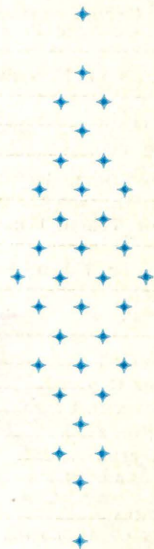


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Thomas Paine wrote that great book, "The Age of Reason," which brought life and light to enquiring, reasonable minds, along the lines of reason, which has led us to where reason today is used, rather than "the Inquisition" and suffering of days past and gone. His most illustrious words ever being: "Where Liberty is not, there is my Home."

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## WHY WE HAVE THESE UNITED STATES

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### THE WORLD'S MOST UNIQUE REPUBLIC

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The Founding Fathers of this Republic were students of Old Testament lore. Their lives have no equal in all American history. To less than a half dozen individuals, can we trace the seed thoughts of the Republic of these United States of America. The two foremost among them were chiefly of Anglo-Saxon origin, George Washington and Thomas Paine. This does not mean that they did not have able assistants, but it is the old story of the might of the sword and pen.

In the year 1774, the patron saint of all American philosophers and diplomats, Doctor Benjamin Franklin, was in London, England, in the service of the Crown. There he met through Divine Providence, and his own efforts, a highly intellectual Quaker, Thomas Paine. After an interview with Paine, Doctor Franklin said: "Where liberty is, there is my home." To which Paine replied: "Where liberty is not, there is my home." "You must go to America, Mr. Paine," said Doctor Franklin. He gave the former tax-collector, Mr. Paine, a letter of introduction to his son-in-law, Richard Buche, in the City of Brotherly Love; and at once dispatched Mr. Paine to the Colonies, and he arrived in Philadelphia on November 13, 1774. He at once began writing on the cause of liberty. About this time was born the Continental Congress, and George Washington was a delegate to that body. It was presided over by Washington's Brother Mason, Payton Randolph of Virginia. Soon the Continental Congress organized the Continental Army, and appointed Major

George Washington, General and Commander-in-Chief. The Thirteen Colonies at this time had become thoroughly aroused as to taxation by the Mother Country. The leader of patriots in civil life, was also a Brother Mason of Washington, Samuel Adams of Boston. Congress soon created several Major-Generals, and the most unique one among them was a Rhode Islander, Nathaniel Greene, who, too, like Mr. Paine, was a Quaker. Washington successfully took Boston from the hands of the British.

Congress in those days, as it is today, consisted of more politicians than of statesmen, but General Washington forced all issues. He called Paine into the Army, and placed him on the staff of his best beloved General, Greene, with the courtesy rank of a Major. The prayers of Franklin had been answered, and Paine was filling his proper place in the making of the new Republic. So it was by torch light on the drum heads of the Army, the author-hero, Major Thomas Paine, first wrote this phrase, "The United States of America," and in bold type on a drum head of the Army of Greene's brigade did he pen these seven words: "THE FREE AND INDEPENDENT STATES OF AMERICA." This with the following: "This land that was once the Province of a King, is now the Homestead of a People!" Paine at this time had written his "crisis," which work Washington caused to be read before every Regiment in the Army. Despite the fact that within their midst were three hideous figures, disease,



starvation, and nakedness, and the major portion of the army were deserting, Paine's "crisis" saved the Army of Washington. It was by torch light in the evening, that Washington, Greene and Paine, would consult on the future destiny of the Colonies. Washington dispatched Paine's entire writings to Philadelphia, and Thomas Jefferson, also Washington's Brother Mason, arranged them into a document, now known as THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE. The chief phrase used by Paine before the Continental Army were these words: "THESE ARE THE TIMES THAT TRY MEN'S SOULS." Down to every Corporal in the Army, Washington saw to it that each soldier familiarize himself with "The Crisis." "Light Horse" Harry Lee of Virginia, was Washington's dispatcher. He, too, was Washington's Brother Mason. A horse was kept on the south side of the Hudson River, for Lee to ride at any notice.

When this writer was a very small boy, there stood in Philadelphia the two-story frame building, to which door Courier Lee would ride up, and hand to Mr. Jefferson, Paine's essays; and so it is that with the sword of George Washington and the pen of Thomas Paine, we have these United States of America.

This monograph does not belittle the other patriots assembled around General Washington. In Congress, soap-box orators were busy telling Washington how to fight the battles. Paine followed the Army, and even at the taking of Trenton his advice was sought. When he was not writing he was acting as an engineer for General Greene. Many men in those days who did not leave names beyond their last breathing hours, maligned Paine because he was a Deist, and not a creed-monger. The seer, Franklin, saw in Paine the reincarnation of one of the Old Testament heroes. After Paine had finished his work in the Continental Army, he took up civil and patriotic work in Pennsylvania. Finally, the British surrendered at Yorktown, and Washington was all the while in correspondence with Paine at Philadelphia, and it was through Paine's advice that Washington caused at the taking of Yorktown this old tune to be played: "The World Turned Up-side Down."

In 1783, when the Army was to be mustered out, there was formed among the Officers, "The Society of the Cincinnati." This was chiefly through the efforts of Washington's friends and Brother Masons, Generals Steuben, and Knox. Eleven years later the Constitution of these United States was written. Washington had consulted Paine upon the matter. The leader in constructing that great document was also Washington's Brother Mason, James Madison. At the time the Constitution was conceived and signed, Paine and Jefferson were in Paris, and could not take any part in the matter. They were consulted

by Madison, Franklin and others on its construction. Jefferson later became president, and Paine wrote the French Constitution. It was a few years after the American Revolution and Washington had been President, that he was visited by an English tourist at Mount Vernon, who said to President Washington: "Who made the American Revolution?" Upon which, General Washington's private secretary, and brother Mason, General Edmund Randolph replied in these words, as he smilingly looked over his glasses: "King George III, and Thomas Paine." Washington was a modest man, and did not want to take any glory away from Paine and did not reply to the question put to Randolph, and we can now cast our eyes across the seas, and see the author of the "Crisis" and "Common Sense" with the blessings of Washington upon his head, standing alone in the judgment hall of the great French nation, pleading, even amid that sea of scowling faces, for the life of King Louis; and again we recall his words to Franklin: "Where Liberty is not, there is my home," and do we see the Deist Paine with Washington, Hamilton, Macintosh, Franklin and Jefferson, (his Masonic Brethren), elected a citizen of France. Later we see him thrown into prison by the new nation he has tried to defend.

He was one of the greatest Bible scholars in his time and generation, and claimed that the Old Testament came down from its original writings, but that much of the New Testament had been tampered with by creed-mongers in Rome, previous to its compilation. So it was on the works of Israel, did Paine base much of his works and philosophy. While the tide ebbs and flows twice in each twenty-four hours, and the hand of Deity continues to rule the destinies of men, will all rational philosophers, who are pleased to learn history as it really is, continue to bless the sword of George Washington, and the pen of Thomas Paine, that posterity might forever have These United States of America free from Old World philosophy, and here that all men should be born free and equal. Paine was one of the earliest advocates of the abolition of slavery, but as Washington, Jefferson, and some of the other Fathers of the Revolution were slave holders, Paine could not have this embodied in either the Declaration of Independence or the Constitution of these United States. And so it is, that an American author at this time, leaves with his readers of The Torch of Israel, the story of how Liberty was wrought, and, concludes his article with the first six words of the Mayflower Compact, "In the name of God, Amen." Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey, U.S.A.

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**All Aliens and Alien-Minded People must  
be turned back to their own Country  
and own People. America for Americans.**



## The Bible In The Public Schools

I'd like to see the Bible placed  
Where the Bible used to be,  
Upon the top of teacher's desk  
For every child to see;  
I'd like to hear the teacher say,  
As my teacher used to do:  
"Before we work or play, dear ones,  
I want to read to you."

I'd like to see the teacher stand  
Before the class again  
And lift with reverent care the Book  
That make God's purpose plain,  
And ere the youngsters went to work  
I'd like to hear her voice  
Repeat those words of truth and faith  
That make one's soul rejoice.

I'd like to see her face light up  
At each resplendent word,  
And watch the children's souls shine out  
At the messages they had heard;  
I'd like to see the sweet content  
Fill that dear room, each nook,  
And know that joy had come to each  
When teacher reads the Book.

Yes, I'd like to see the Bible placed  
Where the Bible used to be;  
I'd like to hear it read aloud  
In the schoolrooms of the free.  
I want my children taught to know  
God's matchless gift of love.  
The Book of books is wisdom's gate  
To knowledge from above.

—Author unknown.

## A HIGHER MIND THAN MAN

Unless we attribute much of the affairs of this world to a Mind Higher than that of men, there are some real puzzling things which we pick up in our journey of life. And here is one of them about Jerusalem, which only recently opened to the mind of the honest student of the Scriptures in a literal U.S.A. way.

From the time we were in the Primer Class at school, we have heard of Jerusalem, the City where David was King. The City where Solomon, the founder of the great Masonic Order, and one of earth's wisest men lived, and where he ruled over the Twelve Tribes of Israel. Many strange incidents have taken place in Jerusalem. It was the one City of earth where Jesus, the "King of the Jews," rather than to leave Israel's God, and fall down in adoration before Lucifer, took the way of the Cross, that he might make sure the inheritance of God, to Israel, and was crucified by the Gentile Power. And if we are to believe that which has been written by historians, Jerusalem has been built upon her own "heap" **nineteen times**. And there must be something to it, as the Prophet Jeremiah has said: "Thus saith the Lord, Behold I will bring again the captivity of Jacob's tents, and have mercy upon his dwelling places; and the City shall be builded upon her own heap." Jer. 30:18. And the truth is, the last building is taking place now, and report has it that "building and improvements are taking place so rapidly that

it is impossible to get men to carry forward the work."

But here is the strangest thing of all about Jerusalem. Spell the word, and notice the arranging of the letters. Notice, JerUSAlem. Was this putting of the letters USA in the center of the name just a happening of chance, or was there a greater and Higher Mind, and motive did this unique and mysterious placing of the letters? And may we ask, But rather was it not the infinite mind of God, who saw not only the "beginning" of His people Israel, but their final "ending" as well, who determined that it SHOULD BE SO? And if it is so, what does it really mean to the United States of America anyway? So may we ask, is it not strange that we should find the three letters in the spelling of JerUSAlem? Then, instead of passing this strange incident up, will it not be better that we look into the matter anyway, that we may find things that have happened here in the United States of America, Israel's final homeland, and know just what God expects the United States of America to be doing about JerUSAlem, now that the British have applied the brakes, and are trying to make a Province out of God's Land Palestine?

In the days of Rehoboam, Solomon's son, when Ten Tribed Israel revolted from the Davidic rule, we find God enters the scene, and says: "Howbeit I will not rend away all the kingdom, but will give



**one Tribe** to thy son (Rehoboam) for David My servants sake, and for **Jerusalem's sake, which I have chosen.**" 1 Kings 11:13. These words were spoken to King Solomon, and had to do with things that should happen after his death, so you see there can be no doubt about God choosing JerUSAlem. But what did God choose it for? "—in Jerusalem, the city which I have chosen to put **My name there.**" Here you have the reason, "to put my name there!" And whether you believe it or not, the next place where God placed His name, was in the United States of America. All this is witnessed to by our founding fathers. But what are we doing about it today? We may be a little dilitary and tardy, because the spirit of democracy has been and is hovering over the people of U.S.A. with its "different views, some bad, and, if I might be allowed to use so harsh an expression, **diabolical.**" George Washington, (See Lib. Uni. Hist. Vol. 13, Page 3983.) But let us thank God that 1940 is here, and the Spirit of Israel will sprout up and grow again, as the U.S.A. will arise and prosper again, until from it "the knowledge and glory of God will cover the earth." Let us study the matter fully, and see if there is not something connected with it, that will give us a little insight as to why our present troubles.

But first let us see if God has especially directed our minds to Jerusalem in particular. We read: "Pray for the peace of JerUSAlem; they shall prosper that love thee." Then why pray? "Our feet shall stand within thy gates, O JerUSAlem." Why shall our feet stand within the gates of Jerusalem? "Whither the Tribes (of Israel) go up, the Tribes of the Lord, unto the Testimony of Israel." Ps. 122:2-7. What is the Testimony of Israel? "And He (God) gave unto Moses Two Tables of Testimony, tables of stone, written with the finger of God. And He wrote upon the tables the words of the covenant, the Ten Commandments." Ex. 31:28, 32:15-19, Deut. 9:9-17, Deut. 10:1-5. This is all very plain. First God places His name in Jerusalem, and second He places His law, the Ten commandments, there also, and third our feet shall stand within the gates of Jerusalem where these things are. When will we go, that our feet may stand there? "And it shall come to pass, that from one new moon to another, and from one Sabbath to another shall all flesh come to worship before me, saith the Lord."

All is plain, the Twelve tribes go up to Jerusalem to worship God. But not all at one time. They go up in order. There are twelve months in the year, and there are twelve tribes of Israel. So one month in each year the Tribe assigned to this month goes up to Jerusalem to worship the Lord, and their feet stand in that city. So then why not **pray for the peace of Jerusalem?**

Now another thought about JerUSAlem. "If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning, If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth; if I prefer

not JerUSAlem above my chief joy. Remember, O Lord the children of Edom in **THE DAY OF JERUSALEM**, who said, 'Raze it, raze it,' even to the foundations thereof." (Ps. 137.) Now we have it. Edom started the razing of Jerusalem, and other nations and kindreds have continued the razing of the City of Jerusalem, until it has been razed nineteen times. But those who razed it forgot to take thought that JerUSAlem had "its day." Britain twice has tried to "Raze" our U.S.A. or the United States in its infancy. Neither is this all, when Britain and France was confronted with the World War, she borrowed Money and men of our good "Uncle Sam," and when he asked about getting it back, she called him "Old Shylock." So, in the midst of the present war fever, let us stop and think. The tables are now turned, JerUSAlem's day has come, and while the other cities of the earth are in the midst of unemployment with all its woes, JerUSAlem is rapidly building up, and is one place in the world where laborers are needed. Why and how is all this? "As birds flying, so will the Lord of Hosts defend Jerusalem; defending all so will He deliver it, and passing over will He preserve it." Isa. 31:5. In the World War while other cities were rent and torn, JerUSAlem was spared, as we shall show later in this article.

Isaiah the prophet, speaks farther about JerUSAlem, and God's people Israel. "Comfort ye, My people, saith your God. Speak ye comfortably to JerUSAlem, and cry unto her that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned; for she hath received of the Lord's hand double for all her sins." Isa. 40:1-2. Now if this statement of Isaiah is correct, about the "double" and about the "warfare being ended," there are two things; First, Jerusalem must be taken from the hands of the Gentile-Turks without a struggle, which it was in the World War, and without the firing of artillery within the city proper. Second, the struggle in which Jerusalem should be released must have its beginning just 2520 years after the Babylonish captivity of Judah, and this 2520 years must be made up of two parts of 1260 years each, and at each end, and at the center, things of extraordinary character in the affairs of the world must be taking place. But did they? Let us see. Jerusalem and Israel because of idolatry, had 2520 years of punishment placed upon it and its people, the Jews. Divide the 2520 in half and you have 1260 years, or the "double" spoken of. JerUSAlem's first captivated period of 1260 years was under the Hamitic people of Babylon, starting in 721 B.C. This was the beginning. In the middle, or central part of the 2520 years, Jerusalem was destroyed by the Roman Gentiles under Titus. This was the first great world upheaval. Then at the last of the second 1260 years we had the war of the Revolution in U. S. A., the war 1914-17, making the second upheaval of things in the earth at the end of the second 1260 years or 1914 to 1918,



and in this JerUSAlem was directly concerned. So we find the two upheavals in the earth, and the "double" periods of punishment, 1260 years each. One under the Hamitic people, and the other under the Gentile Romans. So Isaiah must have been seeing a true vision.

But let Isaiah speak farther about JerUSAlem. We read: "For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for JerUSAlem's sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth. And the Gentiles shall see thy righteousness, and all kings thy glory; and thou shalt be called by a new name (American) which the mouth of the Lord shall name. Thou shalt also be a crown of glory in the hand of thy God. (The THOU here also refers to Israel, the inhabitants of Jerusalem.) Thou shalt no more be termed Forsaken; neither shall thy land any more be termed (Azubah) Desolate; but thou shalt be called Hephzibah, (My delight is in her,) and thy land Beulah, (Married,) for the Lord delighteth in thee, and thy land shall be married. For as the young man marrieth a virgin, so shall thy God rejoice over thee." Isa. 62:1-5. And here comes the sweet, and the beautiful, of the whole story, as it shall be written from 1917 A.D. on into the eternal ages. "I have set watchmen upon thy walls, O JerUSAlem, which shall never hold their peace day or night; ye that make mention of the Lord, keep not silence, (Here the laity as well as the ministry) and give Him no rest (keep not silent) till He establish, and till He make JerUSAlem a praise in the earth. The Lord hath sworn by His right hand, and by the arm of His strength, surely I will no more give thy corn to be meat for thine enemies, and the sons of the stranger shall not drink thy wine, for the which thou hast labored; but they that have gathered it shall eat it, and praise the Lord, and they that have brought it together shall drink it in the court of My holiness." Verses 6-9. (Here is the work that Israel shall be doing, and is doing today.) "Go through, go through the gates, prepare ye in the way of the people; (and let us say, here is the work, and which is being done here in America at this present time through the Dies and Reynolds Committees,) cast up, cast up the highway, (Railways, and cement roads) gather out the stones, lift up a standard for the people (Who have learned their identity, and Israel's God. Let them have the living issues of the day.) Behold the Lord hath proclaimed unto the ends of the world (Just where we are today,) Say ye to the daughter of Zion, (Israel) behold thy salvation cometh; behold His reward is with Him, and His work is before Him. (The church has reversed all this. It has the wicked destroyed, the work of salvation completed when Jesus comes. But here "His work is before him." The greatest difference in the world.) And they shall call them, (Israel, the daughter of Zion) The Holy people. The

redeemed of the Lord; and thou (JerUSAlem) Sought out, a city not Forsaken." Verses 10-12.

Here is a literal story about JerUSAlem, and thank God it is being told today as He would have it told. A literal thing, stripped of all the Gentile spiritual vagaries, and garments which have been hung upon it. God inspired Isaiah to write these literal words about Jerusalem 698 B.C. Ninety-two years after Jerusalem had been pilaged by Nebuchadnezzar in 606 B.C., and this is 1940, the end of the "70 weeks" of Dan., 26 years after the end of Judah's captivated years of punishment, and 23 years after Jerusalem's deliverance from Gentile-Turkish rule. Judah's punishment beginning in 606 B.C., and ending in 1914 A.D., the time of the breaking out of the World's War, which in the end resulted in the taking of Jerusalem out of the hands of the Gentile-Turks and the restoring of it to the children of Jacob-Israel once more. Thus starting the new order of things. 19 years are added to 1914, it brings us to 1933 A.D., which marked the change of our currency and the placing of the Pyramid, with cap lifted, and the words "Novus ordo Seclorum"—"New order of things begins"—beneath it, with the words "Annuit Ceoptis,"—"He prospers our beginnings,"—above it. So keep your eyes open and watch, forgetting your old ideas.

It was Jesus who said that "JerUSAlem will be trodden down of the Gentiles till the Times (years) of the Gentiles be accomplished." Luke 21:24. As we have shown, Isaiah said that Jerusalem's "warfare had been accomplished." From this we would understand that when the city passed out of the hands of the enemy, that so far as the city proper would be concerned, there would be no firing of war armaments within its walls. But was this so? We will let General Allenby of the British Army answer the question.

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"In reply to your letter of the 6th inst., (September 1931)—In August in Palestine at the time Jerusalem was taken, consisted of three mounted divisions and seven infantry divisions, with artillery in proportion, and one aircraft.

"There was cannonading and firing during the campaign, but no firing or cannonading on, or, in Jerusalem. The inhabitants received us gladly.

"Very truly,

"Allenby."

Thus we have the General's word that there was no cannonading or firing in the city of Jerusalem when it was taken. This verifies the prophecy of Isaiah. "When General Allenby and the Allies gave Jerusalem back to the House of Judah; as "birds flying" (airplanes) so "God defended JerUSAlem and saved it from the Gentile-Turk, restoring it to the God's people Israel, and the Jews." Luke 21:24 reads: "JerUSAlem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles until the times of



the Gentiles be fulfilled." This is why we are sure that we are in the NEW ORDER of things; but as a child unborn."—Copied from both Houses of Israel and Judah.

From the story of JerUSAlem as we have tried to tell it in this article, it can be readily seen that we are in stirring times, whether the world takes time to take any notice of the happenings of earth or not.

There is one thought more we will mention. It is upon present conditions, yet has a bearing upon this taking of Jerusalem. It is this: Since the fall of Jerusalem 606 B.C. there has ever been the shadow of Mystical Babylon hovering over the earth, trying to supercede JerUSAlem in its God given places. But it seems we have reached the place where this Mystical Babylon has fallen, shall we look honestly into present economic conditions, as this Babylon has been a great city of traffic and merchandising. The Babylonish-Roman-Gentile economic system seems to have lost its hold, and its business, shall we see and believe the awful scramble there is for trade at the present time. Some of our own Statesmen even wanting to trade World War debts due to U. S. to the countries indebted, if they will only trade with us. That is, that this country will allow 25 per cent to these debtor countries on every dollar of trade, or merchandise they will buy of the United States. So you can see that trade and traffic is surely wanted. In regard to this God speaks more fully about this mystical Babylon, which has tried in every way to usurp the places that JerUSAlem has held with God since "He chose the City to place His name there. The reader may have in mind the breaking of the "Stock Market" a few years ago, and after which we as a nation have been floundering around ever since. In fact, we have about used up the Alphabet, in efforts to find healing beneficial remedies from the fearful broken financial and unemployment conditions, as lettered Administrations have been set up to destroy the finals of the great stock market break. But here is what John had to say when he beheld the fall through the spirit of prophecy, he sees them "Standing afar off for fear of her torment, saying, Alas, alas, the great city of Babylon, that mighty City! (with its thieving and unrighteous systems of economics, making the rich richer, and the poor, poorer, thinking that in the end it could thrust Israel's God from His lofty standards of righteousness, and establish itself in the earth. But the fall came,) for in one hour is thy judgement come. And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her, for no man buyeth their merchandise any more." The statement is "One Hour," and "One Hour" in prophetic time is claimed to occupy a period of fifteen years. Allenby took the City of Jerusalem near the beginning of 1918, and fifteen years from 1918 put us to 1933, when things had become so smashed here in America, that politically we had

a complete turn over, based upon the promise that Roosevelt would fix it. But has he fixed it? Yes, if you call a debt of some 46 billion dollars, with an unbalanced budget running over a period of seven years, with millions of people on relief, and millions of unemployed, fixing it, with our country, and the nations of earth going deeper and deeper into the red right along, and now with a war going on that is pauperizing the nations, with many of America's politicians hoping to get into it.

But God says, the Babylonish economic system has fallen. Then why try to raise our puny hands against the Almighty any longer. Why not confess up, and acknowledge the supremacy of Israel's God, asking Him to show us the way out, and quit trying any more new fangled alphabetical administrations any farther. Thus giving God a chance to set us on our feet in righteousness and right doing once more, before we go any deeper into the "slough of despond"?

In not only America, but in every nation, conditions are fearful, but God has promised peace and prosperity to JerUSAlem, and in the City of Jerusalem it was really so, until Britain through her greed tried to cut the Jewish people off from their land, making a Province out of it, instead of a Jewish state, as was promised the Jewish people during the World War. How much better it would be to take God at His Word, acknowledge our broken up condition, forever turning away from our present Babylonish-Roman-Gentile way of doing things, and open the Scriptures, the Book of God to His people, and ask Him to open our blind eyes, that we may see and know Him as He is, and put His laws and statutes into operation, that prosperity and peace may again rest upon not only our nation, but the other Israelitish nations of earth, and that the "earth may be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea." For this is promised to us as a people in this day and time.

Our slogan: "Prophetic, Educational, Patriotic, Political." It takes these to make America and its people a righteous people. Too long have we been following along the ways of "getting religion and going to heaven." It has gotten us nowhere. People have gone on dying and being buried, with no signs of heaven any nearer. So why not face about here in America and "make a heaven to go to heaven in." Then we will always have heaven with us. Wars and oppression will cease, and as it was in America's younger days, we will be drawing closer together, with desires to know and understand Israel's God. To understand God we must know His prophecies covering Israel. We must be educated along these lines. We must be patriotic, if Americans. Lastly we must be politically civil minded. The greater part of our national troubles have come because we let demagogues and self-seeking politicians do our thinking. They think of their own interests, not ours.



# Thinking, Breathing, Drinking, Eating For Health and Prosperity

## TO BUILD LONGEVITY, MENTALITY, AND CORRECT LIVING

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### What We Think

We are what we think, for the Bible says, "As a man thinketh in his heart so is he." Thoughts are things. The mind acting is the mind thinking. The product of thought is action. Conscience is a matter of Education—right or wrong. We can educate our conscience by studying the Bible, and by eating proper foods, assimilating them, properly balanced, to balance the mind. Phosphorus feeds and builds the Brain. Phosphorus is found in Citrus Fruit Juices, Egg-yolk, Nuts grown on trees, Whole Grain products and fresh vegetables. Manganese from green leafy vegetables enables us to coordinate our thoughts in the brain, to think and act connectedly and consecutively, which we call sanity. What we eat enables us to think correctly.

### Correct Breathing

"God created man of the dust of the ground and breathed into his Nostrils the Breath of life and man became a living soul." All the elements are found in the Air, in the atmosphere, and it is the most important thing in this world to sustain life. We cannot live five minutes without air, as all the twenty-six elements are found in it to sustain life and longevity. Therefore, everyone should resolve to breathe deeply every time he or she breathes, awake or asleep. Be careful the air is pure, clean and fresh, then draw in an abundance of it to areate your body, through the lungs, blood circulation, feeding the elements to the glands for the Body.

### Proper Drinking

Jesus gave them fresh, pure water turned to wine at the wedding in Cana of Galilee. He, knowing the Process, shortened the route of the water in its course to make pure fresh unfermented grape juice, which was pronounced the best saved to the last of the feast. All the twenty-six elements found in the body are found in water, or carried by liquids to feed and build the body. Water, fruit juices, and vegetable juices are all laxative foods in liquid form carrying all the 26 main elements to feed and build the body for health and longevity. Therefore, one should drink an abundance of fresh, raw, freshly squeezed fruit juices and green, leafy vegetable juices to feed and build the body, mentality and correct

living. Fermented juices of all kinds are not good for the body, such as vinegar, intoxicating liquor, &c., which Solomon said is the "wine that is a mocker, the strong drink that is raging, and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise."

### Eating for Health

God placed all the 16 main elements and 10 minor elements in the soil in solid form to be picked up by fruits, vegetables, grains and nuts, to feed and build our human bodies which David said are "fearfully and wonderfully made." Therefore, we should eat a harmonious, balanced meal every time we eat, selecting elements from all four of these great fields of nourishment. We should combine them properly, so that every organ, part and gland is fed perfectly at every meal to sustain life and longevity. The five-point harmony balanced feeding system consists of: An abundance of fresh, raw fruits and fruit juices; fresh, raw vegetables and vegetable juices; whole grain products for starch; and nitrogen foods consisting of beans, peas, lintels, clean lean meats, (Numbers 11th Chapter), nut meats, egg yolk and cottage cheese, also some natural sweets such as figs, dates, raisins, honey, whole raw sugar, and sweet prunes. This combination will keep the body balanced for health and longevity.

### Secrets of Prosperity

Paul said: "I would that above all things you should prosper and be in health." We must first be healthy to be happy. Health and happiness are the keys to prosperity, inasmuch as they give you the physical body and mental capacity with which to obtain and enjoy prosperity. Everyone knows sickness, sorrow, pain and death destroy prosperity, like wars, famine and pestilence. We are entitled to one-hundred-fold in this life and in the life to come, everlasting life. If we do not demonstrate the one-hundred-fold here, how can we expect to enjoy streets of gold and gates of pearls, with the glory of God and all its fullness shining round about? Gold is found in parsley. It gives us poise and balance. Like attracts like. Fluorine is a job, position and money attracting element found in cauliflower and goats' milk products. A healthy body enables us to work physically, mentally and morally, as well as in a correct way to the glory of God and for the benefit of



humanity,—the two things for which we are put here.

### Building Longevity

Dope, drugs, shots, serums, medicine of inorganic elements, operations, sickness, sorrow, pain and death, loss of positions certainly are not conducive to long life. Intoxicating liquors tobacco in all its forms, white sugar with ground bone, white salt with ground limestone, white milk with the mucus in it, vinegar with its mother in it certainly are not conducive to long life, health, happiness or prosperity. The devitalized, demineralized grains with the life ground out, leaving us nothing but the dead, white flour, on which rats cannot eat and live, also our fruits, vegetables and nitrogen foods with the life cooked, fried or boiled out, certainly are not conducive to longevity. These are the things that create constipation, indigestion, and lay the foundation for all our physical ailments similar to those caused from eating foods sprayed with poison sprays, which, like vaccination, makes business good for the doctor who treats disease, rather than prevents by proper eating, drinking, and breathing. The doctor who knows human anatomy, physiology, God and man, knows how to cure people,—get them well and keep them well, by foods containing elements to feed and build the body beautiful.

### Mentality and Correct Living

We use our brain, the cerebrum and the cerebellum, with which to think, also our pituitary gland, called the organ of the will with which we decide all questions, for or against. Unless we feed our brain and nervous system and the pituitary gland properly we cannot exercise proper and correct thoughts, for the elements are lacking which we need to complete the process of demonstrating correctness. This accounts for religiously inclined people being unable to coordinate their mental facilities to support their correct ideas, therefore, instead of praying, praising God and thanking Him for all things, overlooking the short-comings of others and forgiving and forgetting, they turn to the unwholesome business of long-tongued scandal-mongering, to destroy others and themselves. These people are short in phosphorous to feed the brain, and manganese to coordinate the thoughts. They are also short in hydrogen, from water, fruit juices and vegetable juices; they are lacking in sodium from celery, okra, and strawberries and the whole food salt; they are short in potassium, which feeds and builds the muscles, like sodium builds the ligaments. Sodium and potassium make people peaceful and relaxed. Jesus said, "Have salt in yourself and have peace one with another." Sodium is in salt; potassium is in green vegetables; phosphorus is in fruit juices and egg yolk; manganese is in green leafy vegetables and vegetable juices.

### Healing Aloe Vera

God told man in the beginning, in Genesis, to eat fruits, vegetables, nuts, grains and herbs, which reproduce by bearing seeds, for health and longevity for man. The healing aloes are a combination of fruit, vegetable, and herb elements, spoken of all through the Bible,—one of the most powerful, healing foods known to man or beast today. They are spoken of in Numbers, Songs of Solomon, Psalms of David, and numerous places in the New Testament, including John 19:39, where the aloes and myrrh are mentioned. The aloes contain hydrogen, the liquid element found in water, fruits and vegetables; sodium, to feed and build the ligaments, as found in celery, okra and strawberries, and the whole food salt; potassium, the laxative element, which feeds and builds the muscles and grows hair, as found in all green, leafy vegetables, raw salads and vegetable juices; calcium, as found in grains, to feed and build the bones; magnesium, as found in grapefruit juice and cabbage,—the laxative element which prevents cramps and helps to cure insanity; silicon, as found in spinach, apple peelings, on the surface of the grape,—which makes one mentally and physically alert, limber, nimble, active and quick; chlorophyll, as in the sap or juice of all growing things, carrying all food elements; oxygen, as in the air, carrying all elements in gas form; iron, as in beets and spinach and blackberries, which enables one to hold and carry all other elements, especially those found in the air, through full deep breathing; iodine, the finisher and beautifier, as found in sea vegetation, kelp, etc. Thus the aloe leaves, like the leaves on the tree of life, are for the healing of the body, used four ways—internally, by eating and drinking; externally, by rubbing on and binding on, for curative purposes.

The aloes are God's own medicine for humans, with other foods.

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Lest our readers may misunderstand the real mission of THE TORCH OF ISRAEL, we desire to say that we have left the dogmas and doctrines of Rome, to use a crude expression, with "lock, stock, barrel, and hammer." After more than half a century of careful, critical study of the Scriptures, we have found that the doctrines and dogmas as held by Rome and the greater part of the Protestant Churches are entirely without foundation in the Scriptures. We have every respect in the world for both Protestant Ministers and Priests of the Roman Church, but what is the use of "chasing fanthoms." As men, some may think they are on a par with Israel's God, as to making their ideas stand, but when not backed up by the Scriptures, why follow farther? Why not face about, and be with Israel's God, and begin to seek righteousness instead of religion?



## THE MILLER MOVEMENT IN 1844 AS RELATED TO ISRAEL

In the light of latter-day happenings and a more intense research and study of the Scriptures, than Mr. Miller and his associates had, we can far better understand why the movement and the Message of 1844 than they did. They never had advanced so far away from Gentile-Rome and its mystical teachings as have we, hence now a better understanding about the meaning of the whole. They thought and taught that the 2,300 years of Dan. 8:14 had to do wholly with the people, never dreaming that it was the Land of Palestine—the Sanctuary—and not the people, that were concerned in the "Justifying." So let us go back and gather up the happenings just before 1844, with the House of Judah-Jews of those days. Just prior to 1844, men among the Jews began to arise whose whole concern was largely about the land of Palestine. Notably among these Jewish men were Leo Pinsker and Moses Hess, and among their writings we find these words:

"We have come to an epoch when each Race has resolved to claim and to have its own, its soil, its home, its own language, and its own temple. It is long enough since we Jews have been dispossessed of all that. We have been forced to insinuate ourselves into the interstices of the nations, and there we have taken up the interests of governments, of societies, of individuals. This is a great deal, yet it is not enough.

"People still believe that persecution has dispersed us, it has merely spread us over the world. We do not want to be a group any more; we want to be a people, a nation. The ideal name does not suffice us; the fixed territorial fatherland is again necessary for us; and I go to seek it, and to obtain our legalized birth certificate. When it is rational to say 'I know not my father, or my mother, let my children be aliens unto me, that no prayer of mine may touch them,' then will it be rational for a Jew to say, 'I will seek to know no difference between me and the Gentile.'

"In the multitude of the ignorant, are three continents, who observe our rites and use the confession of the Divine Unity, the soul of Judaism is not dead. Revive the organic center (Palestine), let the unity of Israel, which has made the growth and form of its religion, be an outward reality. Looking toward a land and a policy, our dispersed people in all the ends of the earth may share the dignity of national life, which has a voice among the peoples of the East, and the West—which will plant the wisdom and the skill of our Race, so that it may be as of old, a medium of transmission and understanding. Let that come to pass, and the living warmth will spread to the extremities of Israel, and superstition will vanish, not in the lawlessness of the renegade, but in the illumination of great facts, which widen with feeling, and make all knowledge alive as the young offspring of beloved memories.

"There is a store of wisdom among us to found a Jewish polity, grand, simple, just like the old—a Republic, where there is equality of protection. And the world will gain as Israel gains.

Let the torch of visible community be lit! Let the reason of Israel disclose itself of a great outward deed.

let there be another great migration, another choosing of Israel to a nationality, whose members may still stretch to the ends of the earth. Let the central fire be kindled again, and the light will reach afar. The degraded and scorned of our race will learn to think of their sacred land, not as a place for sacred beggary, to await death in a loathsome idleness, but as a republic. The sons of Judah have to choose, that God may again choose them. The Messianic time, is the time when Israel shall will the time, when Israel shall will the planting of the national ensign. The vision is there. It will be fulfilled!"

We might go on, and on, with such wonderful words of inspiration as these, which come from Jewish sources around the year 1844; but here is enough. For it is plainly seen, that if the Miller movement should have moved out in a scriptural direction, toward the "sanctuary to be cleansed," turned from "the voice," to the living Words of God, clasped the hands of the Jewish people, and have said, "we are with you, the land of Palestine, the sanctuary shall be cleansed," and would have moved onward, as the light of God's truth would have broke upon their view, today, the world would not be in the awful condition it is in, for the governments of the earth long ago, would have turned their wealth to the rebuilding of that land, and would not have burned it up, as they did in the foolish struggle of 1914 to 1917, to "save democracy," and as we have been doing the past seven years, flitting it away, so that today, with billions of dollars spent, the question is being asked, "What was it spent for?" And as we are going to do again, as in 1917-18, putting it in implements of war, that will not be needed.

At the end of any prophetic period, there is always some circumstance, or event, that happens as a memorial of the end of the period. So with the ending of "the 2,300 days," or years in 1844. The "enemy" who "sows the tares" always sees to it, that something happens, that will divert the minds of the people from the real meaning of the closing of the prophetic period. So in 1840 a Capucin friar in Damascus, Father Thomas, disappeared. At the instigation of an Italian, Ratti Menton, the French Consul, the blame for his disappearance was laid upon the Jews, and a case of "ritual murder" was made out. This was used against the Jews to such an extent, that many of them were tortured and imprisoned. Some even paying the price of hatred and malice, by being killed. But as stated previously, "man may propose, but it is God who disposes," for in this persecution there was set in motion a line of incidents, and a work dealing entirely with the forsaken and forgotten "sanctuary" of God, the Land of Palestine, and the movement as started then, moved steadily forward among the Jewish



people, with one thought in mind, and that is the entire restoration of Palestine. The movement being greatly augmented by the work of Theodor Herzl in the organization of the Zionist organization. The work of the Zionist, not only among the Jewish people, but others as well, was such that conditions had been changed entirely in the Land of Palestine, all tending toward "the cleansing" of the forgotten "sanctuary" of God, and the rebuilding of the Temple in the City of Jerusalem, until "silly dove" England violated her "mandate rights with Palestine," went about making it a province for the British Empire, until today her fate is hanging in the balance.

Of Palestine God has said, in speaking of that land: "A land which the Lord thy God careth for; the eyes of the Lord thy God are always upon it, from the beginning of the year even unto the end of the year. . . . Therefore shall ye lay up these my words, in your heart, and in your soul, and bind them for a sign on your hand, that they may be as frontlets between your eyes. And ye shall teach them to your children, speaking of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up, and thou shalt write them upon the door posts of thine house, and upon thy gates; that your days may be multiplied and the days of your children, in the land which the Lord sware unto your fathers to give them, as the days of heaven upon the earth" (Deut. 11:12-21). Such were the words of God as to "his sanctuary," the land of Palestine, which was to be "cleansed" (justified). from its sins which Israel made it commit. And it took 2,300 years to accomplish its cleansing, or justifying, the end of the period being in 1844. But "a voice spoke" and the words of God were thrown to the four winds, as "the voice" transferred the whole literal story of God from its application to the land of Palestine, transferring it to heaven.

But "alas for the day," Lucifer, through Rome, got the spiritual interpretation of the Scriptures to Miller, as other Protestant reformers, and our Seventh Day Adventist brethren after him, turned down the story of God's literal people Israel, which included the sanctuary, with all the land laws pertaining to it, hence all walked on in darkness, so far as the greater part of Scriptural truth is concerned, for when we turn down truth, darkness only increases, and Lucifer turns his mystical light upon the whole, and the people are led farther and farther into darkness, to the place where we are led "hither and thither by the cunning craftiness of men" as they have turned the precious words of God to His people Israel "into fables," to suit their fancies and ideas. But it all comes through the Jesuitical Order of Rome, ever urged on by Lucifer.

All we ask any reader to do, is turn to the eighth chapter of Daniel, and see if "a heavenly sanctuary" can be found. Note the reading, in

speaking of the "he goat," and the "little horn":

"And out of one of them came a little horn which became exceedingly great toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the glorious land (Palestine). Yea, it magnified itself even to the prince of the host (Angel of the Lord's host-Israel), and by it the continual sacrifice was taken away, and the place of His sanctuary was cast down."

The reading of the text is very plain, as to the sanctuary being "cast down," or overrun and defiled, so also is the voice of history, as to who the one was who did this work of desolation. It was Antiochus Epiphanes, and Josephus says, it was this Antiochus who did the work of desolating, and took away the "Continual Sacrifice." Here are his words:

"So he left the temple bare, and took away the golden candlesticks, and the golden altar of incense, and the table of show-bread, and the altar of burnt offering; He emptied it of its secret treasures, and left nothing at all remaining, and by these means cast the Jews into great lamentation, for he forbade them to offer those daily sacrifices, which they used to offer to God, according to the law."—Josephus.

Words could have been no more plain as to the "taking away of the continued sacrifice," as it actually mentions the "daily sacrifice."

Back to Daniel again:

"Then I heard a certain holy one speaking, and a holy one said to the unknown one who was speaking: "For how long is the vision concerning the continual sacrifice, and the wasting transgression, to give up both the sanctuary and the host (God's people) to be trodden under foot? And he said unto me, 'Until 2,300 evenings and mornings, when the sanctuary shall be justified'" (Dan. 8:11-14).

The "evenings and mornings," signify days, and when days are used in prophecy as applying to Israel or Judah, it is understood that a day stands for a prophetic year. See Eze. 4:4-6. That Daniel understood that the sanctuary to be cleansed, or "justified," was Palestine, all the reader has to do, is to read Daniel 9:4-19. Notice especially verses 17-18. Here he asks God to let His "face shine upon the "desolate sanctuary." It would be preposterous to think that desolation would reign around the throne of God in heaven, where many say is the sanctuary. But, as we have already found, the idea of the "cleansing of a heavenly sanctuary," came not from the Scriptures, but from "a voice," and it remains apparent that this "voice" was very ignorant as to the things the Scriptures teach as to "the sanctuary." The "voice" must have been a Jesuit voice instigated by Lucifer to turn God's Israel from the real Scriptural truth about the sanctuary.

The plain written words as found in the Scriptures of truth, relative to "the House of Israel," and "the House of Judah" have had no appeal to the so-called wisemen of earth, nor the founders of the various churches. Neither did they appeal to our Seventh Day Adventist brethren, when they put together their story about "the heavenly sanctuary," based upon a voice as follows:



As the set time for the end of the world, and the coming of Jesus, passed in 1844, and the world still moved on, and Jesus did not come, great disappointment came over the faithful ones. In the State of New York lived a faithful brother, and in an effort to find what the trouble was, he went out "behind a shock of fodder" to pray, and as he prayed, "a voice said to him, 'The Sanctuary to be cleansed is not on earth, but in heaven.'" Taking this to be an answer to his prayer from God, basing all upon "the voice" rather than the literal Scriptures, the story of "the investigative judgment," the sanctuary and its cleansing was talked of, was written about, and believed to be a Scriptural fact. Thus all thought of the Land of Palestine was cast aside, and not believed. But of such a time God had taken care of when He said: "And thine ears shall hear a voice behind thee, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left." This was the voice to have been listening to, and this voice can only speak to those who really desire to follow Israel's God in His literal un-Romanized teachings, and interpreting of His words. But the other "voice" turned a mighty latter-day movement in the wrong direction, and thus we have the world conditions as they are today.

But this in no way abrogated God's eternal words as spoken and written in regard to the Israel of God. So His work as decreed centuries ago, continues to move forward, and will so continue to do until the words shall be spoken, "It is finished." Then shall the ways of men have given away to the ways of God, then unrighteousness shall be supplanted by righteousness. Then instead of a frown upon the faces of God's people, there will be smiles, for the spirit of lawlessness will have been broken, and both man and beast will have become subjugated to the law and will of God. All will be meekness and quietness, for Israel shall have covered the face of the earth, and will have carried with them the sweet Spirit of the Jesus, as enunciated by him when He said, "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth." And this message He sent to the world by Israel alone, for He said, when sending out His Disciples, "Go not in the ways of the Gentiles, but go rather to the lost sheep of the House of Israel." For, "I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the House of Israel." Very simple and plain, is it not?

The movement under William Miller believed the sanctuary to be cleansed was the earth, that Jesus would come, gather the saints away, that fires would burn up the inhabitants of the earth, together with all earthly affairs, thus the cleansing of the sanctuary, when the time passed in 1844 and Jesus did not appear, William Miller confessed his mistake, made in his blindness, but our Seventh Day Adventist brethren, in order to make the story of the sanctuary as seen by William Miller in his blindness come true, closed their eyes to all literal truth about the story of Israel, as to the date in question, and transferred

the "cleansing of the sanctuary" to heaven, that Jesus is carrying on the work there, that it will not be here on the earth as the Scriptures teach. Thus preferring "darkness to light" in accordance with John 3:19, rather than seek to find out the sweet story of a literal Israel. True, they have a well spun story about "spiritual Israel" and the "heavenly sanctuary," but we prefer the literal Bible story, written in accord with the Story of Israel as found in the Scriptures. We have no fight with them, if their story suits them best, good and well. But in their zealotry it does retard the very work which they so eagerly and earnestly want to see brought about. It will all come, but not as they are teaching it. It will come in the Scriptural way, God's way. So we do not give ourselves any uneasiness as to the matter. They and others may make the "Old Ark of Safety," God's written "Word," shake, and "tremble," but we believe the story about Uzzah, knowing this truth, that "he that scattered Israel, will gather him, and keep him, as a shepherd doth His flock." (Jer. 31:10.) We worry not about others, we are concerned only about God's truth. If others prefer mystical stories, coming down to them from Gentile sources, this is their affair, not ours. We know from whence they are, they do not. We also know of their genealogy, which in their blindness they do not know. But we rest on these words, "and so all Israel shall be saved," and "in the Lord shall all the seed of Israel be justified, and shall glory" (Isa. 46:25), and again, "For lo, I will command, and I will sift the House of Israel among all nations, like as corn is sifted in a sieve, yet shall not the least grain (of Israel) fall upon the earth" (Amos 9:9). If others prefer the longer route in arriving to a saved condition according to the Scriptures, we must say that we much prefer to take the shorter route. But let us return.

In this stage we now live, and beneath the light of thousands of volumes that have followed Wilson's. The distinction between the two Houses of Israel is being admitted by increasing numbers, although even now, the vast majority of the Church and particularly of its ministers, are ignorant of this elementary fact. Dr. Brown points out that "this blindness was evidently a part of God's scheme for the temporary effacement of Israel, and that it is only in recent years that truth has so developed as to correspond in every detail with the prophetic picture of Israel, and hence the time has arrived for the complete removal of the blindness." He finally shows how distinctly this blindness on the part of the Church and its ministers, God's messengers and servants, was prophesied by Isaiah, and the first opening of the eyes and ears of His servants, when the time for it had come.

We are not in this short article, trying to approach the gigantic proportions, which belong to the topic. We hope merely to sow seeds, which later



on may quicken into wide and spreading suggestions in such luxuriant soil: for the impression which this subject makes upon the mind, does not pass away, and the history of events, as in the near future we opine, they are certain to develop, will help these seeds to life.

This time has now arrived. The Time of Israel.

It is well nigh impossible to unfold the details of this subject in a single article, for whole libraries may scarcely compass them.

Around Israel empires rise and fall.

It involves the whole history of the past, and

peers forward into all that, teeming with events, the future shall unfold.

It comprehends the whole story of man, and is summed up in his ultimate earthly destiny.

We have therefore, merely touched upon a few of its prominent points, trusting that by association of ideas, they will in due time, expand themselves into a mighty whirlwind of truth, encompassing the earth with God's great Israelitish truth. We have no quarrel with any, if they want it and will wish it, all right. But with us it is ISRAEL, Israel's God, and God's "prophet" to Israel—JESUS.

## COMMUNICATED

DEAR BROTHER ZIEGLER:

I received the two letters you sent on the 4th and 6th of April concerning the rainbow chart and yesterday I received the chart in good condition, and thanks for sending it home.

I have been planning for some time on making a new chart of Israel's history, and there are some things on "the rainbow chart" that I can copy off, and not have to look up again, that is the reason that I wanted you to return it. Some of the dates and places on the chart I took out of histories and borrowed books that I could not get hold of again as they were loaned me in Grand Rapids, about 20 years ago.

Well, we had a lovely time keeping the Passover, and the Feast of Unleavened Bread at Bro. John Goodin's home, and I believe we all received a rich blessing by so doing. The only thing I found a possible fault with, is the time we kept it. I cannot see the reason why we made no allowance for the Hebrew month of V-Adar, or the 13th moon month, this year. The Jews do not keep their new year until October 3rd this year. I believe that is the first day of the 7th month if I am not mistaken.

Jehovah gave Israel moon time to keep to have them different from all the heathen nations around them, who kept sun time, and worshiped the sun—under the names of Ra, Apollo, etc. I would like to have your explanation of this change, as it is very important, and that 13th month comes 7 times in every 19 years, and it should be settled as to what we as Israelites are going to do about this question of time.

The change in time, made us do something this year that I do not believe was right. We kept our first day of unleavened bread, a holy convocation, on the Roman holiday, Good Friday, fish day, when the descendants of the Philistines keep the birthday of Dagon, the fish god that bowed before the ark of the testimony (I Sam. 5:1-7).

As to us keeping the Feast of the Passover before Easter, that does not mean a thing, as Easter is also a heathen feast of the goddess of

spring. Must we still obey the Pope's orders? I think not.

Josephus in his Jewish "Antiquities Book, 2, Chapter 14," says, "The Passover is held on the 14th day of Nisan—Hebrew name of month. Egyptian name Pharmuth. Macedonians call it Xanthicus, April, also in "Book 3, Ch. 10" he says the Passover is kept on the 14th day of Nisan when the sun is in Aries—the ram sign of the zodiac.

I can see a reason why this is the right time. In the same way that the stars fought against Sistra, Jehovah told Israel to kill a male lamb of the first year, at the very time when the sun god, Ra, was in the sign of the ram, male sheep, that the Egyptians worshiped. Israel must start their year with the new moon, and 14 days later, or in the full of the moon, when the sun is helping the ram god, Jehovah tells Israel, I am stronger than the gods of Egypt, and now when they are strongest you take and kill them by hundreds, one for each family, and eat it up and what you don't eat burn with fire. It may be you did not look at this thing in this way before. And with best wishes for yourself and the rest of Israel:

Yours, for "the Hope of Israel," from your watchman friend,

Ray N. Dewar.

Yes, Brother Dewar, we must strive to always be right. But first, there are but twelve months in one of God's Solar years. So also are there just twelve Tribes of Israel, and each Tribe has its time, or month, to go up to Jerusalem. The Passover came in the First Month of the year. We read: "This month shall be unto you THE BEGINNING of months, it shall be THE FIRST MONTH OF THE YEAR TO YOU" (Ex. 12:2); and the Passover was kept by Israel on the 14th day of this month. The first day of the first month of the New Year, this year came on March 8th. This is not Jewish Time, neither is it Roman Time, but God's correct Creation Time,



which was restored to Israel by the first Passover. Fourteen days after March 8th would without doubt be on the 22nd of March, 1940, when the Passover was kept. So this must be right. As to the Jewish New Year, yes, they observe it in the Fall. But is it not the Fiscal New Year that they observe? As to the month Ve Adar. It is just a correction month, to keep Solar and Lunar time together correctly. God never gave Israel Moon Time. Take all their Feast Days. Read Leviticus, Chapter 23, and you will find that all the feasts are to be kept on certain days of the month, and there are no Lunar months. They are Solar Time, so recognized by all calendars. True, Josephus says the Passover was kept in the Jewish month Nisan. Nisan is the first month of the Jewish New Year. So the Passover was kept in the month Nisan, which is double proof that the time the Passover was kept was correct. As to the lamb or ram, as you say. It was the chief god of the Egyptians.

Israel was worshiping this god, so God told them to kill the lamb. This was evidence that it was no god. Lucifer took the lamb story and made it apply to Jesus. But there was no connection. It is either take the Scriptures and stay with them, leaving the writings of men out of things entirely, and be able to walk with Israel's God in helping establish the earth in righteousness, or take the writings of finite men, drunk

with the "wine of Babylon," and take a place in "outer darkness" until we learn to know the difference between the things of Israel's God, and the things of Lucifer. Ecclesiastically, I mean. But as to correct time; it is only to be found and had in a book called "Marble Pillars" by Rev. S. J. Scheinman of New York, published in 1900. But alas! practically all the books have been destroyed, as there are only three copies extant so far as we know; all the other copies of the large edition must have surely been destroyed by sinister un-American forces, determined that the correct time as given in the Scriptures of Israel's God shall never be known again. Daniel says a power should arise in the earth that shall "Think to change times and laws, and they shall be given into his hand" for 1,260 years. This power was also to "speak great words against the Most High, and shall wear out the sains of the Most High." It has been talked and lectured about, but the "giving into its hands the times and laws of God" for 1,260 years has not even been hinted at. History gives us to understand that many books have been burned, but it has little been dreamed of that it would continue down to our day. This book gives a perfect calendar for hundreds of years, running down to the Millenium which it shows will begin on the Sabbath October 7, 2,240, according to this calendar.

## AMERICA

"The charm, and the beauty of this name. What joy and happiness is brought to mind by the sound of it. It is music to our ears. Not only to our ears, but to people of Israel the world over. It is a magic word. It means freedom, it means happiness, it means a chance to be that of which one has dreamed, it is heaven to those of the old world, bound by oppression, by poverty, by the absence of hope. How many thousands hold this magic word in mind, wishing, hoping, desiring to come to it! Why should America not seem as heaven to countless thousands? But what is the meaning, the magic of the word?"

"From Prof. Miskovsky of Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio, comes with an entirely different meaning to the word—AMERICA. He tells us that the word is derived from 'the Gothic language, coming from the words "Amel-Ric." The "Amel" means heaven, and the "Ric" means kingdom, hence the heaven kingdom. In modern German the equivalent for "Amel-Ric" is Himmelreich, meaning the kingdom of heaven.' So, the reason for the music, the beauty, the charm, the inspiration of the name. AMERICA—the Kingdom of Heaven!"—Selected.

Ancient Israel was God's kingdom. He ruled through Moses and the Judges, as the head or

king. Later, yielding to the wishes of the people of Israel, he chose and anointed a king for them. These kings ruled for God, but God still considered it His Kingdom and He was the head. All through the Scriptures Israel is considered God's Kingdom.

After the division into the Two Houses of Israel, the ten tribes were divorced from God, and sent into captivity. God's promise was, that when the punishment was over, He would bring them back to Him, and marry them again. The House of Judah was not divorced, but because of sin was punished. After the return from their captivity they were still far from God, all because of their gendering and mingling with the Hamitic races of people, and this was so much so, that Jesus said to those ancient Jewish leaders: "The Kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof."

God never had but one people, the Children of Israel. They alone had been His Kingdom. If the Kingdom were taken from Judah, it must be given to the Ten Tribes, when they were released from captivity, or to a reunited Twelve Tribed Israel. In Ezekiel 37:11 God says, "These bones are the whole house of Israel." They were not two Tribes, or ten Tribes, but twelve Tribes—"the whole house of Israel."



Again in Ezekiel 37:16-17: "Moreover, thou son of man, take thee one stick, and write upon it, For Judah, and for the children of Israel his companions: then take another stick, and write upon it, For Joseph, the stick of Ephraim, and for all the house of Ten Tribed Israel his companions; and join them one to another into one stick; and they shall become one in thine hand." God further promised that He would join the twelve tribes together into one nation. This nation was to again be the Kingdom of God, and the United States of America is reunited, Twelve Tribed Israel. So it is, or must soon be the Kingdom of God, ruled as of old by "judges and counsellors." Then America must be THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN.

The historians say that America was named after the Italian geographer, Americus Vesputius. Why was it not then called Vesputia? Why was it called America? Because God chose that name. Let men think that for certain reasons they named it. God saw to it that the name chosen would be the one He desired. AMERICA—"THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN."

Some students of prophecy tell us that the United States is the tribe of Manasseh. They base their whole argument on Genesis 48:19: "He also shall become a people, and he also shall be great." Notice that in speaking of Manasseh, God did not say that he **should become a nation**. He said that he should "become a people," and he also should "become great."

Let us turn to Genesis 49:1-2: "And Jacob called unto his sons, and said, 'Gather yourselves together, that I may tell you that which shall befall you in the last days.'" Jacob is under the inspiration of God, and is prophesying of "the last days," or the present time. He does not refer to Ephraim or Manasseh as such. He places them together as Joseph. In verse 22, "Joseph is a fruitful bough, even a fruitful bough by a well, whose branches run over the wall." The whole prophecy concerning Ephraim and Manasseh is of Joseph, as contained in verses 22-26. This whole prophecy is of Joseph, the father of Ephraim and Manasseh. Then in the last days—in the present time—they are together.

Moses, just before his death, with the spirit of prophecy upon him, blessed the various tribes. Here again Ephraim and Manasseh are joined, and called after their father Joseph. The blessings and prophecy for Joseph is found in Deuteronomy 33:13-17. He not only called them Joseph, but shows that he did it intentionally. In verse 17 he mentions them separately, but shows that in the blessings and the prophecy they were to be together.

When Nathan made the prophecy given in 2 Sam. 7:10, There was no thought in the minds of the people of Israel of a division of the nation into two houses—Judah, Two Tribes, and Ephraim, sometimes called the house of Israel, the Ten Tribes. This prophecy refers to all twelve

tribes, or the whole House of Israel. "Moreover I will appoint a place for My people Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in a place of their own, and move no more; neither shall the children of wickedness afflict them any more, as beforetimes." By no stretch of imagination can this apply to the one Tribe of Manasseh.

In the time of Joshua, the Tribe of Manasseh was already a great people. See Joshua 17:17. But again, here Joshua seems to place them together, for he refers to them as Joseph.

In the different prophets you find but little mention made of Manasseh. When mentioned it is usually in connection with Ephraim, and we have been unable to find in the prophecies, where Manasseh is to become a great nation. In Genesis 48:19, Manasseh was to be "a great people" but not necessarily a nation. In the other prophecies we have found, Manasseh is joined to Ephraim. Then we should expect to find the two together today. We believe that they are together and known as Ephraim. We can find absolutely no basis for the supposition that this nation is Manasseh.

So it was God who gathered they of the whole House of Israel, that is, parts of all the Twelve Tribes here in America, but with a promise that they would no longer be called Israel, but by a new name, that the name Israel would be left to the House of Judah as "a curse," which it has been to them. It was Israel that the Hamitic people, and Gentile Rome was hunting, but the House of Israel under various names continued on its westward trek, until at last remnants of all gathered in America, and here under "the New name" they set up the American Republic, the pride, not only of all loyal American patriots, but of all nations, whose longing eyes are ever turned to America.

So they of Israel kept coming to America, where all was quietness and peace, to make themselves homes here in this American heaven. And all went well until the Wilson Administration, when the words of Washington were turned from, when he said "beware of European entanglements," and our beloved America was forced into the European War. Under this Administration, the wild spirit of democracy swept the country, the republican principles of the early American fathers were entirely forgotten, and we rushed to Europe to "save democracy." But did we save it? And let us continue on in the same ways in which we were thrown by the Wilson Administration, and the first thing we know we will have Europe with its age old strife, and troubles over here, or else we will lose all our American ideals over there. The same spirit of democracy still haunts our beloved land, and although as a nation we find ourselves in such an unprepared condition that we cannot load up our boys and send them to Europe to be slaughtered, we find the wheels of modern progress are being stilled, our industries forgotten, and everything is keyed



high for preparedness, and about the only salvation that can be seen, is that we are nearing an election, and without doubt the brakes will be applied, and we shall face about, and put forth all our resources, and strength, to continue to make America the kingdom of heaven once more, ridding ourselves of all the riff-raff that has been pouring in upon us, and we shall hark back to the republican spirit of our early founding fathers.

Long before the days of Washington, Israel's God speaking through the prophet Baalim, said, God made him say it, although he had been hired to "curse Israel." His curses had to be turned into blessings. Unto Balak he said: "Balak brought me from Aram, saying 'Come curse me Jacob, and come, defy Israel.' How shall I curse, whom God hath not cursed, how shall I defy, whom the Lord hath not defied." And as his eyes swept down the centuries, over mountains, plains, and waters to America he said: "From the top of the rocks I see him, and from the hills I behold him; lo, the people (Of Israel) shall dwell alone, and shall not be reckoned among the nations. Who can count the dust of Jacob, and the number of the fourth part of Israel? Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his." Astounding, and profound words, yet the ministry of our Protestant churches have become so Romanized that all these great words are passed up, as they see Israel in America drifting on toward the rocks of destruction! We were not "reckoned among the nations" from the time that we told Britain she had to let us alone, until the days of the Wilson Administration. When the nations needed it, we applied the strong arm of our military strength. This is witnessed to by "the Barbary States," and our war with Spain, but it was not a war for democracy, it was a war to free oppressed people, and under republican rule, we told Spain to free her oppressed, and get out of the Western Hemisphere. But this was under William McKinley, and he held to the principles of Washington. So may God help us to return to the eternal principles of our early fathers, which have so ruthlessly been cast down.

