I decked thee also with but I SPEAK CONCERNING CHRIST

12 And I put a jewel on thy forehead, John 3:27-30 "John answered and said, A and earrings in thine ears, and a man can receive nothing, except it be given beautiful crown upon thine head. 13 him from Heaven. 28 Ye yourselves bear Thus wast thou decked with gold and me witness, that I said, I am not the Christ, silver; and thy raiment [was of] fine but that I am sent before Him. 29 HE THAT THE **BRIDE** IS THE thou didst eat fine flour, and honey, BRIDEGROOM: but the friend of the and oil: and thou wast exceeding Bridegroom, which standeth and heareth beautiful, and thou didst prosper into Him, rejoiceth greatly because of the a kingdom. 14 And thy renown went Bridegroom's Voice: this my joy therefore forth among the heathen for thy is fulfilled. 30 He must increase, but I

upon thee, saith the Lord GOD. 15 Revelation 21:1-3, 9-11 "And I saw a new But thou didst trust in thine own Heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven beauty, and playedst the harlot and the first earth were passed away; and because of thy renown, and pouredst there was no more sea. 2 And I John saw out thy fornications on every one that the Holy City, New Jerusalem, coming out garments thou didst take, and PREPARED AS A BRIDE ADORNED deckedst thy high places with divers FOR HER HUSBAND. 3 And I heard a colours, and playedst the harlot great Voice out of Heaven saying, Behold,

come, neither shall it be [so]..."

waste shall go forth of thee. 18 Lift clear as crystal..." up thine eyes round about, and thee], AS A BRIDE [doeth]."

be joyful in my God; for He hath Life freely." clothed me with the garments of BRIDEGROOM forth before all the nations."

as a Lamp [that] burneth. 2 And the unto God." Gentiles shall see thy Righteousness, and all kings thy Glory: and thou

thereupon: [the like things] shall not the Tabernacle of God [is] with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people, and God Himself shall be with Isaiah 49:14-18 "But Zion said, The them, [and be] their God... 9 And there LORD hath forsaken me, and my came unto me one of the seven angels Lord hath forgotten me. 15 Can a which had the seven vials full of the seven woman forget her sucking child, that last plagues, and talked with me, saying, she should not have compassion on Come hither, I WILL SHEW THEE THE the son of her womb? yea, they may BRIDE, THE LAMB'S WIFE. 10 And he forget, yet will I not forget thee. 16 carried me away in the spirit to a great and Behold, I have graven thee upon the high mountain, and shewed me that great palms of [My] hands; thy walls [are] city, the Holy Jerusalem, descending out of continually before Me. 17 Thy Heaven from God, 11 Having the glory of children shall make haste; thy God: and her light [was] like unto a stone destroyers and they that made thee most precious, even like a jasper stone,

behold: all these gather themselves Revelation 22:16-17 "I Jesus have sent together, [and] come to thee. [As] I Mine angel to testify unto you these things live, saith the LORD, thou shall in the churches. I AM THE ROOT AND surely clothe thee with them all, as THE OFFSPRING OF DAVID, [AND] with an ornament, and bind them [on THE BRIGHT AND MORNING STAR. 17 AND THE SPIRIT AND THE BRIDE say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. **Isaiah 61:10-11** "I will greatly And let him that is athirst come. And rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall whosoever will, let him take the Water of

salvation, He hath covered me with Romans 7:1-4 "Know ye not, brethren, (for the robe of righteousness, AS A I speak to them that know the law,) how that DECKETH the law hath dominion over a man as long [HIMSELF] WITH ORNAMENTS, as he liveth? 2 For the woman which hath AND AS A BRIDE ADORNETH an husband is bound by the law to [her] [HERSELF] WITH HER JEWELS. husband so long as he liveth; but if the 11 For as the earth bringeth forth her husband be dead, she is loosed from the law bud, and as the garden causeth the of [her] husband. 3 So then if, while [her] things that are sown in it to spring husband liveth, she be married to another forth; so the Lord GOD will cause man, she shall be called an adulteress; but if righteousness and praise to spring her husband be dead, she is free from that law; so that she is no adulteress, though she be married to another man. 4 Wherefore, **Isaiah 62:1-5** "For Zion's sake will I my brethren, ye also are become dead to the not hold my peace, and for law by the body of Christ; THAT YE Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until SHOULD BE MARRIED TO ANOTHER, the Righteousness thereof go forth as [EVEN] TO HIM WHO IS RAISED FROM Brightness, and the Salvation thereof THE DEAD, that we should bring forth fruit

shalt be called by a new name, which the Mouth of the LORD shall name. 3 Thou shalt also be a crown of glory in the Hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the Hand of thy God. 4 Thou shalt no more be termed Forsaken; neither shall thy land any more be termed Desolate: but thou shalt be called Hephzibah, and thy Beulah: for the LORD delighteth in thee, and THY LAND SHALL BE MARRIED. 5 FOR [AS] A YOUNG MAN MARRIETH A VIRGIN, [SO] SHALL THY SONS MARRY THEE: AND [AS] THE BRIDEGROOM REJOICETH OVER THE BRIDE, [SO] SHALL THY GOD REJOICE **OVER** THEE."

> **Hebrews 13:5-6** "[Let your] conversation [be] without covetousness; [and be] content with such things as ve have: for He hath said, I WILL NEVER LEAVE THEE, NOR FORSAKE THEE. 6 So that we may boldly say, The Lord [is] my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me "

Deuteronomy 31:6 "Be strong and 2 Corinthians 13:11 "Finally, brethren, God, He [it is] that doth go with OF LOVE AND PEACE SHALL BE thee; HE WILL NOT FAIL THEE, WITH YOU." NOR FORSAKE THEE."

of a good courage, fear not, nor be farewell. Be perfect, be of good comfort, be afraid of them: for the LORD thy of one mind, live in peace; AND THE GOD

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courage; be not afraid, neither be ALL." thou dismayed: FOR THE LORD GOD [IS] WITH THY WITHERSOEVER THOU GOEST."

2 Thessalonians 3:16 "Now the Lord of **Joshua 1:9** "Have not I commanded peace himself give you peace always by all thee? Be strong and of a good means. THE LORD [BE] WITH YOU

> THEE Luke 12:29-32 "And seek not ye what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink, neither be ye of doubtful mind. 30 For all these things do the nations of the world seek after: and your Father knoweth that ve have need of these things. 31 But rather seek ye the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you. 32 FEAR NOT, LITTLE FLOCK, FOR IT IS YOUR FATHER'S GOOD PLEASURE TO GIVE

YOU THE KINGDOM."

1 Peter 1:3-5 "Blessed [be] the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to His abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, 5 WHO ARE KEPT BY THE POWER OF GOD through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time."

Matthew 10:24-31 "The disciple is not above [his] Master, nor the servant above his Lord. 25 It is enough for the disciple that he be as his Master, and the servant as his Lord. If they have called the Master of the House Beelzebub, how much more [shall they call] them of His household? 26 Fear them not therefore: for there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; and hid, that shall not be known. 27 What I tell you in darkness, [that] speak ye in light: and what ye hear in the ear, [that] preach ye upon the housetops. 28 And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear Him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell. 29 Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father. 30 But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. 31 FEAR YE NOT THEREFORE, YE ARE OF **MORE** VALUE THAN MANY SPARROWS."

VIII. CONCLUSION

Towards the latter years of the Lord's incarnate sojourn here on Earth, "in those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judaea, and saying, Repent ye: for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand" (Matthew 3:1-2). "Now after that John was put in prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom of God, and saying, The time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the Gospel" (Mark 1:14-15). The Lord often spoke in parables concerning His Kingdom,; we see that "...the disciples came, and said unto Him, Why speakest Thou unto them in parables? 11 He answered and said unto them, Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the Kingdom of Heaven, but to them it is not given. 12 For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he

shall have more abundance: but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath. 13 Therefore speak I to them in parables: because they seeing see not; and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand. 14 And in them is fulfilled the prophecy of Esaias, which saith, By hearing ve shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and shall not perceive: 15 For this people's heart is waxed gross, and [their] ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed; lest at any time they should see with [their] eyes, and hear with [their] ears, and should understand with [their] heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them. 16 But blessed [are] your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear. 17 For verily I say unto you, That many prophets and righteous [men] have desired to see [those things] which ye see, and have not seen [them]; and to hear [those things] which ye hear, and have not heard [them]" (Matthew 13:10-17). In saying these words, it was clear that the Lord Jesus Christ intended to give the Kingdom to some and not to others. "Jesus saith unto them, Did ve never read in the scriptures. The Stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the Head of the Corner: this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes? 43 Therefore say I unto you, The Kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof" (Matthew 21:42-43). Except for a remnant, the Kingdom was taken away from national Israel and given to the Gentiles so that, through the Gentiles, the elect Jews (throughout the New Testament era, until the return of Christ) will be brought back into the fold (Romans 11:1-32).