Baalim continues with his story as follows: "Behold I have a commandment to bless, and He hath blessed; and I cannot reverse it. He (God) hath not beheld iniquity in Jacob, neither hath He seen perverseness in Israel." This could not have been in ancient Israel, but in modern Israel here in America. And it was so, until we let the wild spirit of democracy sweep us off our feet. But let us thank God that He set prophetic bounds about Israel, and that He set the finals of the "70 weeks" of Daniel to end in 1940, and lo, 1940 comes on an election year in Israel America. Then who dare to say that America is not God's chosen land for His people Israel to live in, and to "seek Him" in these "last days"? Preparatory to the coming of David our king.

So let us conclude with the beautiful words

"My Country 'Tis of Thee, sweet land of liberty" and give thanks to God that we are here in a peaceful homeland, America, while the nations of Europe are working destruction among themselves.

My country 'tis of thee,  
Sweet land of liberty,  
Of thee I sing;  
Land where my fathers died,  
Land of the pilgrims' pride,  
From every mountain side,  
Let freedom ring.

Let music swell the breeze,  
And ring from all the trees,  
Sweet freedom's song;  
Let mortal tongues awake,  
Let all that breathe partake,  
Let rocks their silence break,  
The sound prolong.

My native country thee,  
Land of the noble free,  
Thy name I love (America);  
I love thy rocks and rills,  
Thy woods and templed hills,  
My heart with rapture thrills,  
Like that above!

Our father's God to Thee,  
Author of Liberty,  
To Thee we sing!  
Long may our land be bright,  
With Freedom's Holy Light,  
Protect us by Thy might,  
Great God, our King!

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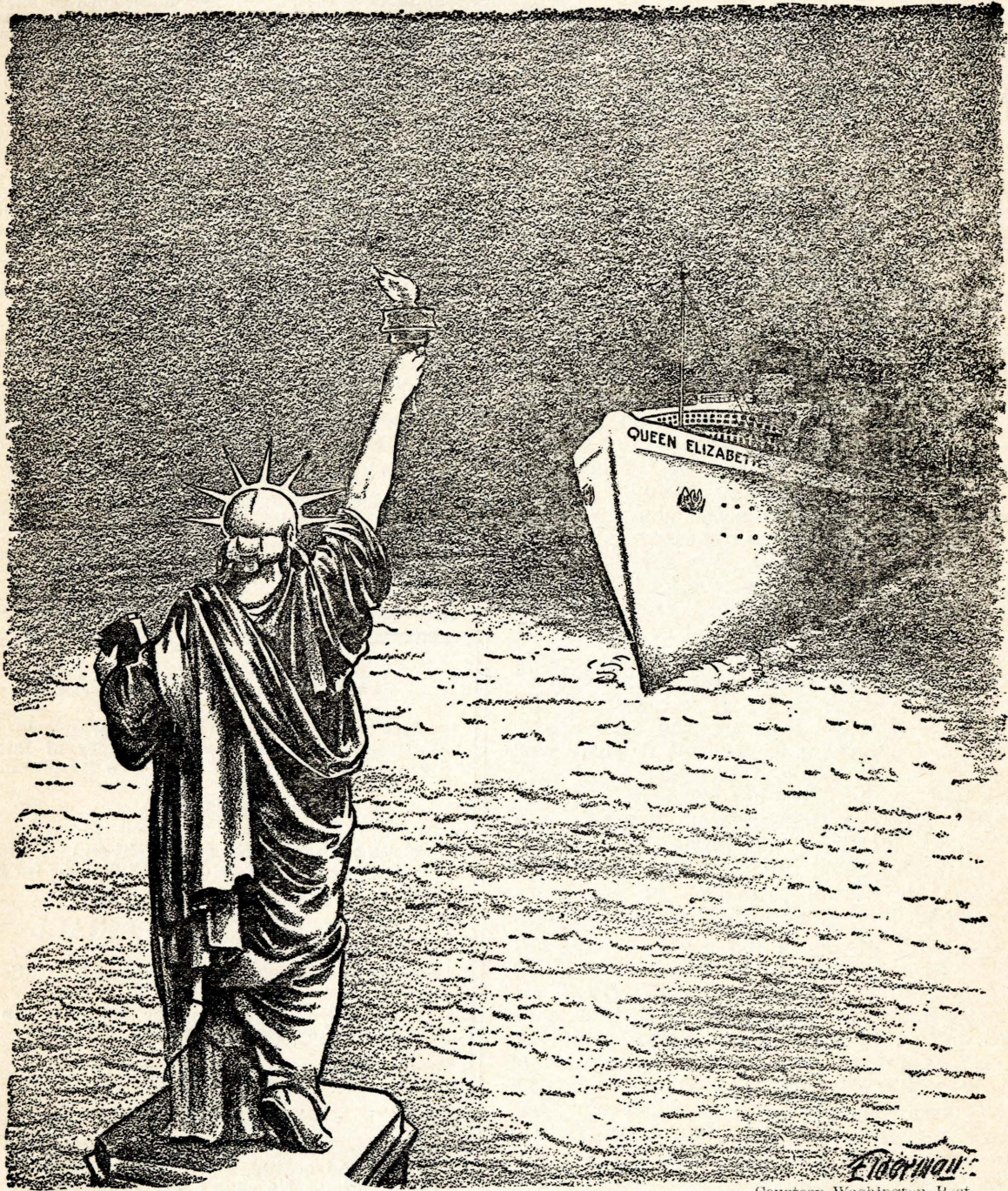
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### DIVINE PRIVILEGES



# Under the Safety of the Statue of Liberty



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The above cartoon without doubt speaks louder than words as to the greatness of our country and its safety from the "spoiler." Calmly beneath the shadows of the Statue of Liberty rests the majestic palaces of the seas of the

country that it took two wars with, that we might have our freedom. It is a lesson that should be very appealing to every true patriotic American. And this greatness of our Republic has come in the short space of some 160 years. Jesus



tried to get the truth of the thing to us when he spoke the parable about the smallness of the "mustard seed" kingdom. He says: "It is the smallest of all seeds," yet after it was planted, it became a tree so great that "the fowls of the air found a resting place in its branches." Our Republic started with just a few colonies, but our growth has been of such proportions, that the mighty and proud Empire of Britain sends her ships, and she and France together, send their gold here to rest under our sheltering arm.

And the strangest thing of all is, that our modern statesmen are almost going into an awful case of the "jitters," trying to make our peace-loving citizens think that an enemy of some kind is ready to attack us, and that we are entirely unprepared, and it seems they are so earnest about it, that our industrial progress is to be halted in an effort to make war implements to fight with. How much better it would be, if they would seek Israel's God and carefully study His written Scriptures, that they might there find that He has said, in speaking of our Beloved Country and its people, that "no weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper, and every tongue that shall rise up against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn." Wonderful words. And when we pick up the history of our wonderful country, we can read and see with our eyes the truth of it all. More than once in our history have things arisen, but our statesmen of the bygone days held off those who would harm us, and when it

all came to treaty-making and damages demanded, the U. S. always came out on top. George Washington told us to stay out of "European entanglements," and as long as his advice was followed all went well. There were the 30 years of war in Europe, but we never got mixed into it. The hands and minds of our leaders were such that our great country kept out of their quarrels. Our nation was neutral, it was understood that we were set up as a nation to protect the Western Hemisphere, but not to be meddling with other countries and nations unless they attacked us, or else they were forcing oppression so far upon some helpless people that it became our duty to set the oppressed free, and this we did.

The story of America is written so plainly in the Scriptures that a child can read and understand it; that is, if the spiritual and symbolical, and typical and other strange interpretations are cast aside. So then it must be something that we have allowed to arise in this country since the days of Washington that has brought about this great change, and this thing should be weeded out, that America may be free. And again, let us say that the cartoon speaks louder to us than words, if we will stop our internationalism and give ourselves to study and to thought. God set America to enlighten the world and bring peace and happiness to its people, not to help keep jealousies and other national disturbances and troubles alive in the earth.

## Lincoln Aided a Washington Church

A facsimile of Abraham Lincoln's life membership in the Missionary Society of Foundry Methodist Episcopal Church of Washington, D. C., was exhibited recently to members of the congregation by the pastor, the Rev. Frederick Brown Harris.

It establishes beyond doubt that the Great Emancipator was as close to the Foundry Church in the dark days of the War Between the States, as he was to any other organization.

Dr. Harris obtained the facsimile of the membership in the society from Cincinnati. He hopes eventually to find the original certificate.

It was in 1861, shortly after the first guns of the Civil War had rumbled at Manassas, that the President and the First Lady rolled to the doors of the church, then located where the Colorado Building now stands.

It was a restless Sunday afternoon in Washington, with carriages clattering here and there through the downtown district, and men in blue uniforms everywhere. Now and then, above the pealing of church bells, there came the rattle of a gun carriage.

Amid stir and bustle, the President and Mrs. Lincoln entered the church.

In the pulpit was Lincoln's close friend, Bishop Matthew Simpson, of the Baltimore Conference. Lincoln always made it a point to attend the Foundry Church when his friend preached.

On that Sunday in 1861, Bishop Simpson's sermon was upon missionary work. At its conclusion he offered the opportunity for those desiring to subscribe to become life members.

First one of the officials suggested that \$100 be raised so that the President might be enrolled.

From his pew, Lincoln arose and stretched his long arm toward the bishop and said:

"This is the first time I have ever been put upon the block. Let me pay my money and take me down."

There was a ripple of laughter and this was followed by light applause. Lincoln paid his \$100, and became a life member of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Again, in the turbulent war year of 1863, Lin-



coln and Mrs. Lincoln contributed \$150 to the society.

"Mr. Lincoln never actually joined any church," pointed out Dr. Harris.

But when he became a member of the Missionary Society he came nearer identifying himself with a church than at any other time."

Many of our great American Statesmen and patriots have been classed as being non-religious. And as we can see things in present day light, they were non-religious, but not non-God fearing men. Most of these men were Deists, hence recognized as infidel or skeptics. Such recognition was wrong. They were firm believers and students of the Old Testament Scriptures, and as they lived in the days when great efforts were being made to set aside and destroy the effects of the Old Testament Scriptures, prestige was gained by classing these men as non-believers. But the reverse of former days are come, and we of today who are real patriotic Americans, are striving to get back to the days of these men, of seeing and becoming acquainted with them in their true standing and light, and find them to have been more earnest

and true believers in the God of Israel than their more recent proteges. Their minds were imbued and charged with the real teachings of God to Israel, else they could not have raised up the Republic in its infancy to stand for God, righteousness and truth.

Through Abraham Lincoln's acts and work, with the Foundry Methodist Church, gives it a standing as but few churches have. It is to be hoped that other church leaders may dig up the old musty records of the long ago and find as to whether their churches have not been graced by the presence of some of these noblemen of God, who had such wisdom and insight into the future, and the past, to raise up our great Beloved America, making it the land of the noble and the free. Thus helping to destroy the insidious workers of foreign extraction, who are continually trying to undermine the Constitution of our Country, through such expression as "the old horse and buggy days." Anyway, the days of these great men of the past were those of prosperity and peace, and not meddling with the affairs of other nations.

## Why the Story of Jesus Incomplete

One of our exchanges has the following to say about Jesus: "Some doubt the accuracy of the beginning of creation as found in Genesis. But since Bible history is proved true by archeology, and Bible prophecy is proved true by observed events, then why should we not believe the record of creation?—But if we did not have these early records, the story of Jesus would be incomplete. We said that the theme of the Bible is Christ—and that is true, including the Old Testament. In the 1st and 2nd of the books of Genesis, we have a description of the creation and the Garden of Eden.—in the 3rd chapter the picture is marred. Adam and Eve had been created as active human beings, with a choice to make between right and wrong. God's law is right.—to break it brings trouble. It may seem like a very simple and trivial thing which Adam and Eve did, eating the fruit of the tree which had been forbidden. But it was a testing point, to show whether they would strictly obey God or not."

How do we know it was a testing point? This is just what some men have said, and it would be better for us to know the truth about the matter than to continue to teach something that is wrong. Neither is the statement right in placing Adam first over Eve in the wrong doing, for he was not. The writer continues as follows: "In Gen. 3:14-15 we read: 'And the Lord God said unto the serpent, because thou hast done this (deceived Adam and Eve) thou art cursed

above all cattle—upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life; and I will put enmity between thee and the woman, between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.' Now that last verse is probably about as obscure and difficult a verse of Scripture as we might find—yet it is the first promise of the Bible of eternal life. It is the first promise of the Christ who would die that mankind might have life."

What ignorance, what nonsense! There is no promise of life in the text at all. What a travesty upon God, and it is even blasphemous, all coming at the behest of Lucifer through Hamitic mysticism. With these words, let us quote the text right, that we may be able to arrive at the proper interpretation: "And the Lord God said unto the woman, what is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, the serpent beguiled me, (not deceived) and I did eat. And the Lord said unto the serpent, because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life; and I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed, he shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt wound his heel." So what do we find? First—that the serpent in creation was reckoned with the "cattle," and the "beast of the field," and that he walked uprightly as man, and his punishment was that he was to "go on his belly." But what about the creation?



"And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and the cattle after their kind." This was done before Adam and Eve were made. But each were "after their kind." All was purity in these separate created things. They were not to "gender their seed." And this "gendering" was the sin. It led to the serpent, or a male of this creation, being put on "his belly," with "his kind." He could associate with they of his kind, and with Adam and Eve, but there was no more danger of gendering, as he was put "upon his belly." Men could "bruise his head," and he "could wound their heel." Just a plain simple story, for we can see it today. The distaste for each is there. Man wants to hit the snake on the head and kill it. It wants to hit men with its bite. So how could there be any Jesus in such a story? It is pure myth.

But what about Eve? "And unto the woman He (God) said. I will multiply thy sorrow, and thy conception." Do you get it? She will have more children, and "in sorrow they would be brought to birth." So without any quibbling, it was just a matter of sex and gendering, the penalty being heavy. But there was no Jesus in it, and nothing said about eternal life, so let us let the Lord attend to the life part. "And the Lord God said, behold the man is become as one of us." He understands the sexes. He had learned how to create, and in creating he had learned how to gender, and bring in other creations. He had learned the bad and the good of sexology and gendering. "Therefore the Lord God sent him forth from the garden, to till the ground from whence he was taken. So He (God) drove out the man; and He placed at the east of the Garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword, which

turned every way (like a style) to keep the way of the Tree of Life, lest they eat of it and live forever." So the life come through the Tree of Life, not through the seed of the woman, as we have been taught. May God help us to get away from such blasphemous teaching about Eve being "deceived." She was "beguiled."

In conclusion, the writer of the above and the Editor of the Torch both belong to the same Church, and have for years, both are licensed as Ministers in the same Church. But the Editor of the Torch is through with such nonsense. He is a firm believer in Jesus, but not the Christ story that comes out of this ordeal of "the serpent and Eve." To teach such is an abomination to God, and leads far from the truth, annulling and destroying the Words of God in many ways, and completely sets aside the first promise of Jesus as found in Deut. 18:15-18. The teaching robs God of His glory, deifies Jesus, and sets God aside, and establishes Lucifer and the Roman Church in God's place, for is not the Pope the Vice-gerent of God among men? May God help us to be honest and turn from the deathly sting of such an abominable doctrine and dogma. To be plain about it, it has lead to the present war, which in the end will vindicate Israel's God and the great Israelitish truths and set the nations of earth right. That is those that are left. For has not God said in speaking of Israel, "though I make A FULL END OF ALL NATIONS WHITHER I HAVE DRIVEN THEE, yet will I not MAKE A FULL END OF THEE" Israel. So take to a careful study of the Scriptures and an earnest "returning and seeking the Lord your God, and David your king." The time is here that this be done by all who desire life.

# The Great Sphinx

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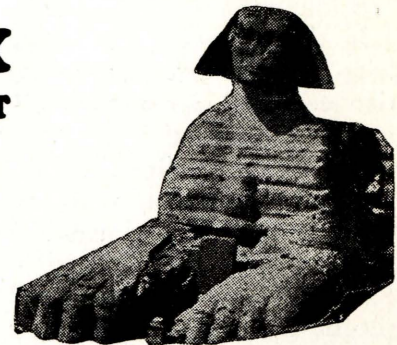
### The Story of the Immutable Sphinx of the Land of Egypt

By Col. EVAN ANEIREN WATKINS

*The lips of the long-silent Sphinx at last pried open compelling it to tell its wonderful story, after five thousand years of obdurate and obstinate silence*

(Continued from last issue)

THE name Sphinx comes from the Greek, Sphingon, meaning to strangle. It is known to the Arabs as Abul-Hol, which means the father of terrors. It is the most remarkable of all Egyptian sphinxes. Assyria, Phoenicia, and Greece have had their sphinxes, but all of these were winged. The greek Sphinx had wings with the breasts of a woman, and Herodotus distinguished the Egyptian Sphinx as Andro-Sphinx. The face of the Great Sphinx is the face of a man, and is wingless.



For long the Gezer Sphinx was believed to be the representation of a woman, but in 1909, Dow Covington found buried in the sand in the vicinity of the recumbent figure, about five feet of plaited beard which had been broken from the chin. Having no authority from the government at the time to dig in this particular place, Covington quickly buried the beard again where he had found it. Soon after this it was found and sent to the British Museum where it is to-day. Later, another section



was found and placed in the Egyptian Museum in Cairo. The chin of the Great Sphinx shows plainly that a beard was once a part of its decoration.

Later Sphinxes were usually made in pairs, and placed in front of temples as though on guard. In 1930 Prof. Selim Hassan, archeologist of the Cairo University, claimed he had found another Sphinx in the vicinity of the temple near the old Sphinx. The mighty form of the Great Sphinx is stretched out due east and west, with its face eastward as though it was placed to guard the Nile Valley. It lies about 300 feet east of the pyramid of Khafra.

Between the paws of the Great Sphinx, a small model of a sphinx, about thirty-five inches long was discovered, and this too is in the Egyptian section of the British Museum in the city of London, England.

Near the old Sphinx, a wonderful temple was discovered in 1853, built of exquisitely cut and polished granite and alabaster, and in a well of this temple, they found nine statues of Chephren who probably built the second pyramid.

In Egyptian the Gezeh Sphinx is called "Hu." It is the Egyptian symbol of Horus, the Sun, the new-born light of the morning, which had conquered death and darkness with life and light.

On—called to-day Heliopolis—was the centre of sun worship, dedicated to Ra the rising sun, and to Tum, the setting sun. The great divine trinity of Thebes was Ammon Ra, the sun-god, the goddess Isis, and their son, Khons, the moon-god. In darkening the heavens and earth, God was pouring out His judgment upon the gods of Egypt.

In the beginning of Egyptian history, they believed in one God. Sir Wallis Budge in his "Egyptian Religion" says that a belief in one God was the primitive conception of the religion of ancient Egypt and that: "It existed there at a period so remote, that it is useless to attempt to measure by years the interval of time which has elapsed since it grew up and established itself in the minds of men." Pharaoh in the time of Abraham understood the plague of his house was from the Lord (Genesis 12-17, 18). Pharaoh in Joseph's day, recognized the true God who gave him the dream. (Genesis 12-28, 38, 39) The Pharaoh of Israel's oppression besought Moses and Aaron to "entreat the Lord" for him. (Exodus 8-8)

In the precepts of Ptah-hetep, which were composed about B.C. 3000 the name of God is constantly mentioned, as follows:

"If thou hast ground to till, labour in the field which God hath given thee."

"Thou art the guardian of the things which God has provided."

"What is loved of God is obedience; God hateth disobedience."

But, the faith in one true God among the Egyptians drifted into idolatry, and in the creation of many gods Sunworship found a place, and finally became the greatest of Egypt's gods. Its name "RA" was made an element in the title of the sovereign of the land of Egypt—PH-RA-oh—and the king called himself "The-Son-of-the-Sun." Amenophis IV, under the influence of his Mesopotamian mother, undertook to make the Sun the only god, and sunworship the only worship of Egypt.

The disc of the sun by the name Aten, was the emblem of this worship. Amenophis himself changed his own name to Khu-en-aten, which signifies "the splendor of the solar disc." In the letters to him from Palestine, and Phoenicia, he is constantly addressed as the "Sun-God." He proposed to make this disc worship "the sum and substance of the state religion," and not only to devote himself to it, with all the enthusiasm of a thoroughly oriental nature, but to press it upon his subjects, as the proper substitute of all their ancient worships. (Rawlinson—"Ancient Egypt.")

A regular persecution broke out throughout the whole empire. The temples of the ancient gods were closed, and their images, as well as names, everywhere effaced from the monuments, especially the image and name of Amen the supreme god of Thebes. Wishing to make an end of all the traditions of his ancestors, this reforming king abandoned Thebes and built another capital in Upper Egypt, in a place now called Tel-el-armana. (Lennormant, Manual III, chap. III, sec. III, Par. 4.)

All Egypt bore the impress of religion. Its writings were full of sacred symbols. Symbolism became the very essence of the Egyptian nation, and of their religion. The Egyptian calendar was crowded with festivals. It was easier to find a god than it was to find a man. To symbolize the attributes and the qualities as well as that of the nature of the various attributes of the various deities of their pantheon, the Egyptian priests had recourse to animals. The bull, the cow, the ram, the cat, the ape, crocodile, hippopotamus, hawk, ibis, scarabeus, and others, were each emblems of a divine personage.

Under such a conglomerate religious condition, which had produced the grossest and most monstrous perversion of the external worship in the land of Mizraim, is it to be wondered at that a character like Amenophis IV rose up in protest



against the grovelling nature of the religions of Egypt, and sought by every means in his power to elevate the minds and aspirations of the people in general, to worship such a dazzling orb as the Sun pouring its life-giving rays of light over the whole of the land of the Nile? If there is, or can be, any justification there is surely an extenuation for men lifting their eyes from the polluting things of earth and in the exercise of their innate tendency to worship something, to look upon the Sun as the purest object of all on which to bestow their adoration and devotion?

Amenophis IV (Amenhotep) was no sun-worshipper in his heart; but he took the sun's disc as the emblem of his one god, the grandest and most evident of the Creator's works, and the emblem of the source and origin of life. This remarkable ruler lived a most exemplary life, in the midst of the most degrading and demoralizing influences. He kept no harem establishment, and only one wife, the beautiful Queen Nefertiti, a princess of high rank from Mesopotamia. The young king was much devoted to his mother, Queen Tyi. He was a poet of no mean ability. Here is a morsel from the pen of this writer written 1380 B.C.

"Thou art very beautiful, brilliant and exalted,  
Thy beams encompass all lands thou hast made.  
How excellent are thy ways. O Lord of eternity."

The purpose of the establishment and enforcement of Sun worship was intended ultimately to lead the minds of the people back to one god, and one god only. A parasitical priesthood had been adding deity, after deity. Each temple had its priesthood, with revenues and estates all over Egypt, and to save his subjects from this rapacious priesthood, the great reformer lifted his voice and hand in protest.

Originally, and beyond all question, the Great Sphinx was the symbol of Him who is the light of the world, telling of the conquest of darkness and death, foreshadowing for long centuries the coming of Him who declared—"I am the light of the world." Sir Edwin Arnold wrote, no doubt under the influence of his eastern wife his great poem—"The light of Asia," in which he held up Buddha as the torch-light of the Asiatic continent. Later, he wrote his greatest of all poems—"The light of the world," in which he held up the incomparable teacher from the Galilean hills as the light of all man-kind.

The Sphinx located in the centre of the terrestrial portion of the earth suggests the universality of its teachings in their practical application to all the

world, and its couchant position is suggestive of peace, sweet universal peace, when the "sword shall be beaten into a ploughshare, and the spear into pruning hooks, and nations shall learn war no more." The human head reminds us of the day when intelligence shall have its fullest sway, and the lion-body speaks of strength and courage of conviction, and symbolizes the day when every fetter shall be broken and men shall bask in the freedom of God and Heaven forever. What a wonderful story wrapped in the form of this Great Sphinx.

The Egyptian god Harmachis (Hern-Khutis) became the chief of the sun-god Ra. He represented in the daily course from east to west across the skies the chief object of admonition, and was called the "God of Heaven." The chief shrine of the god was at On, now known as Heliopolis. The largest known monument dedicated to Harmach is the Great Sphinx, which was considered his type and true symbol. No mention is made of the Sphinx in any of the inscriptions until the time of Thotmes IV who records his dream on the Stele between the paws. It was Harmachis the god of the Sphinx which appeared to him in his mid-day dream.

The god Harmachis is represented as having the head of a hawk, wearing a triple crown, with a double uraeus. In one hand the god holds the sacred Tau, and in the other the reaping sickle, with a human body. What a symbolization. God and man, time and eternity, light and conquest, dominion and government, all emanating from the God of Heaven.

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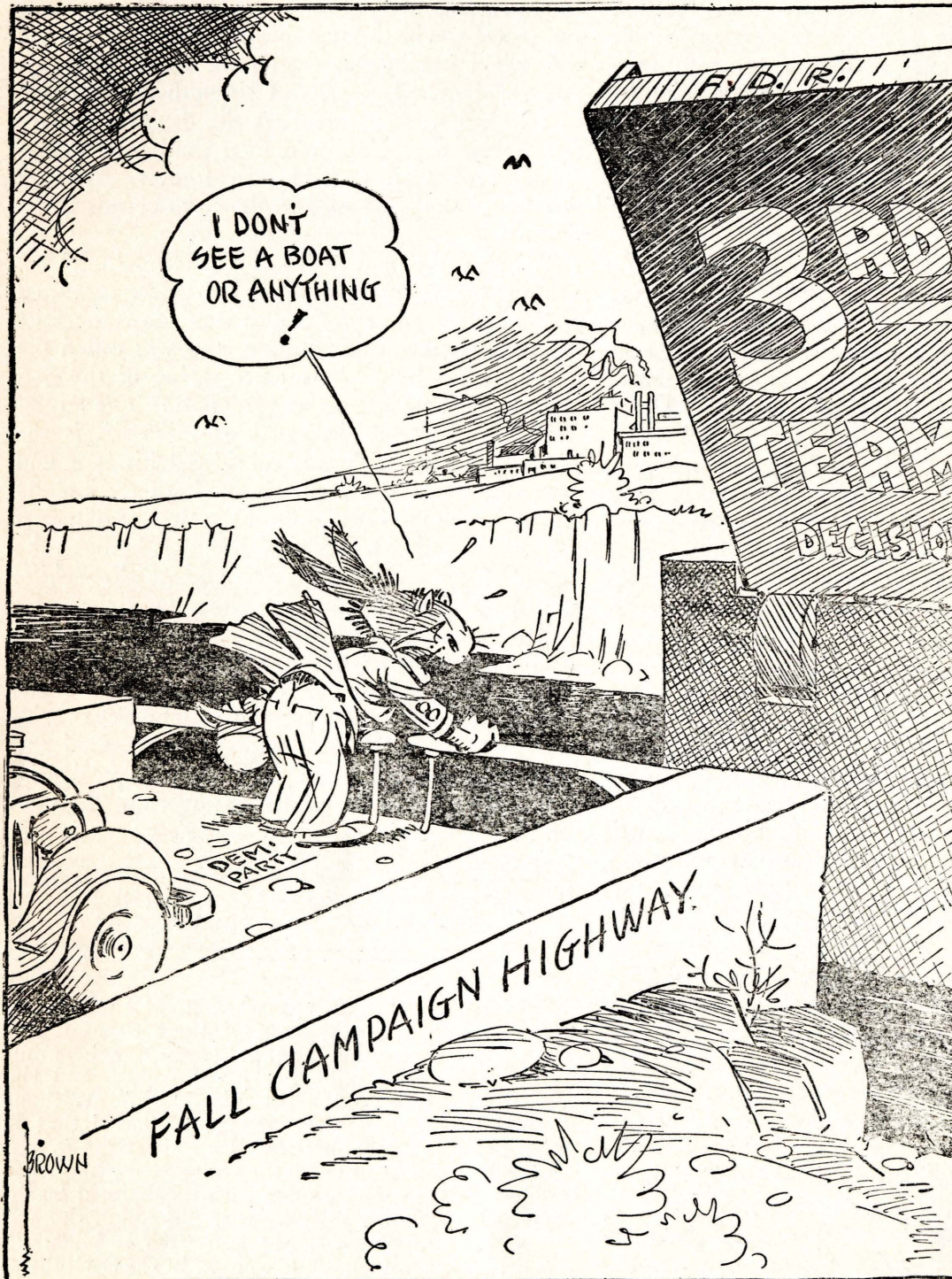
**Traitors to the cause of true Americanism  
must be ferreted out and exposed**

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We are living in an age when great changes are taking place in the earth. Of these times it has been said: "I saw another angel (messenger) coming down from heaven, having great power, and the earth was lightened with his glory." Without doubt this is the great message of Israel that is rapidly taking root in the earth. Many see it and know it, but how to make the change they know not to the affairs of the new age with its changed teachings. To such we will say that "in union there is strength," and our thought and time is taken up with the story of Israel as written in the Scriptures, if all such will write to the Editor of THE TORCH OF ISRAEL, Box 1442, Washington, D. C., we shall be glad to correspond with them about the work, and opening for workers, and teachers, along the lines of Israel. This message will soon go in great power, so let us "draw together."



# Still Getting Nowhere



(The above cartoon is reproduced in THE TORCH OF ISRAEL through the courtesy of The New York Herald Tribune)

Above you will see a cartoon which, when we take the time to get its meaning along ideal American lines, means much. As anxious eyes cast out over the broad ex-

pense of waters, and seeing not "a boat or anything," it should surely make the cartoon very appealing to all those who are using every endeavor to get President

Roosevelt to make the race for President for a third term. As we take up American history and study it, as all American patriots should study it, we can find nothing among the ideals of Americanism that gives us the least inkling that a President should make the race for President the third time. True, some Presidents have had such a thing in mind, but the ending has been very ungratifying to them, and even in one instance deprived his party from power at a time when it was much needed, and has thrown the nation into its present chaotic condition.

President Roosevelt may thank himself that he is "still getting nowhere." It is far better for him to go out of the office of the President carrying its honors with him, than let certain politicians cajole him into trying to make the race for a third term. It must be remembered that many of those who are urging him to make the race are doing so because he has placed them where their



"bread has been buttered." They are looking more after their own interests than his. They know that should he not run and be elected, that they are at their "journey's end," there being but one thing for them, that is, to retire to private life.

President Washington set an example that all Presidents after his day should gladly desire to follow as true Americans. He knew that should he take a third term, that it would only mean the undoing of much of the great good done as President, that it might be the means of his loyal adherents to either proclaim him dictator, or, what might be worse, have him proclaimed king. America does not wish to take such chances, hence the abhorrence of its people against such an unethical American innovation. Never before has our country been found in the dangerous condition in which it is in today. Millions have got the idea that the Federal Government is very rich, that all it has to do, is just to print money, and that the printing makes it good. They are not of the higher class of thinking people, and it is going to be hard to make them see conditions as they are; and should President Roosevelt be urged to run, and be elected, these very people would turn against him, and his hands would be more than full, for our country is in rather hard ways when it comes to the finances of the Federal Government. Too many are being fed from the Federal table, and when they find that "Santa Claus" no longer functions, it is going to be hard to keep the old ship of state from floundering. So American reason says, we do not want any third-termers, either Democrat, or Republican. We have already strayed too far from the ideals of the America as was left to us by our early founders, and the best thing for the good of all, is to face about and return to the faith of the Fathers of our Republic. All this is said in good will, without party preference, or party prejudice. We just want to be loyal Americans, staying with American ideals.

## TO READERS OF THE TORCH OF ISRAEL

Teaching the story of Israel as we do in a literal, timely, and prophetic way, and covering, as it does a period of 3,430 years to 1940, in this long period we may often say things so briefly, that those who have never made a study of Israel cannot grasp our thought. This being so, we wish to say to each one of our many readers, that if our teachings are obscure unto you, all you have to do is to just write the Editor of the Torch of Israel, and ask him to make himself plain, which will be gladly done in the most courteous way possible. We are not teaching as are some, relying upon certain dogmas and doctrines to bear us out. But we are teaching a literal Scriptural truth, carrying all through this great period of 3,430 years. Neither are we dismayed, nor

fearful, about our teachings, for we know we are right, and the reason we are so positive about being right, is that in going back some twenty-five years ago, and picking up our teaching of those bygone days, as to things that we said then would be happening today, we find that we were actually telling the truth, both then and now; not myths and fables.

Our work is different from that of others, as we discard all religious, and soul-saving matters, desiring only to teach the truth clearly, and plainly, so that even those who have only limited learning, can understand and know what we are saying. Soul-saving, and religious matters, come wholly from Rome, as God has said to us plainly in His prophetic words, that "Israel shall be saved in the Lord with an everlasting salvation: ye shall not be ashamed nor confounded world without end," and "In the Lord shall all the seed of Israel be justified, and shall glory." These words God has said, and we do not know how to bring it about, only by getting people to study and know the Scriptures, and be like father Abraham, who "believed God, and it was accounted unto him for righteousness." With him it was not doing, "but believing and obeying."

In other days we worked as evangelists do, but since we have been able to get better "acquainted with God," and know that Jesus said "TEACH," we have found greater peace of mind, greater happiness, and a greater confidence in God than we knew in those days; we greatly prefer to follow God as we are. But finding no fault with others who want to wear themselves out trying to get somebody saved, we just prefer to do the teaching and let God take care of the saving in His own way. Neither do we find any backsliding among those who have rightly learned the story of Israel. So we again repeat, if you are in any way bothered, just feel free to write.

Our readers and friends can see that we are fast getting to the place where THE TORCH OF ISRAEL must be issued monthly. There are several things necessary for us to make this change. First we desire to know how many of our readers will welcome such a move. So we desire to know how you feel about this. Second it will take some financial aid for us to make the change, as new printing machinery must be had to do the work with, and if any feel like they would like to help along this line, let us know just about what you can do. Every penny is carefully guarded to see that no waste takes place. All is used to promote the work in hand. Those who desire to help can either do it with cash or by installments. We shall be pleased to hear from all interested ones. During the bank closing time we lost all. So we must know just how things are before we can make a change. We are ready to do the work so far as that goes.

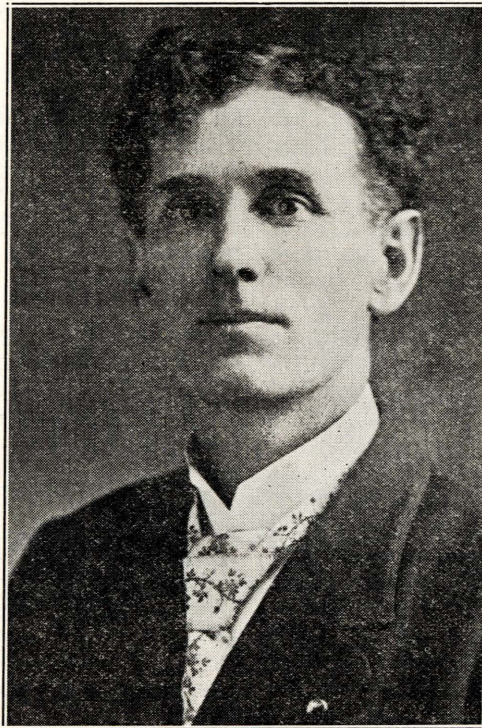


## PROFESSOR BROWN ON THE REPUBLIC

In this age when we become the heirs of all the ages, it is deplorably true, that a great portion of our citizens are ignorant as to the real origin of the Republic. They have been taught by biased and journeyman historians and hack-writers in general. We have therefore, culled out from the versatile pen of Professor Gilbert P. Brown, Litt. D., of Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey, an article on the origin of the Republic, which he is pleased to call: "WHY WE HAVE THESE UNITED STATES." The super-learned Doctor Brown is considered by competent historians and unbiased students, as the best authority now living in these United States, on the war of the American Revolution. In genealogy and history, he also enjoys an international reputation. Four of his ancestors came to America in the Mayflower. He is descended from six patriots of the American Revolution, five of whom were officers. He is also of Puritan and Huguenot ancestry, and is descended from William, the Conqueror and Chaucer, the Poet. He is also considered as America's leading Masonic Historian. He is a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, a High Mason, a member of the Elks, the Knights of Pythias, and a member of the Order of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. As a poet and author, he holds an honorable place among late day writers.

Our contributor is single, and does not use liquor, or tobacco in any form. He has been twice ordained and has read the Bible through seven times. He has also been a reader of the works of Flavius Josephus. After finishing his grammar and high school at Bremon, Maine, and before taking up his college work, he was an officer in the American Merchant Marine and visited many lands. He holds many degrees in the Arts, Letters, and Sciences, some earned and some honorary. He spent several years in Boston in educational work. He also taught physics, philosophy, and psychology for several years in Washington, D. C., and successfully practiced there as an Osteopathic physician. In his life labor he has never feared criticism nor has he courted flattery. He says that many works of

Paine have been written, but that none of them give this author-hero of two hemispheres, his proper place in history. The lesson we learn from his article should go to the heart of every patriot of today. The article calls for no praise from us. I believe that this country should fear no foreign foe, but that it is the enemy within that is slowly eating away at the land-marks of the Republic. We call attention to our readers to the Latin phrase under the title of his story, "Gratia Del Servatus," the English translation of which is, "Preserved by the Grace of God." A few years ago he conceived the idea of publishing **THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND ALL AMENDMENTS**, in book form, a pocket edition. He informs us that he has yet several thousand copies left. These are published at a loss, but that while the supply lasts readers of **THE TORCH OF ISRAEL** may have one, two dimes per copy, two for thirty-five cents, three for fifty cents, or seven for one dollar. Many patriotic societies are purchasing them to place in public schools. We have obtained several copies for our friends, and we advise our readers to obtain one or more while the supply lasts.



REV. PROF. GILBERT PATTEN BROWN

Doctor Brown is also President of **THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION SOCIETY, INC.** We have also obtained membership in this Society. Its life membership is but \$3, and there are no annual dues. Application may be had by addressing Box 201, Coytesville, N. J. The Diploma of Life Membership bears the pictures of Washington, and the signers of the Federal Constitution, also a picture of the Capitol at Washington, Independence Hall, and the Liberty Bell in Philadelphia. Only the best Americans are joining. He refuses some applicants. Professor Brown has written much on the period covering the American Revolution. He has read and re-read all the works of Washington, and Paine. He has philosophied much on Paine's work: "The Age of Reason." He says, that we are to thank Benjamin Franklin for to have first discovered Thomas Paine, and sending him to Washington in America. Franklin often spoke of Paine



as being the reincarnation of either Isaiah, or Jeremiah. So it is, that without Washington, Paine, Adams, Franklin and Jefferson, there would have been no American Revolution. We are pleased to present this article to our many readers, and bid them to be more studious on the lives of the Founding Fathers of the Republic. We thank Professor Brown for his contribution. His poems, too are read the world over, as are his Essays and short Biographical Sketches of Great Americans. He contributes to the Masonic press of the world. He takes great pride in his American ancestry, coming as he does from both Puritans and Pilgrims; his descent coming direct from Captain Myles Standish, Governor Edward Winslow, and John and Priscilla Molleaus Alden who came to America in the Mayflower in 1620.

When Professor Brown and the Editor became acquainted through *The Torch of Israel* it not only meant much to readers of *The Torch*, but for the interested public in general because of two things, on his part his great knowledge of the early days of the American Republic, and the Editor of the *Torch's* knowledge and understanding of the literal Scriptures on the subject of Israel, as it takes a correct knowledge of our early American fathers and a correct Scriptural knowledge of ancient, medieval and modern Israel to again awaken our loyal slumbering Americans getting them to retrace their steps and study these two important subjects which have everything to do with our Republic moving forward again into the proper standing in which our early fathers raised it up. For either we know these things as Americans, or else it will be rushing forward with a false political spirit which is seizing our country, leading to its final dissolution with the loss of liberty and freedom which its Founders established.

## THE WEST VIRGINIA CONFERENCE

The West Virginia Annual Conference of the Church of God will be held at Wilbur, West Virginia, beginning September 20th to 27th. This is the time of the Feast of Tabernacles, correct time, and it is urged that all who are interested begin to plan to be present to enjoy and participate in the blessings that will be enjoyed.

We give this early notice as many of our workers live remotely from West Virginia, and it gives them time to get ready and be there at this most important meeting. It is the only one of its kind that is held, and all studies will be along the line of getting better acquainted with Israel's God, and becoming more and more divorced from Babylonish and Roman ideals and dogmas. People may not believe it, but we are at the end of the old age of unrighteous economics, and near the new age of righteousness spoken of by all the old prophets of Israel. Jesus also

gave us to understand that a time would come "when many shall come from the east and the west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven." Which can be none other than America. But he says much more. (Read and study.) "But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness, there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth." Get the correct thought of what he had in mind. There was no aerial flight to the unknown regions of a heaven in the sky, but a place which has real "foundations, and its maker and builder is God." It has been Israel's God who led our fathers to this fair land with its righteous Constitution, that here we might study the Scriptures literally, and be prepared to "Enter into the joys of our Lord." An invitation is extended to them of all churches to come and spend the week of this Feast with us. Bring your tents and "camp in the woods" with us. A more extended notice will be given later.

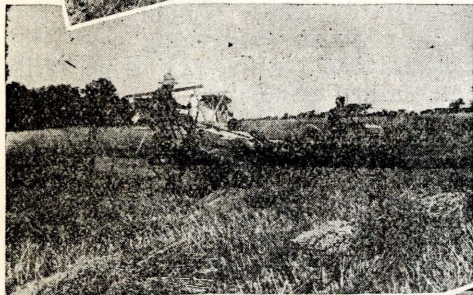
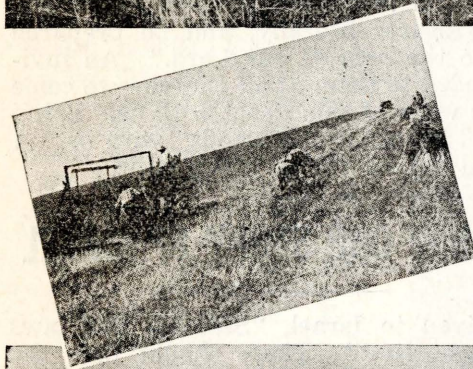
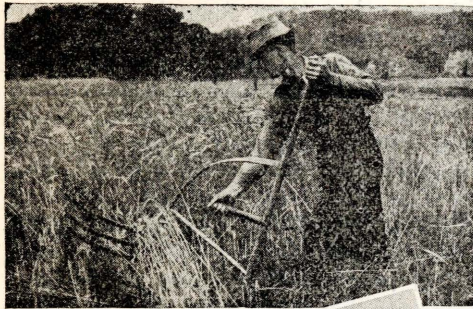
## THERE IS BUT ONE STORY OF ISRAEL

God has given to Israel, "Statutes and laws that they might live." These should take the precedence in study above everything else, and it becomes more and more a mystery to us as to why people had rather garble up the story of Israel, than to take the simple plain words of the story of God as written. Very few are trying to understand the "statutes and laws which God gave Israel" as the basic foundation of the whole story. Many in their blindness, are grappling with half truths, in an effort to put the story of Israel together in its simplicity, as we find it written in the Scriptures. As to half truths, God has given us the thought as to where they emanate from outside of Rome. Rome's attitude toward Israel has been, that when God divorced the House of Israel from Himself, that the divorce was final, and that Israel ceased to be the people of God. This is not admitted to be so by these "half-baked people" of Ephraim, but instead they take a little truth here, and a little truth there, place them together and think they have the correct story. There is but one story of Israel, and it is a literal one; neither will it stand for a Romanistic-spiritualistic interpretation, such as British Israel is trying to pin on. Better it is to take God's words about Israel as they are written, study to know them, than it is to muddle the story up so that the people turn from it in disgust.

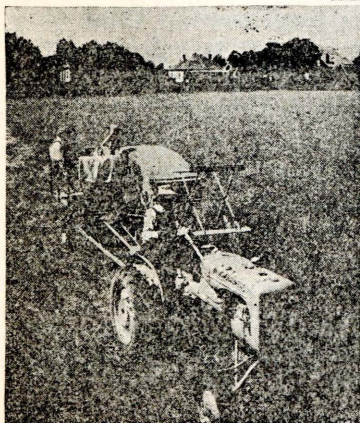
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# 100 YEARS OF HARVESTING



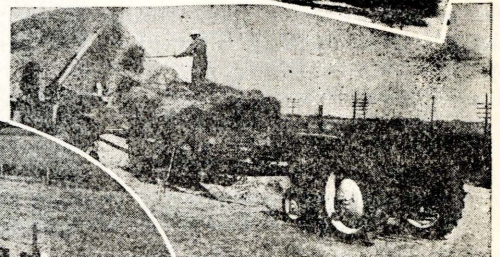
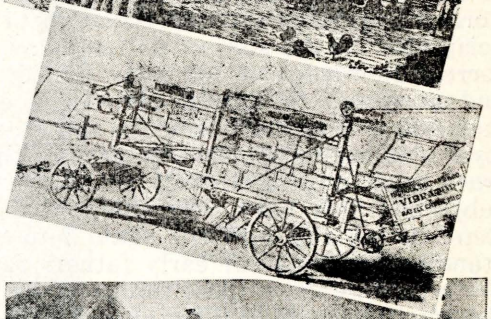
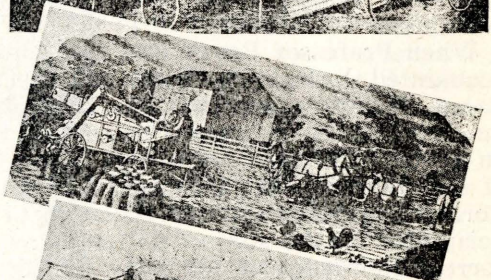
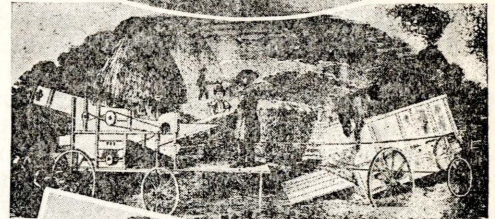
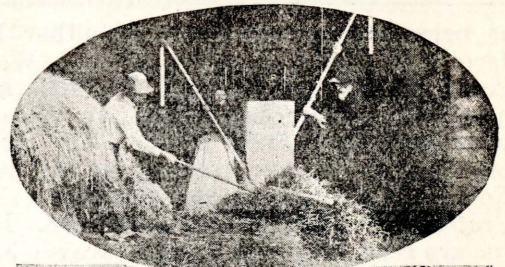
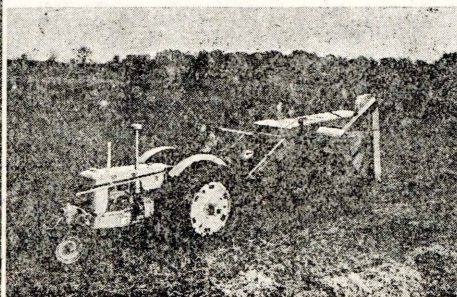
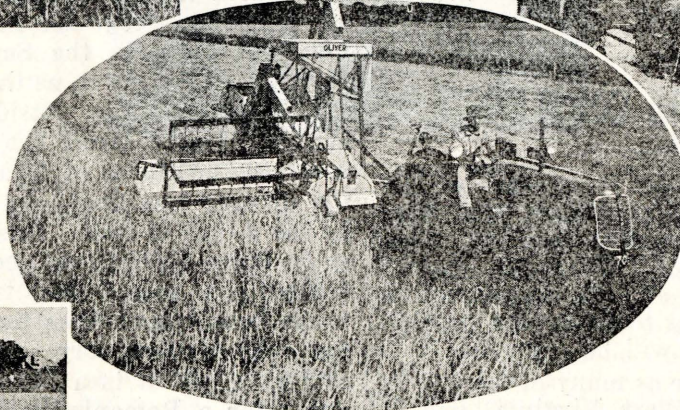
Top picture: Man with cradle 100 years ago—all man power. Second: Dropper for cutting wheat. Men bind by hand. Third: Reaper and binder pulled by Ford tractor. Right: Oliver Model 6 grain master combine and Oliver row crop "76" tractor.



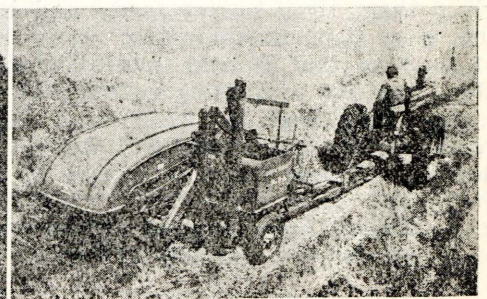
As we look back over the past 100 years in the harvesting of wheat, great has been the progress made. Before McCormick made a successful reaper, 47.3 hours of man-labor was required to harvest and make ready a 20-bushel crop of wheat from one acre of land. The harvesting task of those former days included such tasks as cutting the grain with a sickle, binding by hand, shocking, hauling, flailing, windrowing to remove chaff, measuring and hauling to market. Thus in harvesting was absorbed 82 percent of the 57.7 man-hours used

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Bottom pictures (left to right): All crop harvester pulled by tractor. Center: Case Model "F" combine, pulled by tractor; cuts and threshes wheat at same time. Right: John Deere No. 11-A combine pulled by tractor; cuts and threshes wheat at same time.



Top picture: Flailing (threshing wheat) 100 years ago. Second: Tread-power thresher operated by horses in 1851. Third: Horse-power thresher of 1848. Fourth: Nichols-Shepherd vibrator thresher of 1883. Five: Modern thresher operated by rubber-tired tractor.





by the grain farmer in producing and preparing 20 bushels of wheat for the market in 1830.

Through more general use of the highly perfected reaper, a 20-bushel crop of wheat required but 8.8 man hours for production and harvesting in 1896. Thus the harvesting job absorbed only 6.3 hours instead of the 47.3 in 1830, or 71.6 per cent of the total labor to market the crop.

By 1930, the small motivated combine made its appearance, and brought a new efficiency to wheat production, cutting labor requirements for harvesting, threshing, cleaning and the like, down to 1.6 man hours for a 20-bushel crop of grain. This was 48.5 per cent of the 3.3 man hours required that year to raise and prepare for market a 20-bushel crop of wheat. Since 1930, the small combines have been greatly improved and their efficiency further increased. The rubber-tired combines and tractors that pull them have brought to the wheat farmer an undreamed of saving in man-power. These figures relate only to the labor-saving that has resulted from improved machinery in wheat harvest only. They do not reveal the revolutionary social and economic changes wrought by the reaper, the thresher and the combine. These modern miracles have banished the drudgery of cradling and flailing grain that aged our forebears.

It seems almost ironical, that the reaper invented in 1831 by McCormick, a 22-year-old Virginia farm boy, should have been the tool that turned the tide for the North in the tragic era, 1861 to 1865. As William T. Hutchinson points out in his great book, *Cyrus Hall McCormick*:

"In the day when the Abolitionist talked less of Liberia and more of underground railways, forcible rescues and the sins of the slaveholder, Cyrus McCormick, a native of Virginia, perfected an implement that was destined to do more for the cause of free men, in the war which was coming, than the eloquence of Garrison and Phillips. The use of the reaper demanded intelligent operation and it could not be used profitably where labor was cheap. The men that could be spared from the harvest during the Civil War, because they were no longer needed to swing the scythes, would help to swell the armies of the North. The reaper made it possible to produce grain sufficient for export, and surplus wheat was to fight decisively for Lincoln in the impending conflict."

Improvement in harvesting methods, the use of machinery instead of men, has contributed generously to make possible the following statements by the National Resources Committee:

"In 1787, the year the Constitution was framed, the surplus food produced by 19 farmers went to feed one city person. In recent average years, 19 people on farms have produced enough food for 56 non-farm people, plus 10 living abroad.

"Productivity per farm worker increased steadily, and at very nearly the same rate in agri-

culture as in industry during the 75 years after 1850. Between 1910 and 1930, output per worker increased 39 per cent in manufacturing and 41 per cent in agriculture. . . .

"The decade of the twenties witnessed a striking increase in farm efficiency in terms of productivity. From 1922 to 1926, production increased 27 per cent while crop acreage remained little changed and the number of workers in agriculture decreased."

Nor do these summaries tell the whole story. Numerous studies are available to show that modern harvesting equipment has cut drastically the cost of producing wheat, a saving which the farmer has, in a large measure, passed on to the consumer. The cost of harvesting wheat with a binder and thresher ranges from 15 to 18 cents per bushel, although some authorities say the cost will run, under adverse conditions, as high as 25 cents. Tests in the West show that large combines are harvesting wheat at a cost of 9 to 12 cents per bushel. The small combines are bringing this low-cost harvesting to the little farms of the South, and are extending wheat production into new areas.—The Southern Planter, Richmond, Va.

The above story about wheat harvesting is marvelous and almost unbelievable, but the actual facts and figures prove the truth of that which has taken place. But should we not have known long ago, that such great changes were coming along these lines, and we should have been able to put our "National House in order" so far as unemployment is concerned? More than 2,500 years ago Israel's God, in speaking to His people Israel, as to the days in which we live, said: "Behold the days come saith the Lord, that the ploughman shall overtake the reaper," which has been actually done by the combine, so far as wheat harvest is concerned. Just so it has been along all lines, automatic machinery has taken the place of men's hands, and it has been this that has produced our millions of unemployed, which increases right along. The truth is, a just and loving God, does not want free Americans to have to work so strenuously to be able to get the necessities of life, that they do not have time to enlighten their minds, about God and His eternal truths, as the little time they have must be given to other exercises, rather than study, to fit them for the next day's ordeals. All this was placed before the Senators, and part of the members of the House in 1932, but no attention was given to what was shown; so it has been going from bad to worse, together with the spending of billions of dollars of the taxpayers' money to break unemployment, to make and place in order alphabetical administrations to better things. But Israel's God has a way of His own to break these things, and undesirable conditions, which He states very plainly in the following words: "For



it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Lord of Hosts, that I will break his yoke (Babylonish and Roman economics, that bring present conditions) from off thy neck, and will burst thy bonds." The "yoke" is not being lifted by spending billions of the American people's money, in an effort to break things, rather than to take God's way of shortening the hours of the labor day, thus letting all go free.

But as another article will follow in the next issue of the Torch of Israel, along the lines of automatic machinery, we will say no more now; only this, that we are greatly indebted to "The Southern Planter" for the privilege of reproduc-

ing the pictures of some of the great machines that have been invented to bless mankind. Our next will be along the lines of corn and other crops.

We have a few of our small calendars left, which show the correct Feast Days for the year 1940. A copy of this calendar will be sent postpaid for only one dime—10 cents. Address The Torch Publishing Society, Box 1442, Washington, D. C. It will be of interest to keep this calendar, as it will be issued from year to year. By so doing you will become acquainted with the correct Feast dates, learning more about correct time.

## The Forum of Israel

The Forum of Israel is open for free expression of all opinions. Limit articles to 200 words.

St. Joseph, Mo.

Dear Brother, Greetings:

It was a pleasure to receive and read your much loved letter, together with your two books. God bless you, is our prayer. You will find the money enclosed for the books.

Theodore and Jennie Gillespie.

It is always a pleasure to hear from Brother and Sister Gillespie. We reckon them among our special friends. Long years ago, we knew and loved their father, and happy were the hours we used to spend with him when in Stanberry, Mo., attending the Conferences of the Church of God.

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Lebanon, Ky.

Torch Publishing Society:

Enclosed you will find 50 cents for the book "The Conflict of the Ages."

Claudia Williams.

The book, "Conflict of the Ages," is truly a wonderful book, and should be in the library of every Protestant, as it shows and tells of things about the Papacy and its workings that have never been in print before. In paper binding the price is only 50 cents. Send for it, and learn about Israel, and what Lucifer and Rome have done in their efforts to destroy Israel.

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The following letter was sent to one of our real supporters for the cause of Israel by a member of "The Literal Scripture Class" here in Washington, D.C., and it has so many good thoughts in it, that we pass it along to our many readers.—Editor.

Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Driver:

Mr. Ziegler was telling us at the Scripture Class Friday, that you were much interested in the Israel story. A long time ago I wrote you. Perhaps you still have my letter. We

seldom hear again from those to whom we write.

The Bible tells us, God said he would send out "hunters and fishers," to fish for Israel. So we do not always know whether we get a "bite" or not. We are always finding new things out at the Scripture Class. I thought you might be interested in hearing some of them.

Read these: Deut. 32:43, God will avenge the blood of his "servants." Isa. 40 to 50 says Israel are his "servants." Isa. 44:21, God will not forget his people Israel. Now read "Fox's Martyrs," an old book. See what Rome did to Israel, as Israel came from Samaria to America. II Sam. 7:10. Lesser's translation of the Old Testament says, in Gen. 49th chapter, that "the tribe of Dan is the Avenger." (Marginal reading.) Germany we know as Dan. Now read Isa. 47, the fall of Rome (Babylon). Also Rev. 17:18 gives the fall of Rome. Now read, "God has avenged the blood of his servants." So Dan-Germany is on its way to avenge the blood of Israel. Jer. 4 says, "The Destroyer of the Gentiles is on his way. He is to destroy the Gentiles. Jesus was crucified by the Gentiles. Rome was in power, so Rome did it. Rome also killed John the Baptist. Herod was of the Esau tribe. John the Baptist did not care what Herod did. The Ten Commandments were given only to Israel. Rome killed 10 of the Apostles, and started out to wipe the name of Israel off the earth (Ps. 83:4). Don't fail to read "Fox's Martyrs." Then you will understand Rome and Israel better. Dorothy Thompson, a news correspondent, wrote for the "Washington Post" recently, and said she "read in Hitler's official paper these words, 'We are ready, we are prepared to fight Catholicism to a frightful finish, even to total annihilation.'"

Mr. Ziegler said he read in an English paper where England quoted

Hitler as saying, "When this war is over, it will not be hard to get the country on its feet because Romanism will be gone." So you see what all this war is about.

When the last Pope was crowned, a ring of St. Peter, the Fisherman, was handed to him, signifying, "The church was no longer a widow." This is only a taunt to us ten tribed Israel whom God "divorced." In Isa. 47 and Rev. 17:18 God says he will make her "childless and a widow in the same day." Read these chapters. God says they will not know where the trouble comes from. So watch! Kaiser Wilhelm was on his way to Rome in 1914, but America got out of place and blocked him. Let us hope we keep out of this. In Isa. 28 God speaks of his "strange act"—hail storm. We are taught that it may come on some of those who attempt to stop this work which God has given Dan-Germany to do.

Read the old histories—and you can read Gentile against Israel all the way through. Read McCaulay's "History of England." Read "Puritan Principles" by Hall.

A Catholic woman told me her people were Huguenots. They "fled" to America. I said, "Who was after them?" She did not know, and I told her "Rome." So Rome is trying hard to get on top. Jesus said that Jerusalem was to be trodden down till the time of the Gentiles was fulfilled. This was in 1917. Also Rom. 11:25 says Israel was to be "blinded till the times of the Gentiles was fulfilled." So the Gentiles' times are over.

Sincerely,

J. Thrasher.

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Edenwold, Canada.

Dear Brother Ziegler:

Your letter received. Glad to hear from you again, and to know that you are in good health in general. We

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# The Identity of the United States As Modern Israel

By J. C. BEACOCK

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## II

During the days of David, King of Israel, Nathan, the prophet, spoke as directed by God: II Samuel VII, 10: "Moreover I will appoint a place for My people, Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in a place of their own, and move no more; neither shall the children of wickedness afflict them any more, as before time."

Now this prophecy could not have referred to the land of Palestine because the land was already occupied by the children of Israel and King David had extended the borders and made the people secure. This prophecy could only point to the future.

Let us notice the separate parts of the prophecy.

"Moreover I will appoint a place for My people, Israel," God would pick out the place and reserve it for the people of Israel. This land chosen by God for Israel, as Canaan had been chosen, surely holds the same position in the mind of God as does the land of Canaan; enjoying the same blessings and subject to the same laws.

Near the end of the tenth century the Vikings not only discovered the American continent but, according to many historians, made great efforts to colonize it. Why should the attempts to colonize it fail? Why should the discovery have been practically unknown for so long? Because God had reserved this country for His people, Israel. The time was not yet right for Israel to come to this country. Therefore God set at naught the discoveries of the Norsemen. "I will appoint a place for My people, Israel . . ." He had reserved this country for His people. He was keeping the place *secret* until the time came to plant them here.

"And will plant them . . ." This planting was to take place in the future. Israel was at this time firmly established in Canaan. All the people knew that God had promised punishments if they did not obey the law and the statutes. They knew that they had disobeyed in the past and that the leaders by prompt punishment of the offenders had stopped the disobedience. They knew that the inclination to stray from the law was in them. They knew that God had warned them that wealth and security probably would cause them to depart from the ways of God; and that the leaders also departing from the ways of God would lead them farther and cause greater punishment to come to them, even as had been foretold: i.e. that they would be scattered among the nations. See Deuteronomy XXVIII, 25, 64, and 65. Then, undoubtedly, the planting must take place after the scattering.

"That they may dwell in a place of their own and move no more; neither shall the children of wickedness afflict them any more, as beforetime." Where has modern, re-united, twelve-tribed Israel been planted and moved no more? *Right here in America.* Here alone have they come and not moved on. Here alone have they been free from the afflictions of the children of wickedness. All of the Israelitish people in other countries, even if many of them have stayed in the land, have been afflicted by the children of wickedness. In other Israelitish countries many of them have moved on and the afflictions have been visited upon them. Only here in America can this prophecy apply.

Was it a mere coincidence that Cotton Mather, just before the Mayflower left England, should have read to our pilgrim fathers II Samuel VII, 10? That he should have said, "we are going now to that land.?"

Let us now see what the prophet Hosea has to say of the future of Israel. Hosea II, 14; "Therefore, behold, I will allure her, and bring her into the wilderness, and speak comfortably unto her." God is here speaking of Israel which because of transgressions would be cast out of her land and scattered among the nations. After the scattering, when the period of punishment was nearing a close, God would allure, or entice, Israel into the wilderness and speak comfortably unto her. Do you remember that this country was called a wilderness by the early colonists? Do you remember that, as the country was settled, as they pushed on to the other parts, they always referred to them as "The wilderness"? Hath not God spoken comfortably to us? What nation has been so blessed? What country has the riches of this world in such abundance? What people has so high a standard of living as we in America have? Yes, surely, God has spoken comfortably to us. God has allured us to the wilderness—to a place appointed—and has planted us here. He hath spoken comfortably to us. He has poured out His bounty upon us. The children of wickedness have not afflicted us here as they afflicted Israel in other countries.

"For the children of Israel shall abide many days *without a king, and without a prince, and without a sacrifice, and without an image, and without an ephod, and without a teraphim*: afterwards shall the children of Israel return, and seek the Lord their



God, and David their king: and shall fear the Lord and His goodness In *The latter days.*" Hosea III, 4 and 5.

We have not had a king nor have we had a prince. The Israelitish people in other countries have had kings and princes. Only in this country can this prophecy apply. We shall be without a king until we return to the Lord our God and to David our king whom God shall raise up unto us as He hath promised. Jeremiah XXX, 9; "But they shall serve the Lord their God, and David their king, whom I will raise up unto them."

Hosea I, 11; "Then shall the children of Judah and the children of Israel be gathered together, and appoint themselves one head, and they shall come up out of the land: for great shall be the day of Jezreel."

A portion of all twelve tribes of Israel are gathered here in America. They have appointed one head—i.e. they elected their rulers or representatives and elect one head, the President, to rule over them. In what other place has this been true of any nation from its beginning until the present?

"At that time, saith the Lord, will I be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be My people. Thus saith the Lord, 'The people which were left of the sword found grace in the wilderness; even Israel when I went to cause him to rest.'" Jeremiah XXXI, 1 and 2.

God will again be the God of all the families (tribes) of Israel and Israel shall again become His special people. "The people which were left of the sword found grace in the wilderness." *The wilderness—America.*

The remainder of this prophecy proceeds from the establishment of Israel in America. Read it. It is uplifting. While reading verse 7, think of the chief of the nations—The United States of America.

Isaiah LXVI, 7 and 8; "Before she travailed, she brought forth; before her pain came, she was delivered of a man child. Who hath heard such a thing? Who hath seen such things? Shall the earth be made to bring forth in one day? or shall a nation be born at once? for as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children."

"Shall a nation be born at once?" Yes; this nation was born July 4, 1776. *A nation born in a day.* The war—the pain—came after the Declaration of Independence was signed—after the man child was born. The man child that grew by leaps and bounds to become the greatest nation on earth—The United States. This is the second time a nation has been born in a day. The first was when God led Israel out of Egypt. Slaves one day; a free people the next. And re-united, latter-day Israel—The United States of America—was born in the same manner.

"And I will bring you out from the people, and will gather you out of the countries wherein ye are scattered, with a mighty hand, and with a stretched-out arm, and with fury poured out. And I will bring you into the wilderness of the people, and there will I plead with you face to face. Like as I pleaded with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so will I plead with you, saith the Lord God." This is a wonderful prophecy from Ezekiel XX, 34-36.

Here God promises to bring Israel to the wilderness—*America*—and plead with them face to face even as He pleaded with our fathers in the wilderness when He brought them out of the land of Egypt. He is pleading with us to return to Him; to keep His laws; to acknowledge Him as our God. But we are as our fathers were—a stiff-necked people. He hath poured forth His bounties upon us and yet we do not keep His laws. Read on in this

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### The Forum of Israel

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were glad to learn what you said about your ten years of seclusion, and your experience during that time. Will say that we all have been busy in research work, among many of the different translations of the Bible and other literature, along the line of "the personality of Jesus," in connection with the Israel story, and have come to the same conclusion as you, that "the Essene Letter" should be in print, in order to bring the story of Jesus out more in the clear before the people. It will help to a great extent to clear away many of the misconceptions the churches have about him. The "Letter Strikes at the very bottom of the root of the Babylonish doctrine of the pre-existence and the Ascension." Glad to know that your son made a typewritten copy of the "Letter." In fact, I did not know that you had a copy of the "Essene Letter." I was looking for it among all my papers, and did not remember to whom I gave it last. I would like to see the typewritten copy which you have, to compare it with the original German copy.

We noticed in one part of your letter, you mention about losing all in a "closed bank," and that it was slow getting up again. We had not heard about this loss of yours. Through Brother George W. Harding, of Livingston, Montana, I have learned of the Essene organization in California. But they do not seem to know anything about this "Letter." This was another reason why I thought it should be printed.

Well, brother Ziegler, we hope that while we know you are always very busy, that you will find time to write us more fully about the publication of the "Letter." May the great God of Israel bless and keep you and yours. Yours in "the blessed Hope,"

Karl Mang.

We are always glad to hear from Brother Mang. When on a lecture tour through Canada in 1917, he acted as our interpreter among the German people, and it was the little company to which Brother Mang belongs at Edenwold, who so liberally helped us in putting out the book, "Israel: Past, Present, and Future," which has brought joy and gladness to so many discouraged ones. True, we lost all through a "closed bank," just as thousands have done throughout the U.S.; all because of lax banking laws, and then through the closing of the banks because they could not liquidate. But how could they liquidate, when the government allowed them to loan out such a great percentage of their depositors' money? Had they been given a



chance, there is no question but what in the end they would have made good. It has been stated "over the air" by Father Coughlin what became of much of their assets, and if their assets were good enough for currency to be printed upon them, surely if they had been left alone, under strict government supervision, the greater part of them would have made good. But such are the ways of Babylonish-Roman economics. And after all the New Deal efforts, it is going to be found that a Just God will call all this "bank closing business up," and fearful will be the rendering of the final verdict, for the system cannot be put together again, either by Democrats or Republicans. If you think it can, it is best to read James 5:1-6, with Romans 2:5. We were well along in life when it happened, but we had always been taught that it "was no good to cry over spilled milk." So we are up and going again, and trying to make each issue of the Torch of Israel better than the previous one, knowing that "the days of recompense are here," and that Israel's God will continue to break the works of men, until they will be glad to return to the days and ideals of our American fathers, when our government will again start out in truth and righteousness.

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Winnipeg, Canada.

Dear Brother Ziegler:

Joy and peace be with your work. It is quite a long time since we saw each other, and it would be wonderful if we could meet again. I wish I could do a lot more for the work of the Lord, but you know how we all have to struggle along. But I will try to do what I can, even if it is not much. Enclosed you will find the price of my subscription to the Torch, also subscription for a new reader. Perhaps later I can do much better.

Yours truly,

A. Fandrich.

We shall never forget Brother and Sister Fandrich, because of the many happy hours and days we spent with them several years ago, and we are so glad to know that they are still pressing on.

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Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Mr. Ziegler:

We appreciate very much your copy of the Torch of Israel. I wish to advise you that we are happy indeed to place you on our mailing list of "The Fiery Cross." I think the sentiments expressed are entirely American, and I wish you continued success with your publication.

Fraternally yours,

J. A. Colecott.

We are truly glad to be on the exchange list of the "Fiery Cross."

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prophecy. "And I will cause you to pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant." The rod—war, drought, famine, pestilence, yes, troubles of all kinds. We shall be under the rod until we return to God and come into the bond of the covenant.

Isaiah II, 2; "And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain (nation) of the Lord's house (Israel, twelve-tribed) shall be established in the top of the mountains (nations) and shall be exalted above the hills (small nations); and all nations shall flow unto it." Among all the great nations of earth what nation is as great as the United States? Are we not established in the top of the nations? Are we not exalted above the smaller nations? We have to enact and strictly enforce immigration laws to keep the people from pouring into our country. Surely we are exalted as is no other nation today.

Isaiah V, 26: "And He will lift up an ensign to the nations from far, and will hiss unto them from the ends of the earth; and behold they shall come with speed swiftly: . . ."

The ensign—the flag of the United States—has been lifted up and people have come from the ends of the earth to it. Read and ponder the rest of this chapter.

Isaiah XI, 10: "And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious."

The word gentiles here should have been translated nations.

Who is this root of Jesse—the descendant of Jesse—which shall stand for an ensign of the people—an inspiration to the people? Is not George Washington the ensign (inspiration) to the people; not only of the country but of all the world? We call George Washington the father of our country. We teach our children that he is the greatest American. In many countries George Washington is placed on a par with their own national heroes if not above them. What other man is so well known? So also is the ensign of this country—the Stars and Stripes—known to all. Are not the ensign and the man inseparable?

"There shall be a root of Jesse . . ." Those who study genealogy tell us that George Washington was descended from the kings of England and hence he was descended from King David and from Jesse. He was of the Blood Royal of Israel. History tells us that many of the people wanted George Washington to accept a crown and become king of this country. However, Washington refused the crown. He had a right to the throne both by blood and by his work for the country. His refusal of the crown only shows that God had foreordained America as twelve-tribed modern Israel. "For the children of Israel shall abide many days without a king, and without a prince . . ."

Many of the prophecies and promises made to ancient Israel are applicable to America today because they were everlasting promises. Likewise many of the prophecies made to twelve-tribed Israel speak sometimes to those gathered in America and sometimes to those in Palestine. It turns back and forth between the two. Often you will find that the prophecy is applicable to America and was intended so to be.

Isaiah I; 26: "And I will restore thy judges as at first, and thy counsellors as at the beginning: afterward thou shalt be called the city of righteousness, the faithful city." In America we have not kings nor princes but we are ruled by the people of our choosing—by judges and counsellors—even as was ancient Israel before the time of Saul, the first king. God has already



restored our judges as at first. You may say that the city spoken of is Jerusalem. When Israel is restored and comes again into their ancient inheritances in Palestine—yes. But today it applies to America. Also, is not Washington, D. C.—the great white city—"the city that lieth four square"—the New Jerusalem?

Isaiah XLI, 15-16; "Behold, I will make thee a new sharp threshing instrument having teeth; thou shalt thresh the mountains (nations), and beat them small, and shalt make the hills (small nations) as chaff. Thou shalt fan them, and the wind shall carry them away, and the whirlwind (war) shall scatter them; and thou shalt rejoice in the Lord, and shalt glory in the Holy one of Israel."

This prophecy is addressed to Israel. Israel is the new threshing instrument. God's plan was for Israel to set the earth right—to finish His work here. Israel then must straighten out His world. This country is Israel. Eventually then this country must set the world right; aided undoubtedly by the Israelitish people who have not moved—the Israelitish nations of the world. I have heard people who know not the story of Israel, who probably have not deeply studied the Scriptures, say that there will not be peace on this earth until this country forces the other nations to observe peace and to do right. Are not God's ideas taking root in our people now? What a glorious future is shown for this nation—*The United States—United Israel.*

#### ADDENDA.

The covenants that God made with Israel were everlasting covenants as were those made to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Therefore we should expect that all of the blessing promised to Israel would fall upon us. So also must we realize that the penalties and curses promised for disobedience also would be meted out to us. God hath blessed all nations of Israelitish origin but special blessings have been poured upon the United States. The time has come when this nation should know its identity and should return and seek the Lord their God and keep His laws.

Let us look to some of the promises and blessings that were given to Israel and that will also come to us. Deuteronomy XXVI, 18-19; "And the Lord hath avouched thee this day to be His peculiar people, as He hath promised thee, and that thou shouldst keep all His commandments; and to make thee high above all nations which he hath made, in praise, and in name, and in honour; and that thou mayest be an holy people unto the Lord thy God, as He hath spoken." Again Deuteronomy XXVIII, 12: "And the Lord shall make thee the head and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath; if thou hearken unto the commandments of the Lord thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and do them; . . ."

As we pointed out in the earlier part of this paper God hath chosen us to be a special people unto Him. We are His people. We should then know that there are two parts to the promise; we must keep His commandments; then God will make us high above all nations. Only by following God can we bring universal peace to this earth.

God led us to this country. He poured out His blessings upon us. Our fathers in this country leaned on God for guidance and God guided them in the right path. We are today the greatest nation on the earth. God hath pleaded with us to keep His commandments. Because we did not return to the Lord our God some of His favors have been withdrawn from us. Many of our people have suffered greatly. There has been starvation in the

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as it is found to be strictly American, since the Klan trouble in Georgia, Mr. Colescott going into court, and showing that the Klan in no way will stand for violence, and not only that, but that it wants to help the State keep correct law and order more in righteousness than we have at present. This is the greatest pivotal year in all history, 1940, and we may expect on all sides to see organizations arise to help build America back to the basic foundations of its early founders, from which in many respects it has greatly wandered, because of the election not only of tricky politicians to office, but aliens as well. So on all sides we see a rising of the real American element of our beloved country, and the future will surely be fraught with changes almost unthought of. We have reached the limit of 3430 years which God gave to His people in which to overthrow the rule of sin and ruin in the earth. His words are now forceable and plain as to what He is going to do, and what is going to be done, and the way the people in general will feel about it. Here they are: "Judgment also will I lay to the line, and righteousness to the plummet; and the hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, and the waters shall overflow the hiding place. And your covenant with death shall be disannulled, and your agreement with hell shall not stand. When the overflowing scourge shall pass through, then ye shall be trodden down by it. From the time that it goeth forth it shall take you, for morning by morning shall it pass over, by day and by night, and it shall be a vexation only to understand the report. For the bed is shorter than that a man can stretch himself on it, and the covering narrower than that he can wrap himself in it. For the Lord shall rise up as in Mount Perazim. He shall be wroth as in the valley of Gibeon, that He may do His work, His strange work; and bring to pass His act, His strange act. Now therefore be ye not mockers, lest your bands be made strong; for I have heard from the Lord God of hosts a consumption, even determined upon the whole earth" (Isa. 28: 16-22). As to what God did for Israel at Mt. Perazim, see II Sam. 5:19-21. As to Gibeon, see Joshua 10:10-14. As to the hail God has reserved, and why He reserved it, see Job 38:22-23. Instead of raising up against Israel's God, it is better for us to say "Speak, God, for thy servant heareth." God has foretold these days in which we live. Lucifer has blinded men's eyes as to them; but the blindness is being removed, and we can see and understand in the



light of Israel, as never before. We can see plainly what God has destined, especially here in America, that He has destined us to set righteousness in the earth, and if you will follow the Dies' and Reynolds' committees, with their effects, you will see that God is going to clean up America, and get us ready for the work of righteousness which God destined we should do, when He promised America to Israel for a homeland in the long ago. So let us not "be mockers."

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North Bonneville, Wash.

Dear Brethren:

Some time back I wrote you that I wanted the Torch of Israel; also wanted it sent to some names and addresses to whom I desired it mailed. Now I am sending you some money for the work, wishing that it was much more. I would like to have some tracts upon different subjects. How glad I am that the precious truths of God are being searched out and revealed. I believe the Kingdom of Heaven, with its new conditions, is now due for the people, and I hope to have a leading part; in other words, I want to be found doing what I can, even though I am up in years. I correspond with many Seventh Day Adventists, Seventh Day Baptists, Church of God people and other independent ones, who are keeping God's Seventh Day Sabbath, the only day that God blessed of the seven days of the week, setting it aside to be observed, that we might ever understand and know God and His written Scriptures better.

Mrs. W. L. Edwards.

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Kalispel, Mont.

Dear Brother Ziegler:

I was down to Brother Van B. Williams's at Proctor and kept the Passover with them. We had a good time together. I belong to the Church of God. Trusting that God will be with you and bless you in this good work.

Yours "for the Hope of Israel,"

A. H. Cherry.

We always love to see such closing of letters. It proves that the writers are getting their eyes off of Rome, and upon the subject of God's people Israel; the one people that God loved and chose above all others that they might be His people. It is this choosing of Israel, and the ultimate end of their work for God in the earth, that is really the "blessed hope." Lucifer has tried to wrest this "Blessed Hope" from its correct basis in Israel and pass it to another, and God surely loves those who are true to him and have the courage to say, "Yours for the Hope of Israel." Would to God that every true Protestant and lover of His work as re-

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midst of plenty. All human efforts have failed to bring an end to these conditions. I say unto you that an end will not be made until we as a nation return to the Lord our God and to His laws.

"For the Lord thy God blesseth thee as He promised thee; and thou shalt lend unto many nations, but thou shalt not borrow; and thou shalt reign over many nations but they shall not reign over thee." Deuteronomy XV, 6.

This is most emphatically true of this nation today. There are but few countries of the earth today that do not owe to us money which we loaned to them. We have borrowed from our selves but we have not borrowed from other nations.

*God keeps His covenants with Israel and so must we keep the covenants which we make.*

Joshua IX, 16-18: "And it came to pass, that at the end of three days after they had made a league with them, that they heard that they were neighbors, and that they dwelt among them, and the children of Israel journeyed, and came unto their cities on the third day. Now their cities were Gibeon, and Chephirah, and Beeroth, and Kirjathjearim. And the children of Israel smote them not, because the princes of the congregation had sworn unto them by the Lord God of Israel. And all the congregation murmured against the princes." You must read the whole chapter to get the full story.

We must keep our covenant whether they be to our good or to our hurt, even as God keeps His covenants with our fathers whether we obey or disobey His commandments. Joshua punished the Gibeonites for using guile to obtain a covenant. God will punish us for not keeping His commandments. When we return to the Lord our God then His promises will be fulfilled to us, yes, they will be increased.

Let us (United States) be most careful of the covenants we make. We have often found, even as did Joshua, that the covenants were obtained through guile and that we are the one that must pay. It would seem that all covenants that are made with us are made with the expectation that great rewards will be obtained from us but that nothing or practically nothing will be given to us.

Do you remember the story of Balak the ancient king who sent for the prophet Balaam and tried to induce him to curse Israel? The story is told in chapters XXII, XXIII and XXIV, of Numbers. Balaam looking into the future says, "For from the top of the rocks I see him (Israel), and from the hills I behold him: lo, the people shall dwell alone, and shall not be reckoned among the nations." Numbers XXIII, 9.

We are a nation apart. Our founders advised us not to be entangled in the affairs of the old world. Most of our people today have the same feeling. We are a *nation apart*.

Exodus XXXIII, 16; "For wherein shall it be known here that I and thy people have found grace in thy sight? Is it not that Thou goest with us? So shall we be separated, I and thy people, from all the peoples that are on the face of the earth."

Moses in blessing the people of Israel and the different tribes says: "Israel then shall dwell in safety *alone*: the fountain of Jacob shall be upon a land of corn and wine, also His heavens shall drop down dew." Deuteronomy XXXIII, 28.

Speaking specifically of certain nations, God commanded Israel; "Thou shalt make no covenants with them, nor with their gods." Exodus XXIII, 32. Again Exodus XXIV, 12; "Thou shalt heed to thyself, lest thou make a covenant with the inhab-



of the land whither thou goest, lest it be for a snare in the midst of thee."

Form the foregoing it would seem that we should not make many covenants and should be most careful of those that we do make. God warned Israel. We are modern Israel.

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## THE PASSOVER AND THE FEAST OF UNLEAVENED BREAD

By ALMA GOODIN

The Passover and Feast of Unleavened Bread, as is spoken of in Exo. 12th chapter, was held at the home of John Goodin, West Olive, Michigan, in the evening of the 21st of March, with fifty-seven people in attendance, those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. John Goodin, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Goodin, Mr. and Mrs. William Goodin, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Goodin, Mrs. Frank Goodin, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Herron, Mr. and Mrs. Alpha Leach, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Goodin, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Cook, Mr. and Mrs. George Goodin, Mrs. Emily Sparks, and their families, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Martinque, Elder and Mrs. Henry Dickerson, Mr. Charles Troost and Mr. Ray Dewar.

The Passover lamb, "a male of the first year," without blemish, was taken on the tenth day of the first month (correct time), and kept up until the fourteenth day of the same month and killed in the evening, roasted in an open fire and was served with "unleavened bread and bitter herbs." This feast was eaten just after the sun had set.

The night was spent as of old, with great watchfulness. As morning dawned "the Feast of Unleavened Bread" was begun with much gladness. Much of the time being spent in group discussion.

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Saturday evening we gathered for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year for "Israel's Prophetic Witness," with the results being as follows: President, George Goodin; Vice-President, John Goodin, Assistant Vice-President, Richard Herron; Treasurer, William Goodin; and Secretary, Alma Goodin.

Sunday afternoon we also held a business meeting, with several new rules and regulations passed. Sunday evening was spent in study.

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday were spent in study, and group discussion.

Thursday, the last day of the "Feast of Unleavened Bread," was a Holy Convocation and observed as a sabbath day, with the time being spent in study and discussion. The last meal of this day was served just before sundown. Brother William Goodin gave us a short discourse on the keeping of the weekly Sabbath. He then asked God to dismiss us from the wonderful service of participating in the "Feast of Unleavened Bread."

ALMA GOODIN, *Secretary.*

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vealed in the Scriptures might so acknowledge God and His Israel. For when this is done "the Kingdom of Heaven," in all its fullness will soon be ushered in.

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Wilbur, W. Va.

Dear Brother Ziegler:

I must say as for myself, that I have not changed. I have always believed from the teaching of the early preachers of the Church of God here, that we are Israel. Never could I believe that we were Gentiles. But there was much of these great present-day truths that we never knew in their fullness until you came here and taught us the Scriptural truth of it all. Later, Church of God ministers never taught us the great truths of Israel, as they are found written in the Scriptures. These things were not taught as they should have been, until you came among us. The Church of God has gone far into the doctrines and dogmas of Rome, thus leaving the simple truths of the Scriptures. I have very little use for the New Testament, as it has misled the people. I have an old Bible that does not teach the deity of Jesus. And it has been the Church of God following such teachings, that has been leading us from Israel, and Israel's God. Hope to see you soon. You are one minister among the many who is continually striving to get the Church divorced from Rome and its theology.

Yours "for the Hope of Israel,"  
Lloyd George.

Correct you are, Brother George. The Church of God has gone far from the place God called it to stand for, in the upholding of His truth about His people Israel. Soon after the passing of the great prophetic period of 2,300 years, which had to do with the Justifying of the Land of God, the Land of Palestine, which period of punishment was placed upon the land because Israel would not let it keep its Sabbatical years of rest, God called out a people to continue the teaching of the great truths of Israel as pertaining to both the land, and the people. The early fathers of the Church of God, after the passing of this great period in 1844, did take up the work of teaching the Scriptural truths pertaining to that time, and the present; but alas for the day, Jesuitical teachers worked their way into the ranks of these good and honest men and women, turning their minds away from God's land, and His literal people Israel, off into the by-ways of a spiritual Israel. Which elevates the deity of Jesus, thus setting Israel's God almost aside. But when God has a work that must be

done, neither men nor Lucifer can stop the giving of the message. Thus God had a few faithful ones who would not bow the knee to Rome, just as it was in Israel in Elijah's day. And these few have kept the light of Israel burning, even though ignored by their brethren in the Church. But at last God shall appear to the joy of these few in the finals, and those who have "desired to cast them out shall be ashamed." So says Isaiah the prophet. Great things will be seen in the not distant future.

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Georgetown, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Ziegler:

Enclosed find one dollar for subscription for the Torch of Israel. If you have a back number I shall appreciate a copy. The big round-up of Israel surely draweth nigh.

A. D. Winters.

Yes, the great round-up of Israel cannot be far away. The movement of things in the earth, and our conditions in America are such that soon there will be many wanting to find their way back to Israel's God.

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New York, N.Y.]

Torch of Israel,  
Genelemen:

We received a copy of the Torch of Israel, and were greatly surprised that you keep the Sabbath of the Lord. But we are with you, for we keep the Sabbath. We have joined the Seventh Day Adventist group in New York. We have tried practically all other sects, but have at last found the true religion of the Bible. We are surprised that you keep and observe the Passover and keep the other Feasts. We are Jewish, and we used to observe all these ourselves. But now we are given to understand that Jesus Christ has taken the place of all the sacrificial system, and that when the Temple was destroyed, and the "vail between the two apartments in it was rent," that this meant that all those old feasts and rites were done away with." May we ask, are you Jewish, or Christian? We are searching for truth. May God bless you.

Mr. and Mrs. Israel Klare.

Truly we are glad to hear from you, but we cannot understand how you could turn away from the Torah, and take up with Roman christendom. It was the Romans who killed Jesus, and then later deified him, getting people to worship him in the place of Israel's God. So it is hard to understand how you got led away from Israel's God, into the dogmas and doctrines of Rome. Yes, we observe all the Feasts which God gave to Israel. There is no place in the Scriptures where God ever said He set them aside. As to sacrifices, God never desired them; they were

only given to lead Israel from idolatry, but not so with the Feasts of the Lord. They are a part of God's eternal ways to keep Israel from idolatry. Jesus says: "search the Scriptures." The Scriptures are the Old Testament. It says nothing about a "vail being rent," but it does teach through Ezekiel that even the sacrifices will yet be observed by those of our ancient fathers to lead them back to their God, after they are resurrected, they not having the privileges that modern Israel have had, to learn the ways of their God. Nowhere in the Scriptures are we told that Jesus was to come to be a sacrifice. They teach us that he was to come to be "King of the Jews." So it is better to go a little slow on taking up and following the doctrines and traditions of men, and casting Israel's God and His truths aside. That is, unless we have power to save ourselves. No, we are not Jewish, nor Christian; but are Israelitish. Just trying to find our way back to Israel's God.

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Battle Creek, Mich.

Dear Brother Ziegler:

It seems to be largely thought of that we are merging into another crash worse than that of 1929. The hysteria of war is spreading and becoming more tense. At its beginning Britain boasted much about its security, but it looks much different now. I read an article in "Liberty" by Virginia Gayda which speaks much about the New Europe, which seems to be much in line with E. A. Jeager in the last Torch. One of my friends tells me that the Holy Roman Empire must come back with its "ten kings," but I cannot believe it nor see it that way. Some time back I mentioned the 49th chapter of Genesis, especially that part about Dan, to a friend, but he seems to get the idea that the rider fell off, and that Hitler is doomed to be killed. I truly like the Torch better than any other magazine published, and I find you are right when you say people "must read themselves into the story of Israel." I find this was my experience. One reason why I like the Torch is that it stays rid of "the wine of Babylon" with its anti-God dogmas, and urges that the people should really know the story of Israel. May I ask "What about astrology?" I see the "Beacon Light" and the "Prophetic Age" have much to say about it. I am anxiously waiting for the next issue of the Torch. With best wishes, I am,

Yours "for the Hope of Israel,"

Marie Nickell.

As to the "Ten Kings," spoken of in Revelation, the substance of the story spoken of in this book was taken from Daniel 2:42-44, no doubt with an effort to turn the Protestants away from their heritage. These



kings followed the fourth kingdom which was Gentile-Rome, which was broken up into just ten parts, and these parts were not Gentile. They were Israelitish, really the heads of the supposedly Lost Ten Tribes of Israel. It matters not what historians have written about the mater, it is what God teaches in the Scriptures. We do not say they knew themselves to be Israel; there are many things that the Israelitish blooded people do not know about themselves, which they should know and would know if they would only rid themselves of "the wine of Babylon" and take to the prophets of Israel, study and know them. If this had been done, England would not be in its present hours of agony, neither would we of the U. S. be rent and torn as we are today; the peace of Israel's God would be with us. But it all comes because of the work of Lucifer through Gentile-Rome. That we are right about the "Ten Toes" or the Ten Kingdoms which overthrew Civil Gentile-Rome. The Papacy could not be set up until three of these kingdoms were subdued, the Heruli, the Vandals, the Ostrogoths. The Vandals were Germanic and were of the stock of Dan, of Israel, and they were Arians, and Arianism must be overthrown before Papal Rome could assume the ecclesiastical power. The question being, "Was Jesus very

man?" or "Was he very God?" The Arians held with the Scriptures, that he "was the son of man"; hence the war for their overthrow in Africa, which cost Rome, to gain supremacy, \$2,725,000,000; but the Vandals must be overthrown, and they were for the present, but that did not settle the question. "The Heruli" were also of Danish-Germanic stock, believing much along Scriptural lines as the Vandals. Just so with the Ostrogoths, or West Goths. They were the last of the three "kings" to be overthrown, which they were in 538 A.D., and the Papacy was then set up, the Ostrogoths going into the wilderness of North Europe, at last formulating the German Empire. This present war will undo that which Gentile-ecclesiastical Rome undertook to establish, namely, that "Jesus is very God." And it is a notable fact that Hitler and his Germanic-Danish hordes, hold to the one God, rejecting Jesus as God, but admitting that he was the promised "Prophet" which God said He would send Israel. He also says that "If Martin Luther was here today, he would be with us." It was Martin Luther who asked the question in his day: "Where is there a man who will stand up as a wall in defense of Israel?" and thank Israel's God, through the Torch of Israel we are trying to do it. But not civilly, but ecclesiastically, basing

our all upon the Scriptures, leaving others to take up the civil end of the fight for the restoration of Israel, knowing as we do, that in fact our U. S. is none other than the latter day Twelve-Tribed House of Israel. The "Ten Kings" will not be restored, except the three which Gentile-Rome overthrew. This present war over, Germany (Dan), the United States (Twelve-Tribed Israel) and England (Ephraim-Joseph) will sit down around a peace table, with all Roman dogmas discarded, and will make a lasting peace, not a peace like that made in 1918, trying to destroy one of the Israelitish tribes, but with Israelitish blooded people intact, hence the peace will be lasting.

As to "astrology." An astrologer is one who studies the celestial bodies, stars and planets. Abraham was one of the world's greatest. He knew the paths of the stars, as well as he did the path from his tent door. True, astrology was destroyed by Copernicus. The reason astrology is again coming to the front, is because it must come back into its own; with at last the false astrology of Copernicus destroyed out of the earth, we shall once more come back to correct Abrahamic astrology restored again, when the stars will be more than just stars to us. God has great things in store for us in the near future, so just keep your eyes open and "watch."

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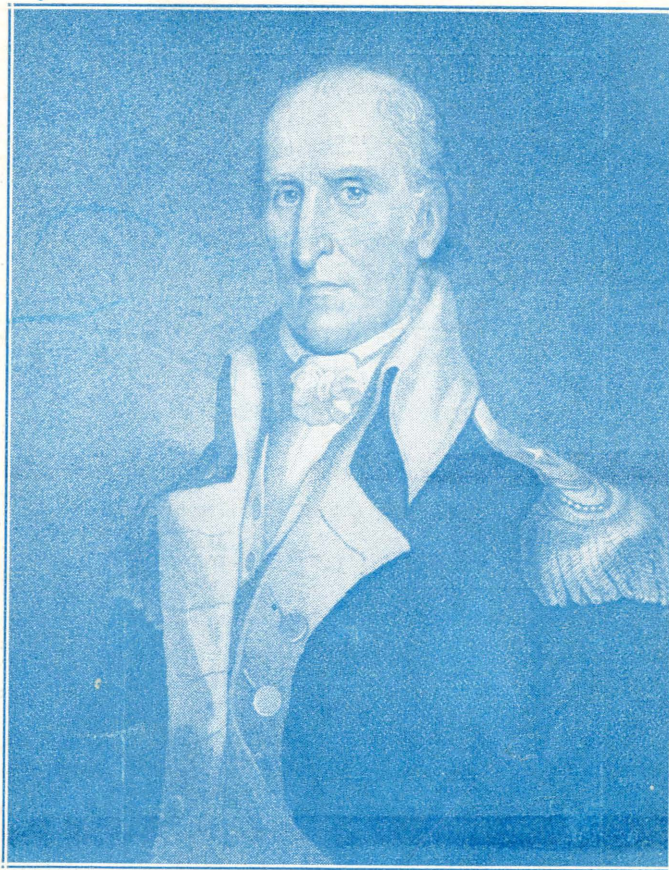
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## THE HUGUENOT IN THE REPUBLIC

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### AN IMPORTANT PEOPLE IN CIVILIZATION

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General Pickens was of Huguenot ancestry. His ancestors were driven out of France by the clergy of their abode. They went to Scotland and Ireland, but there the land and thought was not free enough for them and they came to America and settled in Pennsylvania, where William Penn, the Quaker, had first read the Holy Altar of Religious Toleration. They moved to the Carolinas, and when the War of the Revolution broke upon the Colonies, Andrew Pickens joined the patriots' cause. The story of the entire eight years of the Revolution shows his intense loyalty to Gen. Washington and the cause.

He is but one of the many patriots of this struggle, whose ancestors fled France and cast their lot with the Americans. George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, James Madison, Thomas Paine, Benjamin Franklin, and James Monroe, his compatriots and Masonic brethren, held him in high esteem.

In this so-called supreme age, when we find ourselves to be the heirs of all the ages, and when civilization boasts that it is both "educated" and "learned," it is deplorably true to note that even in these United States of America two words, "Democracy" and "Liberty," are so much gambled with by the average American citizen. Superficial writers, journeymen-historians, hack-writers and other literary cribbers have wasted printers' ink to the extent that even our ethics are at a very low ebb. In the midst of all this sectarianism continues to flourish in the place of true religion. With these facts before him, an American author will at this time endeavor to place in the hands of his

readers a subject little touched upon by even late day scholars. There was a time in French History when the torch of Liberty began to show its head in the birth of a sect of people commonly called "Huguenots." If ever on this planet, there was a time when the Hand of Deity was shown in History, it was in the event of the coming of this religious and firmly patriotic people, in King-ridden and Priest-ridden France. They grew and spread to many lands. Their fading out in French society was a loss to France, but a gain to other lands, more especially to the Republic of these United States of America. The true worth of their culture and education will be shown later on in this Article. The term "Huguenot" in its literal sense is of unknown origin,—it had been applied to the followers of John Calvin, during the religious and political struggles of the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Centuries. King Henry IV of France, had granted religious tolerance to Protestant subjects by the Edict of Nantes (1598) but this was revoked by King Louis XIV in 1685. Many Huguenots were murdered by the call and sanction of the "Holy See" at Rome, and after the massacre of St. Bartholomew the Pope ordered a medal to be struck in honor of the event, as the Bishops and Priests had done a "good deed" in "ridding the land of the heretics." Three hundred thousand of those fine Christians fled the land of their nativity,—America got its share of them, and their descendants aided greatly towards establishing this Republic in the conflict of 1775-1783. Among the leaders of the American Revolution who were



of Huguenot ancestry were Washington, Pickens, Marion, Jay, Laurens, Revere, Sevier, and Bowdoin. One of the most noteworthy of all the Revolutionary Fathers who were of Huguenot ancestry was Maj. Gen. Andrew Pickens, who was born at Paxton, Penn., Sept. 19, 1739, and who died Aug. 11, 1817, loved and admired by the "Father of his Country," and his many friends and compatriots who knew him. His ancestors fled France when Priest-craft sought their lives. One of his ancestors was murdered there, trying to flee from the despotic hand of ruthless sectarianism.

General Pickens married Ruth Calhoun. He was a Presbyterian and a Freemason, and he often attended religious ceremonies while in the Army, and Military Lodges, in company of Washington. His Fore-fathers had fled to Ireland, thence to Scotland, but these two countries did not afford them proper liberty. I know of no man of entire Huguenot blood who rendered a greater service to the American Army than did General Pickens. Such Presidents as Washington, Adams, Tyler, Garfield and Roosevelt, were of the strain of Huguenot blood. The Huguenot cult in these United States has been of a very high order. The Huguenot ancestor of President Washington was Nicholas Martain, who came before 1620. Another notable Huguenot was Peter Faneuil, who gave to Boston the "Cradle of Liberty," Faneuil Hall. He was a neighbor of Apolis De Revier, the father of Paul Revere, the messenger of the Revolution. Such other Boston names who were Huguenots, as Devereaux, Cabot, Dumaresq, Gerneaux, Bureau, Bassett, Le Blond, Johownot, Monties, Olivier, Maillet, Robineau, Boutineau, Tourgee, Grennell, Bernon, De Haas, are but a few that this writer might give to the reading public. Gen. Alexander Hamilton claimed his Huguenot blood through his mother's side.

At one time over three hundred Huguenot families settled in and around what is now New York City, and two hundred in Rhode Island. Among those in Rhode Island we find such names as Decatur, Perry, Devereaux, Reidenour, DuPont, and De la Camp. Poets Bryan, Longfellow and Whittier were of Huguenot ancestry. Such other names we might here mention as, Herbein, Melchoir, Hoch, Beaver, Gerber, Latrobe, Clevel, Dana, Soule, Marot, and LeRoy. One of the leading men of New Jersey during the American Revolution, in both civil and Military life, Elias Boudinot, was of Huguenot Blood. What was a loss to France was a gain to America. Mortal pen cannot tell the true story of the Huguenot in the Republic. And such fine names as Audubon, Lei Simateere, Javin, deSanno, and Stephen Girard (who gave to posterity the "Girard College" but Popery attended to his burial, yet his ashes now rest amid surroundings in the blessed "City of Brotherly Love.") We also have such other fine names as DeForest, Lora, Huling, Rappe, Chevallier, Duche, Souplis, Hoodt, Somarie, DeTurfl, Bartolet, LeVan, Romner, For-

ney, and LeFevre. Major General John F. Reynolds, U. S. A., killed at Gettysburg, Pa., July 1, 1863, came from the Ferree-Lefever line, and Admiral Winfield S. Schley, U. S. N., were of noted Huguenot ancestor, Louis Die Bois, the founder of New Palte, N. J. And still we may record those fine names of the glorious Americans, such as Aneacher, Aurand, Balliet, Beau, Birtle, De Normandy, De Belle, Fontaine, Gilbert, the great Huguenot theologian, Theodore de Beza, with nothing but the Bible as his text book completely swept away the Romish tradition and dogma of the Cardinal of Lorraine at the Conference of Sept. 9, 1561. The Huguenots strenuously insisted on civil and political rights. Popery was in the saddle, but history tells the rest. Those Huguenots, too, made good in western life. The first Treasurer of the United States, Michael Hillegar, was of a noted Huguenot family. The ancestor of the Quaker poet, John G. Whittier, too, was the noted Huguenot refugee named Fourllevert.

Only a Jeremiah, or a Dante, were they here to-day, could properly tell of the important part the Huguenot played in the building of these United States of America. Huguenots came in the Mayflower with the Pilgrims. Some came with the Puritans to Salem, Mass., in 1628, and among the Founders of Boston in 1630 do we find several Huguenots. At a very early time they settled among the entire Thirteen Colonies. Upon every battlefield of the Revolution did they figure prominently. They were represented among the signers of the Declaration of Independence in 1776, and in the making of the Federal Constitution in 1787. The First Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court was Col. John Jay, proudly of Huguenot ancestry.

King Charles IX of France died on May 30, 1570, bitterly bewailing the despotic part he bore in the massacre of St. Bartholomew. When the Huguenots fled France it lost its best blood. Since that time three Republics have been born in what is now war-torn France. It was a citizen of two hemispheres, who had a Huguenot ancestor, Thomas Paine, and who not only wrote for Thomas Jefferson, the Declaration of Independence, but who later penned the French Constitution, and to-day, neither the United States nor France know where rests the bones of Thomas Paine. (There is an empty grave in New Rochelle, New York, where once lay the ashes of Thomas Paine.) This Fair City is proud of its Huguenot Founders and I now leave New Rochele and go down to Manhattan and attend the Huguenot Church, and there with the Episcopal form of worship do I find a congregation, whose ancestors fled France rather than be murdered for their religion. So it is that the First President of this Republic, was proud of his Huguenot ancestry, and the present President, Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt, is proud of his Huguenot forefather, Philip Delano, who fled France to escape the despotic hand of Priest-craft.



While the tide ebbs and flows twice in each twenty-four hours, and the cry of the aborigines remains a thing of the past, the best thinkers of these United States will continue to pay homage to the early French refugees, who from Plymouth Rock to the Hills of Georgia, labored to build a type of civilization most unique in all history. The Pilgrims of the Mayflower, and the Puritans of Boston, did particularly well in their line of ethics, as builders of civilization, but the Huguenot suffered more than the other two, and to-day posterity can never pay the debt it owes to the Huguenots of France, who came to these shores and helped to lay the foundation of the world's greatest and most cheerful Nation. The Massacre of St. Bartholomew took place on Aug. 24, 1572, when there was "Holy slaughter," as it was termed by

the clergy, to "rid France of heretics," and there 30,000 fell by the sword. Since that time France has undergone many wars,—they were chiefly religious and political. In 200 years alone has she declared war on Germany 32 times. So it is while the Eagle of this Republic screams, and the Stars and Stripes of these United States floats the Seven Seas, a grateful people will look with pity upon all Europe,—more especially France, where once liberty flourished, but where years before it persecuted people for their way of religious thinking, and in view of the fact that on board the Mayflower was several Huguenots when she swung at her anchor in Provincetown Harbor, in 1620, I conclude my story with the first seven words of "The Compact," "In the Name of God, Amen."

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## THE SEVENTY WEEKS

### DANIEL 9:24

We were very much astounded recently when we read an article in the Bible Advocate of Stanberry, Mo., under the above caption by Stanley Kauer. That which is hard to understand about this article is, that the Bible Advocate was established soon after the passing of the great world wide movement of 1833-44, in an effort to establish and advocate the correct interpretation and truth of the Scriptures. The founders of this paper, and the founders of the Church of God in America, held largely to prophecy and the story of literal Israel, the founders of which were Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. But in these latter days practically all the teachings of the early Church of God are forgotten, and thrown into discard, and now they teach the Romanized story of a "spiritual Israel," with the exception they hold to the Seventh Day Sabbath which God gave to Israel at Mount Sinai. So the writer takes up the old Roman story of the interpretation of the prophecy, as terminating at the death of Jesus on the cross. And tells the story about Jeremiah and the seventy years of the captivity and bondage of the House of Judah in Babylon, and tries to connect the Seventy weeks period as having its fulfilment and end when Jesus came, in an effort to prove that Jesus made the new covenant, which Israel's God promised to make with the House of Israel, and the House of Judah, as recorded in Jer. 31:31-34. The writer says about Daniel:

"Yes, Daniel was praying that God would carry out the promise and not delay to restore Jerusalem and the Jews back to that city. He was praying for the city and for the people—the Jews who were the subjects of his prayer. And if an answer were to be given,

we would expect it to be concerning these two subjects—Jerusalem and the Jews and their fate.

"And Daniel did get an answer? Most certainly he did. And any one who will pray as fervently and as humbly as he did, as recorded in the ninth chapter, will also get an answer, for the same God yet lives. Daniel was a prophet of God and previous to this, God had given him special visions and dreams. Now as he prays and cries out to God, he is again taken into a vision. He records it thus: "Yet, while I was speaking in prayer even the man Gabriel, whom I had seen at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening oblation." Yes, Gabriel had now come to Daniel in a vision in answer to his prayer about Jerusalem, and the Jews, and what was to happen to them. And he began by saying, "therefore understand the matter and consider the vision." In other words understand this matter which you have asked about, consider this vision now to be given you. And so now let us consider the vision.

"Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people, and upon the holy city to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and the prophecy, and anoint the most holy." Let us consider first this one verse for it contains a great deal. Verse 24.

Seventy weeks are determined—that is that much time is given or cut off or apportioned. And to whom was it given? Was it to all the world or all the saved? No. Daniel had asked about the Jews and Jerusalem and the angel declares that this 70 week prophecy is a time determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city—clearly referring to the Jews and Jerusalem.

"This is one prophecy which shows clearly that literal time is not meant for 70 weeks would be only about a year short space of time. But applying the meaning of a year for a day, we have 490 days or 490 years, a period of time in which the 6 great things were to take place, in connection with Jerusalem and the Jews. But Daniel was praying for an end of the captivity and the



restoration of Jerusalem. What connection then does this have with his prayer? If this period of time is given, when does the restoration begin? The answers to these questions are found in the very next verse. Verse 25: "Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and three score and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall even in troublous times."

Oh, Yes, there was to be a command for the restoration of Jerusalem. Evidently when the command was given, all would know about it—and the 70 weeks of time were to begin with it. The last part of this verse goes with the first part and tells us that the streets and walls would be built in troubled times. There Daniel has an assurance which must have brought him great comfort. But another event of the greatest importance to Jerusalem and the Jews, and indeed to the world, is also mentioned here. From the going forth of the commandment to rebuild Jerusalem, until the coming of the Messiah, was to be 7 weeks, and 3 score and two weeks—or 69 weeks of the 70 weeks. Here is a wonderfully definite and clear prophecy. Here more than 500 years before the time of Christ it is prophesied exactly when He was to come. Beginning with the time when the commandment was given to restore and rebuild Jerusalem, until the time of Christ was to be 69 prophetic weeks or 483 literal years.

We have observed that it was almost time for the end of the 70 year captivity period when Daniel was given this vision. That was in 538 B.C. and we find the book of Ezra beginning with the date 536. In that year, in fulfillment of the prophecy of Jeremiah, Cyrus, king of Persia made a decree for the restoration of the Temple at Jerusalem, and Ezra led a group there who built a small temple and reestablished the worship of the Lord. But the walls of the city remained unbuilt and the city as a whole was desolate. Then when Ezra was an old man, in 457 B.C. as is recorded in Ezra chapter 7, Artaxerxes the king of Persia made a decree permitting all Israelites who wished, to return to Jerusalem. This was the beginning of the restoration which Ezra continued with for a time and almost failed in, and which was continued successfully by Nehemiah. The streets and walls were truly built in troubled times, for it was necessary for the workers to keep their weapons with them as they worked in order to ward off attacks by the enemies.

The writer then follows about the decree of Artaxerxes etc. Just the same old story about this 24th verse of Daniel 9, seemingly to forget what it was God was trying to convey to the mind of Daniel, the fulness of the story of the 70 weeks, that it had nothing to do with the birth of Jesus, but the complete deliverance of Israel. The reader will notice that we have quoted very freely from the article by Elder Kauer that the thoughtful may see the foolishness of his argument. It will be noticed that the writer says much about the Jews in this 9th chapter of Israel. So may we ask why try to introduce the word Jew in an effort to prove his dogma? The word Jew cannot be found in the entire chapter, but rather the word Israel, which includes all the Twelve Tribes of Israel. And even in the 24th verse it is plainly stated "Thy people, and Thy holy City." Let us see that God never chose Judah alone, but the rather all Israel. And that the reader may know that when "Thy People" are spoken of that it is not the Jews, but Israel,

we ask our readers to read Deut. 26:16-19 where God "avouched" Israel to be His people, and where Israel "avouched" God to be their God" Then read Deut. 27:9 where "all Israel were called together, and the legal "avouched" contract was ratified, and it is plainly stated "all Israel," yes twice in this one verse, stating plainly; "O Israel, this day thou art become the people of God." The Jews-Judah are but one of the Twelve Tribes of Israel. So why does the writer want to harp upon the word Jew?" Why not find the correct resting place of the text, as the 24th verse has nothing to do with the 25th verse, nor the verses following, neither has it anything to do with Jesus. It only pertains to two things,—God's people Israel, and God's City, Jerusalem. The one City where God placed His name.

The writer uses the old expression about the word "determined", that it really should have been "cut off." But what does Webster say when he comes to define the word "determined"? Here it is: "To come to a decision." "To fix the boundaries," "To set bounds." "To bring to an end." "To finish." There is no "cut off" in this, but rather, to finish, to end the work with Israel in the earth. But if this verse is cut off, from what prophecy was it cut off? The question is easy, it is cut off from its correct place, as the 15th verse of Chapter 8, where if it is placed it takes care of "The Host", which is Israel, and nowhere else in the Scriptures is the finals of Israel so forcibly told. So why try to fool the people longer about this great prophecy?

To get the correct meaning of this 24th verse we ask our readers to turn to Daniel 8:13-14, which reads as follows: "Then I heard one saint speaking and another saint said unto that certain saint which spake, 'How long shall be the vision concerning the daily sacrifice, and the transgression of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and THE HOST to be trodden underfoot?' The question is a simple one. "How long" will the sanctuary—the land of Palestine, be trodden underfoot. And how long will "the host," which is Israel, be trodden under foot?" Here you have both the people of Israel, and the sanctuary, their homeland—Palestine called in question. How long will they be trodden down by the power that maketh desolate, which is Rome?

The question is plain, both host and sanctuary to be trodden down. To get the answer about the Sanctuary, let us quote the 14th verse. "And he said unto me, unto 2300 days then shall the sanctuary be cleansed."—justified. Why Justified? "Then shall the land enjoy her sabbaths, (seven year land sabbaths, See Lev. 25:1-4.) and it was because Israel would not obey and let the land rest that the "2300 days" or years of punishment was placed upon it. The writer being right, in prophecy "a day for a year" is given to Israel to calculate the term of their punishment for



them, and their land's sin. (See Eze. 4:4-7.) "The sanctuary, "what is it?" We quote as follows: "Thou shalt bring them (Israel) in, and plant them in the mountain of thine inheritance, in the place, O Lord which Thou hast made for thee to dwell in, in the Sanctuary, O Lord, which Thy hands have established." Ex. 15:17 with: "And he brought them to the border of His sanctuary, (His holy territory,—Lesser), even to this mountain, which His right hand had purchased. He cast out the heathen also before them, and divided them an inheritance by line, and made the Tribes of Israel to dwell in their tents." Ps. 78:54. These texts, to which others might be added, tell us plainly that the sanctuary spoken of in Daniel was the Holy Land—Palestine, or as Lesser puts it, (His (God's) holy territory.) The very reading of the verses give us to understand that the sanctuary is territory, a land in which Israel were to live and enjoy the rich blessing of their God, and as we have shown already, God gave them land laws governing this territory, that its land should rest every seventh year. But Israel failed God, farmed their land and made it produce in the years of its sabbaths, hence the land was made to violate God's eternal laws, and Daniel tells us plainly that for this transgression of the land, or sanctuary, that it would take "2300 days," or years, before it could be justified because of its wrong doing. And the ending of this long period of punishment ended in 1844, which was the end of the 2300 days, or years. And the great message of "the cleansing of the sanctuary" was taught by William Miller in America, Irving of Scotland, and Wolf of Asia. Thus the greater part of the earth's surface was covered in the preaching of this message, and its ending date stands as one of the great prophetic "waymarks" in history for God's people Israel. The writer may say, but it was not so taught after 1844. This is in part true, but because our honest fathers in their blindness could not see the end of the vision, is that any evidence that we as their latter day children, should continue to keep our eyes closed to this great truth about the sanctuary? They were honest, they taught as far as they could see. The whole was in an atmosphere of hazziness or obscurity. The great flashlight of God, which has since shined upon us, as to the eternal story of God's people Israel, was never seen by their blinded eyes, but their blindness will not clear us, who should have continued to walk in the light which began to shine upon them, if we do not go forward and intelligently in the ways of comparison and reason do not "follow on to know." We say without doubting, that there is no story of a "heavenly sanctuary" taught in the Scriptures. This dogma has been wholly hatched up in the minds of finite men, who had rather take "a voice" than the literal words of God. But let us return to the "sanctuary and host that was to be trodden down."

Verse 14 of the 8th chapter of Daniel takes care of the sanctuary, that it was to be justified at the end of 2300 years. But how about "the host," the great body of the people of Israel? When their "trodden down" condition would end.

But its correct time of ending is found in the "seventy weeks" of Dan. 9:24. That the ending of the down trodden condition of "the host" or people will end in the specified time of the ending of the "seventy weeks." This text in Daniel 9:24 refers wholly to the people of Israel, while the text as it reads in Daniel 8:12 refers wholly to Israel's God given land, or the sanctuary." And it has nothing to do with the coming of Jesus, which the writer in the Advocate stresses so much upon. It is just as well for us to be honest, and accept the truth of God, upon this great subject as for us to cast it aside, for finite men like us, cannot change nor thwart the eternal plans of Israel's God. This great prophetic text of Daniel 9:24 pertains wholly to literal time, and the verse should follow the 12 verse of Daniel 8:12 as it cares "for the host," or people of Israel, and has nothing whatever to do with the 70 years of punishment upon the House of Judah in Babylon as spoken of by Jeremiah the prophet. Hence it is well that our Dear Brother writer make the correct changes in his story.

But what constitutes a "week" of time? When this is known, we can locate the correct ending of the "70 weeks." Leviticus 25:1,8 fully answers this question. It reads as follows: "And the Lord spake unto Moses at Mount Sinai, saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them. When ye come unto the land which I give you, then shall the land keep a sabbath unto the Lord. (Just what we have told about in this article above.) "And thou shalt number seven sabbaths of years unto thee, seven times seven years, and the space of the seven sabbaths of years shall be unto thee forty and nine years." Then a week of years is 49 years, and to get the correct ending of the "70 weeks" of Time we must multiply the 49 years or one week of Time by the 70 weeks if we care to arrive at the correct ending of the "70 weeks."  $49 \times 70 = 3430$  years. But when does the Time begin. As the prophecy concerns only Israel it must begin when Israel became the people of God, and this was 1490 B.C. And as the Time period reaches into Roman A.D. Time it is necessary to take the 1490 B.C. Time from the 3430 years of Time, and we find that it gives the following answer as to correct Time of 1940 A.D. The very year in which we live? And what do we see? The nations of earth torn up, and blowing themselves to pieces. So what does it mean? Let us quote the text and see. "Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people, (and Daniel's people were Israel,) and upon the holy city,

"To close up the transgression, and  
To make an end of sins, and



To make reconcillation for iniquity, and  
To bring in everlasting righteousness, and  
To seal up the vision and prophecy, and  
To anoint the most holy thing."—Lesser.

Here we have six definite points, and language could have been written no plainer. Each one of these points are very definite. Neither were they fulfilled at the death of Jesus, as the writer claims. Almost 2000 years have passed away, and the old world lays deeper in sin than ever before, so common sense says discard the old dogma that has been used, and modernize the whole story and arrive at the truth. It is admitted by all that we are passing out of old age, that the year 1940 is the harbinger of a new and better age, where honesty, truth and righteousness shall be in the ascendancy. To be plain, Israel has been going down in sin, following in the ways of unrighteousness for 3430 years, and every indication and token speaks to us plainly that we can expect after the close of this year, 1940 be found passing into something better, grander, more holy and more righteous, just what the text says we may expect. Europe and the greater part of earth is torn up, getting ready for the new age and order of things. November will give us a new Senate, and a new House here in the United States, and if we believe what we hear, every sign before us says, the dark dismal days of uncertainty will be passed, and our beloved country will arise from its awful broken up condition, and as it was in the days of Abraham Lincoln, we will surge forth with more honesty and righteousness. And if you do not think it will be so, take a Dollar Bill out of your pocket, and on the

reverse side you will find some wonderful words, written below, and above a Pyramid. Notice them carefully, and note that they were written eight years ago upon our currency, and the New Deal was started, pointing to a definite future, but because the New Deal has largely turned out as a bad card game, do not think it will so end, for we are bound for a more righteous ending. All points definitely to a bright and grand future: Read the words above the Pyramid: "Annuit Coeptis." (He (God) has favored our beginning.") Beneath the Pyramid read: "Novus Ordo Seclorum." "A New Order of Ages has begun." And who dares say it shall not be. Noah had his ark builded seven days, then came the flood. So may it not be seven years of breaking up here in our Country, then the dawning of a brighter period of happiness, peace and righteousness. All coming in the wake of the closing of the "70 weeks" of prophecy upon Israel.

We all know the old interpretation of this great "seventy weeks" prophetic period has passed away without fulfilment, and it is the end of Prophetic periods. So may we not expect the new modern interpretation holds out to us, hope, happiness, joy and peace. The writer of the article in question found nothing definite as to the ending of the "seventy weeks," except the coming of the Messiah, and he said of this "here is a wonderfully and clear prophecy." Well it may be. But we once knew a good old German preacher, and after it was all put before him said, "It is just as clear as mud," and as near as we can find out about it, that is just about how clear his interpretation is to us.

## WHY THE TORCH OF ISRAEL

Its Editor started in the ministry as an evangelist at a very young age. But with one thought in mind, that was to get properly acquainted with God. Years since then have passed, and it has been ever onward with the same thought and earnest study, until we have merited the degree of "Doctor of Divinity." But all these years it has been a continual lopping off of the doctrines, theories, and dogmas that are taught by the many for truth, and we have wondered how our church teachers and preachers, with the open Bible in their hands can remain so ignorant as to God's truth, when with the light of Scriptural reason turned on dogmas and doctrines of men, melts them away as the snow in the light of the bright shin ing sun.

Our first real struggle came over the doctrine of the immortal soul, which entity everyone is supposed to have. It was way back in the 80's, and we were engaged in a revival effort in Republic County, Kansas, and as usual on such oc-

casions in order to get things moving, we spoke one evening about "babies waving their chubby hands over the battlements of heaven to their mothers, urging them to get converted and ready to meet them."

There was a pleasant old brother came into our meeting that evening, and at its close shook hands with me, and invited me to go with him to his home and spend the night. I went, and as we were sitting around the fire in the sitting room of his home, he picked up his Bible and reached it to me saying, "Brother Ziegler, I heard you speaking tonight about an immortal soul, here is my Bible, will you give me the text where I can find that we have an immortal soul." I reached for his Bible, telling him I would be glad to give him the text, thinking it could be easily found. He said, "Not tonight, but you will be here for some time in this revival effort, and I want you to plan on making your home with me, and when you find it you can give it to me." I replied all



right I shall be glad too. So the next morning I started to look for the text. Days and nights went by, as I earnestly sought the text that I knew I could find so easily, until finally, I became convinced that such a text could not be found, though the clergy of the nation know that it really exists, and keep the thought of the immortal soul ever in the forefront.

But I did find a text speaking of God, and reading as follows: "Who only hath immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto." That was a stunner to me. So I tried for another, and found one reading like this: "To whom by patient continuance in well doing, seek for glory, honor and immortality." This proved plenty for me, for if one must "seek for immortality," it is an evident fact that he does not have it "within," else why seek? I then went to Brother Hoyt and said, "Well Brother Hoyt, I cannot find a text in the Scriptures that tells me that I have an immortal soul." He replied: "Brother Zeigler, I knew you could not find it, but I wanted you to convince yourself that such a text could not be found." And I was convinced, and I am still convinced of the same fact today, and after the passing of more than 55 years, with every day spent in a more careful and thoughtful study of the Scriptures, I am fully prepared to say that it is not to be found, for man is a dying creature, and this is just one of Lucifer's powerful weapons against God in his effort to win over the earth and its inhabitants to himself. But may I candidly ask my readers, would it not have been foolishness for me to have continued making and using such remarks in an effort to get people converted, when I positively know that such a thought as to man having an immortal soul cannot be found in the entirety of the written Scriptures? It surely would, and that was the end of the immortal soul talks with me. But I have an urge each day to become better acquainted with God and His Word that I may be free from making statements in my talks, and writings, that cannot be Scripturally sustained. That is what has emptied our churches of their better class of intelligent listeners, and starting them on the road to infidelity in both men and God.