During the time of His sojourn, the Jews were looking for a political and military Messiah; a Christ that would deliver them from Roman rule, reestablish their independent Kingdom, and from whence God would govern, through the Messiah and the Israelites with Him, over the nations of the earth. The Jews were thinking carnally, just as many Jews and Gentiles think today, with their Dispensationalist mindsets; failing to heed the words of the Lord wherein "Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world: if My kingdom were of this world, then would My servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is My kingdom not from hence" (John 18:36), and also, "...when He was demanded of the Pharisees, when the Kingdom of God should come, He answered them and said, The Kingdom of God cometh not with observation: 21 Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the Kingdom of God is within you" (Luke 17:20-21). As with many today, they miss the reality that the Kingdom of God, the Kingdom of Heaven, the true nature of Israel, which is the true reality of Christ, is spiritual and not carnal. The Lord explained this when "there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: 2 The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that Thou art a Teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with Him. 3 Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God. 4 Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? 5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and [of] the Spirit, he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God. 6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit" (John 3:1-6). The principle being that the Kingdom of God was a spiritual one; to enter therein, one must be born again. We know that to be born again is to be baptized into Christ through the Holy Spirit; it is to be quickened by the Spirit and immersed into the Body of Christ wherein the Lord Jesus is the Head of His body. All who are in Christ, have the Hope of Glory (Christ in them), which is the same, one and only, Hope of Israel. The Prophets understood the nature of the Hope of Israel, the Kingdom of God, and the spiritual nature of Israel, Zion, and Jerusalem. We read in Jeremiah 14:7-9 "O LORD, though our iniquities testify against us, do Thou [it] for Thy name's sake: for our backslidings are many; we have sinned against Thee. 8 O THE HOPE OF ISRAEL, THE SAVIOUR thereof in time of trouble, why shouldest Thou be as a Stranger in the land, and as a Wayfaring Man [that] turneth aside to tarry for a night? 9 Why shouldest Thou be as a Man astonied, as a Mighty Man [that] cannot save? yet Thou, O LORD, [art] in the midst of us, and we are called by Thy name; leave us not." Likewise, in Jeremiah 17:13 we read "O LORD, THE HOPE OF ISRAEL, all that forsake Thee shall be ashamed, [and] They

that depart from me shall be written in the earth, because they have forsaken the LORD, the Fountain of Living Waters."

Likewise, the Apostles knew the Hope of Israel was none other than the LORD Jesus Christ - even right here and right now - and not at some supposed future time. If the Apostle Paul had preached some future golden age for a natural, national, Israelite Kingdom, he would not have faced the tribulation he faced at the hands of the Jews. He would not have ended up in bonds. Yet, he spoke the truth about the reality of the Kingdom of God and Heaven, about the true nature of the Israel of God, and for that he was hated and persecuted -- and for that he went about "confirming the souls of the disciples, [and] exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that we must through much tribulation enter into the Kingdom of God" (Acts 14:22). What was the Apostle Paul's testimony on these matters? We read in Acts 28:17-31 "and it came to pass, that after three days Paul called the chief of the Jews together: and when they were come together, he said unto them. Men [and] brethren, though I have committed nothing against the people, or customs of our fathers, yet was I delivered prisoner from Jerusalem into the hands of the Romans. 18 Who, when they had examined me, would have let [me] go, because there was no cause of death in me. 19 But when the Jews spake against [it], I was constrained to appeal unto Caesar; not that I had ought to accuse my nation of, 20 For this cause therefore have I called for you, to see [you], and to speak with [you]: because that FOR THE HOPE OF ISRAEL I am bound with this chain. 21 And they said unto him, We neither received letters out of Judaea concerning thee, neither any of the brethren that came shewed or spake any harm of thee. 22 But we desire to hear of thee what thou thinkest: for as concerning this sect, we know that every where it is spoken against. 23 And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into [his] lodging; to whom HE EXPOUNDED AND TESTIFIED THE KINGDOM OF GOD, PERSUADING THEM CONCERNING JESUS, both out of the law of Moses, and [out of] the prophets, from morning till evening. 24 And some believed the things which were spoken, and some believed not. 25 And when they agreed not among themselves, they departed, after that Paul had spoken one word, Well spake the Holy Ghost by Esaias the prophet unto our fathers, 26 Saying, Go unto this people, and say, Hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and not perceive: 27 For the heart of this people is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes have they closed; lest they should see with [their] eyes, and hear with [their] ears, and understand with [their] heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them. 28 BE IT KNOWN THEREFORE UNTO YOU, THAT THE SALVATION OF GOD IS SENT UNTO THE GENTILES, AND [THAT] THEY WILL HEAR IT. 29 And when he had said these words, the Jews departed, and had great reasoning among themselves. 30 And Paul dwelt two whole years in his own hired house, and received all that came in unto him, 31 PREACHING THE KINGDOM OF GOD, AND TEACHING THOSE THINGS WHICH CONCERN THE LORD JESUS CHRIST, with all confidence, no man forbidding him."