Later one Sunday morning, my wife and I, (for since the immortal soul ordeal I had married a Methodist girl), were sitting in our room in Jewell County, Kansas, where we were holding another revival effort, reading and studying the Scriptures, when my wife said: "Listen, I want to read you something?" And she read these words: "Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work, but the SEVENTH DAY is the Sabbath of the Lord Thy God, in it thou shalt not do any work." I replied, those are plain words, easily to be understood, commanding us, so far as God is concerned, that we should observe the Seventh Day as a day of rest, and we are keeping the first

day of the week and not the Seventh, for the seventh is Saturday. So it was search again through the fulness of the Scriptures, honest faithful searching, in an effort to find and know the truth in regard as to which "Day is the Sabbath?" As stated my reply to my wife was: "It is evident that we must be observing the wrong day." Some of our older good missionary friends in the church told us that the day was changed from the seventh to the first by Jesus, because He was resurrected on the First Day of the week." This opened up another thought in our minds: "What right or power did Jesus have legally to change God's Sabbath from the Seventh to the First Day, if He was sent to represent Him in this old sin cursed earth? This would surely be conspiracy against God." So reason told me that my thoughts were absolutely right, that Jesus had nothing to do with changing the great rest day of God, which the Scriptures tell us was from the beginning of creation of God, so far as this earth is concerned. That God, after creating all things in six days made the Seventh day, and He rested on this seventh day which He had made, from all the work which He had made. And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified and hallowed it, because that in it He had rested from all His work which God created and made." The reasons as to why we should observe the seventh day were good, sound and logical, and I was up against another dogma that had been handed to me, a dogma that was believed and held sacred by the great majority of the people. But if it was an untruth, what would I gain by following it, just because every one else wanted to? Where would I entitle myself to life before a just and faithful God by such an action? This was the thought that welled up in my mind. My studies revealed to me that "Sunday is, and has been, the wild solar holiday of all ages," observed by the Pagan Sun worshippers of the past ages, and that Gentile—Rome as it arose ecclesiastically, through Constantine, when he issued his famous Sunday, or first day edict, admitted this Sunday dogma into the church, teaching that the First Day, not the Seventh Day, was to be observed by the communicants of the Church. Thus came about the observance of Sunday, and not because Jesus made the change. Thus my theological, ecclesiastical under-pinning was knocked from under me again, and what must I do, obey God, or man, as to the observance of the Seventh Day Sabbath? Reason said "You had better obey God."

So readers, this was the second great shock that came to break me away from ecclesiastical Rome, and start me back on the Israelitish way, back to Israel's God. So we acquiesced, and accepted God's way, continuing our travels towards God and His Israel, which is the golden thread of the Scriptures in their entirety. So it has



been through all the many years of my work as a minister, a divorcing of myself from Pagan and Roman dogmas and doctrines.

This story of an honest seeker after truth, trying to find his way through error and dense darkness back to Israel's God, will continue through

several issues of the Torch of Israel, as we desire that our readers will not consider us as a fanatic, and at variance with the churches without reason, ever keeping in mind this great thought of God: "Come and let us reason together."

## WHY THE AWFUL TROUBLE AND DESTRUCTION IN EUROPE

To get the basic fundamental facts as to why Europe is in such an awful destructive turmoil today, which is shaking every Israelitish nation of the earth, we must turn to the written Scriptures, where in God's great Book of historical knowledge all is made plain, written in such plain and simple language that even a child can understand. That is if as individuals and as a nation we actually want to know the truth of why the present struggle, and who is the main Actor that is trying to force upon the people the thought of acquainting themselves with God.

It will take volumes to get at a proper understanding of the trouble so far as men are concerned. But with God, Israel's God, it is different. He has just made a few plain unailing commands in His Book as to nations, not individuals, and these few statements tell the whole story. We must, as diligent earnest students searching after truth, go back to the books of Genesis, Exodus, and Deuteronomy in the Bible to get our basic facts. We must first rid ourselves of the "who-soever" stuff, which has been handed out to us from monasteries, where nationalism was turned to individualism. And all turned along religious lines, away from God's eternal plans of saving His people Israel, and the earth to eternal righteousness, to an individual soul salvation, and a preparing of the individual to go to heaven or to some other remote unknown clime, where it is said that bliss and happiness is to be found. But all this is unknown in the annals of Israel's God, as His efforts have been to save this earth to Himself and from His great adversary.

So let us turn to Abraham for a few moments, as he is taken unharmed from the fiery furnace of Nimrod, the one man of all men, Chosen of God with which to start a holy race of people in the earth, and thus win it back to Himself, in the end free from sin and unrighteousness, the race of people being Israel, literal Israel, the children of the chosen man Abraham. First notice God's words to Abraham after the furnace ordeal in Nimrod's effort to destroy all those of the earth who dared to name the name of God, and stand for His truth wholly and alone. Notice the words: "Now the Lord had said unto Abraham, 'Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and

from thy father's house, to a land that I will show thee. And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great, and thou shalt be a blessing.'" The reader will notice in these statements, that they are composed and center around one man to be used of God in the rehabilitation of the earth, returning it to a state of righteousness, and it is the first statement in the Book of God about His choosing any one man, with which and through whom He expects to do the work. But get the thought, after the man is "a great nation," and surely God knew what He was having this nation made for, and the work it—the nation—was to do in the earth to again set things right. But notice God's words further to Abraham: "And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse them that curse thee; and in thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed." Wonderful words, wonderful promises to Abraham, and such promises were never made to any other individual man. But keep the thought, from this man must come "a great nation," or else God has not kept his promise to Abraham. Also notice very carefully the words following, "And in thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed." It is not individuals to be blessed by this blesser, but it is "families". So we must go back to the days of Noah, right after the flood, to get these families, and who are they? 1. The "family" of Shem, 2. The "family" of Ham, 3. The "family" of Japheth. (Gen. 10th chapter), down to Abraham. These are the "families" that were to people the earth and which Abraham was to be a blessing to. Some one may say "twaddle-nonsense." But remember we are dealing with the words of God to Abraham, and men have nothing to do with it, only just to watch that which shall continue to come among peoples in the earth. But remembering one thing, that after the three men mentioned that amalgamation after amalgamation of peoples and bloods took place in the earth. But God is talking about the "great nation" which He was going to make out of Abraham, and none other. So let us keep this one thought and promise of God in mind.

Now let us listen to the words of God to Abraham further, and at a later date, after God had more thoroughly tried Abraham, and before the begetting of any children by Abraham to start a



nation. Notice carefully the reading: "And I (God speaking) will make a covenant with thee, and I will multiply thee exceedingly." "And thou shalt be the father of many nations." "For a father of many nations have I (God) made thee. And I will make thee exceedingly fruitful, and I will make nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee. And I will establish my covenant between Me and thee, and thy seed after thee, in their generations for an everlasting covenant, and to be a God unto thee and to thy seed after thee." These are profound words, spoken to Abraham by God Himself, or else the whole is a forgery. But this is not the first time these great thoughts have come up to be presented to the people. Thomas Paine, the one man, among men, that is more responsible for this great Republic than any other, breathed the same thought to the people, and spoke them to the people in his day. But alas for the day! The adversary of God blasted the name of Paine, spread the story abroad that Paine did not believe in God, which is a lie, for Paine's own words are left to us still today, notice them: "I believe in one God, and no more, and I hope for happiness beyond this life." These words and confession of this great man still live, even though no one knows where his grave is at the present time, such has been the work of the adversary of God to blot out the story of Abraham which we are trying to get before the people today.

Let us repeat, if the words and promises of God to Abraham are not the truth, God has failed, hence it is just as well to turn from God's Book the Bible, and hunt for something else that is true to take its place. But God has not failed, and God is directing affairs in Europe today according to His written words, neither is that all, God is going to direct the ways of this wayward American Republic, and return it to its Constitutional moorings, where it was left by Washington, Paine, Franklin and others in the early days of the Republic, and later by Abraham Lincoln. God is not dead. God still lives. So let us rid ourselves of all our faithlessness and face things as they have been written in the Scriptures long ago. But back to Abraham again.

God said to Abraham: "Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land that is not theirs, and they shall afflict them four hundred years. That nation will I judge, and they shall come out with great substance—in the fourth generation,—for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet full." Here we come in contact with "Ites," and these "Ites" are not the children of God, and they have been slated for destruction, men, women, and children. Because these things are not talked about at the present time in the halls of Congress in America, and the House of Commons in England, is not God's fault. It has been the deceptive doings of God's adversary, working with all deceptiveness among the peoples of earth ever since Israel left Egypt, that has thrown us into

the present great cataclysm in the earth. But now, Israel's God has taken things into His own hands and is doing "His work, His strange work; and will bring to pass His act, His strange act,—for I have heard from the Lord God of hosts a consumption even determined upon the whole earth." (Isa. 28:18-22.) But what has God said to us as a people, not only as individuals, but as a nation: "Cease ye from man, whose breath is in his nostrils; for wherein is he to be accounted of?" So may we ask, Why do our Senators and Congressmen, and our people grab after the words of columnists and writers of war news every day in an effort to get at the truth, and find what it is all about? Why not face about in a sensible way, turn to God's book the Bible which is held in such high esteem by all churches, their ministers, their people, and in its sacred pages read the story of the present and find what it is all about.

But let us get back to Abraham and "his seed" which are Israel, not just the Jews, they are but one twelfth part, and get the completeness of the great drama of earth which is being finished today, then with open eyes meet conditions as we are called to meet them in an intelligent sensible way, not with the blinded eyes of ignorance. Abraham's seed finally merged into the Twelve sons of Jacob, the grandson of Abraham, and they became the founders of the Twelve Tribes of Israel which went into Egypt, and who, in accord with the words of God to Abraham were there 400 years waiting the fulness of the Amorites and other Ites, who had determined to drive God and His work of righteousness from the earth. Moses led Israel out of Egypt, and in the leading out the great universal empire of Egypt was destroyed, and Israel became the universal empire or power in the earth, their God starting them on their way. The following words from the Book of God tells the story of Israel, and what God said to them in their then state, and their final future state. But let us get the words of God for it all. "The Lord Thy God hath chosen thee (Israel) to be a special people unto Himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth. The Lord did not set His love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye were the fewest of all people; but because the Lord loved you, and because He would keep the oath which He had sworn with your fathers." The fathers being Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and to whom God had made promises, basing them upon His oaths as to their fulfillment. Again, "Only the Lord had a delight in thy fathers to love them, and to choose their seed after them, even you, above all people as it is this day." "For thou art an holy people unto Himself, above all the nations that are upon the earth. Thus you can see that three times, God said that Israel were "His people, above all people and nations of the earth," and surely we should not charge God with lying to Israel these three times, for God did not lie, it has been the



"Ites" that have lied to us, causing us to get estranged from our God, and causing us to get enmeshed about with ignorance and enthralled us with their "enchantments" and their superstitious doctrines and dogmas.

The choosing of Israel by God to be His people above all peoples and nations of earth was done legally. For we read: "Thou (Israel) hast avouched the Lord this day to be thy God." "And the Lord hath avouched thee this day to be His peculiar people, and to make thee (Israel) high above all nations which He hath *made in praise, and in name, and in honour.*" The words are plain, if Israel were God's peculiar people above all the nations which God created, how about some other people and nations, for other nations and peoples are implied in this text. Now notice what happened to give notice to the world that Israel were God's peculiar people, and to ratify the "avouching" that was done by both Israel and God. "And Moses and the priests the Levites spake unto ALL Israel, saying "Take heed, and hearken, O Israel: *this day thou art* become the people of the Lord thy God." Thus the pact between God and Israel was signed and sealed before God, that day, and Israel none other became the people of God. Perhaps some ignorant person and people who have become so steeped in the ways of Babylon that they can no longer see and know God and His oaths and promises, may arise and say the whole were based upon certain conditions that Israel had to fulfil, which they did not fulfil, therefore Israel fell from the place of being "the people of God above all other people and nations." Never was a bigger lie told, and present earth conditions bear us out in this statement. Neither is that all, God will vindicate the truthfulness of our statement in the not far future, for God has "set His hand the second time to recover the remnant of His people (Israel)". All this tomfoolery of the story of "conditional" will soon meet its fearful end.

Thus we have proved that Israel were and are the people of God, so now let us see what God said to them about "the ites." "When the Lord thy God shall bring thee into the land whither thou goest to possess, and hath cast out many nations before thee, the Hittites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, seven nations greater and mightier than thou: and when the Lord thy God shall deliver them before thee; thou shalt smite them, and utterly destroy them; thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor show mercy unto them." "Thou shalt save alive nothing that breatheth, as the Lord thy God commandeth thee; that they teach you not to do after all their abominations, which they have done unto their gods, so should ye sin against the Lord your God."

These are plain statements of facts, facts that the "whosoever will" preachers will not talk about today. And because God told Israel to destroy

them, these same preachers will tell their hearers that the God of ancient Israel was a bloodthirsty God, and every other nonsensical thing. But God said "to destroy and have no pity." So may we ask, who knows best about these things, God or man. Who has the wisdom to know why God ordered these nations to be destroyed? And if none has the wisdom to know it is best to remain speechless, lest we be found sinning against God. What is more, God would not allow Israel to put them under tribute, His command was destroy. And may we ask, did God ever annul His command to destroy these nations in their entirety? We think not. God never changes His mind when it comes to things pertaining to Israel's good. So there being no annulment, let us acquiesce and try to become acquainted with God, knowing that He has said for our edification, "For I am the Lord I change not, therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed." The nations of earth and Time moves on, but Israel's God never changes, and He remains the same "yesterday, today and forever."

Israel went into idolatry because of these nations which God told them to destroy, and God had to place 2520 years of punishment upon both Houses of Israel, The House of Judah and The House of Israel, removing them from their land and scattering them among the nations of earth, and as Israel and Judah made their western trek among the nations of earth (the remnants of these "seven nations" which they did not destroy, followed them on into western Europe), even to the "Isles" (British) where God said Israel were to "renew their strength, which they did renew, and became powers in the earth, and Britain, instead of helping to work out the destruction of these remnants which were to be destroyed, made provinces out of them, and put them under tribute, the very thing that God said should not be done lest it lead to trouble and more trouble. But thank God Israel-America did not do this, but when trouble came it was fought to a finish, but no tribute laid upon the people which we conquered. But efforts were made to bring them to God's higher plain of liberty and righteous living. This was as it should have been. But get the correct thought, this Britain did not do, the tribute and provinces were most loved, and thus the great British Empire has been builded up of "mingled peoples," who were never recognized by Israel's God in any instance, their wickedness ever increasing.

But to return. Israel led into idolatry by these nations who should have been destroyed were driven from their homeland in Palestine, where they should have grown to universal world greatness, out among the nations of the earth, with a period of 2520 years of punishment resting upon their heads. The House of Israel driven out of their homeland in 721 B. C. the period of their punishment ended in 1798 A. D. But because of the awful destruction by the Papal power, their time was shortened 22 years, thus ending in 1776, when



the great Declaration of Independence was signed in accord with God's word to Israel as found in Leviticus 25:10. After their release period in 1776 the awful 30 year war was fought in Europe. But no one grasped and saw the vision. Then with the House of Judah, it was captivated and removed from its homeland in 606 B. C. but the finals was in 587 B. C. When Jerusalem was destroyed, the king's House and the House of the great men burned with fire. (See Jer. 52:12-14). 2520 years from 606 B. C. would end in 1914 A. D. and from this ending to the final ending in 1933 the awful world war was fought, but with no one thinking that the hand of Israel's God was in it. Again it was on the soil of Europe. But the fulness of the vision was not seen again, and Israel-America rushed in, and stopped the destruction in its finals of these condemned peoples.

But God had another great prophetic period resting upon Israel beyond which shines no prophetic light so far as the great destruction of the mingled races are concerned, and this is the "Seventy Weeks" of Daniel 9:24, which had its beginning in 1490 B. C. when Israel became the people of God, and its ending in 1940 A. D. And what do we see? Destruction upon destruction in Europe, nations over-run, thrones toppled down, with poor Britain gasping for breath. And who will dare say that these great doings of God are not true, that we have reached the finals in this struggle, when the remnants of those "seven nations" which God told Israel to destroy will have reached their period of punishment, and from this great holocaust, will arise a New Earth in which the righteousness of God will be supreme, and God's chosen people grown to "be numberless" just as He said they would grow to, holding the ruling power of all the nations and peoples of earth, when the long deferred saying of God will have come, which reads as follows: "When the wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid: and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them. And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like an ox. And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice (or adder's) den. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea." Wonderful, wonderful, but it is not such an ending as the "columnists" and writers in the newspapers make out, "the earth is not going back to uncivilization." God at the end of His great prophetic warnings to the peoples of earth, which have been cast aside as of no worth, is just working to bring about new conditions, for has not God said in speaking of His people Israel: "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."

## THE EDITOR HAS AN OUTING

Since the last issue of the Torch of Israel its editor has spent some time visiting in Indiana, Michigan and West Virginia, and giving lectures. At every place a welcome was awaiting him. And judging from this the story of literal Israel which he has so faithfully been teaching for years is having its effect. Many of the Church of God people especially are returning to not only the faith of the founders of the Church in modern times, but to its scriptural basic founding as established by the five books of Moses and the ancient Prophets of Israel. It is too bad that the leaders of the Church of God still continue to want to "drink of the wine of Babylon." Its effects are deadly so far as Israel, Israel's God and Protestantism is concerned. But the battle is on, and the West Virginia Conference of the Church of God stands nobly for the principles of its early founders, knowing that the day of victory cannot be far away. The work of this Conference is prospering and growing and its work is being carried forward in legal lines, knowing as its leaders do that "the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers. For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for men stealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine; according to the glorious gospel of the blessed God, which was committed to my trust." There is greatness of meaning in these words, and we that teach the great truths of Israel in the Church of God have no desire whatever to walk in the ways of Rome, even if others do.

This final notice of the West Virginia Conference of the Church of God is set for September 27 to 30, with special instructive studies on Sabbath, the 28th. It is planned to have meetings, where lectures will be given, from the 23d if things can be arranged, so that any who desire to come for the 23d a welcome will await them. Every interested one who can should attend these meetings, as great and paramount issues are just before us, and things will be ably discussed that pertain to the present. Ministers from other churches will find a welcome awaits them at these meetings, for the days of sectarianism are past, and the time long spoken of has come, when Israel's God is beginning to show His powerful hand in things that are taking place in this old sin-cursed earth. Let drooping heads be lifted up, knowing that better days are ahead.

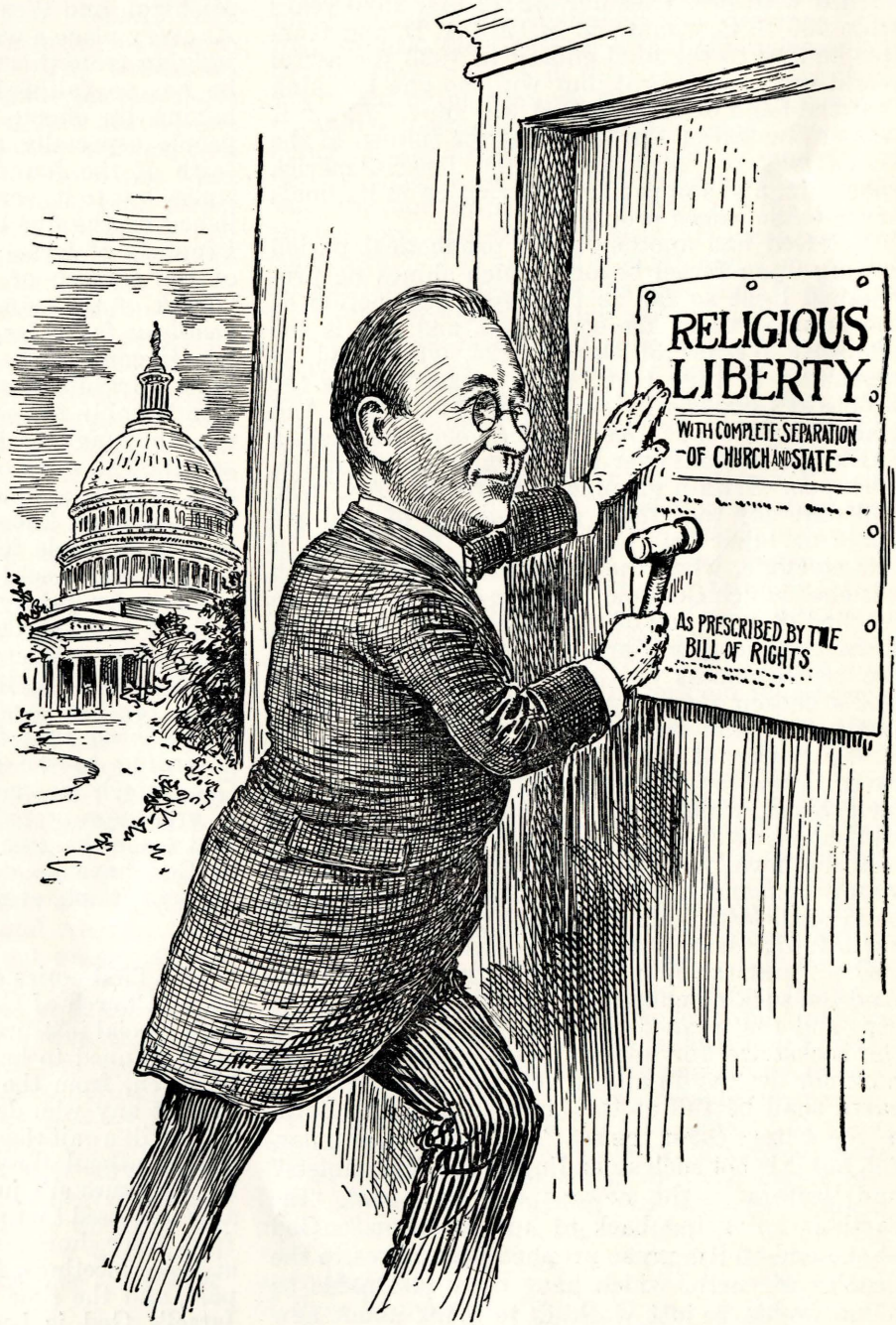


## A Reminder of Luther's Day

The cartoon shown on this page of Rev. Rufus W. Weaver, Executive Secretary of the Baptist District of Columbia Convention, is a vivid reminder of another day, when just such a scene was enacted along the same lines in Germany. But that time it was Martin Luther, the founder of the Great Protestant Reformation when he had written his ninety-five propositions or thesis, and on the eve of All Saints Day, October 31, 1517, nailed the paper to the door of the Castle Church. In a short time all Germany was ablaze. These thesis brought Germany face to face with the reality of blasphemy in indulgencies. Luther's public life had opened, "the Reformation had begun." And onward it pushed until at last on July 4, 1776, the great American Declaration of Independence was signed, and there was born on that day this Great American Protestant Republic, which long ago should have wrecked the entire institution of the Papacy, or Romanized - Gentile ecclesiastical arrogance. But it was not done. For the first thing was to place an amendment to the immortal Constitution, that placed the Papal power in authority in this country. The Republic was Protestant, it did not need the amendment, but the Papal element were not Protestant, and it was either this amendment, or this element to get out of the country. Hence the amendment, so let us quit our nonsense and look at things in an American way and see what a mess the Papal power has gotten us into.

In making this statement, and in the quotations which shall follow, we want it to be positively understood that we are not out after the Catholic because of his religion, for the Protestant churches have endorsed in the main its dogmas, so the Roman religion must have looked right unto them. When it comes to religion, let us

throw the whole thing overboard, and return to the God of Israel who, in the Bible—the Scriptures, never says a word about religion, but that "His



people be a holy people," and the reader knows, as well as the writer, that religion makes for anything else but holiness. Religion brings debate, strife,



and envy. These things are unknown in the making up of God's people Israel, and in the great fundamental laws and statutes which He put before Israel that they might have life. But alas! when Rome was given the right of way in this Protestant Republic, with the amendment, she was able to turn her guns upon us. She took her mightiest weapon, the Order of Jesuits, and made war upon American Protestantism, until today we are virtually at the mercy of the Papacy in this great American Republic. So let us notice a few things.

Let us go back to beginnings, and look things square in the face, and act accordingly. We have Papal Rome to deal with today, but what political group has brought us in to this awful state? In every nation, and among every people, there are controlling factions. So may we ask what political party is responsible for conditions to be found as they are in this American Protestant Republic at the present time? The writer is well up into the seventies when it comes to years. He was born a Democrat, his father and grandfather were Democrats, and with all this long Democratic pedigree, he knows that it has always been understood that the Democratic Party is the Catholic party here in the United States. So may we ask under whose rule in this Republic has it been, that the Papal power has had its greatest growth? There is but one answer, the Democratic. And as we are under Democratic rule at the present time, so far as the Papacy is concerned, so let us notice what the present President has done that no other President ever has done. We quote from the fourth page of a tract entitled "The Roman Catholic Church is the only true church," which has had a large circulation.

"Do you know that our great President Franklin D. Roosevelt has done more for the Catholics than any other President in the past fifty years? That it was through his influence that the Senate and House adjourned out of respect of the death of His Holiness, Pope Pius XI? Do you know that our Ambassador to England, Joseph P. Kennedy, a loyal Catholic, was sent by President Roosevelt to represent the United States as a Catholic country, at the coronation of his holiness, Pope Pius XII? Do you know that we have a beautiful stone and marble building in the National Capital, in Washington, D. C., that cost five million dollars, located on upper Massachusetts Avenue, just across from the British Embassy, and that we have an Apostolic Delegate, the Pope's personal Delegate to the United States, His Eminence Ameito Cicognani? That as soon as President Roosevelt has Congress pass a law exchanging representatives between the Vatican and the United States, that His Eminence will be promoted to the title of the Papal Nuncio, to represent the Holy See at the Capital, and that he will occupy this beautiful mansion, and that he will outrank all Ambassadors and Ministers from foreign nations to the United States? That His Eminence will then be in a

position to go ahead with the aid of our Bishops and Cardinals, and the votes of the faithful, to compel Congress to pass a law to abolish the ungodly Public Schools of America?"

We might quote farther, but this is enough to give light to the intelligent reader, whether Catholic or Protestant, whether Democrat or Republican. And such being the case, and we all being Americans, is it not best that we quit our foolish partisan politics, and when we vote, vote in a Protestant American way? Reader, think and act in a Protestant way, and help save Protestant America.

And may we ask farther, did not President Roosevelt appoint Honorable Myron Taylor as his special representative to the Vatican, and the appointment has never been challenged by the Senate and House? And do you know that the Pope in answer to this appointment stated that the Vatican never accepted appointees of the nations, but of those sitting at the head of the nation? So would not this of itself establish Vatican relations between it and the United States? So, reader, may we ask, where are we as a Protestant Nation? Have we not been delivered into the hands of Rome to perfect her work in this Protestant Republic? It was this that caused Rev. Weaver as seen in the cartoon, to nail his (thesis) on the door of the Baptist Church, which in the end called for a great meeting of vigilant Protestants to meet here in the Capital, which did a few weeks ago, whose doings have resounded throughout the length and breadth of the Republic, causing Protestant Church after Protestant Church to awake, and demand that such work as trying to make Protestant America become Papal be put status quo. That no farther in this Protestant Republic shall things move Rome-ward. The latest among these being the General Conference of the Seventh Day Baptist Church registering itself among the many Protestant Churches demanding that we leave Rome and return to "the faith of our fathers."

But let us get this thing right, it does not mean that the doors of the Catholic Churches will be closed, but it means that the Catholic Churches of this Protestant Republic shall line themselves up with all Protestant Churches in this Republic, sever their international relations with the foreign Papal Head in the Vatican City, and become Americans in deed and truth. Re-organizing their Churches in America, as under American jurisdiction, governing themselves, entirely free from this foreign Papa, or Pope. Thus ridding our Republic from a menace which arose at its very beginning, but which now each day becomes more dangerous to our American ideals.

But again let it be understood that it is not the true loyal American Catholics, and their religion, who with their many acts of mercy and goodwill to all, that we charge as a menace, but the Papal Hierarchy at the Vatican which has caused so



much disturbance and confusion in the earth since it arose in 538 A. D.

In 1939 there were more converts to the Catholic Church in America than ever before. There were approximately 73,677. This means about one-third of the church's membership gains for the year. Catholic converts have increased in the United States every year for the past ten years. The gains have come largely through the work of the order of The Paulists. The order was organized by Isaac Hecher in 1858. He was a friend of Hawthorne and Emerson, and was a convert to Catholicism, and he established the order to preach and teach Catholicism to non-Catholic Americans. The famous evangelist of the order is the Rev. B. L. Conway, and in 44 years he has brought some 7,000 converts into the Church. He travels several thousand miles each year through the sparsely settled regions of our country, and spends weeks in the saddle, and no Catholic is admitted to his meetings unless he brings at least one non-Catholic with him. The great work of the order is largely through the sale of "The Question Box," of which some 2,500,000 copies have been

sold. So the work ever moves forward successfully.

Were it not that we know the past history of the Vatican and the various Popes, we might look with more favor on the work. It is the hierarchy of the Church that should cause us to look with sorrowful eyes to the future. That is, unless the tie that binds the American Catholic Churches to the Vatican is cut. If this were done, and it should be, there would be no fear of the Catholic Church in America, for the Israelitish blood in its members would in the end lead it right. All of us Americans, whether Catholic or Protestant, should keep hammering away on those who are in charge of the Government until they see that this is done, for if they know anything about past history, they know that this work should be one of their first duties, to make America for Americans, not a subsidiary country to some foreign power. Better days are coming, when we shall all see "eye to eye" to build up and create a heaven on earth here in America. This, however, will not come through and by preaching and teaching religion, but by teaching and preaching God's eternal story about His people Israel.

## REFORMATION

By DR. LLOYD C. SHANKLIN

There never was a time when the need for reformation was greater than now, although it has been needed in every age, generation, and clime, since the world began, and Eve and Adam made the mistake in the Garden of Eden. "'Tis Human to Err" and Divine to correct those errors. We must therefore learn to forgive and forget. Jesus the Master said, "Neither do I condemn thee, go thy way and sin no more," to the woman taken in the very act of adultery. What could be worse and be forgiven? To Peter who denied Jesus thrice, the Master said, "Satan has desired to have thee, but I have prayed for thee." Peter was forgiven for denying his Lord, and went on with him. The Master himself was accused of being a drunkard, winebibber, associating with common people, publicans, sinners and harlots. But who were his accusers? The so-called religious folk, whom Jesus said were "wolves in sheep's clothing," hypocrites themselves, whited sepulchres full of dead men's bones, platters set back in the cupboard with spoiled meat on them, binding heavy burdens, and not lifting them, etc. The Scribes, Pharisees, Sadducees, Priests, and Sanhedrin were the "Spiritual wickedness in high places" in those days that condemned and crucified the greatest benefactor the world has ever known. Why? Because he uncovered their sins and secret iniquities, and did for the world what

they were supposed to do, but had failed to do for humanity. Therefore they were jealous, and "jealousy is as cruel as death" the Bible says.

### *The Reformers*

Every reformer who saw and condemned the evils of his day, criticising and correcting them, educating the people as to the right way of life, peace and joy, happiness and salvation, has been turned on by his adversaries, been persecuted, and prosecuted for the good he did for them and for humanity, lied about and misrepresented and even driven out to starve. His financial support was cut off first, then his name defamed, with lies, scandal and false propaganda, his home wrecked if possible, and the affections of his wife and children alienated from him, and he made to feel like he had made the mistake of his life for trying to do good, and reform the deformed leaders. When he carried his message to the common people who heard him gladly, then a furor was raised and their minds perverted, polluted and poisoned against him to keep them from believing the message he had for them from God for Humanity. Hypocritical leaders, whose money grabbing greed for power, and lust for domination of others do not hesitate to lie about, scandalize, blaspheme, and frame their more worthy brethren, to down if possible and ruin them if they can.



These are the leaders of the people who, being blind, lead the blind all into the ditch together. They imagine, manufacture, and frame scandal, deceit and false propaganda, eat it, drink it, swallow it whole, digest it, assimilate it, and when it has filled every fibre of their being, they put it out, as a sweet morsel, they roll it on their tongues, under their tongues, into the corner of their mouths, hollows of their teeth, and like vitriol they poison the minds of all whom they can influence, their followers, and those who have confidence in them who, like blind following the blind, are made to fall by stumbling at their scandalous lies.

#### *Mistaken Leaders*

Paul, the apostle, formerly called Saul, was one of those mistaken leaders in his day, who followed the dictates of the Sanhedrin, until a great light shown round about him to convince him he was "kicking against the pricks," from which time he reversed his attitude, became one of them and suffered with the persecuted, rather than to persecute the chosen of God to spread the Gospel of eternal life to a dying and lost, forsaken world of sin, woe and disappointments.

Martin Luther was one of those mistaken leaders who tried to perfect himself by "Penance" instead of "Repentance," crawling upstairs on bended knees on beans, until he saw the light of salvation through faith as the free gift of God, not of works, lest any man should boast, but, instead, the free gift of God, merely to be accepted, received and enjoyed without earning it or paying for it. What a joy, when they experience the feeling, "Salvation is free."

But it was a different story when he went out to tell his brethren, the other priests, and the Pope of Rome about it. What a slap in the face he received when he tacked his 95 Theses on the door of the Castle Church of Wittenberg, Germany, protesting against the evils of his day and time, and trying to correct the mistakes of the Clergy—a mischievous insect in a (religious) beehive. The climax came when he said:

"I can not subject my faith to the Pope or to Councils; I neither can, nor will I retract anything; here I stand, God being my helper, bound in conscience to submit to the Word of God; I can not do otherwise. Amen." Thus Martin Luther rested his case in the Hands of God, having appealed to the Highest Court, the Court of Heaven. This reminds one of the words of Abraham Lincoln who said, in regard to the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States, "No decision under Heaven is final. We must appeal to God."

Roger Williams, the embodiment of religious liberty in the early days of the Colonies, was driven out by persecution in the winter time, to suffer the privations of cold and hunger, for the "faith once delivered to the saints." He had to leave home, leaving wife and baby, to go out and

win converts among the Indians, and found a new colony where he could "worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience." Thus Providence, Rhode Island, was started as the result of religious persecution, and Williams is hailed today as one of the greatest of all modern Reformers, though he was misrepresented, persecuted and mistreated by his brethren at home.

On the bell of the steeple above the Church he caused to be written the famous American text of the Bible: "Proclaim Liberty throughout all the land, unto all the inhabitants thereof." Leviticus 25:10. This was followed with the Declaration of Independence in 1776, when they rang the Liberty Bell, again proclaiming Liberty throughout all the land to all the inhabitants thereof.

#### BIBLE, REFORMATION AND AMERICAN PRINCIPLES

##### *Christian Religious Liberty*

Go back now to about two thousand years ago, when they tried to trap the Master in his words. They said, "Shall we pay tribute unto Caesar or not?" They wanted him to make a public declaration for or against Caesar in his answer, but He was too smart for them, and merely said, "Show me a penny." They did and He said, "Whose image and superscription is this on the penny?" They answered, "Caesar's." Whereupon He said, "Render to Caesar the things which are Caesar's and to God the things which are God's."

Jesus laid the foundation for the principles of separation of Church and State then and there, no doubt. Pay your taxes to Caesar, but your tithes and offerings to God; honor Caesar, obey the king, but worship and serve God and keep His Commandments; State is one thing, Church is another; Keep church and State forever separate; Do not render to Caesar the things of God nor to God the things that are Caesar's.

##### *Reformation from Ignorance and Wickedness*

Dante, Petrarch, and Bocaccio assembled the manuscripts in the depths of the "Dark Ages" from the dens, caves, caticombs, translated, and copied them, making up the material for our Bible. The Light began to shine from the Word of God, John Huss and Jerome of Prague were burned at the stake by the Council of Constance for believing, preaching and practicing its principles. They lighted a candle that could not be put out. The Reformation was on. "Truth is stranger than fiction," and more thrilling.

John Wycliffe, in England, gave the Bible and these wonderful reformation truths to the English speaking people, as Martin Luther gave it to the German speaking people, by Manuscripts, Translations, Sermons, and by living the life while he taught others the way of Righteousness. John Gutenberg's printing press facilitated the printing and circulation of the Bible, as it was the first



book printed on the press, then followed tracts, articles, sermons, etc., to the glory of God, and for the benefit of humanity. The common people reformed, but not the leaders.

#### *American Civil and Religious Liberty*

Washington, Jefferson and Madison incorporated in the American principles the principles of the Bible laid down by Jesus, taught and practiced by the Disciples, who suffered persecution and were finally driven to the dens and caves of the mountains, those who were not killed on the burning sands of the arena, by the wild beasts, for their religious faith in the dark ages.

#### *Three Great Documents*

The Declaration of Independence says, "We hold these truths to be self evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights, that among these rights are: Life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. To secure these rights government is instituted among men, deriving its just powers from the consent of the governed."

The Memorial and Remonstrance says, defining the terms, "Religion (service) is the Duty we owe to our God;" "Liberty is the state of being exempt from the domination of others." Combined they said, "Religious Liberty is to judge for ourselves and is the state of being exempt from the domination of others, in the exercise of our duty to our Creator, which is an inalienable right, which upon the principles upon which the Gospel was first propagated, and the Reformation from Popery carried on, can never be transferred to another."

The Constitution of the United States says, in the Preamble (which sets forth the reasons for its existence), "We, the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquillity, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this constitution for these United States of America."

The last clause of Article Six of the Constitution reads as follows, "No religious test shall ever be required as a qualification to any office of public trust in the United States." And the first Amendment to the Constitution reads as follows: "Congress shall make no law respecting the establishment of religion or the free exercise thereof, or abridge the freedom of speech, or of the press, or the right of the people peaceably to assemble and to petition the Government for redress of grievances." All of the foregoing guarantees and assures religious liberty.

The Fourteenth Amendment says, "No state shall make or enforce any law which will abridge the privileges or the immunities of any citizen of

the United States." Thus we have our liberty set forth in the Bible, Reformation, Teachings of the Reformers of Europe, the Colonies, Williams, and in these United States, in the Declaration of Independence, Memorial and Remonstrance, Constitution, Amendments, etc.

Davy Crockett said, "Be sure you are right, then go ahead."

General Grant said, "Keep Church and State forever separate."

Benjamin Franklin said, "We may be tossed upon an ocean where we can see no land, nor perhaps the moon or stars, yet there is a chart and a compass for us to study, to consult, and to obey. That chart is the constitution of the country, that compass is an honest single-eyed purpose to preserve the liberty and the institutions with which God has blessed us."

The Monroe Doctrine is "America for Americans," therefore let us keep out of the web of Europe's wars.

Washington's Farewell Address puts it this way, warning us against "Entangling Alliances" with Europe's Policies, Politics, or Religious Affiliations, which might destroy our original purpose of keeping free to worship and "Serve God according to the dictates of our own conscience," which is every man's inherent right in the United States as a citizen.

This foregoing material reminds us that "we can make our lives sublime, and departing leave behind us, footprints on the sands of time." Greatness is measured by the amount of good we do for humanity, for which God deserves the praise.

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We are greatly indebted to Mr. J. S. Vance, Editor and Publisher of the American Protestant of Washington, D. C., for the privilege of using the cartoon on page 12. Mr. Vance has been a staunch Protestant publisher for many years, but just recently, it would seem because of his fidelity to the cause of Protestantism, he has been caused to pass through some severe reverses that makes it hard on him in his declining years. However, he does not belong to the "give-up class" so he took another "hitch in his suspenders" and is going up again. As a real Protestant you can hardly do any better than write for a copy of Mr. Vance's paper and after reading it become a regular subscriber. Address The American Protestant, P. O. Box 3558, Washington, D. C.

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In the last issue of the Torch type made us say that Thomas Paine was the writer of the Constitution. He was not the writer of it, but was the writer of the Declaration of Independence, and had much to do about the putting together of the Constitution.



## Mr. Willkie and the Coming Election

In the nomination of Wendell L. Willkie by the Republican Party, it seems that we are reverting to past history and past doings, to the days of Abraham Lincoln. Lincoln was not placed in nomination by the politicians of his day, but by "the people," and was it not so with Mr. Willkie? Did not "the people" run away with the Convention in Philadelphia, and nominate him? True it is that among the political classes, Mr. Willkie is unknown, but how about those who have had to do with the great utilities of the United States, both for and against? Is he not known among them? He surely is. When the Editor of the Torch of Israel, in the community where he lived a few years ago, was making the fight of his life against corrupt light and water utilities, was not Mr. Willkie doing the same thing?—only among higher ups. Did he not raise his voice against the great unconstitutional Tennessee Valley Project? And has it not been the politicians, who should know the American Constitution, that have been urging this thing on, discriminating against the masses of the American people, when they throw

Federal money into this project. How much better for the Federal Government to have regulated private corporate utilities, instead of doing as it has done, benefiting one class of people against another, with the Federal money of all, which is raised by taxing all, with a benefit for the few only.

But back to Mr. Willkie and the past and Mr. Lincoln. Was not one class of the American people

set against another class, so that it was class against class when Mr. Lincoln received the nomination? And may we not ask, is it not so today? Was there ever in the history of this Republic, a time when there were as many classes, and factions, as there are today? And has not these conditions come from

the same political persuasion as those of Mr. Lincoln's day? It ended in a great Civil War, welding as together again as one people, and who can forecast the ending of what it will be to make us a one people again?

We mention these things in an effort to get the readers of The Torch of Israel to see that there is more than just Democrat and Republican politics in this presidential campaign which is on now. But an embodiment of vital American principles. At its ending we shall either go on to become a greater American nation or to a more firm tying of ourselves, through and by political palaver, to the jaugernaut of debt slavery, which in the end, means a loss of our American freedom, and a return to the slave systems in the middle ages in Europe, from which we were delivered by our early American revolu-

tionary fathers. It no longer needs a prophet to forecast the future, it is easily discernable by every intelligent American lover of liberty. With debts piled upon the taxpayers to pay, which under present conditions they never can pay, with the Senate and House making laws for the taking of millions out of the wealth and prosperity-making people, and conscripting and drafting of thousands, from the



**WENDELL L. WILLKIE OF INDIANA**  
THE NEW LEADER

May he not like Moses of old lead modern Israel back to the Constitution, prosperity, and peace?



industrial peoples, placing them in training camps, where they must be supported by the present overburdened taxpayers.

It should not be forgotten in the present presidential race, that eight years ago we were promised that "the Budget would be balanced," that unemployment would also become a thing of the past. But that since then we have spent billions of dollars, "the Budget" is forgotten, "the ceiling" has been raised so that we may pile up a greater Public Debt, and that were it not for Federal Projects, there would be more unemployment today than there was eight years ago. These things perhaps are not seen by the ordinary herd of the common people, but are they not seen by the politicians who are holding governmental affairs in their hands? And is it not thought that by some hook, crook, or turn, that by drafting thousands of employable boys and putting them in camps, that the present unemployment conditions can be broken? But will they? Debt ridden, taxed to the limit, may it not even turn to the worse in the end?

With this picture before our readers we can surely see and hark back in our minds to the awful days that confronted Lincoln and his party, when they sought to bring about peace and prosperity to the American people. Lincoln was just a man from among the common people. He knew not the great financial cliques of his day that were grappling for control in this Republic. Mr. Willkie is just from the common class of people, born a poor boy back in Indiana, and a look into his face tells a story of simplicity and of real American honesty. And his sensible talks are not about working up great Projects to lead us back to prosperity, but a returning to the ways of our forefathers of the long ago, who were of the common people in their days.

So let us hope that over this great American Republic, that in every State, county, and voting

precinct, there may "be a going in the top of the mulberry trees," as it was in the days of ancient Israel, and then a going to the polls on election day with minds clear as to American ideals, and sending to the Senate and House here in Washington men who are Americans and not politicians, no matter whether they are Democrats or Republicans, just common men like Mr. Willkie. Then the election over, the year 1941 just before us, may we start again back to American ideals, forgetting all about the past, remembering that Israel's God is "a wondering working God," that oneness may be restored, things of the past entirely forgotten, and that in deed and truth we become again, just such a noble and peace loving people, as we were when our first President, George Washington, left the Presidential Chair at the end of his second term to become an ordinary American citizen again. But you may ask what it has been that has led us from this blessed place and condition in which Washington left us at the end of his second term? It was this, he saw something arising in his day, and it was the spirit of democracy, and of it he said, "If you will allow me the harsh expression, it is diabolical." So let us do some thinking, all classes of honest Americans, become republicans such as Washington was, then I am sure that years of blessed peace and prosperity will be ours. We are not saying these things because we are a Republican politician, for, like Mr. Willkie, not only ourselves but our forebears were Democrats, but as the years went by we saw what had been happening in past years, and turned our mind and ways back to the early days of the Republic, and found that it was the earnest and great work which Sally Fairfax did to turn the mind of Washington and the American patriots of his day to what was then called "Cato republicanism."

## The Great Sphinx

THE LION OF THE LIBYAN DESERT

The Story of the Immutable Sphinx of the Land of Egypt

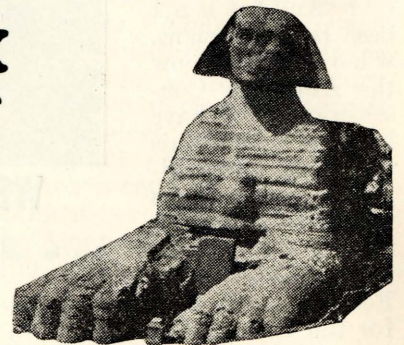
By Col. EVAN ANEIREN WATKINS

*The lips of the long-silent Sphinx at last pried open compelling it to tell its wonderful story, after five thousand years of obdurate and obstinate silence*

(Continued from last issue)

VERY few archeologists have given the Great Sphinx that serious attention which it so richly deserves. Nearly one hundred years ago Colonel Vyse limited his investigations largely to drilling a few holes through the back of the Sphinx, to ascer-

tain if it was hollow or solid. His drilling rod broke at 27 feet, and he concluded it was hollow. Professor Reisner of Harvard conducted the most superficial investigation of this monument, which caused him to be far astray in his conclusions.





Professor Hippolyte Boussac, a French member of the Institute of Egypt, in a report, describes the final results of the investigation of some scientists into the history and meaning of the Great Sphinx, investigations in which he took a prominent personal part.

In his report Professor Boussac concedes that the Great Sphinx was the earliest type of religious monument created by the hands of man, and claims that it is many thousand years old. Its shape of man's head on a lion's body was determined, the professor claims, by the first human claims of divinity.

The fixed course of the sun and the moon, the periodical return of the seasons, and the roar of thunder, created feelings of admiration and fear in the primitive man. He attributed the results to a superior intelligence, to an all-powerful being, the master of the universe.

Very soon when he wished to contemplate this divinity, of which he had formed an idea and to seek its favor by religious services, it occurred to him to make a tangible image of his divinity. Thus he created The Sphinx with a human head and the body of a beast, such as a lion, personifying the idea of joined intelligence and strength.

Then came the custom of praying to this object, and beseeching it to solve the complexing problems of human life and to render assistance in clearing up riddles and puzzles. From this custom arose the fable of the "Riddle of the Sphinx."

At a later stage, when the sun came to be regarded as a material image of the supreme being, man attributed a solar character to the Sphinx, and finally sun worship became a fixed feature in the religious practices of the people. This thought is supported by the Druid ruins of temples, and centers of worship in Great Britain, particularly around Stonehenge, and the "Rocking Stone" and circles on the hill overlooking Pontypridd, Glamorganshire, in South Wales.

This thought is incorporated in the program of all people who have indulged in worshipping a supreme being through the sun, and supporting evidence comes to us in the recently discovered temples of Yucatan, and in the Mounds of West Virginia and Ohio.

Images of the sphinx were usually placed on each side of the avenues leading to temples or at the entrance to them. According to Plutarch and Clement of Alexandria, the Egyptians placed sphinxes at the entrance to temples to proclaim that everything pertaining to the gods is a riddle.

On this is based the Christian conception of God being an Infinite Being, and if Infinite, far beyond the conception and understanding of the finite mind. When the finite is able to comprehend the infinite, either the finite becomes infinite, or the infinite becomes finite.

Boussac decided that the Great Sphinx at Gizeh is part of a natural rock in its original position, a great mass of sandstone in layers deposited by running streams. In the beginning it was a rough mass, presenting outlines vaguely resembling a crouching lion. The early Egyptians completed it with layers of masonry.

The tools of the sculptor were only used on the head, which was modelled with great art, a fact to which ancient inscriptions bear testimony.

The colossal head is covered with the Egyptian cleft or hood, ornamented with the uraeus or serpent symbol, which may have had its origin in the serpent story of the book of Genesis.

The profile, even in the damaged condition in which it at present exists, is presumed by French archeologists to show traces of the Ethiopian race. Attempts have been made to identify it with several different pharaohs, but the face is in such a damaged condition that identification is considered impossible. Some claim it resembles Khafra, (Cheops) while Prof. Reisner of Harvard thinks the face is a reproduction of that of Chephren. But, if there is anything in resemblance or similarity, the face of the Great Sphinx looks more like that of George Washington, than that of any pharaoh that ever occupied a throne in the land of Egypt.

The generic name given to a Sphinx by the Egyptians was "Siseh," but it was not applied to the Great Sphinx at Gizeh, which had a special name. As it was a lion in body, it bore one of the names given to this mighty animal, and was called "Hou," that is to say, the god who gives his commands in a thundering voice. At another time the Great Sphinx was known as "Belhout," or "Belhouley," and to-day it is called by the common people who live near it, "Aboul-hol," meaning "the father of terror."

In addition to their hoods or cleft, the Egyptian gods bore a symbolic ornament intended to announce their character more specifically. On the head of Ammon-Ra the solar disc and two great ostrich feathers were usually shown. Thoth, the god of learning, letters and arts, was often represented with the head of an ibis covered with a cleft on which was placed the sun's disc and crescent



moon. The head of Isis is often shown by a disc between two heifers' horns. The head of Nowre-Poum is adorned with a spreading lotus, over which rise two shafts of light.

The Great Sphinx at Gizeh grew in time to represent the god Harmakhis, the setting sun, a divinity who presides over funerals. Harmakhis bore on the head a symbolic ornament. Several images of him in Egyptian temples shows him reclining with his head covered with the pschent, the mitre-like crown of ancient Egypt, completed with a large solar disc, and others with the atef, the crown of upper Egypt with solar disc and uraeus. In a standing position Harhakhis is sometimes shown holding in one hand the "Ankh," or crux ansata, the emblem of life, and in the other the reaping-hook, emblem of death.

When the head of the Great Sphinx was carved on the rock it was not possible, on account of the great mass of stone involved, to carve this monument in the mass. It was, therefore, no doubt, decided to add it later. As this ornament would have been from 25 to 35 feet high, it was necessary, as Boussac calculates, to dig a cavity in the head of the sphinx to provide a foundation. This reasoning has been verified after a thorough examination of the sphinx.

The ascent to the top of the huge head is very perilous to climb, but this is done with the aid of Arabs who can do anything for "Baksheesh." On the top of the head is found a large cavity of regular oval form,  $5\frac{1}{2}$  feet in length and  $3\frac{1}{2}$  feet across, with its greatest depth about 7 feet. It was undoubtedly hollowed from the front of the head backwards and its form proves that the symbolic ornament which was once placed here, was rather the pschent than the atef and was certainly not the sun's disc.

The cavity by its depth, proves that the missing ornament was a monolith and not formed of layers placed on one another. This ornament placed on the highest point of the monument, which is itself situated on a high plateau, must from its position be subjected to many injuries in past ages. It was, no doubt, more than once struck by lightning. Sandstorms and hurricanes of the desert finally conquered the symbolic ornament, and it disappeared. That must have been a very long time ago, for it does not appear on any of the ancient Egyptian sculptures which represent the sphinx.

There is, however, a possibility that the ornament was never put in position on account of the great difficulty of the task after all the preparations had been made for it.

It is said that the Great Sphinx was repaired by Cheops, to please his daughter, Henta-sen, and that this Pharaoh covered the statue with painting, and caused the back part of the head covering, which was missing, to be replaced by a gilded stone 80 feet in length. Proofs have been discovered that the head had been badly damaged before the repairs of Cheops, and the accessory ornament must have been missing at that time (3910 B.C.). If at this date the sphinx was so badly battered by time and elements as to need extensive repairs, how many long years must it have existed before Cheops saw the light of an Egyptian day? It is contended by some (without foundation in fact) that Cheops built the Great Pyramid, and by others that it was built during his reign. Even if the latter claim is well based, then the Great Sphinx was hoary with antiquity when the Great Pyramid was in the cradle of its construction.

Boussac asserts that it required about a thousand years for the complete destruction of the symbolic ornament, and that the sphinx, therefore, existed long before the Great Pyramid was thought of. This would place its production in the early days of the Adamic race, and make it unquestionably of antediluvian origin, and of a time when man was groping in the darkness of his own-made mantle of sin and rebellion against God and righteousness.

The long burial in the grinding sands destroyed much of its likeness to a lion. The immense paws lay forty feet below the level of the surrounding sands. Greco-Roman artists repaired the broken paws with small stones, and painted the face red, the cleft or hood blue and yellow, and the body of the lion entirely yellow. A pavement was constructed all around the monument, and in order to protect it against another invasion of sand, it was surrounded by a retaining wall running entirely around the body a short distance from it. But in spite of this provision and precaution the sphinx became again buried deep in a bed of Libyan desert sand.

Towards the year 780 A.D. one of the mad der-vishes set out to destroy the superstitions connected with the sphinx. He mutilated the face of the great figure which has remained in that condition ever since. The Egyptians claimed that the deep burial of the monument in the sands was due to the mutilation of the face of their once object of deep religious devotion.

This Great Sphinx, in spite of its mutilated form and decayed outline, attracts more attention than any other object of antiquity in all the land of Egypt. People will take a casual glance at the Great Pyra-



mid, and then turn to the mighty sphinx, and stand for long hours in the scorching sun, gazing on its rugged and broken form, attracted and held by some

strange influence wrapped in the broken body of that Lion of the Libyan desert.

(To be continued)

## ISRAELITES HOLD FOURTH OF JULY OUTING IN MICHIGAN



ISRAEL'S PROPHETIC WITNESS OF WEST OLIVE ENJOY OUTING ON THE BANKS OF PIGEON RIVER

Israel's Prophetic Witness of West Olive, Mich., celebrated the Fourth of July with an outing on the banks of Pigeon River.

Forty-nine men, women and children gathered for a bounteous potluck dinner at one o'clock, after which we gathered to hear two very interesting lectures, the first one by Bro. William Goodin, followed by Bro. Ray Dewar.

The rest of the afternoon was spent in games and other amusements.

ALMA GOODIN, *Secretary.*

The cut above shows some of the happy faces of the good people of West Olive, Mich., known as members of the National organization of Israel's Prophetic Witness, which stands for the making of America for those only who have a desire to adhere to American ideals in a Constitutional. Israel's Prophetic Witness and its adherents stand nobly and solidly for America first,

America last, and America all the time, governed by the immortal American Constitution, the only document of its kind in the world, and the most divinely written than any since Moses wrote the "laws and statutes" for our ancient Israelitish fathers. So why not become a member and help build America back to its solid foundation, knowing that there is still virtue in the Constitution, which was handed us by our early revolutionary fathers, and that there is virtue, and ever will be, in "the laws and statutes" given by the world's greatest "Law Giver," Moses. As sober, sensible people we have seen enough of the drifting in the past few years, and we have a longing for home, and the happiness which we enjoyed in other days, when the Constitution was counted more than just "a scrap of paper," or just an old obsolete paper of our early fathers' days. So come and help us stand for our Constitutional rights. See and read the advertisement on page 27.



## TO THE LAW AND TO THE TESTIMONY

One of our readers writes us as follows about the "Sacred Name" matter. "While I cannot see all, yet I really believe we should study about names. There really is something about a name. And if the names in the King James Version are Roman and Latin, then they cannot have the same meaning as in the Hebrew, and cannot be right. Why was not Abraham's name changed into a different one? You know in Hebrews 4:8 in the margin it says Joshua instead of Jesus. So some once believed that Joshua was right. And we have to admit that there is not the power in the name of Jesus as the Bible says the Disciples found in the name. So maybe they did not say Jesus. Maybe that did come through the Roman Church. We have to get entirely away from Rome. Not in just what we may think important, and I do believe that Rome gave the name God. I cannot believe that it is a holy name."

Why speak about the King James Version being Roman and Latin. The statement as to where it came from is very plain and easily to be understood. Notice its wording: "The Holy Bible translated out of the original tongues, and with the former translations *diligently compared* and revised, by his majesty's special command" From this we gather that the King James translation was to get away from Rome and her versions, the appeal being back to the original tongues. And if this is so they convey to us the same meaning as does the Hebrew. Abraham was to be "the father of nations" so his name was to be the same to all, that they might know who their father was. As to Hebrews 4:8. The thought is the Sabbath rest, that Joshua, which is right, did not give the Sabbath rest to the people of Israel. The word Jesus has been supplied in an effort to establish Sunday as the Sabbath. Notice another rendering of this verse: "For if Joshua had caused them to rest, he (Jesus) would not subsequently have spoken of another day." So it is just Sabbath rest, with no thought as to a change in the name of Jesus. Get the thought, as Joshua did not establish the Seventh day Sabbath rest with Israel, therefore Jesus gives another day—the first day of the week, or Sunday as a rest day, to establish and have it to be understood that he did not fail in his work as God had failed in His. It is one of the cleverest verses in the N. T. And the very fact that Rome in her ruling days entirely turned the nations of the earth against God's Seventh Day Sabbath proves the truth of what we are saying. From observance Rome through and by Jesus as they teach has really put the change of Sabbath matter over, as Sunday is the universal rest day today, not God's Seventh Day Sabbath of rest.

Let us get this thing right. The ministers in all churches, both Protestant and Catholic, are

always telling us about "the miraculous and supernatural power of God." You will note in Isaiah 8:20 that God says: "To the law and to the Testimony, that if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them." Then the source of light so far as the scriptures are concerned is from "the law and the Testimony." It was God who wrote the Testimony with His own finger upon the Two Tables of stone. Then it was God who wrote the words "The Lord Thy God" seven times in the ten precepts which He wrote. Then would it be reasonable to think that God by "His miraculous power," did not protect the words "The Lord Thy God" from those who worshipped other Gods? These ten precepts must have been written in the Hebrew language. Then the translators would have to copy from these written words, "The Lord Thy God." And if this is true, is it not a fundamental fact that when we use the words: "The Lord Thy God." And are speaking in the language of the God of Israel, hence are we not correct when we say "God" or "The Lord Thy God?" So why try to muddy and foul the waters, thus bringing farther confusion among the people. Let us base things on the Ten Commandments, in deed and truth, or do like the majority of the world does, say "The law has been abolished." "Happy is that man which condemneth not himself in that which he alloweth."

We should not pick one word out of a dead language and try to apply it to the new American language. So if the word "God" must be translated, and put back into its original way of spelling, what about that part of the text from which the word "God" is taken from? We should be consistent, for "consistency is a jewel," which but few modern religionists want anything to do with when it comes to trying to make their interpretations of the Scriptures comply with the doctrines and dogmas which they are trying to establish.

As to words and their defining, there is nothing better than Webster's Dictionary. And Webster's Dictionary is strictly American, and it was to Israel-America that God promised to turn "a pure language." Webster gives the definition of the name God as it should be and is. That God is a supreme being, One that stands above all. One that is worthy of our adoration. So Rome never gave the name God. This is too plainly written in the Scriptures that she did not. Read: "And Moses said unto God, when I come unto the children of Israel and shall say unto them, 'The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you;' and they say to me what is His name? What shall I say unto them?" In this all is plain. The question is definite so far as Israel is concerned, so let us get God's answer to Moses. "And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM." In other words, I am from eternity to eternity, I am eternal. "Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, 'I AM (the Eternal One) hath sent me unto you.'



And God said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel. (Notice the statement — The children of Israel, and none other.) The LORD GOD of your fathers, the GOD OF ABRAHAM, the GOD OF ISAAC, and THE GOD OF JACOB, hath sent me unto you; THIS IS MY NAME FOREVER, and THIS IS MY MEMORIAL UNTO ALL GENERATIONS." Ex. 3:13-15. Try to fit some of "the sacred names in question into this text, and what kind of language will come out of it? God, THE ETERNAL ONE, surely settles the name question as to who He is. He puts it back to "the fathers of Israel," and just as far ahead as there are "generations," that He is what? THE GOD OF ABRAHAM, THE GOD OF ISAAC, THE GOD OF JACOB," and it should settle the matter with us. So why not think, that just as it is with many other new fads that are coming up today, that the effort to change the name of God is but an effort to block up the work of the identity of Israel? For, the Scriptures, the prophets being true, which they are, God's Israel must be identified, for it is they who will yet see to it that "the statutes of God" are yet written on the Statute Books of U. S. A.-Israel, for it is by these statutes that we have life. So let us turn to Israel's God, and not be led about "by every wind of doctrine." It is "to the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this Word, it is because THERE IS NO LIGHT IN THEM." Isa. 8:20. These words are plain, they do not need an interpreter. The "Testimony" is plain when it comes to God. NOTICE: "I am the Lord thy God." "For I am the LORD THY GOD." "Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain." "But the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God." "That thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee." These statements are all, and were "all written by the finger of God" upon the "tables of stone." So why try to erase them and write other names in the place of "the Lord thy God"? Why not teach the story of Israel, the vital message for the peoples of earth today?

## THE SOLID FOUNDATION

Under the above heading, an editorial recently appeared in the *Bible Advocate* in which statements were made that will not stand up under the plain teachings of the Scriptures. Correct it was, when it stated that "The world today is reeling and staggering in a wilderness of theories, doctrines, isms, propaganda and teachings." But why is the world in such a condition? The responsibility of this very thing can be laid at the door of the Church of God.

The message of 1844 given, the real work which was to follow, was the rehabilitation of God's Land Palestine, and the raising up here in Israel-America, men who would "follow on to know," that our beloved country might not be in its present Godless condition. But no, the dogmas of Rome were liked best by the "called out" ones, to whom God was speaking literally, through His servant, Mrs. E. G. White, to whom He had given special knowledge for the time. The words of this "voice of God in the wilderness," or America, were: "Prepare ye the way of the Lord," speaking face to face with the leaders of the "called out ones." The story was not about the "land" now, but it was about "we the people," "God's people" Israel. It was a message of the identity of Israel, and the words of God's servant to these people at that time were that "The Ten Lost Tribes of Israel were to be identified," that through them here in America "the earth was to become enlightened with the glory of God." Neither was this all; these identified ones were to "be incorporated as a church, and as a nation," that they might enlighten and "evangelize the world." In truth, it was a message of God through His people Israel, to finish His work in the earth. But as it had been in the past, the words, and work of Lucifer, and Rome gained the ascendancy, and here we find the editor of this paper still in blindness, yet trying to lead others to God, but entirely without the knowledge of "the identity of Israel." The paper in which we find this editorial tells its own story in its heading: "Herald of the Coming Kingdom." But what kingdom? The "Kingdom of God," the "Kingdom of Israel," the "Kingdom of David." All this is forgotten in this editorial, yet the editor is bewailing present-day conditions. But as we have stated, present-day conditions would not be as they are, had this paper, and the Church of God, "followed on to know the Lord," rather than to have been led from the great truths of Israel, into the quagmires of the spiritualistic teachings of Gentile-Rome.

The editorial goes on, and elaborates on these words of Paul: "And are built upon the foundation of the Apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner-stone." All this is written entirely upon Roman theology, with the great truths of Israel thrown into discard. So it becomes necessary now that the light be turned on, and see what truth there is to be found in this favorite text. The editorial in question gives us to understand that "the stone" upon which all rests "is Jesus Christ." But Jesus himself gives no such understanding. Jesus, in quoting Ps. 118:22, gives no such thought. Read Matt. 21:42, and see that we are right, that Jesus speaks entirely of the "Kingdom of God," which is the kingdom of Israel.



## PROFESSOR BROWN ON THE HUGUENOTS

We are greatly pleased to have in this issue of THE TORCH OF ISRAEL an article from the super-learned, Rev. Prof. Gilbert P. Brown, D.D., Ph.D., of Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey, entitled: "The Huguenot in the Republic."

The Latin phrase of three words: "Dominus Cum Huguenotis," under the title of the article, (the English of which is, "God was with the Huguenots"), has a significance well befitting Doctor Brown's splendid article. It shows thoughtfulness on the part of the Author, which needs more than passing notice, and is highly congenial to the Christian thought of the largest, among liberty-loving people. Not only is the article well-timed, but it is well written, and we know of no man so well qualified to write upon the subject as Professor Brown. From the New England Historic and Genealogical Society in Boston, Mass., we have learned that five of Doctor Brown's forefathers came in the Mayflower, and that three of them, William and Alice Mollens, and their daughter Priscilla (who married John Alden), were Huguenots. Doctor Brown is also descended on the maternal line from Philip Delano, who came to Plymouth, Mass., in 1621, who is also President Roosevelt's ancestor, but it seems that Doctor Brown is not aiding his cousin in the coming election. Our scholastic and versatile contributor is the President of the American Puritan Association, The United States Constitution Society, and is with The American School of English, The American Huguenot Association, and the American Press Writers' Association. He is a member of many historic Societies and Literary Associations. He has tasted of both the bitter and sweet sides of life. He has never gambled in any manner, nor has he used liquor or tobacco in any form. He is an entertainer of some note and is a devout student of the Scriptures. His poems are read "From Greenland's Icy Mountains to India Coral Strands."

He was recently asked if he thought Germany could invade England, and his reply was, "Possibly

so, but the invasion would not prove so great a thing in civilization, as that of my ancestor, William 'The Conqueror,' who, as he said went there in 1066, and laid the foundation for what is now the Anglo-Saxon race. "The Battle of Hastings tells the story," said he. Chaucer, the Poet, was also his ancestor. He is a member of the Alden Kindred of America. The Society of Mayflower Descendants, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Society of the War of 1812, Order of Founders and Patriots of America and the Sons of the American Revolution. Two of his verses of "Boyhood Days on the Farm," are:

"I love to think of boyhood days,  
when I arose at four,  
And fetched the water from the  
well, nine thousand pails or  
more.

'Twas then I woke the harrow up,  
and pacified the plow,—  
I love to lie in bed and think, I  
needn't do it now.

I love to think of boyhood days,  
when I the porkers fed,  
And how I fixed their breakfast  
food, 'ere yet the sky was  
red,

And how I dry shampooed the  
horse, and manicured the  
cow;—

I love to lie in bed and think, I  
needn't do it now."

Three of his verses from  
"The Clipper Belle O'Brien,"  
please many sea lovers; the  
first being:

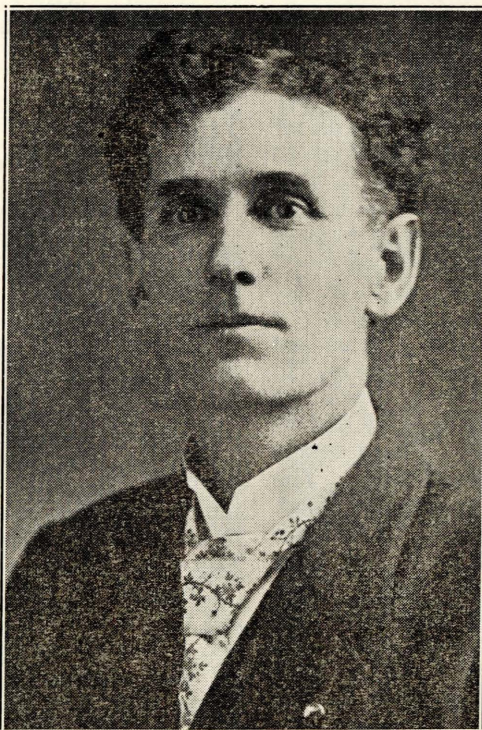
"I'm a man of many notions,  
And I've traveled far and wide;

Yes, I've sailed the Seven Oceans,—  
Been from Bristol, Maine, to Clyde.  
With my kind pal, Donald Leeman,  
In the Fall of Eighty-Nine,  
I shipped out as able-seaman  
On the Clipper Belle O'Brien."

This verse, when the ship was at Singapore, tells an old story:

"We discharged our beef and rifles,  
Our provisions cooked and raw,  
And the Medford rum and Bibles  
Soon we sold at Singapore.  
Our rigging all we tightened up  
And there none was left to slip,—  
Or seamen all would 'drink the cup'—  
On that famous Clipper Ship."

The last verse tells of the reception the Captain received on the return.



PROF. GILBERT P. BROWN, B. D., Ph. D.  
Literary Critic and Editorial Writer



"Boston's Mayor there did meet him,  
And such pomp I never saw,  
When fair ladies came to greet him  
On return from Singapore.  
I'll now leave with you this story  
Of the days of Eighty-nine,  
Back when I was in my glory  
On the Clipper Belle O'Brien."

Our pleasing and scholarly contributor lives between two philosophies in life,—they are "Love" and "Duty." His love for education and his duty to our many and most beloved ideals has caused him to give us: "The Huguenot in the Republic,"—and here we quote another of his poems—"The Mission of Love," which partly explains his labor for us:

"I summoned my two servants—both were strong—  
And bade them take two packs I fain would send  
Upon a journey that was very long.  
And leave them at the hearthstone of my friend.

"One servant's name was Love, the other Duty,  
Alike in some respects, in others not.  
Love was fair and garlanded in beauty,  
While Duty looked severe with anxious thought.

"They started off upon the rugged road.  
I watched them as they climbed the lofty hill,  
Each bravely bearing up the heavy load.  
Each looked as though his task he'd fulfill.

"Ere they had reached the cragged mountain's top,  
Poor Duty fell and quit, to my dismay.  
And then I knew, when Love refused to stop,  
Duty soon tires, Love goes all the way."

Doctor Brown's other fine poems placing him before the reading public, are undescribable. As a genealogist, he is of international repute. He is of such early American families, as Standish, Winslow, Webster, Prescott, Hale, Poole, Harrod, Flagg, Hall, Worden, Fitch, Nash, Richards, Yates, Simmons, and Gill. He has written much on the early Pilgrims and Puritans, but to him the story of the Huguenots is most dear. He has taken all the Degrees of Freemasonry and is a Member of "The White Shrine of Jerusalem." He was for several years in the Merchant Marine service, and today Captain Brown holds from the United States Department of Commerce papers as an Able-seaman and as a Life Boat master. He has visited all the West India ports, and has been in the house where the Empress Josephene was born, and in the room where Napoleon died. He loves to linger on matters of the American past, and has visited many of the battlefields of the country. He does not court flattery nor does he fear censure. Not only is he a careful Historian, and Genealogist, but his accuracy is sought in many lands. He is a member of the National Variety Artists, the Actors' Equity Association, and the Film Players' Club, he once having been upon the stage. He believes that this Country has nothing to fear from the outside, but its chief enemy is the so-called "sixth-column," that of American indifference.

As a Freemason he is a life member of The King Solomon's Lodge, the Royal Arch Chapter of the

Signet and the Orient Council of Royal and Select Masters of Somerville, Mass., and a life member of the Bunker Hill Monument Association, the Pilgrim Society, the United States Flag Association, the Star Spangled Banner Association and the Literary Guild. He is single and has been an educator for over 40 years.

On the paternal side he is related to Daniel Webster, the orator, and on the maternal side, to Poet Henry W. Longfellow. His sea tales are sought by many from the land of his abode. His Father and Grandfather were master mariners of their day. His contributions to the Press have been read in many lands, and his work as a Historian will live while the stars shine and Biography has a charm for the rational thinking mind.

As Editor of The Torch of Israel we have gone quite minutely into the life of Prof. Brown in many ways, as in the future we expect many patriotic and historical articles from his pen will appear in the Torch of Israel, as we try to teach the true Israelitish American story of Israel as applied to this great foreordained American Republic, as a land where God's people Israel would gather at the ending of their 2520 years trek from the east through the nations of earth to their final abode, led by the protecting hand of their God, to at last put His eternal Statutes upon our law books, thus making the Republic the mightiest righteous nation of earth, dispensing light, knowledge and truth to all nations of earth, until at last they too, shall learn the ways of God, and make this old sin cursed earth an abode of righteousness and truth, with every vestige of Lucifer and his wicked dogmas and doctrines forever annulled and destroyed. And it is our desire to have our readers to know, that when they read the articles of Prof. Brown as they appear from time to time, that they are not just reading the words of an ordinary writer, but rather the words of an educated, qualified writer, who knows whereof he writes.

His writings are of an educator, unbiased and unfettered mind. He has wasted no time in the dark vallies of superstition, nor has he ever been known to toast creed-mongers or political experts. His Father was a man of high ideals and his Mother a literary and musical genius. Six of his Forefathers were with Gen. Washington in the American Revolution, five of whom were officers. He spent twenty-five years in Boston as an educator. He had a speaking-acquaintance with James G. Blaine, Gen. John A. Logan, Presidents Coolidge and Harding, and he was a personal friend of Colonel Theodore Roosevelt. Once while residing in Boston, he was interviewed by William F. Cody, (Buffalo Bill). Upon other occasions he was interviewed by Edwin Booth, Rudyard Kipling and Mark Twain. He believes in the philosophy of Pope, that the best study of Man is Man, Himself. He disagrees with many Historians, and while he



has a great regard for the name of Washington, he considers, that Samuel Adams was the "Father of His Country," and that Benjamin Franklin was our greatest American. His sea tales of early life are much sought by his many admirers,

and his poems breathe the philosophy highly congenial to the largest liberty. Again does your editor bid you to carefully read Prof. Brown's writings, and we expect greater things yet from his versatile pen.

## The Forum of Israel

The Forum of Israel is open for free expression of all opinions. Limit articles to 200 words.

Breedsville, Mich.

D. Paul Ziegler,

\* I am wondering why I do not get your magazine? April is the last I have seen, and I begin to wonder why. So many things that I would like to talk about. One thing would be, of course, part of Israel came to the United States and part in Great Britain (only country in the world called great, as God said it would be.) "John Bull and Brother Jonathan," "Ephriam and Manasseh." Brother still I don't see why you hate Great Britain so very much as you seem to. I would like to know what you think now, and why I don't get my magazine. You speak in your letter of the wars in Great Britain years ago. I have three pamphlets on "Orangeism," (I am an Orange woman), I will send you if you would like them. They tell of the wars in Great Britain. Britain, to get free of the murderous Romans, I could tell you of the mobbing of Protestants in Chicago when I lived there in 1916. I was at the meetings twice when we were mobbed and never expected to get home alive. I think you are a believer in the Sabbath that God said we should keep, by something I see in your writings (I am any way,) and begin to think that is one reason why Great Britain is being punished, as she is now.

They claim to keep the Sabbath, but instead of keeping the "seventh day" as God said, they pretend to keep the First Day. But how do they keep it? The way the people of the United States does, ball playing, theatres, going fishing and anything they want to do. When I read the Bible, it says "the Sabbath is a sign between Me and the children of Israel, forever, for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth and rested the seventh day." Oh, if British Israel and American Israel would repent and keep God's commandments, I am sure they would be blessed. Until they do, all I look for is trouble and more trouble.

Sincerely yours,  
Lillian V. Dunn.

First we wish to say that your magazine has been mailed to you properly each time issued, but you are just one of the many who are found just as you are, without the

Torch of Israel. Sinister forces are working against us, but it neither discourages nor tires us, for we know we are right, and that right will prevail. Just as soon as we receive word that the Torch has not been received another copy is got right out to them. This is the closing fight of the age and as it will soon close the forces of Lucifer and Rome will be banished once for all, for God's Israel will be victorious.

You say "part of Israel came to America and part staid in Great Britain." This is the truth so far as Britain was concerned, but think how many more came from Germany, Sweden, Norway, Holland, Switzerland and many of the other little Israelitish nation that came to America more than ever came from Britain, and this coming of these peoples, being as they were of all the Tribes of Israel, makes America today really regathered Twelve Tribed Israel as they of all Israel came. But not so with England. There never was such an influx into England from these other Israelitish nations. If England had have staid with John Wilson, the latter day founder of the story of Israel rather than Hines, as their Israelitish teacher, Britain would not be in the throes she is found in today. Wilson had a clear conception of Israel as a whole, which Hines was unable to grasp, and the English people followed Hines off, and his ideas of Great Britain were different than those of Wilson.

We have no hatred towards Great Britain. How could we, they are our same blooded relatives. But the story of Israel is a much greater story than that which comes from England. We try to follow this thing in an intelligent sensible Scriptural manner in our teachings. England in the main is made up of the Tribe of Ephriam and Manasseh, but they over run the Manasseh part in an effort to get Manasseh's greatness, and now they try to overcome their past weakness by calling American Manasseh.

To get the proper history of England one must carefully study the book of Hosea in the Scriptures, remembering that the English people are none other than the Tribe of Ephriam, for their speech betrayeth them. Prof. B. G. Wilkinson in his book, "Our Authorized Version,"

meaning the King James tells us that Britain lost out when she let the Jesuitical teachers into her universities in 1830, and that ere 50 years had gone by the Anglican Church was honeycombed with Roman dogmas. Let us say again that we have no hatred against England, for on our mother's side we are strictly English, but when a people walk away from God and do not follow him in deed and truth, we cannot condone their mistakes and short comings, as Israel's God will not pass them by, as it takes a people who will stand holy with God to be used by Him in the finals, and the awful aggression of Britain in the past testify against her.

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Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Dear Brother Ziegler:

Your kind letter at hand in which you say that you "have put my name on your subscription list, and also mailed me the book, "A Lost People." But I have not received the book yet. [If you have not received it yet, please advise and we will send another. We are having much trouble with our mail going astray.] I am not pro-Hitler, or pro-German so that in some ways I cannot agree with you. That the British are not perfect is sure, but it is not all propaganda. I was born under German rule, but that was nothing as to what it is now. Hitler is not German, but a Hun. We cannot credit what good people there are in Germany to Hitler, no more than we can blame all the people in this country for what some people do, — you know who, and what creed they belong to, they are not Americans, but subjects to their foreign Pope. And the way Hitler treats the Jews, and as you study the Bible you must know what God says about that, whereas the British are more human and they defend the Jews.

Sincerely, H. Hendersen.

We are neither pro-German, neither are we pro-British but we are pro-American, and we are pro-Israelitish, so we always take the Scriptures as we read them and stand for the nations, and peoples, which Israel's God stands for. Our ancestors are too long in America for us to know about Germany, except as they ap-



pear in prophecy, this we cannot change, coming as it does from Israel's God.

As to Hitler being what is termed a Hun, we do not know, as from reliable sources, we have it that he is a German, by both father and mother, but was not born in Germany, but Austria. As to the Huns, when we turn on the light of Scriptural truth we learn, that they carried out the work of God in destroying nations that were not Israelitish, hence we have not much to say about the matter. You know British Israel teaches that the Germans are Assyrians but this does not prove what they try to prove, as God has said: "When the Lord of Hosts shall bless, saying 'blessed be Egypt, My people, and Assyria the work of my hands, and Israel mine inheritance!' (Isa. 19:25.) "In that day shall Israel be a third with Egypt and with Assyria, even a blessing in the midst of the land." (Verse 24.) With God speaking such favorable words about Assyria, we do not care to teach about them as do the British Israelites, we had rather stay with Israel's God. As to the Jews, has not God said, "The tent of Judah, shall be saved first." But the Jews have failed God in not returning to their land Palestine, to again "build the Temple of the Lord. So to us it seems that God

is having to use force to get them back to their land and inasmuch as Britain will only let a limited number of Jews return to Palestine, to us it would seem, that Britain is surely doing wrong in holding the land of Palestine from the Jews to build up a homeland of their own, just as Britain and the Allies promised it should be, if the Jewish youth would fight with them in the World War. These nations may have forgotten these promises to the Jews, but God has never forgot, and all we need to do is just to watch and see God "perform His act, His strange act," and see to it that the Jews get back to their homeland to do the work which He has bid them do. Yes, Brother Hendersen, we sure have plenty who are of the wrong "creed" in America, so we may look for great things to take place to help right America in the near future, America must return to the faith of its founders.

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Miamitown, Ohio

Mr. D. Paul Ziegler,  
Box 1442,  
Washington, D. C.  
Dear Mr. Ziegler:

I attended a health lecture last night by Dr. Lloyd Shanklin in Cincinnati and while there purchased a

copy of the "Torch." Enclosed check for \$2.00, please add my name to your list of subscribers and also my daughter, Mrs. Ray Hoit, Route 1, Le Roy, Illinois.

I have personally believed in this teaching since infancy or so far back as I can remember but I do not know when I swallowed the seed and it is for that reason that I could not consistently join a creed.

Yours truly, H. E. Cain.

Thanks for your subscriptions, Mr. Cain, and they are coming in much the same way from all over. People have got "fed up" on Roman dogmas and just as soon as they see a ray of light of the great truths of Israel, they are ready to move forward, neither do they "know when they swallowed the seed." The seed is in them and their common sense tells them that it is the truth, if there is any truth. The thought of the whole is vividly brought out in the following words: "And they shall spring up as among the grass, as willows by the water courses. One shall say, I am the Lord's; and another shall call himself by the name of Jacob; and another shall subscribe with his hand unto the Lord, and surname himself by the name of Israel." Surely great times are just before us, as to the great work of Israel.

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Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Brother Ziegler:

I have waited in hopes for the discovery of that roll of the Torch you sent me, as well as for my regular subscription number of the Torch, but alas nothing has shown up so far. In spite of all your tracing and my complaining, nothing has come to light. I call that a masterpiece of Satan. I don't know what you call it—according to your feelings.

As per your statement in your letter, you have quite an experience on that line — no doubt. I received the No. 2 Torch which you sent me under separate cover, and I am glad for that. Now let us look out for the future, as they have us on the list—the tree is growing, and we can expect more fruit.

Soon I will have my M.S. the Bible ready, I will send it to you to find out what you will charge me to print it in tract form, I think it contains some matter worth knowing—I leave it to you.

Well, I will keep you posted on what is going on. The mail carrier showed me your tracer, and as usually promised they would try to straighten the matter out. I am going to remind them again.

Now I want to hear from you when you get this letter and you know why—nothing is sure in these days.

May the Lord bless you and Family.

Yours in the Faith and Hope of twelve tribed Israel.

G. H. Rau.

We have received notice from your Postmaster that "All employees concerned have been cautioned to watch carefully for this mail in the future and we feel sure all mail received in this office for Mr. Rau will be promptly and correctly delivered." So we have every reason to believe that both our troubles along these lines will be over with and that no farther trouble will be had and that you will get your Torch as regularly as it is issued.

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Long Beach, Calif.

Good Morning, Brother Ziegler:

I will try to write you a few lines to let you know that I have not forgotten you. Many are the times I think of you, and what a good meeting we had at Schaberg Ark., where I got much light on Israel. I am glad that I am not a Gentile. In Isaiah, chapter 60, we learn that "the nation and kingdom that will not serve God will perish, yet those nations shall, be utterly wasted." So I am still glad that I am not a Gentile, it is sure to be hard on them in that day.

Then in Isaiah 61:4-7, then in Isaiah 14:1-2. "For the Lord will have mercy on Jacob and will yet choose Israel and set them in their own land, and the strangers shall be joined with them, and they shall cleave to the House of Jacob and the people shall take them and bring them to their place, and the House of Israel shall possess them in the land of the Lord for servants and handmaids, and they shall take them captives, whose captives they were, and they shall rule over their oppressors. Through the seed of Abraham, who descended from Seth, not of Cain, not of Ham, not of Japheth, but of Shem, but of Shem.

So many people think they are Gentiles because they have been taught it. I am an Israelite, a full gospel preacher. So I am still glad that I am not a Gentile, they are going to be servants for Israel, and Joel 3:5-9 tells us why they will be servants of Israel. Then Zech. 2:10-13, "and many nations will be joined to the Lord in that day and shall be my people, and I will dwell in the midst of thee, and thou shalt know that the Lord of hosts has sent me unto thee. And the Lord shall inherit Judah His portion in the holy land, and shall choose Jerusalem again.

If we today would do what God tells us to do. God says be silent, O all flesh before the Lord, for He is raised up, out of His holy habitation. "So many people think that is all past. And many preachers say "It is a

thing of the past." I am glad to have found out better.

So let "God be true but every man a liar." We learn that many nations will turn to the Lord then, and we find also that nations will be destroyed. We find in Obadiah verse 18, "that the House of Esau will be cut off, for the Lord hath spoken it."

Well, this will be enough for this time.

James Davis.

Brother Davis you speak of Schaberg, Ark., in this you are going many years in the past. That was 26 years ago, and when we consider the many that were there at that meeting it brings sorrow to our heart, as well as gladness. We all remember Brother Parham who was there with us, and his powerful talks, but today Brother Parham is in the grave, a thing we did not expect at that time, a wonderful man he was. Then many of those present who drank in the great story of Israel have turned again Romeward, they not being deeply entrenched in the story of this great people, and these two things especially make our hearts sad. But on the other hand, when it is found you were able to find "the treasure hid in a field," it makes us rejoice as you did.

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 ing,  
 Of its servants of the past.

Come, dear soul, just wait a  
 moment,  
 Let excitement pass you by;  
 That God's Word may reach  
 your reason,  
 As it points to truth so high.

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 And would have you trust  
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 gathering,  
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## ARE WE CREATED IN GOD'S IMAGE?

In 2nd Samuel, 7:22, David says: "Thou art great, O Lord God, for there is none like Thee, neither is there any God besides Thee." God says in Genesis 1:16, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness." Then in the next verse, "So God created man in His own image, in the image of God created He him, male and female created He them." So we were created in the image or likeness of God. In Genesis, 18th chapter, "But Abraham stood yet before the Lord. And Abraham drew near and said, 'Wilt Thou also destroy the righteous with the wicked? That be far from Thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked and that the righteous should be as the wicked. That be far from Thee: Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?'" In this chapter Abraham stood and talked with God.

In Exodus, 33rd chapter, 11th verse, "And the Lord spake unto Moses face to face, as a man speaketh to a friend." In the 33rd Psalm, verse 18, "Behold the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear Him, upon them that hope in His mercy." In Psalm 34, verses 15 to 17, "The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, and His ears are open unto their cry. The face of the Lord is against them that do evil; to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth." In Psalm 11, verse 4, "The Lord is in His holy temple, the Lord's throne is in heaven. His eyes behold, His eyelids try the children of men." In Psalm 32, verse 8, "I will guide thee with Mine eye," and in Psalm 14, verse 2, "The Lord looked down from heaven upon the children of men to see if there were any that did understand and seek God."

In Exodus, 15th chapter, 8th verse, "And with the blast of Thy nostrils the waters were gathered together: the floods stood upright as an heap, and the depths were congealed in the heart of the sea." In 2nd Samuel, chapter 22, verse 9, "There went up a smoke out of His nostrils, and

fire out of His mouth devoured; coals were kindled by it."

In Numbers, 12th chapter, verses 7 and 8, "My servant Moses is not so, who is faithful in all Mine House, with him will I speak mouth to mouth, even apparently, and not in dark speeches; and the similitude of the Lord shall he behold: wherefore then were ye not afraid to speak against My servant Moses?" In Deuteronomy, chapter 8, the last half of verse 3, "That He might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the Lord doth man live."

In 2nd Samuel, chapter 22, verse 7, "In my distress I called upon the Lord and cried to my God; and He did hear my voice out of His temple, and my cry did enter into His ears."

In Exodus, chapter 15, verse 6, "Thy right hand, O Lord, is become glorious in power; Thy right hand, O Lord, hath dashed in pieces the enemies." In Ezra, chapter 8, verse 22, "The hand of the Lord is upon all them for good that seek Him; but His power and His wrath is against all them that forsake Him." In Jeremiah, 15th chapter, verse 6, "Thou hast forsaken Me, saith the Lord, thou art gone backward; therefore will I stretch out Mine hand against thee and destroy thee." In Isaiah, 11th chapter, verse 11, "And it shall come to pass in that day that the Lord shall set His hand again the second time to recover the remnant of His people." In Exodus, 33rd chapter, verses 22 and 23, "And it shall come to pass while My glory passeth by, that I will put thee in the cleft of the rock, and will cover thee with My hand while I pass by; And I will take away Mine hand and thou shalt see My back parts; but My face shall not be seen."

In Deuteronomy, 33d chapter, 3d verse, "Yea He loveth the people; all His saints are in Thy hand and they sat down at Thy feet; every one



shall receive of Thy words." In Nahum chapter 1, verse 3, "The Lord is slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit the wicked; the Lord hath His way in the whirlwind and in

the storm, and the clouds are the dust of His feet."

So we are created in His image for in these citations He has a body.

## RESTORATION OF THE SABBATH

As men in semi-blindness have written in favor of Sabbath reformation many times they have only injured the cause which they were earnestly working to help. There is "a time to every purpose under the heaven. \* \* \* A time to plant and a time to pluck up that which is planted. \* \* \* A time to keep silence and a time to speak." Ec. 3:1-7. This is just as much true of the Sabbath reformation as any other thing.

Who was the Sabbath made for anyway? "The Sabbath was made for man." Mark 2:27. But what did man do with the Sabbath? So far as our information goes he must have repudiated it. Just as he did most of God's law. A greater effort was made to set the Sabbath aside because the observance would always keep alive the knowledge of the true God, it was a memorial as to who the real Creator was, and that "to all generations." Ps. 135:13. It was cast aside after the amalgamation of men and fallen angels. Gen. 6:1-2. For do we not read "and God saw the wickedness of man was great, and the whole imagination, with the purpose and desires of the heart was only evil continually." Gen. 6:5. So you see there was no Sabbath thoughts with them. It was gone, cast aside and entirely ignored, except it was by the one righteous man, Noah. After the deluge, the virus of the amalgamated blood again showed itself in the families of Japheth and Ham, for at once they set to work to thwart the purposes of God. Gen. 10:6-12; Gen. 11:3-9.

But God set His seal upon Shem. He has maintained and kept his genealogy pure, for the Word from God was that He (God) should dwell in the tents of Shem, and Caanan, should be his (Shem's) servants." Gen. 9:27. If God is to dwell in the tents of Shem, to the Shemites we must look for the law and Sabbath keeping people.

So the start again was made with one man, and that man was Abraham, whom God called, Gen. 12:1-5, and after the trial of his faith and patient endurance, the promise came to him. The Lord said to him, "I am the almighty God; walk before me and be thou perfect. \* \* \* And I will establish my covenant (the law, Deut. 4:13) between me and thee, and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God to thee, and thy seed after thee." Gen. 17:1-7. "For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord, to do justice and judgment." Gen. 18:19.

So after the captivated period in Egypt, which

was prophecied of by "the sun going down," Gen. 15:11-13, when the iniquity of the Amorites has filled up in its entirety. V. 16. God took these Shemite-Abrahamic-Israelites by the hand and lead them up out of Egyptian bondage and darkness. And when He got them within the borders of the "holy land, God's land," which "flowed with milk and honey," it was then "He madest known unto them his holy Sabbath." Neh. 9:14.

But listen! When He proved them with the Sabbath He was just in his actions. He never did it in a strange land, where under the oppressing hand of their master's they were compelled to labor incessantly for what they should eat, where they could not regard and keep the Sabbath, but after he led them out and began feeding them with manna. Ex. 16:4, 22-26.

"These things happened unto them for types, and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come." This being so, God will be as merciful and just to us about the observance of the Sabbath as He was with them, despite the fact that Sabbath teachers teach it otherwise.

Thus He could justly prove them to know whether they would keep the vows made Him. After He had proved them, He came down on Mt. Sinai and gave them a law, and one part of that law is, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy. \* \* \* The seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God." Ex. 20:8-11. The same day upon which he had rested at creation. Gen. 2:1-3.

This Sabbath day was only given to the house of Israel, for He makes it plain "ye shall keep the Sabbath therefore, for it is holy unto you. Wherefore the children of Israel shall keep the Sabbath, to observe the Sabbath *throughout their generations, for a perpetual covenant.* It is a sign between Me and the children of Israel forever." Ex. 31:13-17. This language is very plain indeed that the seventh day Sabbath belongs to none other than Shemite-Abrahamic-Israelites. By its observance they could, did and may know who it is that sanctifies them "whether it is the Lord or no." Eze. 20:12-20.

This is straightforward Bible truth and there is no use of anyone going up in the air about it. Long ago it was said that "every plant that God had not planted would be pulled up." It may hurt to have your ideas about the Sabbath received while in blindness, pulled up, but like the aching tooth, you feel better after the pulling time. Besides, "if the blind lead the blind, they both fall



into the ditch together." It is far better that we get awakened before we get "ditched" in the land of Shinar.

But you ask, have we no Sabbath day? Certainly we have, and it is the seventh day, for we are the children of those Israelites who back in the land trampled God's Sabbath beneath their unhallowed feet, and because they did were scattered, and we their children in "the enemies land" have found ourselves awakened in regard to the law of God, with a desire to turn from our Sabbath breaking. Lev. 26:34, 35, 40-42, and keep God's Sabbath. But while many do, just as it was in Egyptian bondage, circumstances are such that many more cannot now keep the Sabbath who would like to, but like their fathers will keep it when they reach the land "flowing with milk and honey." Hallelujah. Our God is good, He does not require impossibilities.

Shame on the man, or set of men, who would un-christianize his unfortunate brother who is working with a sad and heavy heart that his family may be fed and clothed, having to do it on the day that he knows is the Sabbath. The trial is hard enough, without throwing any taunting words or acts at him in his sadness.

Our God is never tyrannical in His actions, all His works are done in verity, truth and love, and when He makes a test of His people on the Sabbath it will be when He is feeding them on the "heritage of Jacob," Gen. 28:13-15, (yes, even after the captivity, "the spreading abroad") and it will be when we are building the "old waste places and raising up the foundations of many generations." Then it will be that we can call "the Sabbath a delight." There in the "land flowing with milk and honey, wheat, barley, vines, fig trees, pomgranites, olive oil and honey." Deut. 8:8.

In the "restitution of all things spoken or by all the holy prophets since the world began," there must of necessity, be a restoring of the seventh day Sabbath to man, for "it was made for man," and when at creation it was made and the Lord

looked back over His work He said, it was "good, very good," and He has farther said "no good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly," Ps. 84:11, and it is those that "walk uprightly," that shall "sojourn in God's holy hill," or land. Ps. 15:2. It is evident that we are not dwelling there now. We shall ardently expect that when we dwell in that land to see the Sabbath fully restored, "for the law shall go forth of Zion, (God's holy hill) and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem." Micah 4:2. The word of the Lord is, "the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God." Ex. 20:10. Plain, concise, exact, unmistakable language, so much so that none can misunderstand it, all shall understand, all shall know.

It is surely folly for men to spend their time talking about Sunday being the "mark of the beast." Sunday dies of itself. It has served its purpose in the hands of Satan in the past. He knows the inevitable, knows that when the "Law goes forth of Zion," that it will be the Sabbath, not Sunday that will be observed universally, so that he is now preparing a seventh day keeping people, a people who have not "the spirit of God," only the "letter of the law." With these very people he will establish himself at Babylon in the land of Shinar.

We are now in the Sabbath reformation age, in the day wherein it hath been said, "he limiteth a *certain day*, saying in, David," *today after so long a time*, as it is said, *today*, (not yesterday) if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts, for there remaineth a rest therefore to the people of God. \* \* \* Let us labor to enter into that rest." God grant that hourly and daily we may labor to enter into that rest in the land of God, where we can truly call the Sabbath a delight in a delightful- some land. Isa. 58:13; Mal. 3:12.

Holy day, Jehovah's rest,  
Of creations week the best,  
Last of all the chosen seven,  
Blest of God to man 'twas given.

## BE A DAVID

Annie E. Nordlind

What lessons of simple faith we can learn from studying the life of David.

He knew what it was to trust in God. With him it was not a theory, not a belief but a part of his very life.

How often we feel that we would be willing to do a work for the Lord if we could do as others have done, or if we were more educated, if this or that were different. It was not so with David. He had so learned to trust the Lord, and knew how to expect the Lord to work with him, that when he

knew there was a man needed to go and fight with Goliath, he did not say "Well if I was only a trained soldier I would go," but he saw the need and offered himself as he was. He would not even accept the king's armour, which was the greatest protection man could give him. If we had been there we might have called him foolish, as doubtless many of them did, and as many would today, but he said, "I have not proved them." He did not know what the arm of flesh was able to do, and he did not care to experiment. He did know that



there was One on whom he could rely, and that while to human eye he was the least prepared to meet the giant, yet in reality he was the only one who could, for he had learned that the arm of flesh is nothing, and far greater, he had learned how willing the Lord is to help.

So with us, if we will just quit wishing for the king's armour, or first of all, if we will learn the secret of trusting in the Lord in our every day trials as David did, if we learn to ask him to lead in all the little affairs of our life, not simply to ask, but to expect that He will lead, and then let Him lead. It is our privilege to ask a sign when we are not sure which way to go. God is just as

willing to let us know that he is interested in our affairs as he was in David's day. He answered Gideon by a sign; so he will us if we ask. Then we will know what it is to have fellowship with Him, and when we see, or feel that there is a work we ought to do, we will go about it in the strength of our God, knowing that as He used David with his five smooth stones; so He will and wants to use us just as we are. We cannot make ourselves more efficient for His cause, but the closer we come to Him, and the more we are used by Him, the more efficient He will make us, and the more He will be able to use us in His own service. Bless His Name.

## UNCONSCIOUS SIN OF PREJUDICE

By Albert D. Rust

No element of human nature militates so cruelly and yet unconsciously against the truth and true light of Scripture as prejudice. Very few people recognize its far reaching influence, and fewer still are willing to admit that it finds a quiet harbor in their breasts. If we could discover it as readily in ourselves as we can in others it would be shorn of much of its virus, and this very failure constitutes the deadly poison by which prejudice accomplishes most of its purposes.

Now let us inquire. What is prejudice? According to the Standard Dictionary, it is: "A mental decision based on other grounds than reason or justice." Webster says: "A leaning adverse to any thing without just grounds, or before sufficient knowledge." Reader, measure yourself by this rule. Prejudice is a prejudgment; a pre-determination to unyieldingly maintain the views of early life. I am aware that to remove prejudice and convert a person into a reasoning being is a herculean task, and in undertaking it I may in a measure be talking to appetite, having no ears; to prejudice, having no eyes; to perverseness, incapable of attention; and to pride, incapable of understanding. Our minds open slowly to truths which revolt against deeply rooted prejudices, and our experience has taught us that "when connected with error by necessity, policy, or force, it soon becomes of conviction or choice," because errors by long usage become looked upon as hal- lowed.

Too much cannot be said against prejudice. I utterly fail to find appropriate words to properly portray its evils and fortify my brethren against its baneful influence. Dear brother don't care- lessly glance over this and pass it indifferently by, but go back and read again; study every para- graph, every sentence, giving every word its full legitimate force and power, *think*.

The able commentator, Adiel Sherwood, D.D., has so correctly described this evil element in hu-

man nature that I will transcribe it verbatim: "No one can compute the amount of injury done by prejudice," says Mr. Sherwood. "It changes the entire meaning of words; it makes the mortifica- tion of the body the sorrow of the soul for sin; it transforms the bread in the priest's hand into the real body of Jesus; it obscures the light of reason and common sense; it cheats us out of our own consciousness; it fetters our intellect and makes us bow down to the *ipse dixits* of men on subjects where they contradict the *express words of in- spired truth*." What a powerful arraignment of himself is Dr. Sherwood's own religious life; what a verdict against himself is his position on the Fourth Commandment, while he "bows down to the *ipse dixits* of men" who command him to re- gard Sunday as the Sabbath. No more complete "bowing down to the *ipse dixits* of men" could be imagined than this record which he brings to the witness stand.

No clearer example than his own submissive life is necessary to illustrate the awful blinding in- fluence of prejudice; and no people are so well qualified to see and profit by this example as are those living up to the advancing light of present- day truth. Members of the Ecclesia of God, above all others, should know what prejudice means— its blinding influence—it cruel treachery. Most of them now love what they once hated, and hate what they once loved. The experience of all Christians, as they have willingly advanced in the light of the truth has taught them to understand and appreciate these facts. Methodists once loved and embraced Calvinism, now they reject it, and expect salvation through faith as a free-will at- tainment. Baptists once loved sprinkling, now it is repugnant to them, and they require im- mersion instead. Sabbatarians once loved the institution of a Sunday Sabbath, now they hate it as such, and keep holy the Sabbath of the Fourth Commandment only. This change of position is



the result of surrendering prejudice to the light of reason—a suspension of opinions of early education for the investigation of more important questions. The change of front was the result of investigation after emancipation from the grasp of prejudice. Once some were horrified at the idea of annihilation; today they justly revolt at the thought of endless conscious suffering in hell fire. Oh, thou cruel monster; thou ruthless wretch; unloose those shameless bands and free thy helpless victims to the light of reason! Once it was a sacrilege to even think that at death your soul did not fly away to a sky heaven. If you once received light by refusing to obey prejudice while investigating one subject, why not again relegate it to the brack-ground and obtain more light? There is more. The reformation is still on.

Reader, whoever you are, give this subject attention; study it, analyze it, and apply it. It is important to you! Ask yourself, Has prejudice a place in my heart? Then wait for the answer. If in the affirmative, just take a pencil and note down the special features of the possession and retain it for future revision. If a negative answer is given, it will be a hasty, emphatic "no." Blindness then seizes and holds the victim until prejudice robs him of his power to reason—paralyzes his senses, rendering him absolutely impregnable to light and truth and Holy Spirit. *This is true.*

Light is due every child of Adam and there is a way to obtain it; but prejudice must first go, for it will never coalesce with reason. Come now, let us reason together. If we refuse to impartially investigate any subject of vital importance not previously studied, we become slaves of prejudice. *This is true also.* Shall we be slaves? A different view from what you now hold may horrify you, but remember you have been horrified before. Thus Prejudice forbids impartial investigation, blinds individuals, and destroys nations.

Seeing that these things are so, let us fortify ourselves against prejudice and open wide the door to reason and sense. Let us no longer be slaves. Shall we who have once banished prejudice and found light and truth thereby, now suffer that treacherous monster to again sound the death knell of reason and thus block the way to more light? There are new and important truths for every age. We deceive ourselves when we think we have all the truth. That has been one of the prime stumbling blocks in all man-made church organizations. It is a hindrance and barrier to the spiritual progress of every church, in any bonds save those of love—love to God, and love to our neighbor. Perhaps the reader rather I wouldn't say this; but I do, because I know it is true. When I invite nominal Christians to investigate a certain subject, the answer comes back: "We are orthodox and barred against innovations." Thus progress ends. Is any church immune from error? Some church members appear to think so; all other church members think the same of their

church. So, I ask "our" church to investigate vital subjects upon which they are in error, and theirs is the usual response of all other churches. I do not name the particular doctrines because it might be offensive to some individual members and perhaps distasteful to the reader. And the writer would be placed in the category of heretics with Huss, Luther, Roger Williams, John Rogers, James White, Alonzo T. Jones, et al. These are the days in which ministers seek to please the laity, even at the expense of Bible truth, especially where the church has assumed, or inherited from the corrupt mother certain erroneous views. Individual members experience great embarrassment in denouncing errors of the church with which they are affiliated. John Huss said: "He who tells the truth breaks his own neck." Ormuzd said: "I am blinded by my own light." Thus, no moral reform is set in motion except by the sacrifice of its champion.

These are the days and conditions Isaiah saw when he wrote: "They are greedy dogs which can never have enough; they are shepherds that cannot understand; they all look to their own way, every one for his own gain from his quarter." Ch. 58. Reader, hesitate a moment and consider this. Clark, on *this Scripture*, says: "How can any careless, avarice hireling minister read this without agitation and dismay?"

Martin Luther sought to correct ninety-five errors in the Roman Church, which, through their blind prejudice, they refused to rectify. His effort to reform that church put him in the class with heretics.

Roger Williams taught immersion instead of sprinkling, practiced by the Church of England, which error, through prejudice, they were unable to see and correct. His reform position caused his excommunication and classed him as a heretic.

Theophilus Brabourne, in 1630, taught that the seventh, and not the first day of the week, was the Sabbath. Dominated by prejudice, the Baptist Church could not adopt this reform, and his unpopular doctrine constituted him a heretic.

Alonzo T. Jones condemned church organization for control in the Seventh Day Adventist Church. Filled with blinding prejudice, that church refused to reform, and Jones's excommunication followed, and he, like the hundreds of other reformers who have preceded him, was content to take his place in the class with heretics. These early heretics, we now honor and defend. And there are still more reforms to follow. But, thank God, there will be plenty of timber for heretics and martyrs, when needed.

When we really desire to have anyone, in kindness, direct our attention to what they consider wrong views in us, that we may examine ourselves, we will be turning our backs on prejudice and reinstating reason. This is our only safe basis in the study of the Word of God and in forming correct religious opinion. No person can object to this until his own case is involved. Brave



Christian men and women will even stand to that. Then, why not let us stand like Christian heroes and thank others for such aid in purifying ourselves?

## "DAUGHTERS OF ISRAEL"

Karl Roberts

A new thing is now at hand.  
(Isaiah 43:19)  
A woman shall compass the man.  
(Jeremiah 31:22)  
A helpmate is our sister spouse.  
(S. S. 4:9)  
She dwells within a mortal house.  
(Jeremiah 33:16)  
A union of this Spirit birth.  
(St. John 3:5)  
Resurrects the mortal life on earth.  
(St. Luke 14:14)  
Where blood and evil virus grow.  
(Ecclesiastes 11:10)  
Transforms to healing rivers flow.  
(Revelation 22:1,2.)

Being born not of man nor of blood.  
(St. John 1:13)  
They will be daughters, sons of God.  
(S. S. 5:16)  
To earth the greatest blessing give.  
(Exodus 32:29)  
When we shall conquer prince of hell.  
(Ephesians 2:2)  
In paradise we then shall dwell.  
(Revelation 2:7)  
That which was lost, has now been found.  
(St. Luke 15:24)  
In blessed glory will they abound.

## ISRAEL

Dear Brother in Israel, Don't get discouraged if your friends don't listen to you about how important the Israel question is. And oh what joy and peace it brings to one's heart who studies God's commandments, statutes, judgments, and precepts. And when we read of the kindness, goodness and wisdom God uses in trying to get Israel to return to Him with all their heart and life.

Lift up your eyes and rejoice that you have received the knowledge that you are one of His chosen ones, His elect, that you have left the ways of idolatry and paganism and returned to your God. Oh how sweet the Israel message is! One thing is true, "He that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep," Ps. 121:4. God is the keeper of Israel, if Israel would only "lift up

their eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my help," Ps. 121:1, Israel's help "cometh from the Lord which made heaven and earth," Ps. 121:2. If we would obey Him He will keep us from all evil for He says "Return thou backsliding Israel, saith the Lord, and I will not cause mine anger to fall upon you, for I am married unto you, and I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion," Jer. 3:12-14. "Only acknowledge thine iniquity, that thou hast transgressed against the Lord thy God, and hast scattered thy ways to the strangers under every green tree, and ye have not obeyed My voice, saith the Lord," Jer. 3:13.

If you will return unto Me "I will give you pastors according to Mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding," Jer. 3:15. "Oh 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," Jer. 14:7. "I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely; for Mine anger is turned away from him," Hosea 14:4. "Therefore, also now, saith the Lord, "Turn ye even to Me with all your heart, and with fasting and with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments and turn unto the Lord your God; for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness and repenteth Him of the evil. Who knoweth if He will return and repent and leave a blessing behind Him?" Joel 2:12:14. We know that God will leave the blessings for He is pleading with us every day for us to return to Him.

## SPECIAL NOTICE

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Mrs. D. Paul Ziegler.

## A TIMELY BOOK

The book, "Conflict of the Ages," will tell you much about present-day conditions and why they came. In it you will read of things that will prove eye-openers to anyone. It is really a revelation about present conditions here in America.



## GOD'S GREAT PROMISES TO ABRAHAM

"When Abram was ninety years old and nine, the Lord appeared unto him and said, I am the Almighty God; walk before Me and be thou perfect (or upright and *sincere*) and I will make My covenant between Me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly. And Abram fell on his face, and God talked with him, saying, As for Me, behold My covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of a *multitude of nations*, neither shall thy name anymore be called Abram, but thy name shall be called Abraham; for a father of a *multitude of nations* have I made thee. And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, and I will make *nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee*. 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. And I will give thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land of thy sojournings, all the land of Canaan for an everlasting possession, and I will be their God." Gen. 17: 1-8.

"My covenant," or God's covenant, after the flood had been established between Noah and his seed, embracing Shem, Ham, and Japheth (Gen. 9:9), but here, God selects the Shemitic line of Noah's seed only, and with that line, or with Abraham, makes an everlasting covenant, so that God's covenant must ever remain in the house of Abraham, and with the seed of Israel, and never be changed as it was from Japheth and Ham, for now, they and their seed must become partakers of the covenant only through Abraham's seed, as they had not proved themselves true to the ways of God, as had their brother Shem.

It had now been twenty-five years since the Lord first appeared to Abraham in the land of Charan, and began to make the "exceeding great and precious promises." At every time a promise was made, no matter how great it might be, this sincere and devoted servant of the Living God reverently bowed his head and believed it, because God said it, not because he saw it, or could comprehend it. Every promise only proved to be greater than the previous one, until now it must seem that we have come to the zenith of promise making.

As we analyze, you think, as you never have thought before, and we feel, we know, that the scales will begin to fall from your eyes, you will begin to "know as you are known," and your soul will be filled to overflowing with the rich blessings of heaven.

1. God promises to make His covenant between Abraham and his seed. To know what the covenant of God is, read Deut. 4: 10, and you will find it is the Ten Commandments, or the law of God. It is a remarkable fact, that not a nation outside of the Israelitish nations, have ever clung so tenaciously to the Ten Commandments of God. Not one nation can be found. God wrote them upon tables of stone, and

presented them to Israel some four hundred years later than when he now talks to Abraham.

Take history, either profane or sacred, search its pages, with the most particular scrutinizing eyes, and you will be unable to find where God's law has become a part of the moral code of any nation except Israel. When Israel and Judah were dispersed, and Gentile nations took their place as *the head*, they set the law aside, for the law as a whole, or in part, has been set aside, when Israel and Judah went into captivity, the law and its Sabbath was forgotten, and the wild solar holiday of the ages was hoisted in its place. From 1798 this way, the law and the Sabbath have once more begun to take their rightful place, and where prior to 1798 the Sabbath keepers were very few, except among the Jews, yet this side of 1798 as Israel has emerged from her captivated condition, the Sabbath has again come into prominence, until there is scarcely a family among the Israelitish nations, but what must admit that "the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God."

This one point of the seventh-day Sabbath, of itself is enough to prove conclusively, that the fair-complexioned people of the present day are the descendants of the ten-lost tribes of Israel. Of itself, it establishes their identity. Listen! The seventh day was given to Israel only as a Sabbath. Ex. 31: 13. Observed by them for over 800 years, when, because of their little regard for its sacredness, at last they were cast out of their land, and in their cast-off condition, the Sabbath was forgotten, and the swathy colored people, or Gentiles, who then had the ascendancy, as they embraced so-called Christianity, it became perverted by Gentile teachers, observed the first day of the week or Sunday, as has been done by the amalgamated people during all past ages. Sunday, as a holy day, came into the Church about 200 A. D., and continued until near 1798. When the light-complexioned people, or Israel, once more gained the ascendancy, and the Sabbath came back into its own, and is gladly embraced, as its binding requirements are seen, and the law of God, embraced in the ten commandments; became an honored document. For proof, see the constitutions of the Governments of the United States, Switzerland, England, Germany, Norway, Sweden, and so forth are almost entirely based upon it.

So far as Judah is concerned, they ever have maintained their integrity of Sabbath keeping and when ecclesiastical Gentileism was at its height, thousands of our Jewish brethren paid for their Sabbath observance by their lives, as well as their total abstinence from the use of swine's flesh as a diet.

Perhaps you may ask why the Jewish people have clung to the Sabbath while their brethren of the ten tribes forgot it in their lost condition among the



nations of earth. The reason is this: There was one tribe that had gone through the fires of purification while in the home-land, this was the tribe of Benjamin. (Judges, chapters nineteen to twenty-one.)

The tribe of Benjamin later was given to David, or Judah, that God might ever have a light before Him, for we read: "And unto his son will I give one tribe, that David, my servant, may have a light always before Me in Jerusalem, the city which I have chosen to put My name there." Kings 11:36.

When the ten tribes revolted from Judah, under Jeroboam, the tribe of Benjamin remained with Judah, and the house of David. In this the mind of God was met. The tribe, of all the tribes of Israel, was the one that was to keep spirituality and righteousness alive in the earth. It has been this tribe, along with the Jews, that has had its "wailing place" at Jerusalem and that has been calling upon God, because of their sins and the sins of their fathers. It was from the tribe of Benjamin that Jesus chose eleven of his apostles, and later when God chose a man to take the place of Judas Iscariot, the son of perdition, who was of Gentile blood, He chose Paul, and Paul was a Benjaminite. Thus, as we study sacred and profane history, we find the tribe of Benjamin ever in the fore-front as religious guides among the twelve, with the tribe of Dan very closely following. There is no question that when the "Books are opened" it will be found that all the reformers of the ages have come from the tribes of Benjamin and Dan, so far as ten-tribed Israel are concerned, as they have come down through the ages.

2. "Father of many nations." What promise could have been made greater, and more far-reaching. Yet, when it was made, Abraham was childless, so far as the righteous seed was concerned, and *his wife barren*. Yet to be a father of *many nations*. Shame be to the man who would still follow the seductive teachings of Gentileism, and try to minimize and spiritualize this promise, as they say, "through Jesus" till its greatness and glory is entirely lost. Their very teachings nullifies the whole promise, for they say when he, Jesus, returns, there will only be one nation over which he is to be king.

Some say the promise was fulfilled in ancient Israel. But how, we pray? There never was more than two nations then, and only two kings. Is two a multitude? Would any of the preachers who thus teach, and try to stultify and belittle this "great and precious promise" of God be willing to take the same measure from their lay members? Would they be willing to accept \$200 as payment in full of their salary of \$2,000? We rather think not so. Would any of the laity who try to minimize and make little the all-true word of God be willing to take the same measure from their groceryman as they try to have God put off on Abraham? Never. If one egg is short out of the dozen, or one ounce on the pound, how soon they remonstrate against it. Reason says we should think that Abraham would be just as earnest in asking for his "nations." Reason says that God will be just as willing to make "nations" out of the "seed of Abraham," just as He promised, as your groceryman is to give you just weights and measures.

See. There is no real contentment to us as individuals without full measure, neither will there be with Abraham, if he awakens from his sleep in his dusty bed, and call for his "multitude of nations," and God would only pass him over two. Reader, remember that Israel's God is not given to cajoling and joking about His promises, especially when such promises are confirmed by an oath. Heb. 6:13-16.

But, says another objector, "God could not do it, because of the failure of Israel to meet His righteous obligations." Very well then, such an admission only confirms the inability of God to perform His promises, and gives the cue to infidelity, that it is correct in its teachings. But no! Never! Our God doth not lie, but has suffered centuries to go by, until "we (Israel) know as we are known" (1 Cor. 9:12), the literal seed of Abraham, not a spiritualized seed, brought to such minute and miniture creatures, that as one learned divine has said, "a million of them can be placed upon the point of a cambric needle." It is entirely useless for men to make long prayers, and read or preach soul-stirring sermons, while the seeming tears run down their cheeks, and by this artifice make merchandise of their hearers, yet go on and set aside the truth of God. "The day of small things" is past. God is making manifest His greatness, and those who will not acknowledge Him in His greatness, and Abraham, the father of many nations, will have the privilege a little later, of thinking and studying out the matter in solitude and silence, as they are left without the boundaries of the "land of the Lord," until they shall have renounced Gentileism, and their eyes become opened to see the greatness and goodness of God, and that His promises are yea, and amen, and in meekness and humility honor Him as an all-wise and truthful God, when at such time they will be admitted into the kingdom of God after these great lessons of righteousness have been learned.

As a token of the sureness of this promise, of "a multitude of nations" coming from him, God changed his name to Abraham, which name signifies "the father of a great multitude." From this time forward he has been called "Abraham," "the father of the faithful." How indifferently this name is now used by the masses of professed Christian teachers, with no thought as to why the name was changed. But yet, while this is so, the greater part is due to ignorance and "blindness," caused by the "smoke of the furnace," the furnace of Gentileism. That as soon as the veil of "blindness" is lifted, which lifting began in 1914, the majority of these honest, yet short-sighted teachers, will readily accept these great truths of God.

3. If the other promise was great, here comes one even greater, for it embraces houses of royalty, as it says, "Kings shall come out of thee." Wonder how these teachers, who claim that "the seed" spoken of by God to Abraham was Jesus, will be able to fix this promise? Will they claim that Jesus will be kings? There is no promise of kings coming from Jesus, the promise of coming kings is to and from Abraham. At the present, it is easy enough to count at least a dozen Israelitish kings that have come from Abra-



ham and David, their fathers, to say nothing about the kings that have come down through Ishmael and Esau, and rule in the earth. These now crowned, while there are several who have been dethroned and are uncrowned. Thus we find, that at the end of the Gentile Age, when Israel, the seed of Abraham, were to come back into their own, that the great promises made to Abraham by the Lord God of heaven, are already on the high road to a literal fulfillment. If this be true at the beginning of the incoming Restitution Age, what may we expect at its close about 4364 A. D.? No wonder God has said, "eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither hath it entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him. But God hath revealed them unto us, by His Spirit, for *the Spirit searcheth all things, yea the deep things of God.* For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? Even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God." 1 Cor. 2:9-12.

Oh that men might liberate themselves by the help of the Lord, from the mysticisms of Gentileism, taking hold of the real, literal things which God hath spoken of to His people, but which things, through the "blindness that hath happened unto Israel," have been set at naught by them. God sent His Spirit to bring the revelation of these things to men. Then if we loiter around and spiritualize the words which have been written to us in the Bible, and do not let the Spirit reveal them to us, how can we expect to receive farther revelation, through and by the Spirit which God hath given? Someone will answer the question by and by. Shall you, shall I? Why not receive the Spirit of knowledge and revelation now? It is for you. When we cast our bigness on God's side, taking Him at His Word, then it is that the sweet and rich blessings of heaven are showered upon us, and we are enriched by the knowledge that His Word is eternal truth, the revelation of His character.

4. "I will give unto thee and thy seed all the land of Canaan." Abraham never asked for this land. God, of His own freewill told him He would give it to him, and not to him only, but "to his seed after him, for an everlasting possession." This promise stands, in a way, fulfilled at the present time. It is now in its embryotic state. Now, for the first time since B. C. 721, the flag of Israel, of Judah, of Dan, floats over this God-given land. "Everlasting possession" could not mean the few years that Israel was in the land, and then they did not have full possession of it. It was held in a way co-jointly with other nations, as they were never able to entirely rid the land of those "strangers." Hence, this "great and precious promise" remains yet in God's Great Promise Book, only waiting for a righteous and holy Israel to claim possession. How much better this home, than the one the Gentiles have left to us, the one they say is "above the stars," "the beautiful home of somewhere." Here is real land, real valleys and

mountains, hills and plains, springs and brooks, rivers and lakes. This real land has been promised to you, to me, who are of the seed of Abraham, of the precious seed of Israel, of which "not a grain was to be lost." Amos 9:9. The "true vine," the "noble plant," that God Himself "planted," "God's Sanctuary." Here in this home we can walk in the paths trod by Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Here we can stand on the same spot, yes, pitch our tents on the same spot, that father Abraham was, when God made the "precious promises" to him. Here we can cast our eyes heavenward, and see the same stars that Abraham saw, when God said, "your seed shall be as the stars for multitude." Here, in this land, we can walk where Jesus walked, we can stop on the same spots, and places, where Jesus prayed, when he was working out the eternal salvation of Israel. There, to open the fountain of tears in our heads, and let the tears of joy flow for all that our Jesus has done for us, that these "precious promises" might become a blessed reality. Gladly would we cast off our sinfulness, take on the sinless life, and claim this land as "our heavenly home." Now, being free, eternally free, from the pains and sorrows of life, which we now have to endure in this strange land, the enemies' land, the "unsubdued" and sinful land.

5. "Thy seed after thee." How many times in these few verses doth God repeat these words to Abraham. By faith, the eye of this faithful servant glanced down the vista of years, until at last, he could see his seed safely settled in the land so graciously promised and given of God. Why, oh why, try to carry out the plan of the Gentiles, and destroy the eternal plan of God, by saying, and trying to make others believe that the seed spoken of was Jesus. If this were true, in a way, how lonely, just he and Jesus. Methink he would be calling for "the multitudes" of the faithful, and the promised seed, that they might enjoy the blessing of God's wonderful bounty together with him.

Let us give the words, "thy seed after thee," the fullness of expression that God meant, when He was speaking to Abraham. Let us forever lay aside the thought transmitted to us by the Gentile "fathers," that these promises to Abraham have already met their fulfillment, for has not the Lord God Himself spoken to us by the mouth of His servant Paul, speaking of the Israelitish fathers of the past, and saying, "And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promises; God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made perfect." Heb. 11:39, 40. How truly has God watched over us, "thy seed after thee."