As it was then, so it is now... most Jews, as with most so-called Christians (especially those who call themselves Christian Zionists), want a Christ, Kingdom, and Nation patterned after the earthly and not the spiritual -- for if they wanted the spiritual, they would be not just content, but blessedly overwhelmed with, the Lord Jesus Christ. They want carnal delights and pleasures, earthly benefits, socioeconomic and political advantage, failing to realise that "...the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost" (Romans 14:17) and "...the kingdom of God [is] not in word, but in power" (1 Corinthians 4:20) even the power of the Lord Jesus Christ by the Holy Spirit. They simply miss the all-important reality that, when it comes to the true Israel of God, the true Kingdom of God and Heaven, "...flesh and blood cannot inherit the Kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption" (1 Corinthians 15:50). Those who look to the old fables, the traditions of men, the carnal Judaic structure and hope, miss the point entirely and their theology and eschatology suffers as a result. They fail to see the importance of Christ Himself in all these things and the

ONENESS of His people in Him as well as with the Godhead in Him. Those who long for some premillennial age, and who speak much of it, placing much hope and anticipation in it, are trading in the glory of the True Israel of God (Bridegroom, Bride, and Godhead in eternity) for some carnal land, riches, politics, and pleasure for a thousand years. This is utterly absurd and yet it rages on mightily today. Some even argue that one cannot be a true Christian, or at least a "good" Christian, unless they support that land called Israel over in the Middle East today. Some have even been so brash as to yoke their own salvation to the renewal of this physical kingdom with its physical sacrifices, physical priesthood, physical temple, and physical rituals, ordinances, and related observances. Such as these wish, or appear to wish, to go back to the shadows, the darkness, failing to heed the warnings of the books of Hebrews, Galatians, Romans, etc. which evidence the exceeding greatness of Christ and His finished work over the shadows, types, and figures that pointed to Him. Woe to those who would trade in the glory of Christ, our True Spiritual Israel, for the glory of a carnal nation, an ethnic religion, and a ritual resurgence of those carnal ordinances that were against us -- but that have been blotted out, at the cross, through the precious blood of Christ Jesus. This isn't to say that all who hold to Premillennialism, or even Dispensationalism, have crossed the line into heresy -- many have not but some have and those who have dishonour Christ and His finished work on the cross by making it an aside, a parenthetical reality, something that was an after-thought, as though God was caught off guard when the Jews of Christ's day rejected Him as their Saviour/Messiah/Christ.

Nonetheless, let it be said again! Per the Scriptures, the True Jew, the True Israelite, the True Circumcision, the True Children of Abraham and the Promise, are all who are in Christ Jesus, whether they are ethnically Jews or ethnically Gentiles because, in Him, none of that matters any more -- of the two, He has made One, even in His own Body. Moreover, the True Israel of God, the New Jerusalem, Mount Zion from on High, is the Bride, the Body, forever yoked with her Head (the Lord Jesus Christ), and forever dwelling in, and being indwelt by, the Triune Godhead. Christ is our Israel, who is our Heaven, who is the ONE wherein God and Man can dell together, for all eternity, in perfect love, peace, union, and bliss... this is THE ISRAEL that we should be focusing upon, promoting, expounding, glorying in... and never some nation in Palestine, the Middle East, or anywhere else. There is only one Blessed Nation; it isn't the (national) Israel of the Israelis, or the country of the United States of America, or the United Kingdom, or any other such earthly nation; the one Blessed Nation found here on Earth is a heavenly nation, a spiritual one, and it is described as follows (concerning all who are in Christ Jesus):

"But ye [are] a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, AN HOLY NATION, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness into His marvellous light: 10 Which in time past [were] not a people, BUT [ARE] NOW THE PEOPLE OF GOD: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy." 1 Peter 2:9-10

To God be the glory, in Christ, our True Spiritual Israel, forever, Amen!