"And God said unto Abraham, as for Sarai thy wife, thou shall not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall her name be (signifying princess) and I will bless her, and give thee a son of her; yea, I will bless her, and she shall be a mother of nations. Kings of people shall be of her." Gen. 17:15, 16. This was too much for Abraham, he fell upon his face, and laughed at the thought of a man, an hundred years old and a woman ninety, being able to bring a child into the world. It seemingly staggered Abraham,



for he said, "O that Ishmael might live before Thee." Verse 18. To this God replied: "Sarah, thy wife, shall bear thee a son indeed, and thou shalt call his name Isaac: and I will establish My covenant with him for an everlasting covenant, and with his seed after him." Verse 19. The Lord does not forget Ishmael, as he is Abraham's seed, but says, "As for Ishmael, I have heard thee; behold, I have blessed him, and will make him fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly, twelve princes shall he beget, and I will make him a great nation. But *My covenant will I establish with Isaac*, which Sarah shall bear unto thee at this set time in the next year." Verses 20 and 21.

This promise to Ishmael remains steadfast. This was not an idle tale, the Lord meant it. Notice there were the same number of princes as there were in Israel, but only one nation, a great nation. God would multiply him exceedingly, but never to the extent that His covenant, or law, should rest with him, this was to be with the seed of Isaac. Then why abuse and say indiscrete things about our Ishmael-Mohammedan brethren. Have they not many good points, that would put us as Christians to shame? God has the arrangement in hand. Perhaps He knows more than we do about it. Perhaps in the end it will all redound to His glory. We are too prone to take the place of God, by exalting ourselves to the judgment seat, which Jesus himself would not take. Jesus has said, "Other sheep have I, 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 10:16. Might not Jesus know more than we? Might not our Mohammedan brethren be these "sheep?" If Ishmael, they are the seed of Abraham. Might it not be, that he would bring them, and have all the seed of Abraham in one fold, and he himself the one shepherd? We should ever remember that,

"God works in mysterious ways  
His wonders to perform."

Might not this be one of those ways. How beautiful would it be, to see the whole family of Abraham arrayed under one banner, with one living head, even with what has been supposed to be deceived, but faithful Mohammed at the head of the House of Ishmael as their saviour, high priest of the House of Might it not be so? Then how glorious to find after all, that our blind eyes had not been able to pierce the dark future as far as God had planned, that His name might be glorified. So far as the writer is concerned, we gladly say amen, Thy will, O God, not ours.

Finally when Abraham was an hundred years old the promised seed came. His name was called Isaac, and the day he was weaned they made a feast for him. Seemingly on this day Sarah got the idea that Ishmael was mocking at her son, whereupon she told Abraham that the bondwoman and her son must go. This was very grievous to Abraham, because of his son Ishmael. But "God said, let it not be grievous in thy sight because of the lad . . . for in Isaac shall thy seed be called." Gen. 21:1-12.

There was a reason for this son to be called Isaac.

By this name it becomes possible to identify a part of the House of Israel in these last days. As the Saxon people can trace their lineage back to where their forefathers were known by the term "Isaac's Sons," when a little later, the "I" was dropped and they, Israel were called Sacc's Sons, and finally they were given the name they bear now, Anglo-Saxons, which name is used and applied to the Children of Joseph, or Ephriam and Manasseh, known as the English people for Ephriam, and Welch people for Manasseh as the line of descent has been traced back to the parent Israelitish tribes in both instances.

While the Lord told Abraham to send away Ishmael, he did not do it without a promise again, for he said, "And also of the son of the bondwoman will I make a nation, *because he is thy seed.*" Gen. 21:13. Also a promise was left with the mother Hagar, as she heard the voice of God say to her, when she was expecting the death of her son, which said, "Arise, lift up the lad, and hold him in thy hand, for I will make him a great nation." Verse 18. You will notice that God does not say he will become a great nation, but "I will make him a great nation." It is the work of God Himself, and when our eyes are entirely free from the scales of Gentileism, we will be fully able to see the Lord had done it according to His promise to the father and mother.

It becomes a recognized fact that the people of that country that the land was to eventually come into the possession of the seed of Abraham, for we find that king "Abimelech and Pichol, the chief captain of his host, spake unto Abraham, saying, God is with thee in all that thou doest: now therefore swear unto me here by God, that thou wilt not deal falsely with me, nor with my son, nor with my son's son, but according to the kindness that I have done unto thee, thou shalt do unto me, and to the land whereon thou has sojourned, and Abraham said, I will swear." Verses 22-24.

Sometimes we get to thinking that we know more about the things of God than did these ancients, but not so, as God actually walked and talked with them. His plans, and his purposes were known unto them. This condition of things could have continued until Restitution would come, had not the amalgamated blooded or Gentile peoples gained the ascendancy. Coming in as they did, the farther from God they could get, the better it suited them. With Lucifer at their head, they greatly desired to destroy the eternal plans of God altogether, and would, had not God foreordained Israel as we have previously shown.

## THE BIBLE

Within that volume lies  
The mystery of mysteries!  
Happiest they of human race,  
To whom God has granted grace  
To read, to fear, to hope, to pray,  
To lift the latch, and force the way;  
And better had they ne'er been born,  
Who read to doubt, or read to scorn.—Scott.



## Promises Amidst a Testing Trial

In order that God might fully know that Abraham, the chosen, was the proper one with whom to lay the foundation for again reestablishing His kingdom in the earth, He brought a very severe trial upon him. Up to the present, everything that God had asked Abraham to do, no matter whether it could be seen by this devoted man, or not, he gave instant and loyal obedience. So much so, that when we come to the times in which we are now living, the Lord has said to us, "Look unto Abraham, your father, and to Sarah that bare you, for I called him *alone*, and blessed and increased him." Isa. 51:2. This word is given that as we come to a study of the nations of Israel, of the seed of Abraham, that like as the father and mother, we might believe, even though we are not able to see, thus letting the eternal promises of God be more to us than our sight.

The promise of the greatness of Abraham's seed did not lay in Ishmael, neither in the sons of Keturah, but "in Isaac, his only son, Isaac," which the Lord was going to make him understand. He only had one son Isaac, and in him lay the vastness of the promises. This son was now approaching manhood, and to the natural eye, to be bereft of him would mean the complete annulment of all the great and precious promises that God had made to him.

So there came a day when God called and said, "Abraham, and he said, behold, here I am. And He (God) said, Take now thy son, *thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest*, and get thee into the land of Moriah, and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of." Gen. 22:1, 2. Notice the implicit obedience of this now aged servant of God. Just as it was when he was told to go to the land of Canaan in his younger days, there was no tarrying, for we read, "And Abraham arose early in the morning, and saddled his ass and took two of his young men with him, and Isaac, his son, and clave the wood for the burnt offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him. Then on the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes, and saw the place afar off." Verses 3, 4. The scene before him now no doubt brought to his mind the promises God had made, "afar off." Little doubt now, as under the burden of this trial, as the mist began to gather before his eyes, the place seemed very much farther than it really was. All the promised expectations no doubt now seemed to be passing from his view. Earnestly, anxiously, had he longed for the time to come when the promises would meet their fulfillment. Many had been the time during the seasons in which he had thoughtfully studied the stars, longing for the time to come, when his seed would be as numerous, and shine as brightly and beautiful as did the twinkling stars, but now, it all seemed to be *but a dream*, as he was on the way to offer this son, "his only son Isaac," upon whom rested all his hopes and all the promises as related to his seed.

"And Abraham said unto his young men, Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder and worship, and come again to you." Implicit faith. "will go and come again," yet he was on his way to offer a sacrifice, a sacrifice of his only son, the promised seed.

In the following ordeal, see the beautiful representative type of Jesus, in Isaac, as the very thing borne by Jesus, sin, led him to his death, just so with Isaac, as we shall see. "And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it upon Isaac, his son, and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together." Verse 6. Abraham representing his seed, held the very things that would deprive him of his son, and Jesus of his life, the fire and the knife, typical of the sin borne by Jesus, that would make him feel the knife and the fire on the cross.

As they silently journeyed along to the place of death, "Isaac spake unto Abraham, his father, and said, My father, and he said, Here am I, my son." And he said, "Behold the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" Verse 7. The mind of this dutiful son had not yet been able to grasp the situation. The thought had not come to him, as the promised one, that he was to be the lamb himself, and innocently he asked his father, "Where is the lamb?" Never had he transgressed the law of his father, and it could not be possible that the father would sacrifice him.

Just as the sacrifice was passed to Abraham, just so the sacrifice was forced upon God. Sin put the Father to the utmost limit, but as Abraham, his type, He withheld not His son, but let the darkness shut from His sight the awful tragedy that was being enacted, for God would not look upon the death of His son, but let a shroud of darkness hide it from His view.

How beautiful in this trying ordeal was the answer of this, to the no doubt broken-hearted father, should the faith, he so honestly had, not materialize, as seemed the promises at this time. The answer came from the most obedient and confidential soul that ever lived, for Abraham said, "My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering. So they went both of them together." Verse 8. No doubt as this trustful and faithful man of God let his mind glance down the vista of years, he was able to see the very time and place, where, for his (Abraham's) seed, as he said, God would provide Himself a lamb for the offering, for the redemption of the foreordained seed of Israel. Be it remembered that "God will provide Himself a lamb." It was not for man to provide a lamb, but for God.

Abraham's vision must have swept forward from this scene, by faith, to the crucifixion of Jesus, for in this it was "a ram," not a lamb. Also not Isaac, but the ram died, and would not type meet antitype at the crucifixion of Jesus? In latter-day research



we have, as true Bible students, been able to find many things that lift clouds of mysticism from the Word of God, and which things make the Book of God become more beautiful and real to us.

At last the trying moment came. A moment that would shake faith to its very foundation, if there had been the least place for doubting. "For they came to the place which God had told him of." The place of sacrifice was before him. But he had started in faith, in faith he would end the drama. He would go to the utmost limit before he would charge anything back to his God. So "Abraham built an altar, and there laid the wood in order," and with an unwavering faith, with his own hands, bound Isaac, his son, and laid him on the altar upon the wood. And Abraham stretched forth his hand, and took the knife to slay his son." Verses 9, 10. As with the Eternal Father, in the crucial moment, his faith failed him not, it was a determined faith, a faith that took no denial, it was God's place, as promised, to give him seed in Isaac's name, not his place to try to save the one through whom "his seed after him was to be called." God must take care of the promise Himself. The knife raised, God knew he meant it, He knew what would happen, He bade His angel call, and the angel called and said, "Abraham, Abraham, and he said, Here am I." Verse 11. God knew that Abraham was always there with obedience, so He told the angel to act quickly. The magnetic button was touched, it reached the ear of Abraham, bearing the message, "Lay not thine hand upon the lad; neither do thou anything to him!" God was not long in paying homage to such faith, for He had not seen such faith in mortal man before. Listen to what He said, "*For now I know that thou fearest God; seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son from Me.*" Verse 12.

Loving obedience always has its happy ending. So as "Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked" to see from whence came the voice, which was ever so sweet to his ear, he now saw that which, because of his intense interestedness, he had not seen before, "A ram, caught in a thicket by his horns." His faith now had turned to sight, and he took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son." Verse 13. Had he not told the truth? God had provided a sacrifice. And had not God been faithful to care for His promise and the promised seed? Praise be to Israel's God. In the darkest hours of life's trials He never fails, it is then His blessed presence is realized.

This is not so with the Gentile god, for when called, as in Elijah's day, he is usually "sleeping or pur-suing." He is only an imaginative being, for have not their teachers written of him as follows and transmitted to us, that he is a god "without body or parts." Such is not the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

To a true Israelite, one of Abraham's "seed after him," the trial never comes so hard and severe that his faith fails him, for this example of his father Abraham is an ever present literal fact, that his God lives, and that when he goes to his limit, there it will be, and he will find his God to care for the rest.

This is simply proved by what is and has been going on around us all the time. Prior to 1798, before the end of Israel's captivated period had expired, little was heard of the works of faith, except in isolated cases, where some "man of renown" of the sons of Israel penetrated the darkness that enshrouded him, and reached his God. But now on every hand by acts of faith, the unsaved reaches his God, the sick ones healed, and even in some instances the dead are raised to life. These great promises of our God will become more and more manifest, as we get further from under the awful pall and "horror of darkness" cast around the "Elect of God" by the errors as "a smoking furnace" that have been left us as a legacy by the Gentile teachers of the past age. Thanks be to our God, "the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob," the name whereby He was ever to be known and called upon by His people, which He has since the days of that Goliath of Israel, the illustrious Martin Luther, dared beard the lion of Gentileism, and proclaim as Israel's God had done before, that "the just shall live by faith."

Abraham went down in the dark valley of doubt and fear, but triumphantly emerged from the storm that had swept over him, and that, too, still holding to his God with invincible faith. Even so, Israel, literal Israel, of the seed of Abraham, is emerging from the dark and smoking valley of Gentileism, where civilly and religiously they have been kept in bondage during the days of "the smoking furnace." But release at last has come, and as with Isaac, they now are unbound, loosed, that Rebekah once more may be found, who was the mother of "thousands of millions."

No sooner had the ram been offered up as a burnt offering, typical of the final burning up and destroying of all the amalgamated blooded people, than Abraham reverently gave to that spot in the land of Moriah a name, Jehovah-jireh, which signifies "the Lord will see, or provide." "In the mount of the Lord it shall be seen." Verse 14. Figuratively speaking, how often since the sacrifice on the real mount, has it been seen. Many have been the faithful ones of the seed of Abraham who in the dark trying hours have remained steadfast to the promise of Abraham's God, with a faith that would not shrink, until the Lord had provided. The humble writer of this book, almost penniless, yet called to his God-given work, on his knees, without doubting, told his God of the sacrifice of all that he was making, in order that the name Jehovah might be glorified in the earth, His Word and promise upheld, and the revelation of His truth given to the world, stripped of the sophistries of Gentileism, and how often has that God commissioned a messenger to fly to the home of some devoted Israelite elsewhere, tell them of our needs, and soon the necessary means was on the way to relieve us of our burdens, and give the work a new impetus on the road to final victory. Heaven's telephone will do the work, if you do not believe it, dear reader, pay the toll and lift up your voice by faith, and see how quickly the answer will come. But listen. It is useless to expect unless you



pay the toll. The operator at the other end of the line only turns the switch to those who make "the covenant by sacrifice." Unless, as Abraham, you are willing to sacrifice all that you have first, and go

down in the dark valley alone, it is useless for you to try to use the telephone expecting a return reply. It is faith that makes the drop at heaven's telephone exchange.

## Last Promises to Abraham

As Abraham had passed through the great and final severe test of his faith, and God having found in him a man whom He could call "His friend," He sent His angel and called out of heaven the second time, 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; 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 by the sea-shore, and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies; and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because thou hast obeyed My voice." Gen. 22: 15-18.

As every cloud has its silver lining, just so with the trial that seemed for the time to be sweeping everything that had been promised to Abraham away from him. This past, the Lord comes to him, and with an oath, confirms all that He has promised him. That the blessings shall not only be, but shall be multiplied. What more, and how much greater could God have made it all appear unto him. How could He have better expressed in language to this aged man, just what He had been trying to tell him all the time? The immensity of the greatness of his seed.

This being so, how is it possible for so many people to be talking and teaching about the "remnant of Israel"? Where can they find it anyway? The remnant can only come from the "furnace" experience of Israel, which is already past. Why not grasp the sublime thought of not "adding, I will add," but in "multiplying, I will multiply thee"? This will far more glorify the name of God, than instead of looking in some isolated and out of the way place in the earth for "a remnant." Why not let our eyes become opened, and study the greatness of this promise?

As this second call comes to Abraham, in it is wrapped up the greatest promise of all promises yet given. But this promise is not given without first stating the reason. "By Myself have I sworn, saith the Lord, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only son, that in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, as the sand which is upon the sea-shore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies; and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because thou hast obeyed My voice." Verses 16-18.

Surely never have such promises of magnitude ever been made to mortal man, and never before did mortal man go the limit with God that Abraham had just gone. The Lord was surely trying and testing a man to see if he was the proper man that of him

"and his seed," He might "make all nations of one blood," and was finding that man in faithful Abraham. So that ever he shall have the honor of being "the father of the faithful." How glorious, how grand will be that day, when at last, because of the seed of Abraham, of Israel, of Judah, being "sowed with man and with beast" (Jer. 31: 27), to behold the wondrous sight of a one-blooded people once more, all the amalgamated-blooded people destroyed, or else their blood cleansed by the Lord God of heaven. Little wonder that the "morning stars will sing together and all the sons of God will shout for joy." The scene will be the most sublime of all the eons, a clean universe once more, and that not brought about by "might and force," but all through the mind and spirit of Jehovah, who was able to read "the end from the beginning," and it all done through love. Praise be to His Name.

"In multiplying I will multiply thy seed." Will you not stop and think for a moment, as to the vast proportions of Abraham's seed at the present time?

Take England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales, Australia, Canada, together with their other Israelitish-blooded possessions, with their inhabitants of hundreds of millions. Take the United States with its hundred and thirty millions, take Germany, Austria, Norway, Sweden, Holland, Denmark, Switzerland, with their Israelitish-blooded inhabitants of the world, they running into their hundreds of millions. These, of the seed of Isaac and Jacob alone, and where is the man that will dare say that God has not verified His word, "in multiplying I will multiply thy seed"? Then turn to the Ishmael line of the seed of Abraham, let their millions, Turkey, Arabia, and their kindred people, running up into the millions, again pass before you, and you surely must confess that God undoubtedly told the truth to Abraham.

It is these literal facts that puts infidelity and skepticism on the run and raises the faith and courage of men, so that they are enabled to see, and by faith, take hold of the salvation of Israel's God.

Also, without any irreverence, these startling facts, causes that little pigmy of an Israelite, who has been running around and saying, "thy seed which is Jesus," to hide his face in shame, to think that in his blindness and ignorance he has been twittering around, not knowing what he was saying, having been trying to quote from Paul, when he had not the least idea as to what Paul had in mind, when he used those words, "thy seed which is Jesus." Paul never got his wires crossed, but Paul was willing to "stand and be judged for the hope of the promise made of



## The Great Promises to Isaac

The first intimation that we have of a conversation between God and Isaac, was in the midst of a famine, such as his father had passed through when he went to Egypt that he might find sustenance. But in this famine, the Lord appeared unto Isaac and said, "Go not down into Egypt; dwell in the land that I shall tell thee of: sojourn in this land, and I will be with thee, and will bless thee, for unto thee, and unto thy seed, I will give all these countries, and I will perform the oath which I swear unto Abraham thy father, and I will make thy seed to multiply as the stars of heaven, and will give unto thy seed all these countries, and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because that Abraham obeyed My voice, and kept My charge, My commandments, My statutes, and My laws." Gen 26:1-5.

From the foregoing we are led to believe that God had not become the least bit weak in regard to making His promises, but rather was enlarging upon them. He now promises to give Isaac and his seed, not only the land, but "these countries." If you will take the trouble to get a Bible geography of that age, and see what countries were there, then you can begin to see what country was promised. To become intelligent students, we should be earnest students.

Now to the man who tries to spiritualize the Bible, and who says that all future ages are to be spent in a place called heaven, we ask, Does heaven embrace "these countries"? If not, why not let go the fanciful Gentile teachings and believe God. Knowing of a truth that "these countries" actually existed, that "these countries" are upon this earth, and that "these countries" have been given to the seed of Isaac, and that the seed of Isaac will yet inhabit "these countries," thus letting go once for all the idle and vain teachings of the Gentile fathers, that heaven is our home, and that all the good people have and will go there. Let us take our soundings and find what the Scriptures really teach about the departed dead anyway. Gentile ideas, our ideas, or our church's ideas, will count nothing in the end, as to what is said about them, for it will only be as God has said it would be.

You will notice that the Lord is not trying to fence about the oath and the promises made to Abraham, but reminds Isaac that He intends to perform it. The reason that He intends to perform it, is "because Abraham obeyed His voice, kept His charge, His commandments, His laws." You will notice that the commandments and laws are in the plural number, and most undoubtedly embrace them all. In these, must have been all the law and commands given to Israel, and Abraham was tested as to the keeping of them before they were given to Israel. God would not give His people a law to observe until He had tested it to see if man could keep it.

In his seed were all nations of the earth to be blessed. Thus, this blessing, given to Abraham, is repeated to him, "All the nations of the earth."

This did not only include the then existing nations, but included all the nations of the earth that were to

be, for it literally says so. Centuries went by, the promises as well as the seed of Isaac had been forgotten. This caused by their disobedience and turning from the law of God. Yet God never forgot Isaac, nor His promise to him, but led the unknown seed in a way they knew not, among the other nations of the earth. As they moved hither and thither, many times driven by their enemies into corners of the earth. By their rulers called Sac's Sons, or Isaac's Sons. The hands of the prophetic clock kept moving. They drew near to the end of their captivated condition, and these same Sac's Sons, began to emerge and to dwell in the very gates of their enemies, and came to be known to the world in general as Saxons. Later on, as we come down the annals of time, they become known as they are today—Anglo-Saxons, and Teutons, springing from that great birthplace of nations, the ancient cradle of the earth. The place where Shalmanasar buried the captivated ten tribes of Israel.

But lo! the time has come of which it had been said, that "ye shall know as ye are known." So that now, we absolutely know they are the literal seed of the ten lost tribes of Israel. Not only this, but we know that all nations of the earth has been blessed in them.

Beginning with the coming of the Promised One, Jesus, from thence sweeping on through time to the days of Martin Luther, that Danish-Israelitish son, who, amidst the darkness of Romanized-Gentileism, grasped that great truth which had been given to his fathers in ages past, that the "just shall live by faith." With this as his fulcrum, he began to undermine that great religio-Pagan structure, until it at last began to crumble, its deceitful and ungodly nature became known, and in the place of its traditions and idle sayings, the word of the living God once more came into its rightful place.

The time had come for all nations to get the blessings promised—1798, the end of the period of punishment decreed was passed. In 1806, right in the midst of the Saxon people, the British Bible Society was formed. Bibles were printed and sent to the world by the ship-loads, carried not by the hands of the Gentile-Roman fakers, who made the people kiss the cross, which they held aloof with one hand, while with the other they rifled the pocket of the one who kissed of his silver and his gold, but by the true and brave-hearted Sons of Isaac. Not into one nation, but into all nations of the earth. So that in our own time, we can literally see that all nations of the earth have really been blessed through and by the seed of Isaac, as they have carried the name of Jesus and the living word of Israel's God into all the dark lands, of all the sin-cursed nations of earth.

And as we, Israel's sons, blessed others, it only remains for the blessings of these nations to come back upon the head of the blesser, so that through the faithful work of the beloved Queen Victoria, this illustrious daughter of the House of David, and Hon.



William E. Gladstone, the buried truth of lost Israel began to come to light. Blind eyes began to be opened, and as we neared the time of the end of Judah's captivated period, the glad news began to flash from home to home, from pole to pole, that the light-skinned people, they who had blessed all nations with the gospel, were well and truly the sons of Isaac, the literal seed of Israel, so that there begins to be a longing again for the homeland of Israel among these people, such as has not been known since the days of Moses in Egypt.

Later in the life of Isaac, we find that Abimelech asked him to leave him, as he was "much mightier" than they. In his removing, it devolved upon him to dig new wells for water, for the Philistines had stopped all the wells his father Abraham had dug. As he dug in the valley he struck artesian water (Gen. 26: 19), but this well was taken from him by the herdmen of Gerar. Rather than strive, he dug another. This also was taken. Again he dug another, this was left to him, and he said, "Now the Lord had made room for us." This is typical of the three stages of Israel, Israel under Solomon, Israel under the present kingdoms, and Israel under their Redeemer. From this place he made a visit to Beersheba, and there "the Lord appeared unto him the same night, and said, I am the God of Abraham thy father; fear not, for I am with thee, and will bless thee, and multiply thy seed, for My servant Abraham's sake." Verse 24. While the Lord again promises blessings, He tells him it is for Abraham, His servant's sake. Yet it still remains a multiplying of his seed.

It might be well here to give a short synopsis of the seven heads of Rev. 17. The first, Nimrod's Kingdom. Gen. 10: 8-10. The second, the Assyrian Kingdom. The third, Babylon. The fourth, Medo-Persia. The fifth, Grecian. The sixth, Rome. The seventh, the Ten Kingdoms of Israel as they exist today, but yet to be overcome by the Lamb (Rev. 17: 14), and then to "hate the whore" (verse 16), "make war upon her," and destroy her body by fire. Why should it not be so, when these wild Pagan Kingdoms of the earth in past ages have made war upon predestined and foreordained Israel, the chosen of God, and have tried to destroy them from the face of the earth. Surely in justice it should be they who would destroy her, "the whore," and the kingdoms upon which she rode, urged on by her, as they made their supreme effort to destroy Israel, God's people.

Later in his life, grief came into the home of Isaac and Rebekah, through the marriage of Esau, their son, to Judith, a daughter of Beerli, a Hittite. This was wrong. Yet as Isaac grew old, he called this wayward son before him, that he might bestow upon him the birthright, forgetting that years before Esau had valued the birthright blessing so little, that he had, for a "mess of red pottage," sold it to his brother Jacob.

But listen, the mind and hand of God is not to be staid. The will of the Eternal is to be wrought. It was He, when Rebekah went to enquire, as to why the struggle in her womb, who said: "Two nations are in thy womb, and two manner of people shall be separated from thy bowels; and the one people shall

be stronger than the other people; and the elder shall serve the younger." Gen. 25: 22, 23. Her days were fulfilled. The time for birth came. The boys were born. As they came from the mother's womb, Jacob "took hold of the heel of Esau." All this was typical. One of the boys became "a cunning hunter." This was Esau. The other became "a plain man, dwelling in tents." Verse 27. This was Jacob.

It will be noticed at the present time that as Turkey—Esau—is losing his grip on the holy land, that Jacob comes in upon his heels, and will again take charge of his own God-given land.

In some way "Isaac loved Esau." While Rebekah loved Jacob. It was very fitting that she who was to be "the mother of thousands of millions," should know in the end which boy should have the dying father's blessing. It surely belonged to the plain unassuming man, Jacob, who in the end had power with God and with man and prevailed.

Esau did not have stamina and principle. Had no regard for father or mother, else he never would have brought sorrow into the home of his father by marrying into the family of the Hittites (Chinese). Like many professed Christians today a good mess of greens is worth more than the prospect of eternal life, hence they exchange their prospects for the perishing favors of the present world.

When the good mother, Rebekah, heard Isaac call for Esau on this occasion, to give him the blessing, she called for the son she loved, Jacob, and prepared him that he might get the parting, or dying, blessing of his father, taking advantage of the dimness of the father's eyes.

As Jacob came before his father, passing himself off as Esau, the father was surprised that Esau should be in so soon from the chase. So he called Jacob to him, saying, "The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau." Yet Isaac ate the venison and drank the wine, and as he began to get strength therefrom, he called his son before him, asked him to kiss him, and said, "The smell of my son is as the smell of a field the Lord hath blessed"; "God give thee of the dew of heaven, and the fatness of the earth, and plenty of corn and wine. Let people serve thee, and nations bow down to thee; be lord over thy brethren, and let thy mother's sons bow down to thee; cursed be every one that curseth thee; and blessed be he that blesseth thee." Gen. 27: 26 to 29.

What greater blessing could a father have bestowed upon a son from the Lord. And how truly has it come to pass. Especially in recent years, as the seed of Esau, the Turks, have bowed before their Israelitish brethren, the Anglo-Saxon and the Teutone. And how truly have these two great branches of Isaac's sons been given the fatness of the earth. For instance, see the great land of America in all its fatness, as it has fallen from the hands of the Gentile people, the French and the Spanish, who first had the ascendancy, into the hands of Jacob's sons, the sons of Israel, the Anglo-Saxon and Teutones, and how the curse has fallen upon all who have dared to curse them. Great are the ways of God. As for the passing of America into the hands of the sons of



Isaac, or Israel, from the hands of the Gentile usurpers, listen to this wail as it very pathetically comes to us from one of their respected writers:

"How is it possible not to recollect we could once have hoped, that our race and our language would have been chosen to invade the remainder of the world? We had every chance on our side. It was France, which through Canada and Louisiana, began to embrace North America; India seemed to belong to us, and were it not for the mistakes political liberty could have spared to our forefathers, the language and blood of France would, in all likelihood, occupy in the world the place the language and blood of England has irrevocably conquered; *for destiny has spoken*. . . . However this actual predominance of the Anglo-Saxon race everywhere out of Europe is but a feeble image of what an approaching future has for us."

Who will say that the prophetic nightmare, not imaginative, but real, was staring the writer of the above, and his people, in the face. Each tells what the future will be. Not France, not Spain, but the despised, and hated seed of Isaac will forever hold the ascendancy, not only in the new world, but the old as well.

Who will dare say that this writer was not wrapped in prophetic spirit, as he beheld his, the mixed-blooded people, as they were being trodden down by the ever growing myriads of Israel? The writer continues:

"Our children are not the less assured to see the Anglo-Saxon race mistress of Oceanica as well as of America, and of all the countries of the farthest east that may be dominated. . . . When affairs shall have reached that climax, will it be possible to deny, from one end of the globe to the other, that the world is Anglo-Saxon?"

Or Isaac's Sons, or Sac's Sons, who are no more nor less than the Israel of God, for it has been said, "In Isaac shall thy seed be called."

Again we read from a Spanish writer:

"During the sixteenth century it was rational to believe that Spanish civilization would spread over all the world, but irremediable vice soon dispersed that colonial power, the vestiges of which, still covering a vast space, tells of its ephemeral grandeur. Then came France, and Louisiana, and Canada, have preserved the sad memory of it. Lastly, England came forward, she definitely accomplished the great work, and can disappear from the world without taking her work with her—without the Anglo-Saxon future of the world being sensibly changed."

Who can read such words, without calling to mind the promises made to Abraham and to Isaac. As "the dust of the earth," everywhere, "The fatness of the earth." "Let people serve thee." "Nations bow down to thee." "Be lord of thy brethren," Keturah, Hagar, and Esau's sons.

Listen again, let the above writer proceed:

"That greatness once established, no one can be able to menace it from without, like Rome, which was surrounded on every hand by a barbarous world. There will be no barbarous nations, and the race (Anglo-Saxon—Israel) which will be invested with the guidance of mankind will have to fear neither the competition or the fear of a new race."

Almost word by word you can read in such lines the great promises made to Abraham; "Possess the gates of thine enemies." These once proud Gentile people, were the one-time enemies of the noble seed of Abraham. They, in America and in the world, reached forth and grasped for the place reserved by

God for Israel's sons. But lo! in reaching forth they fell, and Israel occupy their gates today. The Gentile clock has struck, they sink in prophetic gloom! And why? *The foreordained people take the place assigned!* Of the ending of the aspirations of the Gentiles, God hath said: "O that they were wise, that they understood this, that they would consider their latter end." Deut. 32. 29.

But to return. At last the real Esau came. Forgetting his dealing with Jacob of the past, he fully expected the parting blessing to be his. But alas! not so! The Lord gives the reward to the faithful servant, even though it must come through the blindness of Isaac's eyes.

Although with tears and with agony of heart and mind, this wayward son sought for this great parental heavenly blessing, it was not his. The Lord had given it "to whom He would." It had, irregardless of the father's wishes, gone to the son of "the mother of thousands of millions," according to the foreordained plan of God for Israel. Hence Jacob, later called Israel, because of his wisdom and far-sightedness, carried off the blessing that planted him in the earth once for all.

But poor Esau, "with a great and exceeding bitter cry, said unto his father, Bless me, even me also, O my father." Verse 34. Already had the father told him that one had come, that he had blessed him, "*yea, and he shall be blessed.*" Verse 33. He further said, "I have made him thy lord, all his brethren have I given him for servants, and with corn and wine have I supported him, and what shall I do now to thee, my son?" Verse 37. Esau answered and said, "Hast thou but one blessing, my father, bless me, even me also, O my father. And Esau lifted up his voice and wept." Verse 38. More than Esau will soon be found weeping. Soon the home gathering time. Soon one will stand outside and weep. "Shall you, shall I?"

In response to the bitter weeping of his poor wayward son, Isaac said unto him, "Behold, thy dwelling shall be the fatness of the earth, and of the dew of heaven from above, and by thy sword shalt thou live, and shalt serve thy brother; and it shall come to pass when thou shalt have the dominion, that thou shalt break his yoke from off thy neck." Verses 38-40.

"Holy men of old spake as they were moved by the Spirit of God." Here is one instance of a holy man speaking under the direct power of inspiration. Little do we really realize what sort of men Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob were. They lived in an age when angels talked face to face with men. Their minds were ever dwelling on the great things of God. How they could obey and please Him, and bring to pass His righteousness in the earth. They spake in their blessings, as God spoke. His spirit was the mouthpiece for them. So in this one blessing of Isaac to Esau, it was not idle talk, but a heavenly promise of the coming time, when he should have the dominion. Then it was, that he was to break his brother Jacob's yoke from off his neck.

Centuries went by, with Israel holding the preponderance of power over Edom, with Edom, sword



drawn, ever striving for the ascendancy. At last perseverance on his part, and unfaithfulness on Jacob's part, brought the long coveted time. Esau had prevailed. An Esemonian or Edomite king, by the name of Herod, was ruling in the land of Israel. But the promise to Jacob was, he would "prevail" and "prevail" he did.

As we study these promises and benedictions, we are surely struck with wonder and amazement, to see how literally each promise made was literally carried out to the very letter. Yea, even to Esau's dwelling, which "shall be the fatness of the earth." He has ever abode in that place, and while his brother Jacob has been exiled, sent away from his home, his land, there in the fatness of the earth, the seed of Esau has remained. Even has held the lands of his brother Jacob, keeping it from the hands of Gentile pirates, until such time as his brother's captivated period should end, and now, at the end of the Gentile Age, what a wonderful sight we behold, the flags of Israel—Joseph-Judah, once more proudly floating over the beloved city of God, Jerusalem. Never again shall this city be "trodden down of the Gentiles," for the Gentile days have ended, even Esau releases now his hold upon the land. The days of waiting ended; Jerusalem now is free. A compact city, "a city built to the Lord" (Jer. 31:38), and we know her King will soon come again to her, for do we not read, "When the Lord shall build up Zion, He shall appear in His glory." Ps. 102:16. With joyful hearts we truly hail the happy day.

In the passing of the land from the hands of the Turks, or Esau, back to the hands of Israel, surely type meets ante-type again. Jacob, as he was returning back to the land of his father, the land of promise, fully expected to have to meet his brother in deadly conflict, even so at the present changing of hands with the city of Jerusalem, it was expected that a

siege perhaps of months would be necessary to reduce the city to submission. But notice, the time for the birth of a new nation was at hand, and God already arranged the preliminaries, so that man had very little to do with the matter. This will become more apparent day by day, and year by year. This is the "Lord's Day."

How easily did Esau release his grip of centuries on his brother Jacob's land. General Allenby, leading the legions of Ephraim and Judah, came to the entering in of the city of Jerusalem, and Esau and his legions retired without the walls of this city, the coming Capital of the world.

Reader, this one thing that has happened before your eyes, should of itself, convince you of the goodness of God and the correctness of His prophetic word. Always before, the city has been besieged and taken, its buildings more or less destroyed. This time just a change in hands. Jerusalem still stands, and why? "Behold, the days come, said the Lord, and the city shall be built to the Lord, from the tower of Hananeel, unto the gate of the corner." Jer. 31:38. The reason is obvious. God prophetically had spoken in both instances. The city has been built to the Lord, and the time came for Esau to give over to his brother. The word spoken, it must be done. Man had very little to do with it.

The greatness of Isaac did not lay so much in his individuality, as that of his father Abraham, or his son Jacob, but rather his greatness was to be in his literal seed at the end of the Gentile Age. The one promise seems to have covered his entire life, although it was long and "full of days." He is a character little understood. He was a man of meditation, and no doubt was living, in his mind, down in the days of the greatness of his seed.

## IS IT TRUE?

Loretta R. Reynolds

"And I will restore thy judges as at the first, and thy counsellors as at the beginning; after that thou shalt be called a city of righteousness, the town that is faithful. Zion shall be redeemed through justice, and her converts through righteousness." Isa. 1:26, 27.

"And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be firmly established on the tops of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills, and unto it shall flow all the nations." Isa. 2:2.

"And he will lift up an ensign to the nations from far, and will hiss unto them from the end of the earth: and, behold, they shall come with speed swiftly." Isa. 5:26. "And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his

people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea. And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth. The envy also of Ephraim shall depart and the adversaries of Judah shall be cut off: Ephraim shall not envy Judah, and Judah shall not vex Ephraim. But they shall fly upon the shoulders of the Philistines toward the west; they shall spoil them of the east together: they shall lay their hand upon Edom and Moab; and the children of Ammon shall obey them." Isa. 11:11-14. He shall come down like rain upon the mown grass: as showers that water the earth." Ps. 72:6.



"The Lord said also unto me in the days of Josiah the king, Hast thou seen that which backsliding Israel hath done? she is gone up upon every high mountain, and under every green tree, and there hath played the harlot. And I said after she had done all these things, Turn thou unto me. But she returned not. And her treacherous sister Judah saw it. And I saw, when for all the causes whereby backsliding Israel committed adultery, I had put her away, and given her a bill of divorce; yet her treacherous sister Judah feared not, but went and played the harlot also. And it came to pass through the lightness of her whoredom, that she defiled the land, and committed adultery with stones and with stocks. And yet for all this her treacherous sister Judah hath not turned unto me with her whole heart, but feignedly, saith the Lord. And the Lord said unto me, the backsliding Israel hath justified herself more than treacherous Judah. Go and proclaim these words toward the north, and say, Return, thou backsliding Israel, saith the Lord; and I will not cause mine anger to fall upon you: for I am merciful, saith the Lord, and I will not keep anger for ever." Jer. 3:6-12. "And I will cause the captivity of Judah and the captivity of Israel to return, and will build them, as at the first. And I will cleanse them from all their iniquity, whereby they have sinned against me; and I will pardon all their iniquities, whereby they have sinned, and whereby they have transgressed against me. And it shall be to me a name of joy, a praise and an honour before all the nations of the earth, which shall hear all the good that I do unto them: and they shall fear and tremble for all the goodness and for all the prosperity that I procure unto it." "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." "And the word of the Lord came unto Jeremiah saying: Consider thou not what this people have spoken, saying, The two families which the Lord hath chosen, he hath even cast them off? thus they have despised my people, that they should be no more a nation before them." Jer. 33:7-9, 14, 19, 24.

"In those days, and in that time, saith the Lord, the children of Israel shall come, they and the children of Judah together, going and weeping: they shall go, and seek the Lord their God. They shall ask the way to Zion with their faces thitherward, saying, Come, and let us join ourselves to the Lord in a perpetual covenant that shall not be forgotten. My people hath been lost sheep: their shepherds have caused them to go astray, they have turned them away on the mountains: they have gone from mountain to hill, they have forgotten their resting place." Jer. 50:4-6. "Flee out of the midst of Babylon, and deliver every man his soul: be not cut off in her iniquity; for this is the time of the Lord's vengeance; he will render unto her a recompense." Jer. 51:6. "I will bring them again also out of the land of Egypt, and gather them out of Assyria; and I will bring them

into the land of Gilead and Lebanon; and place shall not be found for them." Zech. 10:10.

"Thus saith the Lord of hosts: It shall yet come to pass, that there shall come people, and the inhabitants of many cities: and the inhabitants of one city shall go to another, saying, Let us go speedily to pray before the Lord, and to seek the Lord of hosts: I will go also. Yea, many people and strong nations shall come to seek the Lord of hosts in Jerusalem, and to pray before the Lord. Thus saith the Lord of hosts: In those days it shall come to pass, that ten men shall take hold out of all languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew, saying, We will go with you: for we have heard that God is with you." Zech. 8:20-23. "I will surely assemble, O Jacob, all of thee; I will surely gather the remnant of Israel; I will put them together as the sheep of Bozrah, as the flock in the midst of their fold: they shall make great noise by reason of the multitude of men." Mic. 2:12.

"Babylon is suddenly fallen and destroyed: howl for her; take balm for her pain, if so be she may be healed." Jer. 51:8. "Gather yourselves together, yea, gather together, O nation not desired: before the decree bring forth, before the day pass as the chaff, before the fierce anger of the Lord come upon you, before the day of the Lord's anger come upon you. Seek ye the Lord, all ye meek of the earth, which have wrought his judgment; seek righteousness, seek meekness: it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the Lord's anger." Zeph. 2:1-3. "And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues." Rev. 18:4. "Deliver thyself, O Zion, that dwellest with the daughter of Babylon." Zech. 2:7. "Go ye forth of Babylon, flee ye from the Chaldeans, with a voice of singing declare ye, tell this, utter it even to the end of the earth: say ye, The Lord hath redeemed his servant Jacob." Isa. 48:20.

Is it true that the Lord is going to gather out his people from modern "Babylon," and establish a righteous "mountain" (government) on earth in the tops of other governments?

"And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever. Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure." Dan. 2:44-45. "Thou sawest till that a stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet that were of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces. Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshing-floors; and the



wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth." Dan. 2:34-35.

"I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed. And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the Most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him." Dan. 7:13-14, 27.

The "Resting Place" is the "Father's House." "And Jacob rose up early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put for his pillows, and set it up for a pillar and poured oil upon the top of it. And he called the name of that place Beth-el: but the name of that city was called Luz at the first. And Jacob vowed a vow, saying If God will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and raiment to put on, so that I come again to my father's house in peace; then shall the Lord be my God: and this stone, which I have set for a pillar, shall be God's house: and of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee." Gen. 28:18-22.

"The burden of the word of the Lord in the land of Hadrach, and Damascus shall be the rest thereof: when the eyes of man, as of all the tribes of Israel, shall be toward the Lord." Zech. 9:1. "For ye are not as yet come to the rest and to the inheritance, which the Lord your God giveth you.

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I

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II

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III

Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh His name in vain.

IV

Remember the Sabbath Day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath Day, and hallowed it.

V

Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

VI

Thou shalt not kill.

VII

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

VIII

Thou shalt not steal.

IX

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

X

Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's.



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*O Ancient of Days, help me, I pray Thee, to do that which is right in Thine eyes; grant me, I beseech Thee, the fortitude of spirit to bear these times of Thy Day, the great and terrible; purify my heart and lead my actions in Thy ways of justice and righteousness and peace; for Thou, O King and Redeemer, art merciful and knoweth well the heart of Thy servant who wholly loveth Thee. O Father and Comforter, help me to ever heed the commandments of Moses . . . even to heed this His charge: "And thou shalt love Jehovah Thy God with all thy heart, with all thy life, and with all thy might." Amen.—Sel.*

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## An Epic of Abraham's Life

Coming forth from a dark cavern,  
After thirteen years, in ancient Babylonia,  
A youthful form in adoration knelt and prayed:  
"Our Father who dwells in heaven!" As he prayed

the heavens parted,  
And he beheld the Creator, in visions of the sky.  
"Thou only art God," he said, "these idols are dumb  
clay;

They neither see nor hear nor feel; of men's hands  
the work

Are they; Thou hast created us; we are Thy children;  
Wherefore we should worship Thee alone,  
Not man, nor idols dumb of wood and clay and stone."

When Abram, making sport of his father's idols,  
Broke them into pieces and scattered them about.  
Whereupon his father called him to account;  
"What hast thou done?" the enraged Terah cried.  
And Abram, his son, replied:

"When I came to offer food unto the gods,  
The little gods all reached and clamored for it.  
So angered by their conduct was this big god,  
Took he this hammer and battered them to pieces."

"Thou liest!" cried the father in a furious rage;  
"Thou knowest they can neither see nor hear nor feel,  
And sayest thou they did? I will have thee punished!"

Hearing this, the henchmen of the king strode forth,  
The henchmen of the "mighty hunter" strode:  
The king of Babylon was he, who had commanded  
That all throughout his realm should worship  
None but himself and his idols of wood and clay and  
stone.

They seized young Abram and forthwith  
They cast him into a burning fiery furnace,  
The penalty for disdain of Nimrod's idol-worship.  
The flames enveloped him as mother-love enwraps a  
child,

Perfect love cast out all fear; love which created him  
So gently soothed and calmed his fears.

Ecstatic rose his spirit, nor felt the pangs of pain,  
And so love lifted him above the plane of matter.

Speechless stood the crowd about him,  
When Abram at the call came forth,  
Upon his garment was no smell of fire;  
Unharm'd and well stood he there before them,  
Clothed in garments bright and shining,  
Singing praises to his Maker.  
With upturned gaze he sang, of the power that had  
preserved him;  
Spell-bound listened they in wonder.

Then he ceased to sing and began to speak,  
Of the wonders of God's creation:  
"In aeons past God spake, Let there be light,  
And there was light; the sun to rule the day,  
And the lesser light to rule the night.  
He set the starry firmament on high;  
Controls the planets in their orbits—  
(All motion to Him belongs)  
He calls them all by name, Arcturus, Pleiades, Orion.  
With clouds of vapor, the earth He covers,  
And so for His children, the rain prepares,  
For the just and for the unjust.  
From the smallest seed, He makes a bounty to grow;  
He causes the lilies and roses to blow.  
His voice is heard in thunder at the hour of midnight;  
And in the rustling of the leaves at noonday.  
His beauty is revealed in the silent faces of the clouds;  
And in the virgin blush of the solitary flower,  
His presence, in the falling noiseless dew is felt  
No less than in the flowing river and the restless ocean.  
Every season brings forth fresh tokens of our God,  
And inspires His worshippers with a joy supernal."

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Sarai, with her maidens, at some distance stood apart  
From that idolatrous throng, silent and abashed.  
When Abram ceased to speak, in tears with him she  
pleaded:

"Far from these idolaters, let us be going



Where we may seek the face of God unhindered."  
The father then approached and said: "Son, now will we flee  
Out of the midst of Babylon, as our God had bid us do;  
Come and we will leave these scenes forever!"  
At once they left old Babylon behind,  
Westward the trail pursuing.  
Westward and ever westward since that day.  
Has the trail been widening for sons of Israel's God;  
As well for Rome who burnt them!  
Westward, yes it has been westward,  
Until at last they reached the great U. S. A.

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Upon their camels, thankfully their way they wended  
Driving herds and flocks before them,  
Forth went Abram, Jehovah's anointed,  
With Sarai to found a greater nation, in whom  
All families of the earth, henceforth shall be blest.  
And so they came to Haran, the fertile plains of Haran.  
And pitched their tents, both Lot and Terah with them.  
Abram builded there an altar to Jehovah,  
Creator of the heavens and the earth; and Him they  
worshipped,

Remembering the deliverance from the fiery furnace,  
" 'Twas there Jehovah appeared to him and said:  
"Them that bless thee will I bless,  
And will curse him that curseth thee;  
And in thy seed shall all nations of the earth be blest.  
Go on thy way; to Canaan shalt thou go,  
And there will I bless thee and thy seed forever."

Then forth they fared, these pioneers from Haran.  
(With all the souls that they had gotten;  
But Sarai was barren: not any child had Abram).  
"Unto thy seed will I give this land forever,"  
When as yet he had no child.  
And Abram builded there an altar to Jehovah;  
And worshipped the Creator of the heavens and the  
earth.

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And Abram was very rich in cattle, gold, and silver,  
When he returned from Egypt, and the famine over.  
Then Jehovah spake unto him again and said:  
"Thy seed will I make as the dust of the earth,  
As the dust of the earth shall they be numbered."  
And there he dwelt in Hebron, in the plains of Mamre;  
And he builded there an altar to Jehovah and wor-  
shipped.

'Twas there Jehovah appeared to him and said:  
"Thou shalt have a son; Isaac, his name shall be!  
And thy name, Abraham, hence forth shall be;  
Thou shalt walk before Me and be perfect;  
For, of many nations, a father thou shalt be,  
And the land wherein thou art now a stranger,  
To thee and to thy seed will I give it forever."

From there Abram went and dwelt in Gerar, a stranger  
in the land.

And he builded there an altar to Jehovah and wor-  
shipped.

And he was very rich in cattle, gold, and silver.  
'Twas there Sarah bore a son and named him Isaac.  
So Abraham planted there a grove for Isaac.  
In the country of Gerar.  
And he praised Jehovah, the everlasting Father.  
Who had made a covenant with Abraham,  
Because he was the friend of God—  
A man of faith who would command his household,  
As God had said he would, and so bring to pass,  
That which Jehovah had spoken of him.  
That he should become the father of great nations,  
To bless all families of the earth.—Sel.

### DID YOU EVER STOP TO THINK?

By D. Paul Ziegler

Did you ever stop to think that the Seventh Day is the Sabbath of Jehovah God of Israel? Well here are the words to prove it to be true: "I am Jehovah thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have no other gods before Me. Remember the Sabbath Day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work: but the SEVENTH DAY is the SABBATH OF JEHOVAH THY GOD: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy man servant, nor thy maid servant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: For in six days Jehovah made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the SEVENTH day: wherefore Jehovah blessed the SABBATH DAY and hallowed it." Exodus 20: 3, 8-11.

Plain enough and there is no dodging the fact that the Seventh Day, or the present Saturday, is the Sabbath of Jehovah God of Israel, and so established from creation down to the present time, and that when the written Law was given on Mt. Sinai, the Sabbath as an institution was given, to but one people, and that people was the people of Israel, the legal and lawful descendants from Jacob, Isaac, Abraham, Noah, Seth, Adam, and direct from God the Creator of Man.

Then in all candor, how much better would it have been if the Seventh Day people of today would have devoted their time to the ferreting out of the story of a literal Israel, in an effort to bring about identity, rather than it has been, to urge people on as they have in regard to their Sabbath teachings. Better, far better, it is that men keep their hands "off the ark," believing and teaching the literal interpretations of the words of God as found in that precious Book, the Bible! Then, really what think ye, is it not better to believe God's literal Word? And not following the ways of the heathen nations.



# The Evolution of Israel • *By D. Paul Ziegler, D. D.*

In 721 B. C. the Assyrian King, Shalmaneser, led into captivity the Ten Tribes of Israel, who were then ruled by Hoshea their King.

It was "in the ninth year of Hoshea, that the king of Assyria, took Samaria, and carried Israel away into Assyria, and placed them in Halah and Habor by the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes. For so it was, that the children of Israel had sinned against Jehovah their God, which had brought them up out of the land of Egypt from under the hands of Pharaoh king of Egypt and had feared other gods and walked in the statutes of the heathen, whom Jehovah cast out from before the children of Israel, and of the kings of Israel which they had made. (Note they made their kings, their kings were not the choosing of God, as were those of Judah.) And the children of Israel did secretly those things that were not right against Jehovah their God, and they built them high places in all their cities, from the tower of the watchman to the fenced city. And they set them up, images and groves in every high hill, and under every green tree: and there they burnt incense in all the high places, as did the heathen whom Jehovah carried away before them; and wrought wicked things to provoke Jehovah to anger; for they served idols, whereof Jehovah had said unto them, ye shall not do this thing." 2 Kings 17:6-12.

"Yet Jehovah, testified against Israel, and against Judah, by all the prophets, and by all the seers, saying, turn ye from your evil ways and keep My commandments and My statutes, according to all the law which I commanded your fathers, and which I sent to you by My servants the prophets, but (they) hardened their necks, like to the neck of their fathers, that did not believe in Jehovah their God and (they) became vain, and went after the heathen, whom Jehovah had charged them, that they should not do like them. They left all the commandments of Jehovah their God, and made them molten images, . . . and worshipped all the host of heaven, and served Baal. (The Sun God) (They) used evil divination and enchantments, and sold themselves to do evil in the sight of Jehovah, to provoke Him to anger. Therefore Jehovah was very angry with Israel, and removed them out of His sight; there was none left but the tribe of Judah." 2 Kings 17:13-18.

The case is plainly stated, Israel served idols, forgot God, left all His commandments, until He removed them from the land of Palestine, and

started them on the road of dispersion among the Gentile and heathen nations, whose gods they served and loved as well.

It is made very plain that the Israel in question was not Judah, as some erroneously believe, but were the Ten Tribes of Israel. All this is plainly stated so there is no room for any misunderstanding as to who the people were that Shalmaneser carried away and "placed in the cities of the Medes." It was Ten-Tribed Israel, the people whom we shall follow in a brief way, until it is seen that the Angla-Saxon and Teutonic people of today, are the direct descendants of the Ten Lost Tribes. Who were lost, because of the fact that they were trying to run away from God, changed their name, and did everything they could, to lose their identity. All of which was helped on by the Gentile nations who had only one desire, and that was, that the "Name of Israel be no more in remembrance" and the reason that Asaph used these words, when speaking of what was done. Read carefully, "Keep not thou silence, O, God, hold not Thy peace, and be not still O God. For, lo, thine enemies make a tumult, and they that hate Thee (mark the difference) have lifted up the head, (in the place of Israel, whom God said should be the head and not the tail.)) They have taken crafty council against Thy people (Israel) and consulted against Thy hidden ones. (Ten tribed Israel, hidden, or lost among the nations of earth.) They had said, come, and let us cut them off from being a nation, that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance. For they have consulted together with one consent; (both parties) they are confederate against Thee (God)". Ps. 83:1-5.

God has not kept silence, therefore He has given His people Israel the mind of study that they might be able to work their way back to their known identity, and just which we are trying to do in this article.

If we are to believe the words of the Bible, and we do, unless we have let the infidelity of the present age sweep us from our feet into the maelstrom of unbelief, then we must believe that the people carried away by Shalmaneser were the Ten Tribes of Israel, the nation of people who were to be "the head and not the tail" of nations.

Also of this mighty nation which was captivated by Shalmaneser, we read, "When the most High divided the nations their inheritance, when He separated the sons of Adam, He set the bounds of the people according to the number of the



children of Israel." Deut. 32:8, and it was none other than the major part of the people of Israel, who were taken into captivity as stated above, around whom the "bounds of all other people or nations were set, according to the number of the children of Israel."

In order that we may fully understand the way of God in regard to Israel we shall quote profusely of texts of Scripture relating to them, as we proceed that the reader may know what is said in the Bible as to their greatness and of God's promises to them.

Early in their history God called Israel His "first born son", first of the redeemed nations of earth. "And thou shalt say unto Pharaoh, thus said Jehovah, Israel is My son, even My first born." Ex. 4:22. That He chose them for His people, above all people on earth and that forever, we read, "For thou art an holy people unto Jehovah thy God, Jehovah thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto Himself above all people that are upon the face of the earth". Deut. 7:6. "Only Jehovah had a delight in thy fathers, (Abraham, Isaac and Jacob,) to love them, and He chose their seed after them, even you above all people." Deut. 10:15. "For thou art an holy people unto Jehovah thy God, and Jehovah hath chosen thee to be a peculiar people unto Himself, above all the nations that are upon the earth." Deut. 14:2. "And Jehovah hath avouched thee this day to be a peculiar people, . . . and to make thee high above all nations which He hath made". Deut. 26:18-19.

"Take heed and hearken, O, Israel, this day thou art become the people of Jehovah thy God." Deut. 27:9. "And I will dwell among the children of Israel, and will not forsake My people Israel." 1 Kings 6:13. "For thou didst separate them from among all the people of the earth, to be Thine inheritance, as Thou spakest by the hand of Moses Thy servant, when Thou broughtest our fathers out of Egypt, O Jehovah God." 1 Kings 8:53. Here Solomon was only recalling to Jehovah the promises He had made to Israel as we have quoted from Deuteronomy. "And what one nation in the earth is like Thy people Israel, whom God went to redeem to be His own people, to make thee a name of greatness, and terribleness, by driving out nations from before Thy people whom Thou hast redeemed out of Egypt. For Thy people Israel, didst Thou make Thine own people forever, and Thou Jehovah becomest their God." 1 Chron. 17:21-22. For Jehovah hath chosen Jacob unto Himself, and Israel for His peculiar treasure." Ps. 135:4.

Then, reader, if we place any credence at all in

the Word of God, the Bible, can it be possible for us to say that the people who were taken prisoners by Shalmaneser sank into oblivion, that they wasted away and became extinct? No.

In the years of study that we have given to the subject of Israel, we have found that special blessings were promised, if obedient, but never utter destruction. We read, "Thus shalt thou say to the House of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel, ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare thee on eagles' wings, and brought you unto Myself. Now therefore, if ye will obey My voice indeed and keep My covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto Me above all people, for all the earth is mine, and ye shall be unto Me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation." Ex. 19:3-6. "And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of Jehovah thy God, to observe and do all His commandments which I command thee this day, that Jehovah will set thee on high above all nations of the earth, and all these blessings shall come upon thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of Jehovah thy God." Deut. 28:1-2. "Jehovah shall establish thee a holy people unto Himself, as He hath sworn unto thee thou art called by the name of Jehovah, and they shall be afraid of thee." Verses 9-10, "And Jehovah shall make thee the head and not the tail, and thou shalt be above ONLY, and thou shalt not be beneath, if thou hearken unto the commandments of Jehovah thy God." V. 13. "But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of Jehovah thy God, to observe to do all His commandments and His statutes which I command thee this day, then all these curses shall come upon thee and overtake thee." Verse 15. "And thou shalt become an astonishment, a proverb, and a byword, among the nations, whither Jehovah shall lead thee." Verse 37. Note carefully, Jehovah does not say whither I shall drive thee, but rather, whither I shall lead thee. Then in all the wanderings of Ten Tribed Israel, Jehovah was leading them. Wonderful love and compassion. They trying to get away from Jehovah and He leading them. But why leading them. There can be but one answer that He might overthrow the Pagan Gentile governments of idolatrous people, and replace them with a people of His own making, and choosing, the people of Israel, whose blood has never become contaminated with the blood of amalgamated people, as you shall later see. Israel, delivered from these peoples would acknowledge the supremacy of Jehovah, their God, and would organize and erect governments built in the fear of God upon just and righteous principles, and



His leading would be just as fast as the necessary changes could be brought about, without throwing the world into bankruptcy, if you will allow us the expression. But understand us, all would be properly arranged by the time Israel would be free from their captivated period of 2,520 years, which was placed upon them, as you will see because of their idolatry, and in this time would give them all the object lessons among the Pagan-Gentile nations with whom they should come in contact, to thoroughly convince them that, "God is love," and that He never asked anything of them in the way of statutes or laws, but what would tend for eternal righteousness, and the filling or peopling of the earth with a "peculiar, holy" class of citizens, who would have no place in their making, or in their governments for idols or idol worship, such as the fathers of ancient Israel had seen and witnessed in their heathen Pagan-Gentile neighbor nations.

But to resume with His words to Israel, "Thou shalt beget sons and daughters, but thou shalt not enjoy them, for they shall go into captivity." Verse 41. "If thou wilt not observe to do all the words of this law that is written in this book, that thou mayest fear this glorious and fearful name, JEHOVAH THY GOD, then Jehovah will make thy plagues wonderful, and the plagues of thy seed, even great plagues, and of long continuance, and of sore sickness, and of long continuance." Verses 58-59.

We have heard much said about the Book of the Law, that it was abolished, but here Jehovah is plain in saying that its curses shall follow Israel in their wanderings, and they did. Much of the Book of the Law had to do with sanitation, and if you will take the Book of Leviticus, and read the statutes relating to sanitation, you will find that we have reached a place where, if we have health and strength, and escape the dreadful curse spoken of in these curses, we must live up to the law of sanitation, just as God described them. Thus while the Gentile arrogancy has been trying to destroy, and beat down the laws of God, dispersed Israel has found it to be their personal interest and benefit to live in obedience to them. "God is love," and there is nothing that God requires of man in the way of obedience to His laws, but what will work for the good, and the advancement of the human family.

"And Jehovah shall scatter thee among all people, from the one end of the earth, even unto the other, and there shall thou serve other gods, which neither thou nor thy fathers have known, even wood and stone. And among these nations shalt thou find no ease, neither shall thy foot have

rest, but Jehovah shall give thee a trembling heart, (palpitation) and failing eyes, and sorrow of mind, and thy life shall hang in doubt before thee, and thou shalt fear day and night, and shall have no assurance of thy life. In the morning thou shalt say, would to God it were even, and in the even thou shalt say, would to God it were morning." Deut. 28:64-67.

You will notice the statement is a broad one, "from one end of earth unto the other", idols and gods which "neither they nor their fathers knew." But how true, the Greek and Roman gods were unknown to both them and their fathers, yet in their wanderings they reached a place where they fell under the influence of the gods of these people, who were unknown to them. But the blessedness of the whole is, that God chose Abraham, Israel, to work the destruction of idol worship, idolatry, and as they wandered they left traces all along the way of how they worked against the idolatry of the nations through whom they passed in their wanderings. They undertook to raise up the gods known by them in the place of the nations' gods, this led to trouble, and in the end to their turning away from idolatry to the living God, the God who brought them out of the land of Egypt, and the God who pronounced these curses upon them. Again as to the "trembling heart, and failing eyes." There is more "palpitation of the heart" and poor eyesight among the Anglo-Saxon and Teutonic people today, than among any of the other nations of earth, so if you want it literal, so that you may know of the real fulfillment of the curse upon them, here you have it. And in the long sickness, if you will consider the "white plague," and the awful fevers that these people have been accustomed to above all others, you will find a literal fulfillment again. We have lived much of our youthful days upon the frontier of civilization, and many times when a boy, have we heard the expression "would to God it were morning," "fearfulness" resting upon them, spoken by the mothers and sisters of families, as the men folks would be gone away for days, either to mill or to market. Could anything be more literal?

And Jehovah shall bring thee into Egypt again with ships, by the way whereof I spake unto thee, thou shalt see it (the land of Palestine) no more again, and there shall thou be sold unto your enemies for bondmen, and bondwomen, and no one shall buy you." Deut. 28:68.

For the fulfillment of this, let us read the following, "But Johanna the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces, took all the remnant of Judah, that were returned from all nations, whither they had been driven, to dwell in the land



of Judah; even men, and women, and children, and the King's daughters, (the three sisters, Hamutal, Scotia, and Tea Tephi, the "tender twig" referred to in Eze. 17:22) and every person that Nebuzar-adan. . . . had left with Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan, and Jeremiah the prophet, and Baruch the son of Neriah. So they came into the land of Egypt, for they obeyed not the voice of Jehovah." Jer. 43:5-7. "They sacrifice flesh for the sacrifices of Mine offerings, but Jehovah accepted them not; now will He remember their iniquity, and visit their sins: they shall return to Egypt." Hosea 8:13. So it is evident that at least a part of Israel did return to Egypt.

"Even all nations shall say, wherefore hath Jehovah done this unto this land? (Palestine). What meaneth the heat of this great anger? Then men shall say, because they have forsaken the covenant of Jehovah, God of their fathers, which He made with them when He brought them forth out of the land of Egypt. . . . and Jehovah rooted them out of their land (Palestine) in anger, and in wrath, and in great indignation, and cast them into another land." Deut. 29:24-28.

In connection we call especial attention to the following verse, and ask that the reader keep it in mind as he continues to read farther. "The secret things belong to Jehovah our God, but those things which are revealed, belong unto us and to our children forever, that we may do all this law." Deut. 29:29. For as we shall quote the prophets in their words about Israel as a whole, you will be able to see the fitness of Jehovah inserting them in this seemingly out of the way place in Deuteronomy, for as we study the story of Israel in its completeness, it can be readily seen that this verse should have proved "an oasis in the desert," to Israel, as they studied the Scriptures while in their captivated condition, giving hope and comfort during their long captivated period of time, as this verse would call for new thoughts. This verse really becomes a waymark when we study the story of Israel, from which we may work our way as we study and ferret out the intricate history of the people Israel, who were captivated by Shalmaneser in 721 B.C., made intricate by the Gentile historians, of all the intervening ages, who have written without any thought as to what God may have said in His Book, the Bible. In many respects much of the history written prior to 1798 is not very reliable. In some ways we believe very much like Henry Ford in regard to history, "it has been written to suit the nation it was written for," therefore very unreliable. To one who has made a careful study of the Bible with regard to Israel, and then reads history as it has

been written during the Gentile age, he soon becomes convinced that the sooner history shall be re-written for the world in general, the sooner will the world be ready for the coming of He who is to be King of Israel forever.

Now, reader, from all the foregoing texts of Scripture quoted, it can be easily seen and understood that pre-eminently speaking, that the people of Israel were the people of God. That God chose them . . . Israel . . . the children of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, to be His people above all other people of earth. That they were to be "the head and not the tail," and "above all." This being so it can also be easily seen why the other nations at all times did all they could to hide from view the story of Israel, for why should they be given to telling of their own fall, and the raising up of Israel who they esteemed as their slaves?

Neither can there be any mistake but what God in His infinite wisdom foresaw the history of the world, and in it the corruption of the Gentile nations, and had this in mind when He called Abram, who was of Shem and who above all men of the world in his day, thought upon God, and who was ever teaching the people the foolishness of idol worship.

Notice what God said to Abram when He called him out of Haran, of Assyria, and Babylon, out from among idol worshippers. "Now Jehovah had said unto Abram, get thee out of thy country, and from thy father's house, to a land that I will show thee, and I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great, and thou shalt be a blessing, and I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee, and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed. So Abram departed as Jehovah had spoken unto him." Gen. 12:1-4. Another quotation in regard to the greatness that was to come to the seed of Abram. "By Myself have I sworn, saith Jehovah, . . . that in blessing, I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of heaven, and as the sand which is by the seashore, and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies, and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because thou hast obeyed my voice." Can you number the stars? Did you ever try to count the grains of sand along the seashore? Well, the seed of Abrahamic-Israel is to be as great in number as these.

You can readily see that up to the present time no such history has been written that brings the nations of earth down from Abraham, as they all agree that Israel was lost with exception of a few Jews. Rewritten history will show that all the



large nations of earth, such as the United States, England, Germany, Norway, and Sweden, have come from Abraham through Israel.

History will be rewritten, then it will be seen just what Gentileism, or the amalgamated people have been sponsoring and putting out before the people as real history, that it all has been a hoax written either by Gentile historians, or by blind Israelitish writers, who were so blind they did not know their own people of the blood line, coming

directly down from Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. But not from idolatrous Gentile sources.

As Bible history leads us to believe, the world in Abraham's day was given up to idolatry, and that it was Abraham's steadfast, and unmovable faith in Jehovah, that caused him to be chosen as the one above all others, that his seed was to be used to destroy and banish idolatry from the face of the earth.

## Jacob's Blessing to His Twelve Sons

The mere fact that one is a direct descendant of Abraham might not, of itself alone be of special benefit. But find the nation that has become a righteous nation wholly void of any connection with the blessed seed of Abraham. It cannot be found.

God blessed Abraham and God blessed the seventh day Sabbath with eternal blessings, but man has tried to do away with both. In Psalms, chapter 83, verse 4, it says, "They have said, come, and let us cut them off from being a nation; that the name of ISRAEL may be no more in remembrance." Today people say there is no Israel, just a few Jews (Judah).

People of today say it doesn't make any difference what day you keep just so you keep one seventh of time, or one day in the week. Such nonsense! God says in six days He created the heavens and the earth and all that in them is . . . and He rested the seventh day and sanctified and hallowed it. Read Ex. 20:11, Deut. 5:12, 13, 14. Then in Malachi chapter 3, verse 6, "For I am Jehovah, I change not; therefore ye SONS of Jacob are not consumed." And in Genesis, chapter 49, Jacob calls his twelve sons, "And Jacob called unto his sons, and said, "Gather yourselves together, that I may tell you *that* which shall befall you in the last days." "Gather yourselves together, and hear, ye sons of Jacob; and hearken unto Israel your father." "Reuben, thou *art* my first-born, my might, and the beginning of my strength, the excellency of dignity, and the excellency of power.

Unstable as water thou shalt not excel, because thou wentest up to thy father's bed; then defiledst thou *it*: he went up to my couch." "Simeon and Levi *are* brethren; instruments of cruelty *are in* their habitations. O my soul, come not thou into their secret unto their assembly, mine honour, be not thou united: for in their

anger they slew a man, and in their self-will they digged down a wall. Cursed *be* their anger, for *it was* fierce: and their wrath, for it was cruel: I will divide them in Jacob and scatter them in Israel." "Judah, thou *art he* whom thy brethren shall praise; thy hand *shall be* in the neck of thine enemies; thy father's children shall bow down before thee. Judah *is* a lion's whelp; from the prey, my son, thou art gone up: he stooped down, he couched as a lion, and as an old lion: who shall rouse him up? The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come; and unto him *shall* the gathering of the people be. Binding his foal unto the vine, and his ass's colt unto the choice vine; he washed his garments in wine, and his clothes in the blood of grapes: "His eyes *shall be* red with wine, and his teeth white with milk." "Zebulun shall dwell at the haven of the sea; and he *shall be* for an haven of ships: and his border *shall be* unto Zidon." "Issachar *is* a strong ass, couching down between two burdens: And he saw that rest *was* good, and the land that *it was* pleasant; and bowed his shoulder to bear, and became a servant unto tribute." "Dan shall judge his people, as one of the tribes of Israel. Dan shall be a serpent by the way, an adder in the path, that biteth the horse heels, so that his rider shall fall backward. I have waited for thy salvation, O Lord!" "Gad, a troop shall overcome him: but he shall overcome at the last." "Out of Asher his bread *shall be fat*, and he shall yield royal dainties." "Naphtali *is* a hind let loose: he giveth goodly words." "Joseph *is* a fruitful bough, *even* a fruitful bough by a well, *whose* branches run over the wall. The archers have sorely grieved him, and shot *at him*, and hated him: But his bow abode in strength, and the arms of his hands were made strong by the hands of the mighty God of Jacob: (from thence *is* the shepherd, the stone of



Israel:) *Even* by the God of thy father, who shall help thee, and by the Almighty, who shall bless thee with blessings of heaven above, blessings of the deep that lieth under, blessings of the breasts and of the womb: The blessings of thy father have prevailed above the blessings of my progenitors, unto the utmost bound of the everlasting hills; they shall be on the head of Joseph, and on the crown of the head of him that was separate from his brethren." "Benjamin shall raven as a wolf; in the morning he shall devour the prey, and at night he shall divide the spoil. All these *are* the twelve tribes of Israel: and this *is it* that their father spake unto them, and blessed them: every one according to his blessing he blessed them. "And he charged them, and said unto them, I am to be gathered unto my people: bury me with my fathers in the cave that *is* in the field of Ephron the Hittite, "In the cave that *is* in the field of Machpelah which *is* before Mamre, in the land of Canaan, which Abraham bought with the field of Ephron the Hittite, for a possession of a burying-place." "There they buried Abraham and Sarah his wife; and there I buried Leah." "The purchase of the field and of the cave that therein, *was* from the children of Heth." "And when Jacob had made an end of commanding his sons, he gathered up his feet into the bed, and yielded up the ghost, and was gathered unto his people."

The blessings given to Abraham were repeated to Isaac and Jacob. God was not satisfied in merely saying He would bless Abraham and his seed; but He tested him until he was convinced that Abraham would obey Him and that he would command his seed to do the same. Then He makes a covenant with him swearing by Himself. For in Genesis 22:16, 17, 18, "and said, by Myself have I sworn, saith Jehovah; for because thou hast done this thing and hast not withheld thy son, thy only son." "That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of heaven and as the sand which is upon the seashore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemeis: and in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed: because thou hast obeyed My voice." "And God said unto Abraham—in Isaac shall thy seed be called." Gen. 21:12.

God had tested Abraham so that He knew He could trust him to keep the covenant. God says "A father of nations shalt thou be, and kings shall come out of thee." So God gave the blessing to Isaac and from Isaac to Jacob and from Jacob to his twelve sons who were called Israel. And God says to Israel "Now, therefore, if ye will obey My voice indeed, and keep My covenant, then ye shall

be a peculiar treasure unto Me above all people; for all the earth is Mine; and ye shall be unto Me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation. Ex. 19:5, 6. "But Jehovah hath taken you, and brought you forth out of the iron furnace even out of Egypt, to be unto Him a people of inheritance, as ye are this day. Deut. 4:20. "For thou art a holy people unto Jehovah thy God: Jehovah thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto Himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth. Jehovah did not set His love upon you nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye were the fewest of all people: But because Jehovah loved you, and because He would keep the oath which He had sworn unto your fathers, hath Jehovah brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of bond-men—know therefore that Jehovah thy God He is God, the faithful God which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love Him and keep His commandments to a thousand generations." Deut. 7:6-9.

### BLESSED IS HE THAT KEEPETH JEHOVAH'S COVENANT

Thus saith Jehovah, Keep ye judgment, and do justice: for My salvation is near to come, and My righteousness to be revealed.

Blessed is the man that doeth this, and the son of man that layeth hold on it; that keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and keepeth his hand from doing any evil.

Neither let the son of the alien, that hath joined himself to Jehovah, speak, saying Jehovah hath utterly separated me from His people; neither let the eunuch say, Behold I am a dry tree.

For thus saith Jehovah unto the eunuchs that keep My sabbaths, and choose the things that please me, and take hold of My covenant:

Even unto them will I give in Mine house and within My walls, a place and a name better than of sons and of daughters: I will give them an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off.

Also the sons of the alien, that join themselves to Jehovah to serve Him, and to love the name of Jehovah, to be His servants, every one that keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and taketh hold of My covenant;

Even them will I bring to My holy mountain, and make them joyful in My house of prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon Mine altar; for Mine house shall be called a house of prayer for all people.

Jehovah God which gathereth the outcasts of Israel saith, Yet will I gather others to Him beside those that are gathered unto Him.—Isaiah 56:1-8.



## How May We Know We Are "Abraham's Seed and Heirs According to Promise?"

By D. Paul Ziegler, D. D.

The question is a timely one and worthy of great consideration for God said of Abraham: "Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do; seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him? For I know him, that he will command his children and his house hold after him, and they shall keep the way of Jehovah, to do justice and judgment; that Jehovah may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him." Gen. 18:17, 18, 19. And in 2 Chron. 20:7 and Isa. 41:8 Abraham was called the "friend of God". Then may it not be well that for our personal benefit we study the Scriptures as to this man Abraham and his seed; although when it comes to Abraham and his seed among the great world historians, all become a non-entity and a death-like silence prevails, although God has said of him "I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing; and I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee; and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed" Gen. 12:2, 3. And God has said farther of him "And I will make My covenant between Me and thee, and I will multiply thee exceedingly, as for Me, behold My covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of many nations. Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham, for a father of many nations have I made thee. And I will make thee exceedingly fruitful and I will make nations of thee, and KINGS shall come out of thee. 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 thy seed after thee." (Gen. 17:2, 4, 5.)

In reading the above one thing becomes evident, namely, that we may scan all history, yet we will never be able to find where God the Creator of heaven and earth ever made such great promises to any other man, yet the story is almost unknown, when it comes to the Protestant world today, although one of their cardinal points of doctrine is, "The Bible and the Bible alone is the faith of the Protestants."

To Jacob, the father of the Israelites, God repeated, and farther made "great and exceeding

promises," as is written: "I am Jehovah God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac; the land whereon thou liest, to thee will I give it, and to thy SEED; and thy SEED shall be as the dust of the earth and thou shall spread abroad to the west and to the east, and to the north, and to the south; and in thee and in thy SEED shall all the families of the earth be blessed. And behold I am with thee and will keep thee in all places whither thou goest, and will bring thee again into this land; for I will not leave thee, until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of." (Gen. 28:13, 14, 15.) It may be asked, who was this Jacob, to whom God was making such promises? In the first place he was a child of promise, before he was born God said to his mother: "Two nations are in thy womb, and two manner of people shall be separated from thy bowels, and one people shall be stronger than the other people: and the elder shall serve the younger." Thus among the seed of Isaac the word of God was, that all should serve Jacob, who was the younger son.

Jacob was Isaac's son. Isaac was the son of Abraham; and to this son God said to Abraham: In Isaac shall THY SEED be called. And with God's word to Rebekah, Isaac's wife, the mother of Jacob as to his own people the promise was and is, and ever will be. "The elder shall serve the younger." Thus from Abraham we have a continuance of pure strain of his SEED. But we may rest assured that God never placed such responsibility, without first testing the one to whom the responsibility was committed, and in this instance it was Jacob. So God sent one of His mighty angels or messengers who met Jacob "in the night" when he was alone, "and expecting Esau to come and contend with him about "the birthright;" which his father Isaac had given him (Jacob) the younger son; instead of the elder son, Esau. The angel of God in the darkness met Jacob, who thought it was his brother Esau; they grappled with each other in one of the greatest wrestling matches of all ages. It continued on in the darkness. The angel touched Jacob's thigh and lamed him, in an effort to further test his strength, but the wrestling went on until "the breaking of the day," with the angel urging Jacob to let go and release him. But Jacob had found



he was not wrestling with Esau, his brother, but with a mighty angel of God, one who was able to bestow a blessing, and his reply was: "I will not let thee go, except thou bless me," and in return the angel called for his name, the reply being "Jacob." Then came the words which acknowledged Jacob the victor. They were: "Thy name shall no more be called Jacob, but Israel (a prince of God), for as a prince hast thou power with God, and with men, and hast prevailed. Notice the prevailing was first with, or over the messenger which God had sent, hence "WITH GOD." Thus leaving the "men" to come later, when the final victory over all men would be won. As is seen, God placed the holy part of His own name, the EL, with the future name of Jacob, which was to be IsraEL, thus making the people of Israel, God's "namesake."

So the people of Israel are the "seed" of Abraham, and the question is, "How may we know who are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise? The answer is easy. God told Abraham that *"His covenant" was to be with and rest with Abraham's "SEED."* So what is God's "covenant?" Moses to Israel, "And He (God) declared unto you *HIS COVENANT,—even Ten Commandments*; and He wrote them upon two tables of stone." But is it the truth that God's "Covenant" was, is, and ever shall be the Ten Commandment Law? Let us see. "O ye seed of Abraham (seed of who? Seed of Abraham,") His (God's) servant, ye children of Jacob, His chosen. He is Jehovah our God; his judgments are in all the earth. He has *remembered "HIS COVENANT" forever*, the word which He (God) commanded to a thousand generations. Which *Covenant He made with Abraham*, and His oath to Isaac; and confirmed the same unto Jacob for a law, and to Israel for an everlasting Covenant."

Words could not make an expression of truth more logical and convincing!

Then in all sincerity, may we ask, what peoples of the earth today are "the seed of Abraham?" Only those whose basic fundamental laws of a truth are founded upon the Ten Commandment United States, Great Britain, Germany, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Holland, Switzerland. These honor, and ever have honored the Law of God. But what nations cannot be so listed, hence not of "the seed" of Abraham! namely, Russia, China, Japan and other of the smaller nations, which it is not necessary to mention. Their laws are not fundamentally founded upon the Ten Commandment Law of God. And mark you, God said that "nations" were to come out of Abraham, and here we have them listed before you.

In conclusion, since the days of the dispersion of Israel, a great power arose in the earth. It was the Gentile Races, and principally Rome, so far as persecution of God's people Israel were concerned, and what was their intent? But one thing. "They have said, 'Come, and let us cut them off from being a nation; that *the NAME ISRAEL may be no more in remembrance.*" Words could be no more truthful and plain, but was, and is it the truth? It surely is!

So finally, see how easy it is to tell who the Israelitish blooded people, the children of Abraham are today. Neither do we go outside the Bible for our proof. And what is more, with open eyes we can see that God did not lie when he said to Abraham: "I will make nations of thee, kings shall come out of thee." Thus in the words of the poet:

"Truth crushed to earth shall rise again,  
Though buried long 'neath errors sand,  
The time will come, investigative winds will blow,  
When it shall rise sublime, triumphant stand."

## If Israel Had Harkened

"O that thou hadst hearkened to My commandments, then had thy peace been as a river, and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea; thy seed also had been as the sand, and the offspring of thy bowels like the gravel thereof: his name should not have been cut off nor destroyed from before Me." Isa. 48:18, 19. If Israel had feared God and obeyed His commandments, He would never have scattered them, for He has said "O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear Me and keep all My commandments

always, that it might be well with them and with their children forever." O what a promise, if they obeyed there would be no sin, no sickness, nor any trouble forever; and they would soon be in the promised land. God says again "And now, Israel what doth Jehovah require of thee but to fear Jehovah thy God, to walk in all His ways, and to love Him, and to serve Jehovah thy God with all thy heart and with all thy life. To keep the commandments of Jehovah, and His statutes, which I command thee this day for thy good?"



Deut. 10:12, 13. "For thy good" then if we keep His commandments and statues we will be obeying His voice. So it is very important that we know His commandments, statues, and judgments, and not only know them, but do them, for God says "Oh that My people had hearkened unto Me and Israel had walked in My ways!" Ps. 81:13. What Ways? Why His ordinances, statutes, precepts and judgments that He gave us.

Then if we fear Him and walk in His ways He says: "I (God) should soon have subdued their (Israel's) enemies, and turned My hand against their (Israel's) adversaries." Ps. 81:14. "Oh, that they were wise, that they understood this, that they would consider their latter end!" Deut. 32:29.

If they had listened and obeyed God they would never have been scattered to the four corners of the earth; and been so long in captivity, but their peace would have flown like a river; and their (Israel's) righteousness as the waves of the sea,

for He has said "Israel is My Inheritance" and "I (God) will make you, high above all nations of the earth". "And it shall come to pass, if ye shall hearken diligently unto My commandments which I command you this day, to love Jehovah your God and serve Him with all your heart and with all your soul, that I will give you the rain of your land in his due season, the first rain and the latter rain, that thou mayest gather in thy corn, and thy wine, and thine oil." Deut. 11:13, 14. "And it shall come to pass, if thou shall hearken diligently unto the voice of Jehovah thy God, to observe and to do all His commandments which I command you this day, that Jehovah thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth." Deut. 28:1. And "Jehovah shall establish thee an holy people unto Himself, as He hath sworn unto thee, if thou shall keep the commandments of Jehovah thy God, and walk in His ways." Deut. 28:9. And thou shalt be blessed in all thy works.

## Why Such Nonsense?

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When it comes to a Scriptural study of the great Israelitish question there is nothing nonsensical about it. All is within the lines of reason, and this is so much so, that God said in speaking through Isaiah, the prophet: "Come let us reason together, said Jehovah." But these words of God have been thrown entirely out of their bearings, because of the great stress placed upon the latter part of the verse: "Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." The first of the text has been practically abolished, through the interpretation placed upon it, namely sin, individual sin. But the subject is "REASON, Come let us REASON together." God had but one thought for us as His people Israel, that is in a study of the subject stay with reason, learn the story along the lines of reason, and if it cannot be reasoned out it surely does not bear the stamp of God. And the reasoning starts with Abraham.

But just a word about the sins of Israel. Notice the words of God: "Remember these, O Jacob and Israel; for thou art My servant, I have formed thee, thou art My servant: O Israel, thou shalt not be forgotten of Me. "I (God) have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and as a cloud, thy sins: return unto Me, (God) for I have redeemed thee." Isaiah 44:21, 22.

God divorced Israel, God took Israel back, and

when God took Israel back, He took care of their sins. So your work, and mine, is putting forth the effort of our lives in getting Israel to know their identity. When a man divorces his wife, puts her away, and goes and woos her back again, he is not forever talking to her about her past evil acts, for were he to so do, there might be another divorce? A few words about Israel, and their sins, once they know their identity, know it Scripturally ever after there is but one topic of conversation every time they meet whether in the home or on the street. It is about the all absorbing story of Israel, neither can you get them to even take the time to sin. The knowledge of Israel brings one face to face with God's LAW, so it is always a study as to how best to walk with God and His law. No time to fool away now talking about sin. The one thought is "O God I want to know Thee!"

But alas! The British Israelites do not take the way of God, and His Law in their story of Israel, hence all the trouble they get in, and are always breaking down, and having to make new starts. The cause being they try to prove Israel too much in a nonsensical way, like trying to prove our identity by 13. "Thirteen Tribes," which is not true there are but twelve tribes recognized in the Scriptures. "Our Flag may have 13 stars." "E Pluribus Unum" may have 13 letters. There



may be "13 courses of stone in the Pyramid." There may be 13 letters in "Annuït Coeptis." There may be "13 Bars on the shield." There may be "13 Original American Colonies." But what of it? What has this to do with the Scriptural story of Israel? It befuddles the minds of the ones who really want to know Israel. They base too much on 13 Tribes of Israel, but there is no such thing in the Scriptures. God took the Tribe of Levi and Joseph out putting Joseph's two sons, Ephriam and Manasseh in, to make the 12 Tribes. See Ezekiel Chapter 48 for the last four verses of Ezekiel chapter 48 gives the names of the 12 sons of Israel \* \* \* "three gates northward; one gate of Reuben, one gate of Judah, one gate of Levi \* \* \* at the east side three gates: one gate of Joseph, one gate of Benjamin, one gate of Dan. \* \* \* at the south side three gates; one gate of Simeon, one gate of Issachar, one gate of Zebulun. \* \* \* at the west side three gates; one gate of Gad, one gate of Asher, one gate of Naphtali. It was round about eighteen thousand measures: and the name of the city from that day shall be, Jehovah is there."

There is no 13th gate, so they who teach and preach, such folly are only trying "to climb up some other way," there being no 13th gate to enter into the city. Such teaching is worse than folly as it is rather against Israel than for Israel. Then let us "reason together" and cut all such foolish teachings confining ourselves to the Scriptures, and "SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES".

### GOD WANTS MEN AND WOMEN TODAY

There never was an age in the world when God was so loudly calling for men and women as He is today. Men and women of worth, of character, of courage. Men and women who will shake their hands from the receiving of bribes. Men and women to whom honor, truth, and righteousness has a greater appeal than does the dollar. Men and women who are not for sale. Men and women who love God's Word, the Bible, and who will make it the guide of their lives. To whom God's truth is ever more than "their meat and their drink."

God wants these men and women to help in the building up of a state of righteousness and peace. He needs them for governors, legislators, as well as to fill every station in life. Who have more thought than to try to dabble with legislation that is contrary to His Written Word.

We have entered a new age. An age that has been foretold by both prophet and bard. This is the culmination of the ages. Upon us the ends of the world have come. We have reached that place in the history of the world when God's Israel will come back into their own. The time is not far distant

when David, whom God loved, will be restored to his people, and he will be "the one shepherd over them and he shall feed them, even My servant David; he shall feed them, and he shall be their shepherd. They shall servie the Lord their God, and David their king, whom I will raise up unto them." Eze. 33: 34; Jer. 30: 9.

Such words depict stirring times just ahead of us. And God wants men and women of real worth to help bring these times about. Will you be one?

### LOVE

By OLIVA C. CAMPBELL

LOVE will never fail us Or others, we shall find; For love is very patient, And love is always kind. Love will never honor self Or make a vain parade; But love is ever watching For ways to be of aid.	LOVE is slow to tell it, When others have done wrong; Love will not be envious Of the rich or strong. Love is not resentful, But will see us at our best; Love will always hasten To help those in distress.
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Love is never selfish,  
Love will not be rude;  
On the rights of other folks,  
Love will not intrude.  
Love is always hopeful;  
By goodness, love is blest;  
Love will never disappear,  
For love stands Bible tests.  
—From "The California Cultivator."

Verily, all through the ages, has light broken through the gloom which has encamped God's purposes, and for a moment, now and then, the wiser of Israel's Race have caught a ray of truth, albeit they were not permitted to perceive its full significance.

But unto us on whom "the end of days" is drawing near, the unrestricted privilege is now vouchsafed to read the story consecutively down to the present day, and if thereby we gain in wisdom, to be forewarned of what else shortly is to follow.

### RESOLUTIONS

A little less impatient with those we deem too slow  
A little less of arrogance because of all we know,  
A little more humility, seeing our worth is slight,  
We are such trivial candles compared to star-set  
night.

A little more forgiving and swifter to be kind,  
A little more desirous the word of praise to find;  
The word of praise to utter and make a heart rejoice,  
A little more careful to speak in gentle voice;  
A little more eagerness to understand each other,  
A little more real striving to help a shipwrecked  
brother;

A little more high courage to the task that must be  
done,  
These must be our resolutions—and may God help  
us every one.—National Voice.



# God's Great Promises to Ten-Tribed Israel

From Chapter XVI, of the Book, "Israel: Past, Present, Future," By D. Paul Ziegler, D. D.

Under this chapter heading we wish to enumerate some of the promises which the Lord has spoken to Israel as a nation, nations, and people, so that you may judge as to whether they are "conditional," and have lapsed of fulfillment.

In the first place did God take them to be His people above all people on the face of the earth? "For thou art a holy people unto the Lord thy God: the Lord thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto Himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth." Deut. 7: 6, 7. God has surely said that He did. Then, if so, will God cast this "special people" away for all time to come? Surely God could never have taken His love from His "special people"—"above all people," leaving them in a worse condition than the other people and nations around them, and all this in the face of the following: "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." Ex. 4: 22, 23. Surely it could never have been done, even though Gentilized teachers may say it is so.

The firstborn son carried with him the blessings of the Father, and before the other people of earth the Lord let it be known, that they were His people, for we read: "And the Lord hath avouched thee this day to be His peculiar people, as He hath promised thee, and that thou shouldst keep all His commandments; and to make thee high above all nations which He hath made, in praise, and in name, and in honor; and that thou mayest be a holy people unto the Lord thy God, as He hath spoken." Deut. 26: 18, 19. Later on we hear the Lord again speaking to this people Israel, saying: "This day will I begin to put the dread of thee and the fear of thee upon the nations that are under the whole heaven, who shall hear report of thee, and shall tremble, and be in anguish because of thee." Deut. 2: 25.

Notice the far-reaching expressions that the Lord uses as He speaks to Israel: "*Special people above all people upon the face of the whole earth.*" "*Make thee high above all nations which He had made.*" "*Dread of thee upon the nations that are under the whole heaven.*" In the face of these three statements, if there is any truth in them at all, it is useless to try to apply them to any other people, than literal Israel of the flesh and blood line, and this people, Israel, were to be above all, and this people, Israel, were of the seed of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. To this people God spake direct, and nowhere does He ever intimate that He will cut them off and deprive them altogether from the promises made them. He only promises chastisement if they fail to keep His commandments, and chastisement is not for annihila-

tion, but for correction, that the offender may be brought again to first relationship.

Notice how emphatic the Lord makes it that Israel is to be "*above only,*" and that they are to be an "established holy people" to Himself, and this confirmed with an oath, and His (God's) oath is impeachable, and He has the perfect right to bring to pass and to fulfill His word in His own good way, and at His own good pleasure. Follow us briefly line by line, and see if there is any way to pass up the word of God, and destroy literal Israel for all time to come, as you have been taught by Gentilized teachers. Verse 10 of the following gives us to understand that all people of the earth shall see that they (Israel) are called by the name of the Lord. Of no other people on earth, except Israel, can we find such words ever written in the Bible. It is only of God's Israel, of the seed of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. A real people, named by the everlasting God Himself. "The Lord shall establish thee a holy people unto Himself, as He hath sworn unto thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of the Lord thy God, and walk in His ways. And all people of the earth shall see that thou art called by the name of the Lord; and they shall be afraid of thee. And the Lord shall make thee plenteous in goods, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which the Lord sware unto thy fathers to give thee. The Lord shall open unto thee His good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in his season, and to bless all the work of thine hand: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow. And the Lord shall make thee the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath; if that thou hearken unto the commandments of the Lord thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and to do them; and thou shalt not go aside from any of the words which I command thee this day, to the right hand, or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them." Deut. 28: 9-14.

"Above only," is God's word to His chosen people, were to be "*the head, and not the tail,*" and shame upon that man who tries to make Israel the tail, as many, because of their Gentile teachings, are doing, thus polluting the holiness and blessedness of God's ever-abiding word.

"I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that ye shall soon utterly perish from off the land whereunto ye go over Jordan to possess it; ye shall not prolong your days upon it, but shall utterly be destroyed. And the Lord shall scatter you among the nations, and ye shall be left few in number among the heathen, whither the Lord shall lead you. And there ye shall serve gods, the work of men's hands, wood and stone, which neither see, nor



hear, nor eat, nor smell. But if from thence thou shalt seek the Lord thy God, thou shalt find Him, if thou seek Him with all thy heart and with all thy soul. When thou art in tribulation, and all these things are come upon thee, even in the latter days, if thou turn to the Lord thy God, and shalt be obedient unto His voice (for the Lord thy God is a merciful God); He will not forsake thee, neither destroy thee, nor forget the covenant of thy fathers, which He swore unto them. For ask now of the days that are past, which were before thee, since the day that God created man upon the earth, and ask from the one side of heaven unto the other, whether there hath been any such thing as this great thing is, or hath been heard like it? Did ever people hear the voice of God speaking out of the midst of the fire, as thou hast heard, and live? Or hath God assayed to go and take Him a nation from the midst of another nation, by temptations, by signs, and by wonders, and by war, and by a mighty hand, and by a stretched out arm, and by great terrors, according to all that the Lord your God did for you in Egypt before your eyes? Unto thee it was shewed, that thou mightest know that the Lord He is God; there is none else beside Him." Deut. 4: 26-35.

You can readily see that they were to be utterly *destroyed in their land only*, and that God at that time carried their minds down to the "latter days," even then to remember them. Was this to be just "*anybody Israel*," or was it to be "*a special people Israel*"? The thought that in Jesus just any body could become Israel is a foreign element, so far as the Bible is concerned, and is a slur upon the holy name of God. If, as some try to teach, the New Testament makes it so, we are surely in a sad condition, for it is God against God. But when the light of ordinary reason, and a little study is applied to the New Testament, it is readily seen that the same Golden Thread, literal Israel as God's chosen people, still runs all through its different books.

Many have never stopped to realize how far down these promises to Israel were to reach. The following gives us to plainly understand that it not only applied to Israel then present, but was to apply to Israel then future, for they were "*not there*." Deut. 29: 13-15. "That He may establish thee today for a people unto Himself, and that He may be unto thee a God, as He hath said unto thee, and as He hath sworn unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. Neither with you only do I make this covenant and this oath; but with him that standeth here with us this day before the Lord our God, and also with him that is not here with us this day." God, when He called them, was fully aware that they would turn from Him, go "after other gods" and He told them so in so many words. "For when I shall have brought them into the land which I swear unto their fathers, that floweth with milk and honey; and they shall have eaten and filled themselves, and waxen fat; then will they turn unto other gods, and serve them, and provoke Me, and break My covenant." Deut. 31: 20. Their fall was no surprise to God at all, He expected it, it was their perfecting, so He

went right on making promises to these very stiff-necked people, and their literal seed, promises that still reached beyond where we are today.

If there was not to be a literal Israel of the blood line, down where we are living today, why was God so foolish as to make such promises? If there is no literal Israel today, these sayings surely cast reflection upon the name of God, and produce infidels by the thousands. But the veil lifts from Israel's eyes, and we, the "far-off seed," know the words are literally true, and knowing gives us such a buoyancy of spirit as no other people of earth have ever had.

What is more, their scattering was prearranged, that they might be "moved to jealousy," and "a Godly sorrow for sin." God's anger was to so rest upon them, that the very foundations of the mountains were to be "set on fire," destroyed, until the last vestige of self was gone. "And when the Lord saw it, He abhorred them, because of the provoking of His sons, and of His daughters. And He said, I will hide My face from them, I will see what their end shall be: for they are a very forward generation, children in whom is no faith. They have moved Me to jealousy with that which is not God; they have provoked Me to anger with their vanities: and I will move them to jealousy with those which are not a people; I will provoke them to anger with a foolish nation. For a fire is kindled in Mine anger, and shall burn unto the lowest hell, and shall consume the earth with her increase, and set on fire the foundations of the mountains. I will heap mischiefs upon them; I will spend Mine arrows upon them. They shall be burnt with hunger, and devoured with burning heat, and with bitter destruction: I will also send the teeth of beasts upon them, with the poison of serpents of the dust. The sword without, and terror within, shall destroy both the young man and the virgin, the suckling also with the man of gray hairs. I said I would scatter them into corners, I would make the remembrance of them to cease from among men: were it not that I feared the wrath of the enemy, lest their adversaries should behave themselves strangely, and lest they should say, Our hand is high, and the Lord hath not done all this." Deut. 32: 19-27.

After reading the above, you can readily see the folly of talking about "conditional promises," when right at the time the Lord was making them, He spoke such fearful future predictions for Israel. He purposed to pass them through the fires, until they should become perfectly refined. In their far-off, and scattered condition, the prophet gives us to understand that the Lord was to be glorified "in the fires." "They shall lift up their voice, they shall sing for the majesty of the Lord, they shall cry aloud from the sea. Wherefore glorify ye the Lord in the fires, even the name of the Lord God of Israel in the isles of the sea." Isa. 24: 14, 15. Our blinded eyes in the past, have kept us from seeing the beauties and glories which the dispersion would bring to the "chosen people of God—Israel." There must be a refining process in order to produce the lustre and brightness.



A large diamond lay in a man's yard in South Africa, the children played with it, it was wealth untold, he did not know its value, but once a man did, all was changed. The polishing took place, then all could see the vast beauty and value.

Just so with Israel after God polishes them, as He has promised. "He hath made my mouth like a sharp sword, . . . and made me a *polished shaft*, . . . and said unto Me, Thou art My servant, O Israel, in whom I will be glorified." Isa. 49:2, 3. David, as he sees this scene, and how the adversaries would oppress Israel, has said, "Rid me, and deliver me from the hand of *strange children* (Gentiles—strange blooded) whose mouth speaketh vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of falsehood; that our sons (Israel's) may be as plants grown up in their youth, and our daughters may be as corner stones, *polished* after the similitude of a palace." Ps. 144:11, 12.

The following promise reaches down to where scattered Israel is today, carrying with it the cheering news, that God not only remembers the people, but "*the land*," the covenant of their "ancestors," as well. Do you see it now? Who do you claim is your "ancestors," Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, or some truth-perverting Gentile? "And ye shall perish among the heathen, and the land of your enemies shall eat you up. And they that are left of you shall pine away in their iniquity in your enemies' lands; and also in the iniquities of their fathers shall they pine away with them. If they shall confess their iniquity, and the iniquity of their fathers, with their trespass which they trespassed against Me, and that also they have walked contrary unto Me; And that I also have walked contrary unto them, and have brought them into the land of their enemies; if then their uncircumcised hearts be humbled, and they then accept of the punishment of their iniquity; then will I remember my covenant with Jacob, and also My covenant with Isaac, and also My covenant with Abraham will I remember; and I will remember the land. And yet for all that, when they be in the land of their enemies, I will not cast them away, neither will I abhor them, to destroy them utterly, and to break My covenant with them: for I am the Lord their God. But I will for their sakes remember the covenant of their ancestors, whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the heathen, that I might be their God: I am the Lord." Lev. 26:33-42, 44, 45.

From these early promises to Israel, let us now turn to the promises which God hath made to Israel by the mouth of His prophets. Let the weeping prophet speak first: "And the Lord said unto me, The backsliding Israel hath justified herself more than treacherous Judah. Go and proclaim these words toward the north, and say, Return, thou backsliding Israel, saith the Lord; and I will not cause Mine anger to fall upon you: for I am merciful, saith the Lord, and I will not keep anger forever. Only acknowledge thine iniquity, that thou hast transgressed against the Lord thy God, and hast scattered thy ways to the strangers under every green tree,

and ye have not obeyed My voice, saith the Lord. Turn, O backsliding children, saith the Lord; for I am married unto you: and I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion: and I will give you pastors according to Mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding. And it shall come to pass when ye be multiplied and increased in the land, in those days, saith the Lord, they shall say no more, The ark of the covenant of the Lord: neither shall it come to mind; neither shall they remember it; neither shall they visit it; neither shall that be done any more. At that time they shall call Jerusalem the throne of the Lord; and all the nations shall be gathered unto it, to the name of the Lord, to Jerusalem: neither shall they walk any more after the imagination of their evil heart. In those days the house of Judah shall walk with the house of Israel and they shall come together out of the land of the north to the land that I have given for an inheritance unto your fathers." Jer. 3:11-18.

You who claim there is no literal Israel today, where will you place these promises? When has been the time that Israel and Judah have walked together since the days of Jeroboam? Unless you can give date, and place, *why should you ask us to believe what you say?* Why not let the word and promises of God abide as He has inspired it? joyfully looking forward to the time when this great reunion shall take place.

"Thus saith the Lord against all Mine evil neighbors, that touch the inheritance which I have caused My people Israel to inherit: Behold, I will pluck them out of their land, and pluck out the house of Judah from among them. And it shall come to pass, after that I have plucked them out I will return, and have compassion on them, and will bring them again, every man to his heritage, and every man to his land. And it shall come to pass, if they will diligently learn the ways of My people, to swear by My name, The Lord liveth; as they taught My people to swear by Baal; then shall they be built in the midst of My people. But if they will not obey, I will utterly pluck up and destroy that nation, saith the Lord." Jer. 12:14-17.

Here, after gathering Israel again, is a promise of a *plucking up and destroying* that very few have every yet seen. It is not Israel, but the other nations. They are now and have been getting it, and it will continue to be so, until what is left of the nations will gladly glorify the name of God with Israel, and swear "the Lord liveth," and not swear by Baal.

"Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that it shall no more be said, The Lord liveth, that brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; but, The Lord liveth, that brought up the children of Israel from the land of the north, and from all the lands whither He had driven them: and I will bring them again into their land that I gave unto their fathers. Behold, I will send for many fishers, saith the Lord, and they shall fish them; and after will I send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain, and from every



hill, and out of the holes of the rocks. For Mine eyes are upon all their ways: they are not hid from My face, neither is their iniquity hid from Mine eyes. And first I will recompense their iniquity and their sin double; because they have defiled My land, they have filled Mine inheritance with the carcases of their detestable and abominable things." Jer. 16:14-18.

If this prophecy is not yet future, where can it be placed? Out of north Europe, where we have been locating Israel in these studies, is where God promises to gather Israel from. Do you see it? Are you, like the writer, willing to let God use you as "a fisher—a hunter," to find the lost of Israel, even though it may mean a loss of friends and money to you?

"The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord, saying, Thus speaketh the Lord God of Israel, saying, Write thee all the words that I have spoken unto thee in a book. For, lo, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will bring again the captivity of My people Israel and Judah, saith the Lord: and I will cause them to return to the land that I gave to their fathers and they shall possess it." Jer. 30:1-3. Here again a promise is made, co-jointly with Ten-Tribed Israel and Judah, and the days are to come, when He promises to bring them back to their own land again, and to make us see the fullness of it He says "Jacob's tents," leaving no room for dodging and quibbling. "Thus saith the Lord: Behold, I will bring again the captivity of Jacob's tents, and have mercy on his dwelling places; and the city shall be builded upon her own heap, and the palace shall remain after the manner thereof. And out of them shall proceed thanksgiving and the voice of them that make merry: and I will multiply them, and they shall not be few; I will also glorify them, and they shall not be small, their children also shall be as aforetime, and their congregation shall be established before Me, and I will punish all that oppress them. And their nobles shall be of themselves, and their governor shall proceed from the midst of them; and I will cause him to draw near, and he shall approach unto Me: for who is this that engaged his heart to approach unto me? saith the Lord. And ye shall be My people, and I will be your God." Jer. 30:18-22.

"At the same time, saith the Lord, will I be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be My people. Thus saith the Lord, The people which were left of the sword found grace in the wilderness; even Israel, when I went to cause him to rest. The Lord hath appeared of old unto me, saying, Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness have I drawn thee. Again I will build thee, and thou shalt be built, O virgin of Israel: thou shalt again be adorned with thy tabrets, and shall go forth in the dances of them that make merry. Thou shalt yet plant vines upon the mountains of Samaria: the planters shall plant, and shall eat them as common things. For there shall be a day, that the watchmen upon the Mount Ephriam shall cry, Arise ye, and let us go up to Zion unto the Lord our God. For thus saith the Lord: Sing with

gladness for Jacob, and shout among the chief of the nations: publish ye, praise ye, and say, O Lord, save Thy people, the remnant of Israel. Behold, I will bring them from the north country, and gather them from the coasts of the earth, and with them the blind and the lame, the woman with child and her that travaileth with child together: a great company shall return thither. They shall come with weeping, and with supplications will I lead them: I will cause them to walk by the rivers of waters in a straight way, wherein they shall not stumble: for I am a father to Israel, and Ephriam is My firstborn. Hear the word of the Lord, O ye nations, and declare it in the isles afar off, and say, He that scattered Israel will gather him, and keep him, as a shepherd doth his flock. For the Lord hath redeemed Jacob, and ransomed him from the hand of him that was stronger than he." Jer. 31:1-11.

Nothing very conditional about these promises, but the "shalt" is there, and every Bible student knows that Israel has never planted vines on the mountains of Samaria since their dispersion in 721 B. C., and here many promises are made and that over a hundred years after they were dispersed, and no doubt conveyed from the prophet Jeremiah to scattered Israel.

"Set thee up waymarks, make thee high heaps: set thine heart toward the highway, even the way which thou wentest: turn again, O virgin of Israel, turn again to these thy cities." "Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of man, and with the seed of beast. And it shall come to pass, that like as I have watched over them, to pluck up, and to break down, and to throw down, and to destroy, and to afflict; so will I watch over them, to build, and to plant, saith the Lord. In those days they shall say no more, The fathers have eaten a sour grape, and the children's teeth are set on edge. But every one shall die for his own iniquity: every man that eateth the sour grape, his teeth shall be set on edge. Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah: not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers, in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which My covenant they brake, although I was a husband unto them, saith the Lord: but this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel: After those days, saith the Lord, I will put My law in their inward parts, and write it in their heart; and will be their God, and they shall be My people. And they shall teach no more every man his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for they shall all know Me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the Lord: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more. Thus saith the Lord, which giveth the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar; The Lord of Hosts is His name: if those ordinances depart from before Me, saith the Lord, then the seed



of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before Me forever. Thus saith the Lord: If heaven above can be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, I will also cast off all the seed of Israel for all that they have done, saith the Lord. Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that the city shall be built to the Lord from the tower of Hananeel unto the gate of the corner." Jer. 31:21, 27-38.

He must be a Gentile indeed, regarding neither God nor man, who can take these far-reaching promises, and call them "conditional." Think of it, "conditional promises," when we are asked to look at the sun, moon, and stars, for if they have not failed, Israel still exists. Look to heaven, the earth, if we cannot measure out their bigness and greatness, neither are we to think that God hath cast off Israel, even Israel as a *nation*, not individuals. The Lord makes the foundation beneath literal Israel so indestructible that it would never become possible for Gentile hands to work the abrogating of His word and will with them. All can see the sun, moon, and stars still exist, and if they still exist, so does literal Israel. If we cannot remove them out of their spheres and orbits, work their destruction, prey let us not try to destroy Israel. Let us do the easiest job first. When God thus calls the sun, moon, and stars, as witnesses to the fact that He will not destroy Israel, this promise was made over a hundred years after their dispersion from the land. Not ever destroy them but what there will be a *nation* of them left. This is literally true, as you shall see by following us in a careful persual of these pages.

Have "the foundations of the earth been searched out" yet; has "heaven above been measured"? The statement is plain, that when this is done, He will "cast off all the seed of Israel for what they have done." Talk no more to us of "their sins," of "conditional promises" to a literal Israel, and by such talk try to prove to us the supremacy of a Gentile church, that we are a Gentile people! There is proof enough right here in these few verses of Jeremiah, just quoted, to banish such thoughts from the minds of all reasonable people, and these are the ones that God appeals to, the rest will have their lesson to learn, and their sight to be restored by the application of "the rod." The word is, "Come, now, let us reason together, saith the Lord, though your *sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow, though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.* If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall *eat the good of the land* (God's land—not heaven). But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword, for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it." Isa. 1:18-20. The sword is getting in its deadly work. Which appeals to you most: "Reason, obedience, the good of the land," or "the sword"? The choice is left to each of us as individuals, for God has promised "to save all Israel." The salvation will be wrought, the lesson can be learned by reason, through the gentle wooings of God's spirit, or through a manifestation of His power. Israel shall be saved. Which way do you desire?

Paul, in his letter to the Hebrews, which is appli-

cable to Israel of the present, says in regard to these deep truths of God, "and hard to be understood," "that strong meat belongeth to them that are perfect, even those who by reason of *an habit of use have their senses* (not heart) *exercised* to discern both good and evil." Heb. 5:14. With the Gentiles and the heathen, religion and its observances have always been "a tumult," *no time to reason*, to know you have religion, because the word of God proves you have it, but you have got religion because you *feel it*. Reason is God's motif power that proves what truth is. No wonder then, when we turn from "reason" to "a tumult," that blindness takes possession of us, even to the extent that we do not know our identity.

A new covenant to be made with Israel and Judah, yet since the dispersion, Israel have never been back in their land that God might make a covenant with them. And what do you think, right in the face of these eternal, never failing words, preachers galore, out telling the people we are now, and have been, since the days of Jesus, living under it. No wonder God has said of us, "that blindness in part is happened to Israel (not Judah), until the fullness of the Gentiles be come in." Rom. 11:25. This is nothing more nor less than the blindness that the Lord promised to send upon them because of their sins. "The Lord shall smite thee with madness, and blindness, and astonishment of heart. Deut. 28:28. This blindness is so intense, that with the Bible brimfull of promises to literal Israel, its fullness based upon them as given to Israel, we have in the face of all this, been calling ourselves Gentiles.

There is a prophecy given, which relates to someone whom God calls his servant, which He has promised to raise up that this blindness might be removed, that Israel might know their identity, come back to God as His literal people once more. "Thus saith God the Lord, He that created the heavens, and stretched them out; He that spreadeth forth the earth, and that which cometh out of it; He that giveth breath unto the people upon it, and spirit to them that walk therein: I the Lord have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles; to open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house. I am the Lord; that is My name: and My glory will I not give to another, neither My praise to graven images. I have long time holden My peace; I have been still, and refrained Myself: now will I cry like a travailing woman; I will destroy and devour at once. I will make waste mountains and hills, and dry up all their herbs; and I will make the rivers islands, and I will dry up the pools. And I will bring the blind by a way that they knew not; I will lead them in paths that they have not known: I will make darkness light before them, and crooked things straight. These things will I do unto them, and not forsake them." Isa. 42:5-8, 14-16.

Because, for a long time, God hath "holden His peace," the world has thought Israel were gone. Gentileism had hoisted themselves and others in the



place of Israel, calling themselves a "spiritual Israel," but to the consternation of all, the "devouring and destroying" time at last came, came as suddenly "as travail upon a woman with child," and the Lord began to lead His blind people Israel, thousands of them, "by a way they knew not." Each day the way becomes more plain, and as the revelation opens before blinded Israel, it brings joy, happiness, a lasting consolation, and "a strong hope," into thousands of lives of loyal, true Israelitish people. May God speed the message on, till we reach the promised time, when, "So all Israel shall be saved" "as it is written. There shall come a deliverer out of Zion, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob; for this is My covenant unto them, when I take away their sins. As concerning the gospel, they are enemies for your (Gentiles') sakes: but as touching the election, they are beloved for the fathers' sakes. For the gifts and calling of God are without repentance. For as ye in times past have not believed God, yet have now obtained mercy through their unbelief: Even so have these also now not believed, that through your mercy they also may obtain mercy. For God hath concluded them all in unbelief, that He might have mercy upon all. O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are His judgments, and His ways past finding out! For who hath known the mind of the Lord? or who hath been His counsellor?" Rom. 11: 26-34. Would to God that it might be seen in all its fullness, that blinded eyes might become opened, to see that the leadings of Israel, God's people, have been by Him all the way through the dark and awful captivated exiled period of 2,520 years. Little wonder that Paul exclaimed, "O the depth of the riches, both of the wisdom and knowledge of God!" Now that our blinded eyes are opening, and we can begin to see the greatness of God's dealing with His Israel, His promises to them, the Bible becomes a new book to us, and the wooings of His spirit much sweeter than ever before. The knowledge that comes is beyond expression, and with joy unspeakable we revel in its immensity. Others may joy in the world, "its customs and its laws," but in sincerity we always say, "Give us, O Lord, the knowledge of Thy truth," and as it comes, it is sweeter than "the honey in the honey comb."

"And now therefore thus saith the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning this city, whereof ye say, It shall be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence; Behold, I will gather them out of all countries, whither I have driven them in My anger, and in My fury, and in great wrath; and I will bring them again unto this place, and I will cause them to dwell safely: and they shall be My people, and I will be their God: and I will give them one heart, and one way, that they may fear Me forever, for the good of them, and of their children after them: and I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn away from them, to do them good; but I will put My fear in their hearts, that they shall not depart from Me. Yea, I will rejoice over them to do them good, and I

will plant them in this land assuredly with My whole heart and with My whole soul. For thus saith the Lord: Like as I have brought all this great evil upon this people, so will I bring upon them all the good that I have promised them. And fields shall be bought in this land, whereof ye say, It is desolate without man or beast; it is given into the hand of the Chaldeans. Men shall buy fields for money, and subscribe evidences, and seal them, and take witnesses in the land of Benjamin, and in the places about Jerusalem, and in the cities of Judah, and in the cities of the mountains, and in the cities of the valley, and in the cities of the south: for I will cause their captivity to return, saith the Lord." Jer. 32: 36-44.

Nothing "conditional" about this, God positively speaks, and makes these promises to Israel, and that while they were in a dispersed condition. Think of it, "dwell safely," "My people," "their God," "give them one heart and one way," "make everlasting covenant," "will not turn away from them," "will put My fear in their hearts," "they shall not depart from Me," "plant them in this (Palestine) land assuredly," "with My whole heart, whole soul," "bring all good I have promised," "buy fields in this land," "will cause captivity to return." Almost insurmountable and impregnable, are these promises to Israel. Never were so many jewels found in one spot, yet many teachers say there is "nothing to it, they can't see it." Their case is a sad one indeed, blind, so blind, yet think they can see. Little wonder that just outside the land that the Lord has promised "weeping and gnashing of teeth." These promises alone, are enough to convince any ordinary minded man or woman, yet they are passed up as a joke. Fearful will be the final awakening!

"Behold, I will bring it health and cure, and I will cure them, and will reveal unto them the abundance of peace and truth. And I will cause the captivity of Judah and the captivity of Israel to return, and will build them, as at the first. And I will cleanse them from all their iniquity, whereby they have sinned against Me; and I will pardon all their iniquities, whereby they sinned, and whereby they have transgressed against Me. And it shall be to Me a name of joy, a praise and an honor before all the nations of the earth, which shall hear all the good that I do unto them: and they shall fear and tremble for all the goodness and for all the prosperity that I procure unto it. Thus saith the Lord: Again there shall be heard in this place, which ye say shall be desolate without man and without beast, even in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, that are desolate, without man, and without inhabitant, and without beast. The voice of joy, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, the voice of them that shall say, Praise the Lord of hosts: for the Lord is good: for His mercy endureth forever: and of them that shall bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the Lord. For I will cause to return the captivity of the land, as at the first, saith the Lord. Thus saith the Lord of Hosts: Again in this place, which is desolate without man and without beast, and in all the cities thereof, shall be a habita-



tion of shepherds causing their flocks to lie down. In the cities of the mountains, in the cities of the vale, and in the cities of the south, and in the land of Benjamin, and in the places about Jerusalem, and in the cities of Judah, shall the flocks pass again under the hands of him that telleth them, saith the Lord. 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." Jer. 33:6-16.

Here the objector comes again and tells us these great promises were fulfilled when a part of Judah returned from Babylon. Right at the time he is saying it, he knows full well that Israel never returned, and only a part of Judah, yet the promises reaches Israel. Little wonder that God will say to someone, "depart from Me, I never knew you," for anyone who can so easily pass up these sayings of Jehovah, has surely never formed the acquaintance of Him. The case is a plain one.

"Israel is a scattered sheep; the lions have driven him away: first the king of Assyria hath devoured him; and last this Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon hath broken his bones. Therefore thus saith the Lord of Hosts, the Lord of Israel: Behold, I will punish the king of Babylon and his land, as I have punished the king of Assyria. And I will bring Israel again to his habitation, and he shall feed on Carmel and Bashan, and his soul shall be satisfied upon Mount Ephriam and Gilead. In those days, and in that time, saith the Lord, the iniquity of Israel shall be sought for, and there shall be none; and the sins of Judah, and they shall not be found; for I will pardon them whom I reserve." Jer. 50:17-20. Never were such promises made and it is useless to say they will never be fulfilled with literal Israel to whom they were given. The very reputation and character of the Eternal God, and the infallibility of His Word is at stake. Do not let anyone deceive you. In God's good time He will care for the words He has spoken. Talk about the sins of Israel and Judah! The Lord says they shall not be found! Let us leave it to him to perform His good work, fall in line with His truth, helping Him more quickly to bring to pass His perfect work. Long ago it would have been done, had not Israel been a stiffnecked people, and shall we, their children, still continue on in hard-heartedness?

Let us take Isaiah, the gospel prophet. The one who has suffered more from Vandalism than any other, the one whose prophecies pertaining to literal Israel have been taken by the "blind, leaders of the blind"—Gentiles, and turned exclusively to what they termed the church, yet he never once, in all his writings, has anything to say about the church, it is always Israel, and Judah. In the following he is very plain: "But now thus saith the Lord that created

thee, O Jacob, and He that formed thee, O Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name; thou art Mine. When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee. For I am the Lord thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Saviour: I gave Egypt for thy ransom, Ethiopia and Seba for thee. Since thou wast precious in My sight, thou hast been honorable, and I have loved thee: therefore will I give men for thee, and people for thy life. Fear not; for I am with thee: I will bring thy seed from the east, and gather thee from the west: I will say to the north, Give up; and to the south, Keep not back: bring My sons from far, and My daughters from the ends of the earth; even every one that is called by My name; for I have created him for My glory, I have formed him: yet, I have made him. Bring forth the blind people that have eyes, and the deaf that have ears." Isa. 43:1-8. When written, Israel were already in "the cities of the Medes," yet this wonderful message follows them, and praise be to God it is finding them. How could church ever have been read in these texts in the place of Israel is a wonder, but it was done, and the "blind people" received it as such, ever since, and do at this present time. The word, how true, "bring forth the blind people that have eyes." O that we may each anoint our eyes with "God's eye salve," that we may be able to find ourselves as lost Israel, sight restored, identity known, to at last repose neath the greatness of that which God, in His mercy, has promised us, "therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation." Isa. 12:3.

"But Israel shall be saved in the Lord with an everlasting salvation: ye shall not be ashamed nor confounded world without end. For thus saith the Lord that created the heavens; God Himself that formed the earth and made it, He hath established it, He created it not in vain, He formed it to be inhabited: I am the Lord, and there is none else. I have not spoken in secret, in a dark place of the earth: I said not unto the seed of Jacob, Seek ye Me in vain: I Jehovah speak righteousness, I declare things that are right. In the Lord shall all the seed of Israel be justified, and shall glory." Isa. 45:17-19, 25.

What greater things could ever have been promised. "Saved with an everlasting salvation," and how many? "All the seed of Israel shall be justified." It is not the seed of the heathen, the seed of the Gentiles, but it is the "seed of Israel," and all of them at that. Perhaps ere this you have said it is enough! I see! I know myself now! Surely, all should know when God has been so good as to thus remember His people Israel in such great promises as these. They are ours, let us accept them, "setting our faces as a flint, toward Zion," knowing we shall not be ashamed. Isa. 50:7.

How beautiful, how lovingly doth the Lord appeal to Israel in the following words: "Fear not; for thou shalt not be ashamed: neither be thou confounded; for thou shalt not be put to shame: for thou shalt



forget the shame of thy youth, and shalt not remember the reproach of thy widowhood any more. For thy Maker is thine husband; The Lord of Hosts is His name; and thy Redeemer the Holy One of Israel: The God of the whole earth shall He be called. For Jehovah hath called thee as a woman forsaken and grieved in spirit, and a wife of youth, when thou wast refused, said thy God. For a small moment have I forsaken thee; but with great mercies will I gather thee. In a little wrath I hid My face from thee for a moment; but with everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee, saith Jehovah thy Redeemer. For this is as the waters of Noah unto Me: for as I have sworn that the waters of Noah should no more go over the earth: so have I sworn that I would not be wroth with thee, nor rebuke thee. For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but My kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of My peace be removed, saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee. O thou afflicted, tossed with tempest, and not comforted, behold, I will lay thy stones with fair colours, and lay thy foundations with sapphires. No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is of Me, saith the Lord." Isa. 54:4-11, 17.

Is not this enough from Isaiah, that you may take his prophecy, study it verse by verse, picking out the golden thread of Israelism woven therein, that you may acquaint yourself with God, and His thoughts about His people Israel? All the while bearing in mind that you are one of "His people" Israel. One who "was lost, but is now found," and that the Father "is killing the fatted calf" for you, that soon your sinful garments will be taken from you, and a beautiful robe of righteousness given you in the place thereof. Now, just now, begin to rejoice, and turn your face toward Zion, let the beautiful flowers begin to bud and bloom in your life, bathe your weary soul in the words and life of your Master, Jehovah, that the world may, even though sinful, become more to you than ever before, fully realizing that it will soon be lift up by the presence of the One who says "He is the light of the world, the Redeemer of Israel," through whom "all the seed of Israel shall be justified and glorified." Isa. 45:25.

The visionary prophet Ezekiel takes up his great work of prophetic promises to dispersed Israel just as earnestly as Isaiah and Jeremiah have done. Israel gone from the land, God desired to inspire courage into the minds of the Jewish people through these promises, that they might bethink themselves of Him, turn from their transgressions, that the work of restoration might begin in the land, that Ten-Tribed Israel might be the sooner called home. But it was all to no avail, they would follow their brethren in sin and disobedience. It must be the school of adversity that should bind them eternally to their God. It is not while reveling in plenty, that the Israelitish graces are brought out, but it is when God's people are walking down the dark valley.

Among the many promises made we find the fol-

lowing: "As I live, saith the Lord God, surely with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out, will I rule over you: and I will bring you out from the people, and will gather you out of the countries wherein ye are scattered, with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out. And I will bring you into the wilderness of the people, and there will I plead with you face to face. Like as I pleaded with your fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so will I plead with you, saith the Lord God. And I will cause you to pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant: and I will purge out from among you the rebels, and them that transgress against Me: I will bring them forth out of the country where they sojourn, and they shall not enter into the land of Israel: and ye shall know that I am the Lord. As for you, O house of Israel, thus saith the Lord God: Go ye, serve ye every one his idols, and hereafter also, if ye will not hearken unto me: but pollute ye My holy name no more with your gifts, and with your idols. For in Mine holy mountain, in the mountain of the height of Israel, saith the Lord God, there shall all the house of Israel, all of them in the land, serve Me: there will I accept them, and there will I require your offerings, and the firstfruits of your obligations, with all your holy things. I will accept you with your sweet savour, when I bring you out from the people, and gather you out of the countries wherein ye have been scattered, and I will be sanctified in you before the heathen. And ye shall know that I am the Lord, when I shall bring you into the land of Israel, into the country for the which I lifted up Mine hand to give it to your fathers. And there shall ye remember your ways, and all your doings, wherein ye have been defiled; and ye shall loathe yourselves in your own sight for all your evils that ye have committed. And ye shall know that I am the Lord, when I have wrought with you for My name's sake, not according to your wicked ways, nor according to your corrupt doings, O ye house of Israel, saith the Lord God." Eze. 20:33-44. Serve idols Israel would, so send them among the heathen till they should abhor and detest the thing, God would. But with them this word of promise He sent, letting them know that in the final ending He would remember them, take their sins from them, restore them to His favor and the land of their fathers.

In the thirty-fourth chapter He takes up the story of His people, how as beasts they have been treated, how their shepherds have horned and pushed them; and left that which their feet have trod for His people Israel to drink, all of which occurred in their pilgrimage among the Gentiles. His word falsified by them, perverted in every possible way, yet in this sad condition, they are not left without hope, God will judge "between cattle and cattle" Himself. Even among His own flock, Israel, the same spirit which the Gentiles had, has been taken over by them, and in His judging, God would bring relief to His oppressed ones. "For thus saith the Lord God: Behold, I, even I, will both search My sheep, and seek



them out. As a shepherd seeketh out his flock in the day that he is among his sheep that are scattered; so will I seek out My sheep, and will deliver them out of all places where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day. And I will bring them out from the people, and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own land, and feed them upon the mountains of Israel by the rivers, and in all the inhabited places of the country. I will feed them in a good pasture, and upon the high mountains of Israel shall their fold be: there shall they lie in a good fold, and in a fat pasture shall they feed upon the mountains of Israel. I will feed My flock, and I will cause them to lie down, saith the Lord God. I will seek that which was lost, and bring again that which was driven away, and will bind up that which was broken, and will strengthen that which was sick: but I will destroy the fat and the strong; I will feed them with judgment. And as for you, O My flock, thus saith the Lord God: Behold, I judge between cattle and cattle, between the rams and the he goats. Therefore thus saith the Lord God unto them: Behold, I, even I, will judge between the fat cattle and between the lean cattle. Because ye have thrust with side and with shoulder, and pushed all the diseased with your horns, till ye have scattered them abroad; therefore will I save My flock, and they shall no more be a prey; and I will judge between cattle and cattle. And I will set up one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them, even My servant David; he shall feed them, and he shall be their shepherd. And I the Lord will be their God, and My servant David a prince among them; I the Lord have spoken it. And I will make with them a covenant of peace, and will cause the evil beasts to cease out of the land: and they shall dwell safely in the wilderness, and sleep in the woods. And I will make them and the places round about My hill a blessing; and they shall no more be a prey to the heathen, neither shall the beast of the land devour them; but they shall dwell safely, and none shall make them afraid. And I will raise up for them a plant of renown, and they shall be no more consumed with hunger in the land, neither bear the shame of the heathen any more. Thus shall they know that I the Lord their God am with them, and that they, even the house of Israel, are My people, saith the Lord God. And ye My flock, the flock of My pasture, are men, and I am your God, saith the Lord God." Eze. 34: 11-31.

### TRUE GOVERNMENT

Judges and officers shalt thou make thee in all thy gates, which Jehovah thy God giveth thee, throughout thy tribes; and they shall judge the people with just judgment.

Thou shalt not wrest judgment; thou shalt not respect persons, neither take a gift; for a gift doth blind the eyes of the wise, and pervert the words of the righteous.—Deuteronomy 16:18-20.

## A Free Diet

It is impossible to believe that the Source which gave the Ten Commandments to Israel and the world could have erred in anything else emanating therefrom at Mount Sinai as a direct sequel thereto. Yet, while most people accept the Ten Commandments as the Summit of Truth, they have almost completely disregarded the other laws which were handed down at the same time and which all Israel were commanded to observe "as an everlasting statute."

At Mount Sinai an all-embracing fabric of law was given. It dealt with every problem and phase of life. The Master Physician and Architect did not leave a creation of sons and daughters upon His earth without a proper textbook. A way has been shown, and no living soul can say that a chance has not been given. But as children seldom heed parents, so we, of Judah and Israel, have utterly failed to heed our Father, and this yet from Sinai days, notwithstanding the oath that our fathers entered into both in their and our behalf. This obtained in the days of Isaiah too. "The ox knoweth his owner, and the ass his master's crib," said he, "but Israel doth not know, my people doth not consider."

Mount Sinai was "the everlasting Covenant" spoken of by this same Isaiah in chapter xxiv 5-6:

The earth is become defiled under the inhabitants thereof, because they have transgressed the laws, changed the ordinance, *broken the everlasting covenant*. Therefore hath the curse devoured the earth, and they that dwell therein are desolate.

Surely today we see how the curse is devouring the earth.

No son or daughter of Israel can be acceptable unto the Father unless the *nephesh*, the body-soul, is pure and void of unclean substances. The Sabbath becomes a mockery if the body-soul of the individual keeping it is a vessel filled with and contaminated by those scavengers of the earth and sea which Jehovah God forbade His people to partake of. He laid down a law on diet; yet, most people, disregarding this true diet of the only true Physician, spend millions of dollars yearly on various man-made diets which do not maintain good health. Certain animals and fishes were created as scavengers to consume putrid substances from the earth and the sea. God Almighty never meant them as food for man; yet these animals are eaten everywhere in glutony—the blood and the flesh, despite the great Physician's injunction against it. The pig, for example, carries scores of diseases, notwithstand-



ing refrigeration and scientific animal feeds. The reader should look into the word "pig-loving" in the Greek—and a horrible name evolves. Isaiah, in his very last chapter, confirms the law laid down by Moses by linking the pig with the mouse and other detestable creeping things. He says that those who partake thereof "shall perish," surely not as any direct punishment from God, but as a natural consequence of the action. The Law was given "in order that you might prolong your lives."

The Biblical injunctions on diet are given in Leviticus Chapter xi. Read it for yourselves:

**Leviticus, Chapter 11:**

"And Jehovah spake unto Moses and to Aaron, saying unto them,

"Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, These are the beasts which ye shall eat among all the beasts that are on the earth.

**"Whatsoever parteth the hoof, and is cloven-footed, and cheweth the cud, among the beasts, that shall ye eat.**

"Nevertheless these shall ye not eat of them that chew the cud, or of them that divide the hoof: as the camel, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he is unclean unto you.

"And the coney, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he is unclean unto you.

"And the hare, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he is unclean unto you.

"And the swine, though he divide the hoof, and be clovenfooted, yet he cheweth not the cud; he is unclean to you.

"Of their flesh shall ye not eat, and their carcass shall ye not touch; they are unclean to you.

"These shall ye eat of all that are in the waters: whatsoever hath fins and scales in the waters, in the seas, and in the rivers, them shall ye eat.

**"And all that have not fins and scales in the seas, and in the rivers, of all that move in the waters, they shall be an abomination unto you:**

"They shall be even an abomination unto you; ye shall not eat of their flesh, but ye shall have their carcasses in abomination.

**"Whatsoever hath no fins nor scales in the waters, that shall be an abomination unto you.**

"And these are they which ye shall have in abomination among the fowls; they shall not be eaten, they are an abomination: the eagle, and the ossifrage, and the osprey,

"And the vulture, and the kite after his kind;

"Every raven after his kind;

"And the owl, and the night hawk, and the cuckow, and the hawk after his kind,

"And the little owl, and the cormorant, and the great owl,

"And the swan, and the pelican, and the gier eagle,

"And the stork, the heron after her kind, and the lapwing, and the bat.

"All fowls that creep, going upon all four, shall be an abomination unto you.

"Yet these may ye eat of every flying creeping thing that goeth upon all four, which have legs above their feet, to leap withal upon the earth;

"Even these of them ye may eat: the locust after his kind, and the bald locust after his kind, and the beetle after his kind, and the grasshopper after his kind.

"But all other flying creeping things, which have four feet, shall be an abomination unto you.

"And for these ye shall be unclean: whosoever toucheth the carcass of them shall be unclean until the even.

"And whosoever beareth ought of the carcass of them shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even.

"The carcasses of every beast which divideth the hoof, and is not clovenfooted, nor cheweth the cud, are unclean unto you: every one that toucheth them shall be unclean.

"And he that beareth the carcass of them shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even: they are unclean unto you.

"These also shall be unclean unto you among the creeping things that creep upon the earth: the weasel, and the mouse, and the tortoise after his kind,

"And the ferret, and the chameleon, and the lizard, and the snail, and the mole.

"These are unclean to you among all that creep: whosoever doth touch them, when they be dead, shall be unclean until the even.

"And upon whatsoever any of them, when they are dead, doth fall, it shall be unclean; whether it be any vessel of wood, or raiment, or skin, or sack, whatsoever vessel it be, wherein any work is done, it must be unclean until the even; so it shall be cleansed.

"And every earthen vessel, whereinto any of them falleth, whatsoever is in it shall be unclean; and ye shall break it.

"Of all meat which may be eaten, that on which such water cometh shall be unclean: and all drink that may be drunk in every such vessel shall be unclean.

"And every thing whereupon any part of their carcass falleth shall be unclean; whether it be oven, or ranges for pots, they shall be broken



down: for they are unclean, and shall be unclean unto you.

"Nevertheless a fountain or pit, wherein there is plenty of water, shall be clean: but that which toucheth their carcass shall be unclean.

"And if any part of their carcass fall upon any sowing seed which is to be sown, it shall be clean.

"But if any water be put upon the seed, and any part of their carcass fall thereon, it shall be unclean unto you.

"And if any beast, of which ye may eat, die; he that toucheth the carcass thereof shall be unclean until the even.

"And he that eateth of the carcass of it shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even.

"And every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth shall be an abomination; it shall not be eaten.

"Whatsoever goeth upon the belly, and whatsoever goeth upon all four, or whatsoever hath more feet among all creeping things that creep upon the earth, them ye shall not eat; for they are an abomination.

"Ye shall not make yourselves abominable with any creeping thing that creepeth, neither shall ye make yourselves unclean with them, that ye should be defiled thereby.

**"For I am Jehovah your God: ye shall therefore sanctify yourselves, and ye shall be holy; for I am holy: neither shall ye defile yourselves with any manner of creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.**

"For I am Jehovah that bringeth you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: **ye shall therefore be holy, for I am holy.**

"This is the law of the beasts, and of the fowl, and of every living creature that moveth in the waters, and of every creature that creepeth upon the earth:

"To make a difference between the unclean and the clean, and between the beast that may be eaten and the beast that may not be eaten."

—Selected.

## Washington's Vision

Very few Americans are aware of the fact that George Washington was a Godly man who had been inspired with visions of truth. There can be no doubt that Jehovah guided him in his actions and deeds.

The most important of Washington's visions is the one which he had related to Anthony Sherman, who in turn related it to Wesley Bradshaw.

In it he foresaw the Civil War as well as the conclusion of this war, which is also depicted in Ezekiel, chapter 38.

Ezekiel states: "And thou shalt come from thy place out of the uttermost parts of the north, thou, and many people with thee . . . a great company and a mighty army; and thou shalt come up against my people Israel, *as a cloud to cover the land*; it shall be in the end of days. . . . And thou shalt ascend, thou shalt come like a storm, thou shalt be like a cloud to cover the land, thou, and all thy bands, and many peoples with thee."

Washington in his vision, saw "a fearful scene: from each of these countries arose thick, black clouds that were joined into one. And throughout this mass there gleamed a dark red light by which I saw hordes of armed men, who, *moving with the cloud*, MARCHED BY LAND AND SAILED BY SEA TO AMERICA, which country was enveloped in the volume of the cloud. And I dimly saw these vast armies devastate, etc."

George Washington's full vision follows:

"I do not know whether it is owing to the anxiety of my mind, or what, but this afternoon as I was sitting at this very table engaged in preparing a dispatch, something in the apartment seemed to disturb me. Looking up, I beheld standing opposite me a singularly beautiful female. So astonished was I, for I had given strict orders not to be disturbed, that it was some moments before I found language to inquire the cause of her presence. A second, a third, and even a fourth time, did I repeat the question, but received no answer from my mysterious visitor except a slight raising of the eyes. By this time I felt strange sensations spreading through me; I would have risen, but the riveted gaze of the being before me rendered volition impossible. I essayed once more to address her but my tongue had become powerless. Even thought itself suddenly became paralyzed. A new influence, mysterious, potent, irresistible, took possession of me. All I could do was to gaze steadily, vacantly at my unknown visitant. Gradually the surrounding atmosphere seemed as though becoming filled with sensations, and grew luminous. Everything about me seemed to rarefy, the mysterious visitor herself becoming more airy, and yet more distinct to my sight than before. I now began to feel as one dying, or rather to experience the sensations which I have sometimes imagined accompany dissolution. I did not think, I did not reason, I did not move; all alike were impossible. I was only conscious of gazing fixedly, vacantly at my companion.

"Presently I heard a voice saying, "Son of the



Republic, look and learn." When at the same time my visitor extended her arm eastwardly. I now beheld a heavy white vapor at some distance rising fold upon fold. This gradually dissipated, and I looked upon a strange scene. Before me lay spread out in one vast plain all the countries of the world, Europe, Asia, Africa, and America. I saw rolling and tossing between Europe and America the billows of the Atlantic, and between Asia and America lay the Pacific. "Son of the Republic," said the same mysterious voice as before, "look and learn." At that moment I beheld a dark, shadowy being like an angel standing, or rather floating in midair between Europe and America. Dipping water out of the ocean in the hollow of each hand, he sprinkled some upon America with his right hand, while with his left hand he cast some on Europe. Immediately a dark cloud raised from these countries, and joined in mid-ocean. For a while it remained stationary and then moved slowly westward, until it enveloped America in its murky folds. Sharp flashes of lightning gleamed through it at intervals, and I heard the smothered groans and cries of the American people. A second time the angel dipped water from the ocean, and sprinkled it as before. The dark cloud was then drawn back to the ocean, in whose heaving billows it sank from view. A third time I heard the mysterious voice saying, "Son of the Republic, look and learn." I cast my eyes upon America and beheld villages and towns and cities springing up, one after another, until the whole land from the Atlantic to the Pacific was dotted with them. Again I heard the mysterious voice say, "Son of the Republic, the end of the century cometh, look and learn."

"At this the dark, shadowy angel turned his face southward, and from Africa I saw an ill-omened spectre approach our land. It flitted slowly and heavily over every town and city of the latter. The inhabitants presently set themselves in battle array against each other. As I continued looking, I saw a bright angel, on whose brow rested a crown of light on which was traced the word "Union," bearing the American flag, which he placed between the divided nation and said, "Remember ye are brethren." Instantly the inhabitants, casting from them their weapons, became friends once more, and united around the National Standard. And again I heard a mysterious voice saying, "Son of the Republic, look and learn." At this the dark, shadowy angel placed a trumpet to his mouth and blew three distinct blasts; and taking water from the ocean, he sprinkled it upon Europe, Asia, and Africa. Then my eyes beheld a fearful scene: from each of these countries arose thick, black clouds that

were soon joined into one. And throughout this mass there gleamed a dark red light by which I saw hordes of armed men, who, moving with the cloud, MARCHED BY LAND AND SAILED BY SEA TO AMERICA, which country was enveloped in the volume of the cloud. And I dimly saw these vast armies devastate the whole country and burn villages, towns and cities that I beheld springing up. As my ears listened to the thundering of the cannon, clashing of the swords and shouts and cries of millions in mortal combat, I again heard the mysterious voice saying, "Son of the Republic, look and learn." When the voice had ceased, the dark, shadowy angel placed his trumpet once more to his mouth and blew a long and fearful blast.

"Instantly a light as of a thousand suns shone down from above me, and pierced and broke into fragments the dark cloud which enveloped America. At the same moment the angel upon whose head still shone the word "Union," and who bore our national flag in one hand and a sword in the other, descended from heaven attended by legions of bright spirits. These immediately joined the inhabitants of America, who I perceived were well overcome, but who, immediately taking courage again, closed up their broken ranks and renewed battle. Again amid the fearful noise of the conflict, I heard the mysterious voice saying, "Son of the Republic, look and learn." As the voice ceased, the shadowy angel for the last time dipped water from the ocean and sprinkled it upon America. Instantly the dark cloud rolled back, together with the armies it had brought, leaving the inhabitants of the land victorious.

"Then once more I beheld villages, towns and cities springing up where they had been before, while the bright angel, planting the azure standard he had brought in one of them, cried with a loud voice: "WHILE THE STARS REMAIN AND THE HEAVENS SEND DOWN DEW UPON THE EARTH, SO LONG SHALL THE REPUBLIC LAST." And taking from his brow the crown on which blazoned the word "Union," he placed it upon the standard while the people, kneeling down, said "Amen."

"The scene instantly began to fade and dissolve and I at last saw nothing but the rising, curling vapor I at first beheld. This also disappearing, I found myself once more gazing upon my mysterious visitor, who, in the same voice I had heard before, said, "Son of the Republic, what you have seen is thus interpreted: Three great perils will come upon the Republic. The most fearful is the second passing which THE WHOLE WORLD UNITED SHALL NOT PRE-



VAIL AGAINST HER. Let every child of the Republic learn to live for HIS GOD, HIS LAND AND UNION." With these words, the vision vanished, and I started from my seat and felt that I had seen a vision wherein had been shown to me the birth, progress and destiny of the United States.' "

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### III

Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh His name in vain.

### IV

Remember the Sabbath Day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath Day, and hallowed it.

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## Songs of Moses

"Give ear, O ye heavens, and I will speak and hear, O earth, the words of my mouth;

"My doctrine shall drop as the rain, my speech shall distil as the dew, as the small rain upon the tender herb, and as the showers upon the grass:

"Because I will publish the name of Jehovah: ascribe ye greatness unto our God.

"**He is the Rock, His work is perfect: for all His ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is He.**

"They have corrupted themselves, their spot is not **the spot** of His children: **they are** a perverse and crooked generation."

Do ye thus requite Jehovah, O foolish people and unwise? **is not He thy father that hath bought thee? hath He not made thee, and established thee?**

Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: ask thy father, and He will shew thee thy elders, and they will tell thee.

When the Most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when He separated the sons of Adam, He set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel.

For Jehovah's portion **is** His people; Jacob **is** the lot of His inheritance.

He found him in a desert land, and in the waste howling wilderness; He led him about, He instructed him, He kept him as the apple of His eye.

As an eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young, spreadeth abroad her wings, taketh them, beareth them on her wings;

**So Jehovah alone did lead him, and there was no strange god with him.**

He made him ride on the high places of the earth, that he might eat the increase of the fields;

and He made him to suck honey out of the rock, and oil out of the flinty rock;

Butter of kine, and milk of sheep, with fat of lambs, and rams of the breed of Bashan, and goats, with the fat of kidneys of wheat; and thou didst drink the pure blood of the grape.

But Jeshurun waxed fat, and kicked: thou art waxen fat, thou are covered **with fatness**; then he forsook God **which** made him, and lightly esteemed the Rock of His salvation.

They provoked Him to jealousy with strange **gods**, with abominations provoked they Him to anger.

They sacrificed unto devils, not to God; to gods whom they knew not, to new **gods that** came newly up, whom your fathers feared not.

Of the Rock **that** begat thee thou art unmindful, and hast forgotten God that formed thee.

And when Jehovah saw **it**, He abhorred **them**, because of the provoking of His sons, and of His daughters.

And He said, I will hide My face from them, I will see what their end **shall be**: for they **are** a very forward generation, children in whom **is** no faith.

They have moved Me to jealousy with **that which is** not God; they have provoked Me to anger with their vanities: and I will move them to jealousy with **those which are** not a people; I will provoke them to anger with a foolish nation.

For a fire is kindled in mine anger, and shall burn unto the lowest hell, and shall consume the earth with her increase, and set on fire the foundations of the mountains.

I will heap mischiefs upon them; I will spend Mine arrows upon them.



**They shall be burnt with hunger, and devoured with burning heat, and with bitter destruction: I will also send the teeth of beasts upon them, with the poison of serpents of the dust.**

The sword without, and terror within, shall destroy both the young man and the virgin, the suckling **also** with the man of gray hairs.

I said, I would scatter them into corners, I would make the remembrance of them to cease from among men;

Were it not that I feared the wrath of the enemy, lest their adversaries should behave themselves strangely, **and** lest they should say, Our hand **is** high, and Jehovah hath not done all this.

For they **are** a nation void of counsel, neither **is there any** understanding in them.

O that they were wise, **that** they would consider their latter end!

How should one chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to flight, except their Rock had sold them, and Jehovah had shut them up?

For their rock **is** not as our Rock, even our enemies themselves **being** judges:

For their vine is of the vine of Sodom, and of the fields of Gomorrah: their grapes **are** grapes of gall, their clusters **are** bitter:

Their wine **is** the poison of dragons, and the cruel venom of asps.

**Is** not this laid up in store with Me, **and** sealed up among My treasures?

To Me **belongeth** vengeance, and recompence; their foot shall slide in **due** time, for the day of their calamity **is** at hand, and the things that shall come upon them make haste.

For Jehovah shall judge His people, and repent Himself for His servants; when He seeth that **their** power is gone, and **there is** none shut up, or left.

And ye shall say, Where **are** their gods, **their** rock in whom they trusted,

Which did eat the fat of their sacrifices, **and** drank the wine of their drink-offering? let them rise up and help you, **and** be your protection..

See now that I, **even** I, **am** He., and **there is** no god with me: I kill, and I make alive: I wound, and I heal: neither **is there any** that can deliver out of My hand.

For I lift up My hand to heaven, and say, I live for ever.

If I whet My glittering sword, and Mine hand take hold on judgment I will render vengeance

to Mine enemies, and will reward them that hate me.

I will make Mine arrows drunk with blood, and My sword shall devour flesh; **and that** with the blood of the slain and of the captives from the beginning of revenges upon the enemy.

Rejoice, O ye nations, **with His people:** for He will avenge the blood of His servants, and will render vengeance to his adversaries, and will be merciful unto His land, **and** to His people.

And Moses came and spake all the words of this song in the ears of the people, he, and Hoshea the son of Nun."—Deut. 32:1-44.

"And Jehovah spake unto Moses that self-same day, saying,

Get thee up into this mountain Abarim, **unto** mount Nebo, which **is** in the land of Moab, that **is** over against Jericho; and behold the land of Canaan which I give unto the children of Israel for a possession:

And die in the mount whither thou goest up, and be gathered unto thy people, as Aaron thy brother died in mount Hor, and was gathered unto his people:

Because ye trespassed against me among the children of Israel at the waters of Meribah-Kadesh, in the wilderness of Zin; because ye sanctified Me not in the midst of the children of Israel.

Yet thou shalt see the land before **thee;** but thou shalt not go thither unto the land which I give the children of Israel." Deut. 32: 48-52.

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When trouble is brewing keep still. When slander is getting on its legs keep still. When your feelings are hurt, by all means keep still till you recover from your excitement, at any rate. Things look different through an unagitated eye. Silence is the most massive thing conceivable, sometimes.—Dr. Burton.

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Dear discouraged one, who have been feeding upon ills of life, look up, see in every human being your brother or sister. Look forward to the time when all hatred, malice and envy will be swept from the earth by the power of God, when peace, love and happiness will reign. Don't think you are worthless. Jehovah knows of your frail being, He sees more good in you than you do yourself. Why not believe Him fully and trust Him.



# A Retrospective View of Prophets and Prophecies of Modern Israel

By D. Paul Ziegler, D. D.

Many have carefully searched the Scriptures in an effort to find out and understand the correct story of Israel as revealed in them; especially in a prophetic way, as the history of this great people in their entirety has been wrapped in prophecy.

No sane man or woman, no matter how learned, or how unlearned can take the Scriptures, read them literally and say they were written to other people than Israel. Neither can it be said truthfully that any other people of earth in the Scriptures have ever been called God's people, but Israel. The honor, the integrity, the truthfulness of God is all wrapped up in Israel. Does not God say speaking through Malachi, the last of the minor prophets; "For I am Jehovah I change not, therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed." Mal. 3:6. And does not Jeremiah, God's "planter and builder," utter amazing words: "Therefore fear thou not, O my servant Jacob, saith Jehovah, neither be dismayed O Israel; For lo I will save thee from afar, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and shall be in rest, and be quiet, and none shall make him afraid, For I am with thee, saith Jehovah, to save thee, though I make a full end of all nations whither I have scattered thee, yet will I not make a full end of thee: but I will correct thee in measure (through and by periods of prophetic punishment), and will not leave thee altogether unpunished. Jer. 30:10,11. "Therefore all they that devour thee shall be devoured, and all thine adversaries, every one of them shall go into captivity, and they that spoil thee shall be a spoil, and all that prey upon thee will I give for a prey. For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith Jehovah; because they called thee an Outcast, saying, "This is Zion, whom no man seeketh after." Thus saith Jehovah, behold I will bring again the captivity of Jacob's tents, and have mercy on his dwelling places, and the city (Jerusalem) shall be builded upon her own heap, and the palace shall remain after the manner thereof. And out of them shall

proceed thanksgiving and the voice of them that make merry; and I will multiply them, and they shall not be few, I will also glorify them, and they shall not be small. Their children shall be as aforetime, and their congregation shall be established before Me and I will punish all that oppress them. And their nobles shall be of themselves, and their governors shall proceed from the midst of them; and I will cause him to draw near, and he shall approach unto Me, for who is this that engaged his heart to approach unto Me? saith Jehovah. And ye shall be my people and I will be your God." Jer. 30: 16-22.

Neither does God stop with these far reaching plain promises and words, but continues: "Hear the word of Jehovah, O ye nations, and declare it in the isles afar off, (British Isles) and say, 'He that scattered Israel, shall gather him, and keep him, as a shepherd his flock. For Jehovah, hath redeemed Jacob, and ransomed him from the hand of them that are stronger than he. Therefore they shall come and sing in the height of Zion, and shall flow together, to the goodness of Jehovah for wheat, and for wine, and 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. Then shall the virgin rejoice in the dance, both young and old together; for I will turn their mourning into joy, and will comfort them, and make them rejoice from their sorrow. And I will satiate the soul of the priests with fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with My goodness, saith Jehovah. Jer. 31: 10-14.

Never were more sublime and truthful words ever written, and it can be seen that Jehovah under-wrote the whole. Then how dare feeble man raise himself before Jehovah and stand before their congregations, Sabbath after Sabbath, and Sunday after Sunday, and say these promises are null and void. That God changed His mind, and "went to the Gentiles to make a people for Himself." Such words were coined only by that arch deceiver, Lucifer, taught through Gentile-



Rome, and given to us as the oracles of God. Why, O why, cannot the Protestant Ministry throw the deceptive and soul damning words to the four winds, and return unto Israel, and unto Israel's God, and teach His sayings as they have ever been written in the Scriptures.

It will be noticed in the above gracious words and promises of God to Israel, that He made it plain that He would correct Israel, "in a measure." This is the truth. Go back to the very beginning of God's dealings with Israel, and it will be readily seen that no sooner had He made them "His People," and given them His law, than they turned against Him, after they heard the voice of God, speaking to them from Mount Sinai, and said: "Behold Jehovah our God hath showed us His glory, and His greatness, and we have heard His voice out of the midst of the fire, we have seen this day that God doth talk with man, and he liveth. Now therefore why should we die? This great fire will consume us, if we hear the voice of Jehovah our God any more, then shall we die. For who is there of all flesh, that hath heard the voice of the living God speaking out of the midst of the fire as we have, and lived? Go thou (Moses) near, and hear all that Jehovah shall say, and speak thou unto us, all that Jehovah our God shall speak unto us, and we will hear but let not God speak to us lest we die." Deut. 5: 24-27.

These words grieved God in His very heart, for notice His words: "O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear Me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their children forever." Deut. 5: 29. They cast the dye. God spoke to Adam, and he did not die. He spoke to Abraham, and he did not die, neither had they died when God spoke on Mount Sinai. But they did not want God to speak farther to them.

God took them at their word, and said to Moses: "Go say to them, 'get ye unto your tents again,' but as for thee, (Moses) stand thou here by Me, and I will speak unto thee all the commandments, and the statutes, and the judgments, which thou shalt teach them, that they may do them in the land which I gave them to possess." "And Jehovah said unto me, (Moses) they have well spoken that which they have spoken I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and I will put My words in his mouth, and he shall speak unto them all that I command him." Deut. 18: 17,18.

This finishes the first episode with Israel so far as God talking to them personally. They wanted Moses rather than God, so they were given Moses until the time should come that God would send them the Prophet which he promised. Israel was now under the rule and supervision of prophets. No more would God speak face to face with them, until they passed through the crucible of punishment under His chastening hand.

So prophets it was and is; and Moses was the first great prophet of Israel, and began to speak unto them in prophetic terms, and the first great prophetic period placed upon them by Moses, was, that which we hear so much talk about these days, the "Seven Times," or 2520 years of punishment, out of their land, until they should learn to leave idolatry, to keep God's Sabbath, and to reverence His sanctuary," which is the Land of Palestine. The 2520 years of punishment did not begin until 721 B. C.

Prophet after prophet, was sent unto them, in an effort to lift them from idolatry, and into a New Covenant relationship with God. Note the great prophets of God as they came, one by one.

First it was Isaiah in about the year 760 B. C. Nearly forty years before "The House of Israel" was removed from Palestine.

Second, it was Jeremiah, some ninety-two years after "The House of Israel" was removed from their land and placed in "The cities of the Medes," Jeremiah was the most trusted and most beloved of all these great prophets which God sent unto Israel. God called him before he was born. Listen to these words of God to this prophet: "Then the word of Jehovah came unto me saying: 'Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.'" When Jeremiah was twenty-nine years old, or in the days of King Josiah, and Huldah, one of the great prophetesses of the House of Judah, God speaks to him again: "See, I have this day set thee over the nations and over the kingdoms, to root out, and to pull down, and to destroy, and to throw down, to build and to plant." Never were words addressed to any other man, neither did God ever repose such a confidence and trust in any man as He did in Jeremiah.

Third, it was Ezekiel, something like one hundred and twenty-six years after "The House of Israel" had been captivated. To this prophet God



made to Israel many precious promises of their future deliverance and greatness. And any one reading these prophets can readily see that God had no thought of letting Israel become destroyed and mingled with the nations, so that they would be no more as a people and nations, but that He was hedging them about, so that as the years of their punishment would go by they might know just where they were; and that they had not been forgotten by God. But alas! Lucifer said these prophecies mean nothing, that Israel were everlastingly forgotten and cast-off. Just as his mythology and deceptive wiles has made blinded ministers teach in their churches today.

As stated, Israel, or "The House of Israel," were away, out of their land, among the strange nations of earth. But were they forgotten? Were they unloved by their God who had divorced them from Himself? If you think so, read this blessed and sweet love letter which God gave to His trusted prophet Jeremiah to deliver to lost and dispersed

Israel, some hundred and fifteen years after He had driven them from their homeland: "Jehovah hath appeared of old unto me, saying, Yea I have loved thee, with an everlasting love, therefore with loving kindness have I drawn thee. Again will I build thee, and thou shalt be built O virgin of Israel. Thou shalt again be adorned with thy tabrets, and shalt go forth in the dances of them that make merry. Thou shalt yet plant vines upon the mountains of Samaria, the planters shall plant, and shall eat them as common things." How loveable, how gracious are these wonderful words of God to Israel! Can you not visualize them. Then to think that the Protestant ministry of America, so loves that Gentile Roman wine, mixed up, fixed up to keep them from their heritage, that they turn a deaf ear to their God and Creator who loves them and calls them, even though He does find them blinding their eyes to His glory.

## The Remnant of Israel

God promised Israel that though He would utterly destroy the wicked nations around about them, He would not utterly destroy them, but He would correct them and punish them, and that they would suffer for their sins, and He would correct them in measure, but He said I will gather out a remnant from all nations whither I had scattered them, and would bring them to their own land again, and that they should possess it, and that they should be at rest, from all their enemies; then they would build up the waste places.

"And it shall come to pass in that day Jehovah shall set His hand again the second time to recover the remnant of His people which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the isles of the sea. And He shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth. The envy also of Ephraim shall depart, and the adversaries of Judah shall be cut off: Ephraim shall not envy Judah, and Judah shall not vex Ephraim. But they shall fly upon the shoulders of the Philis-

tines toward the west; they shall spoil them of the east together; they shall lay their hand upon Edom and Moab; and the children of Ammon shall obey them. And Jehovah shall utterly destroy the tongue of the Egyptian sea, and with His mighty wind shall he shake His hand over the river, and shall smite it in the seven streams, and make men go over dryshod. And there shall be a highway for the remnant of His people, which shall be left, from Assyria; like as it was to Israel in the day that he came up out of the land of Egypt." Isaiah 11:11-16.

"Let mine outcasts dwell with thee, Moab; be thou a covert to them from the face of the spoiler; for the extortioner is at an end, the spoiler ceaseth, the oppressors are consumed out of the land." Isaiah 16:4.

"For Jehovah will have mercy on Jacob, and will yet choose Israel and set them in their own land: and the strangers shall be joined with them, and they shall cleave to the house of Jacob. And the people shall take them, and bring them to their place: and the house of Israel shall possess them in the land of Jehovah for servants and handmaids: and they shall take them captives,



whose captives they were; and they shall rule over their oppressors." Isaiah 14:1-2.

"He shall enter also into the glorious land, and many countries shall be overthrown: but these shall escape out of His hand, even Edom, and Moab, and the chief of the children of Ammon." Dan. 11:41. Edom, Moab and Ammon east of the Jordan river are blood relatives of Israel. They will escape from the "willful king" and the Remnant of Israel being there will also escape.

That is the same region sought by Abraham, when God called him out of Babylon, as He now calls us out of modern "Babylon." "For Israel hath not been forsaken, nor Judah of his God, of Jehovah of hosts; though their land was filled with sin against the Holy One of Israel. Flee out of the midst of Babylon, and deliver every man his soul: be not cut off in her iniquity; for this is the time of Jehovah's vengeance; he will render unto her a recompense." Jer. 51:5-6.

"And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of Jehovah shall be delivered: for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as Jehovah hath said, and in the remnant whom Jehovah shall call." Joel 2:32. "But upon Mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be holiness; and the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions." Obad. 17.

"That they may possess the remnant of Edom, and of all the heathen, which are called by My name, saith Jehovah that doeth this. Behold, the days come, said Jehovah, that the ploughman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that soweth seed; and the mountains shall drop sweet wine, and all the hills shall melt. And I will bring again the captivity of My people of Israel, and they shall build the waste cities, and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and drink the wine thereof; they shall also make gardens, and eat the fruit of them. And I will plant them upon their land, and they shall no more be pulled up out of their land which I have given them, saith Jehovah thy God." Amos 9:12-15. "Edom, Moab, and Ammon" are the class of people who now inhabit the vicinity of Jerusalem, and Zion. They are the "strangers" Israel shall possess for servants. Israel shall also buy land from them and make them presents, as Jacob did Esau, and Wm. Penn the Indians.

"Men shall buy fields for money, and subscribe evidences, and seal them, and take witnesses in the land of Benjamin, and in the places about

Jerusalem, and in the cities of Judah, and in the cities of the mountains, and in the cities of the valley, and in the cities of the south: for I will cause their captivity to return, saith Jehovah." Jer. 32:44.

"The burden upon Arabia. In the forest of Arabia shall ye lodge, O ye travelling companies of Dedanim. The inhabitants of the land of Tema brought water to him that was thirsty, they prevented with their bread him that fled. For they fled from the swords, from the drawn swords, and from the bent bow, and from the grievousness of war." Isaiah 21:13-15.

The "wise," that are going to "shine as the stars" will go when the call is given, and the door opened. When it is too late, the foolish virgins will stand at the closed door, knocking, and receive the reply: "I don't know you." They are impolite as well as "foolish," to go and knock after the door has been shut. They should go when it is open. After the door is shut, there will be fires and plagues everywhere, except in the Place of Refuge God has prepared for His people, any one who will go. "I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, Jehovah only makest me dwell in safety." Ps. 4:8.

"For though thy people Israel be as the sand of the sea, yet a remnant of them shall return: the consumption decreed shall overflow with righteousness." Isaiah 10:22. "Who shall not fear thee, O Jehovah, and glorify thy name! for thou only art holy: for all nations shall come and worship before thee: for thy judgments are made manifest." "Thy People Israel" signifies Israel in the flesh (see Gen. 17:13) of whom we are the descendants of the ten tribes.

"And it shall come to pass in that day, that the remnant of Israel, and such as are escaped of the house of Jacob, shall no more again stay upon him that smote them; but shall stay upon Jehovah, the Holy One of Israel, in truth. The remnant shall return even the remnant of Jacob, unto the mighty God." "And the ransomed of Jehovah shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away." Isa. 10:20, 21; 35:10.

"And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of Jehovah's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it." Isa. 2:2. "In that day shall



the branch of Jehovah be beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the earth shall be excellent and comely for them that are escaped of Israel. And it shall come to pass, that he that is left in Zion, and he that remaineth in Jerusalem, shall be called holy, even every one that is written among the living in Jerusalem. When Jehovah shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the spirit of judgment, and by the spirit of burning. And Jehovah will create upon every dwelling place of Mount Zion, and upon her assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day, and the shining of a flaming fire by night; for upon all the glory shall be a defense. And there shall be a tabernacle for a shadow in the daytime from the heat, and for a place of refuge, and for a covert from storm and from rain." Isa. 4:2-6. "Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon His kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of Jehovah of hosts will perform this." Isa. 9:7. "And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek; and his rest shall be glorious." Isa. 11:10.

"Shall I bring to the birth, and not cause to bring forth? saith Jehovah: shall I cause to bring forth, and shut the womb? saith thy God. For behold, Jehovah will come with fire, and with His chariots like a whirlwind, to render His anger with fury, and His rebuke with flames of fire." "And they shall bring all your brethren for an offering unto Jehovah out of all nations, upon horses, and in chariots, and in litters, and upon mules, and upon swift beasts, to My holy mountain Jerusalem, saith Jehovah; And I will also take of them for priests and for Levites, saith Jehovah; For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make shall remain before Me, saith Jehovah, so shall your seed and your name remain. And it shall come to pass, that from one new moon to another, and from one Sabbath to another, shall all flesh come to worship before Me, saith Jehovah: And they shall go forth, and look upon the carcasses of the men that have transgressed against me; for their worm shall not die, neither shall their fire be quenched; and they shall be an abhorring unto all flesh." Isa. 66:9, 15, 20-24.

"There shall be a handful of corn in the earth upon the top of the mountains; the fruit thereof shall shake like Lebanon and they of the city shall flourish like grass of the earth; His name shall endure for ever; His name shall be continued as long as the sun; and men shall be blessed in Him; all nations shall call Him blessed." Ps. 72:16, 17.

"Behold, the days come, saith Jehovah, 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. In His days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely; and this is His name whereby He shall be called, JEHOVAH OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS. Therefore, behold, the days come, saith Jehovah that they shall no more say, Jehovah liveth, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; But, Jehovah liveth, which brought up and which led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north country, and from all countries whither I had driven them; and they shall dwell in their own land." Jer. 23:5-8. "Therefore, behold, the days come, saith Jehovah, that it shall no more be said, Jehovah liveth, that brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; But, Jehovah liveth, that brought up the children of Israel from the land of, the north, and from all the lands whither He had driven them: and I will bring them again unto their land that I gave unto their fathers." Jer. 16:14-15.

"Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in My holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of Jehovah cometh, for it is nigh at hand; A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and of thick darkness, as the morning spread upon the mountain: a great people and strong; there hath not been ever the like, neither shall be any more after it, even to the years of many generations. A fire devour-eth before them; and behind them a flame burneth: the land is the garden of Eden before them, and behind them a desolate wilderness; yea, and nothing shall escape them." Joel 2:1-3

"I will surely assemble, O Jacob, all of thee; I will surely gather the remnant of Israel; I will put them together as the sheep of Bozrah, as the flocks in the midst of their fold: they shall make great noise by reason of the multitude of men. The breaker is come up before them: they have broken up, and have passed through the gate, and are gone out by it; and their king shall pass before them, and Jehovah on the head of them." Micah 2:12-13.



"Jehovah also shall save the tents of Judah first, that the glory of the house of David and the glory of the inhabitants of Jerusalem do not magnify themselves against Judah." Zech. 12:7. "Thus saith Jehovah of hosts; In those days it shall come to pass that ten men shall take hold out of all languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew saying, We will go with you; for we have heard that God is with you." Zech. 8:23.

A good many of Gentilized Israel are also making preparations to go to Damascus and vicinity. "In those days, and in that time saith Jehovah, the children of Israel shall come, they and the children of Judah together, going and weeping: they shall go, and seek Jehovah their God. They shall ask the way to Zion with their faces thitherward, saying, Come, and let us join ourselves to Jehovah in a perpetual covenant that shall not be forgotten." Jer. 50:4-5.

"And now therefore thus saith Jehovah, the God of Israel, concerning this city whereof ye say, It shall be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence; Behold I will gather them out of all countries, whither I have driven them in mine anger, and in My fury, and in great wrath; and I will bring them again unto this place, and I will cause them to dwell safely: And they shall be My people, and I will be their God: And I will give them one heart, and one way, that they may fear me for ever, for the good of them, and of their children after them: And I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn away from them, to do them good; but I will put My fear in their hearts, that they shall not depart from Me. Yea, I will rejoice over them to do them good, and I will plant them in this land assuredly with My whole heart, and with My whole soul." Jer. 32:36-41.

## No Time!

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On the one hand, the world's mad rush for gain, on the other, the great struggle, under the relentless hand of oppression, for enough of life's necessities to be enabled to eke out an existence, has placed the people in a position where their time seemingly is no longer their own, but is yielded unreservedly to the master whom they serve.

Many are the families where once, evening and morning on bended knee thanksgiving and praise from dedicated altars arose to the great Giver of all blessings. But how sad! Today, these altars are torn down and no thought of God and eternity is taken. In the words of Elijah, "The children of Israel have forsaken Thy covenant, torn down Thine altars." In this one quotation we find the primary cause of the whole trouble. "Forsaken thy covenant." This covenant is the Ten Commandment law of God, the transcript of the character of God as revealed from heaven and engraved by the finger of God on tables of everlasting stone. Perhaps you will say, how can this be. Because the only real heavenly evidence we have of God is found in the Ten Commandments. In them only do we have something with which the fingers of sinful man has never tampered. They were spoken by the voice of God

direct to the children of Israel. They were written upon the tables of stone by the finger of God direct and given to Moses, and were given a place in our Bibles, above every thing else. Throw aside the law of God and you have no evidence above the heathen nations around, as to who the true God is.

In the great reformation that has been going on in the earth for the past 100 or more years it has been proved to the majority of believing people that the above are facts. This being the case, because of the inconvenience of keeping the Sabbath, in their minds they have virtually rejected, the Creator and Sovereign of all. Perhaps thoughtlessly with many, as they have followed principally the ways of their teachers, yet the work has been done. The Satan seeing these things, has brought about the social conditions of which we have spoken, in order to try to thwart the eternal purpose of God in the restoration to His people of this earth in righteousness. But the breaking up, the waking is coming. Free thought is doing its work and the empty shallowness of churchanity is becoming apparent to all. So that in the words of holy writ, it will yet be. "The stone which the builders refused, the same is become the head of the corner." Ps. 118:22.

All the people can not be fooled and deceived



all the time. Already in the hearts and minds of the few, the question is being asked, why this spiritual dearth, we have churches and have our church machinery in full motion, but only chaff do we see. Why is it that such a condition can be?

The words of Jeremiah gives the full explanation, "My people have committed two evils, they have forsaken Me the fountain of living waters,

and hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water." Thus the people of God have changed their glory for that which doth not profit.

Come dear souls, let us take a little time once more, time for thought and meditation, time for prayer, time to seek God, time to rend our hearts, and again have the sweet presence of God with us.

## Fear Jehovah!

To fear Jehovah is it to dread Him or think that He is cruel or a tyrant? No, but to have respectful reverence for Him, to realize that He is merciful, just, and that His ways are altogether righteous, and that He is a God of love, and compassion; when we realize this, we will want to do His bidding, and keep all His commandments, statutes, and judgments.

In Job 28: 28 we read, "And unto man, He said, Behold the fear of Jehovah that is wisdom and to depart from evil that is understanding." And in Psalm 111:10 "The fear of Jehovah is the beginning of Wisdom, a good understanding have all they that do His commandments. His praise endureth forever." Also in Proverbs 9: 10 "The fear of Jehovah is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the Holy is understanding."

So if we fear Jehovah we will have wisdom and understanding and will want to say with the Psalmist, "Teach me good judgment and knowledge: for I have believed Thy commandments." Psalm 119:66. For he says also "The fear of Jehovah is clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of Jehovah are true and righteous altogether, More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and the honey-comb." Psalm 19: 9,10.

God says by the prophet Moses, "Ye shall do my judgments, and keep mine ordinances to walk therein: I am Jehovah your God, ye shall therefore keep my statutes and my judgments: which if a man do he shall live in them: I am Jehovah." Leviticus 18: 4, 5.

"Justice and judgment are the habitation of Thy throne; mercy and truth shall go before Thy face. Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound: they shall walk, O Jehovah, in the light of Thy countenance, Psa. 89: 14-15. It surely pays us to walk in His ways, that is, keep His commandments, statutes, ordinances, precepts and judgments; because in doing them we have life, and we will walk in the light of Jehovah's

countenance, and enjoy all the good things of the earth. "In Thy name shall they rejoice all the day; and in Thy righteousness shall they be exalted. For Thou art the glory of their strength: and in thy favour our horn shall be exalted. For Jehovah is our defence; and the Holy one of Israel is our King. Psalms 89:16, 18.

"And now Israel, what doth Jehovah thy God require of thee, but to fear Jehovah thy God, to walk in all His ways, and to love Him, and to serve Jehovah thy God with all thy heart and with all thy life. To keep the commandments of Jehovah and His statutes which I command thee this day for thy good? Behold the heaven and the heaven of heavens is Jehovah's thy God, the earth also, with all that therein is. Only Jehovah had a delight in thy fathers to love them, and He choose their seed after them even you above all people as it is this day." Deut. 10: 12-15. Now is it not our duty to be obedient to Jehovah, and not doubt His promises to us. But trust Him to guide us in all our work.

"The fear of Jehovah is to hate evil; pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the forward mouth do I hate." Proverbs 8:13. "The fear of Jehovah prolongeth days: but the years of the wicked shall be shortened." Proverbs. 10: 27. Then when we fear Jehovah we will live longer, for in Proverbs 14: 27 "The fear of Jehovah is a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death." "In the fear of Jehovah is strong confidence; and His children shall have a place of refuge." Verse 26. "By mercy and truth iniquity is purged; and by the fear of Jehovah men depart from evil." Prov. 16:6. In Psalms 34:7,8,9,11. "The Angel of Jehovah encampeth round about them that fear Him and delivereth them. O taste and see that Jehovah is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in Him. O fear Jehovah, ye His saints; for there is no want to them that fear Him. Come ye children, hearken unto Me: I will teach you the fear of Jehovah." "Blessed is the man that



feareth Jehovah that delighteth greatly in His commandments." In Prov. 19: 23, "The fear of Jehovah tendeth to life; and he that hath it shall abide satisfied; he shall not be visited with evil." "Ye shall walk after Jehovah your God, and fear Him, and keep His commandments, and obey His Voice, and ye shall serve Him, and cleave unto Him." Deut. 13: 4. For He says if we keep His statutes, commandments, and judgments, we shall live in them. "Thou shalt fear Jehovah thy God: Him shalt thou serve, and to Him shalt thou cleave, and swear by His name." Deut. 10:20. "That thou mightiest fear Jehovah thy God, to keep all His statutes and His commandments, which I command thee: thou, and thy son, and thy son's son, all the days of thy life; and that thy days may be prolonged." Deut. 6:2. "Thou shalt fear Jehovah thy God and serve Him, and shalt swear by His name." Deut. 6:13. "Blessed is every one that feareth Jehovah: that walketh in His ways." Ps. 128 1. "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole manner: Fear God, and keep His commandments; for this is the whole duty of man." Ecclesiastes 12:13.

"Then they that feared Jehovah spake often one to another, and Jehovah hearkened, and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written

before Him for them that feared Jehovah and that thought upon His name. And they shall be Mine, saith Jehovah of hosts, in that day when I make up My jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him. Then shall ye return, and discern between the righteous and the wicked; between him that serveth God, and him that serveth Him not." Malachi 3:16, 17, 18. "But unto you that fear My name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in His wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall. And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this, saith Jehovah of hosts. Remember ye the law of Moses My servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the statutes and judgments. Behold I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of Jehovah: And He shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse." Malachi 4:2-6.

So you see it means our life to fear Jehovah, for when we fear Him we will keep all His Commandments, Statutes, and Judgments.

## Israel

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Frederick the Great said to his chaplain, "Doctor, if your religion is a true one it ought to be capable of a very brief and very simple proof. Will you give me an evidence of its truth in one word?" The servant of God looked the king in the face, and with emphasis answered, "Israel".

Thus one word explains it all. The fulfilment of predictive Scripture in its entirety concerning this race, is God's stamp upon the truth and divine origin of His word. It is against human expectation and all reason, that they alone of all the races of mankind, should be totally excluded from the benefits of the New Covenant.

Yet gentileism in its arrogant way has sent them to oblivion. Entirely cutting off Israel, and have tried to graft themselves on. This teaching of gentileism is what has flooded the world with infidelity. In its disregard for the truth of God it foisted the Papal church and her daughters upon the world to take the place of the literal Israel of God.

Many times we are grieved at our very heart and our soul is dejected at what we receive from those who had rather take the teachings of gen-

tileism than the simple word of God. Were it not, coming as it does from dear brethren, that we know of the misunderstanding and the sophistries and beguiling words used by gentile teachers to entice from God His dear ones, it would be more than our souls could stand. Realizing this we look up and take courage, knowing that Israel and Israel's God will yet shine out in full luster and glory.

One of the most arrogant and flagrant presumption of gentileism is that we are living under the New Covenant. Those who teach that, completely abrogate the word of God. For He says a new covenant will I make with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. Jeremiah 31:31. "Behold, the days come saith Jehovah, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah": Two houses, not one, Judah, as gentileism says.

Listen dear reader! Nowhere in the annals of history can you find a regathering of Israel since their captivity 721 B. C. Listen! "Let us observe that by the return of the captives, (Babylonian), The Israelitish nation was not restored;



since the ten tribes, who had formerly composed the kingdom of Israel were yet left in banishment." The Jewish Religion. Vol. 1, page 256. How absurd, how foolish, how dishonest then to say that God made a covenant with a people not yet found. Can we make a covenant or agreement with you in your absence? Most assuredly no. Then let common sense have the same right of way in regard to the New Covenant. Jeremiah 31:27-28. "Behold, the days come, saith Jehovah, that I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of man, and with the seed of beast. And it shall come to pass, that like as I have watched over them, to pluck up, and to break down, and to throw down, and to destroy, and to afflict; so will I watch over them, to build, and to plant, saith Jehovah. You know God has never yet gathered, builded and planted Israel as of yore, and this must come before the New Covenant. It is useless to hunt around in the New Testament trying to find texts that it has been made.

God is not a respecter of persons. He will not promise to do a thing with Israel and Judah, and then turn around and do it with the gentiles, never. Our God changeth not, "therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed." Mal. 3:6. His word is yea, and Amen. All the arrogance of gentileism cannot change the will of Israel's God.

Some say we are under the New Covenant as the prophets have said, "They shall all be taught of God." The they is Israel and it comes after their restoration. Isa. 54:5-10. "For thy Maker is thine husband; Jehovah of hosts is His name; and thy Redeemer the Holy One of Israel; The God of the whole earth shall He be called. For Jehovah hath called thee as a woman forsaken and grieved in spirit, and a wife of youth, when thou wast refused, saith thy God. For a small moment have I forsaken thee; but with great mercies will I gather thee. In a little wrath I hid My face from thee for a moment; but with everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee, saith Jehovah thy Redeemer. For this is as the waters of Noah unto Me: for as I have sworn that the waters of Noah should no more go over the earth: so have I sworn that I would not be wroth with thee, nor rebuke thee. For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but My kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of My peace be removed, saith Jehovah that hath mercy on thee." Jeremiah 31:33-34. "But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; after those days, saith Jehovah, I will put My law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and

will be their God, and they shall be My people. And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know Jehovah: for they shall all know Me from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith Jehovah: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more." Mic. 4:1-2. "But in the last days it shall come to pass, that the mountains of the house of Jehovah shall be established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow unto it. And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of Jehovah, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His paths; for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of Jehovah from Jerusalem." Then under the New Covenant, ALL shall know Jehovah, from the least to the greatest. Jeremiah 31:33-34. This is not so now, all do not know Jehovah at present, so we cannot be in the New Covenant relationship with God. Then our "sins will be remembered no more." v. 34. Forgiven now, yet they come up in judgment as all know. Then they are gone. Blessed state, we long for it to come.

Reader, we write not for argument sake, but because of the great love we have for all; realizing as we do, the blessed joy and unspeakable peace and happiness that comes as you drop gentileism and cling to Israel and Israel's God.

### NOTHING WITHHELD

"For Jehovah God is a sun and shield: Jehovah will give grace and glory: no good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly." Ps. 84-11.

What a blessed promise! Read that text again. Think what it means to you, no good thing withheld! And this is a promise of God. He holds in His hand absolutely all good gifts, every good thing of which the human mind can conceive.

But God must be the judge. He it is who must decide what the good thing for us shall be. And we must have confidence in Him, leaving it with Him to decide. It may be pain. It may be a walk through some humiliating valley when we think we ought to be on the mountainside. It may come in some disappointed hope, some shattered plan. Yet every day, what ever the experience, here is a promise for you and me: "No good thing will He withhold;" also "Jehovah will give grace and glory." But upon what condition? That we walk uprightly." And what does this involve: "Upright 1. In an erect posture; perpendicular. 2. Morally erect; having rectitude; honest; just; as a man upright in all his ways. 3. Comformable to moral rectitude."—Webster.



# The Second Gathering

The gathering of Israel out of all lands whither God has scattered them; is it future or is it past? Some claim it is past, let us see what the prophets tell us about it.

"Therefore behold, the days come, saith Jehovah, that it shall no more be said, Jehovah liveth that brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; but, Jehovah liveth that brought up the children of Israel from the land of the north, and from all the lands whither he had driven them." Jer. 16:14,15. And again He says "And I will gather the remnant of My flock out of all countries whither I have driven them, and will bring them again to their folds; and they shall be fruitful and increase. Therefore, behold, the days come, saith Jehovah, that they shall no more say, Jehovah liveth, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt: But, Jehovah liveth which brought up and which led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north country and from all countries whither I had driven them: and they shall dwell in their own land." Jer. 23:3,7,8. "For I will set mine eyes upon them for good, and I will bring them again to this land: and I will build them, and not pull them down: and I will plant them, and not pluck them up. And I will give them an heart to know Me, that I am Jehovah; and they shall be My people, and I will be their God: for they shall return unto Me with their whole heart." Jer. 24:6,7.

"The word that came to Jeremiah from Jehovah saying, Thus speaketh Jehovah God of Israel saying, "Write thee all the words that I have spoken to thee in a book. For lo, the days come, saith Jehovah, that I will bring again the captivity of My people Israel and Judah, saith Jehovah; and I will cause them to return to the land that I gave to their fathers, and they shall possess it." "Therefore fear thou not, O My servant Jacob, saith Jehovah; neither be dismayed, O Israel: for lo, I will save thee from afar, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return and shall be in rest, and be quiet, and none shall make him afraid. For I am with thee, saith Jehovah, to save thee; though I make a full end of all nations whither I have scattered thee, yet will I not make a full end of thee: but I will cor-

rect thee in measure, and will not leave thee altogether unpunished." Jer. 30:1-3, 10, 11.

"And I will be found of you, said Jehovah; and I will turn away your captivity, and I will gather you from all the nations, and from all the places whither I have driven you, saith Jehovah; and I will bring you again into the place whence I caused you to be carried away captive." Jer. 29:14. This place was surely the land of Palestine, for it was the place where God gathered them when He took them out of Egypt.

And again we find in Ezek. 36:24-28, "For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and bring you into your own land. Then I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you. A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh. And I will put My Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them. And ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and ye shall be My people, and I will be your God."

"And they shall dwell in the land that I have given unto Jacob My servant, wherein your fathers have dwelt; and they shall dwell therein, even they, and their children and their children's children, forever, and My servant David shall be their prince forever." Ezek. 37:25.

In Lev. 26:44-45, we read "And yet for all that, when they be in the land of their enemies I will not cast them away, neither will I abhor them, to destroy them utterly, and to break my covenant with them: for I am Jehovah their God. But I will for their sakes remember the covenant of their ancestors, whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the heathen, that I might be their God; I am Jehovah." "And I will bring again the captivity of My people of Israel, and they shall build the waste cities, and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and drink the wine thereof; they shall also make gardens and eat the fruit of them. And I will plant them upon their land; they shall no more be pulled up out of their land which I have given them, saith Jehovah thy God." Amos 9:14,15.



"Fear not: for I am with thee: I will bring thy seed from the east and gather thee from the west; I will say to the north, Give up; and to the south, Keep not back: bring My sons from far, and My daughters from the ends of the earth: Even every one that is called by My name; for I have created him for My glory, I have formed him; Yea I have made him." Isaiah 43: 5-7. God has said that Israel was called by His name and that they were created to glorify His name; and He is going to gather them from the four corners of the earth from the east, and west, north and south. So they have not been gathered yet, so the second gathering is still future.

"Ye are My witnesses, saith Jehovah, and My servant whom I have chosen; that ye may know

and believe Me, and understand that I am He: before Me there was no God formed neither shall there be after Me." Isaiah 43: 10. So all the world will know when the second gathering takes place. "For Jehovah will have mercy on Jacob, and will yet choose Israel, and will set them in their own land: and the strangers shall be joined with them, (Israel), and bring them to their place; and the house of Israel shall possess them (the strangers) in the land of Jehovah for servants and handmaids: and they (Israel) shall take them captives, whose captives they were, and they shall rule over their oppressors." Isaiah 14: 1,2.

May the day hasten when Jehovah shall bring back His people (Israel) to the land He gave them.

## Wisdom!

Wisdom,—Quality of being wise; ability to judge soundly, and deal sagaciously with facts, especially as they relate to life and conduct; Knowledge with the capacity to make due use of it; perception of the best ends, and the best means; discernment and judgment; discretion; sagacity. This is what Webster says about wisdom.

Where can we get wisdom? From the God of Israel. "For Jehovah giveth wisdom; out of His mouth cometh knowledge and understanding. He layeth up sound wisdom for the righteous: He is a buckler to them that walk uprightly." Prov. 2:6, 7. "The fear of Jehovah is the beginning of Wisdom; A good understanding have all they that do His Commandments; His praise endureth forever." Psalms 111:10.

"Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom; and with all thy getting get understanding." Prov. 4:7. For "Jehovah by wisdom hath founded the earth; by understanding hath He established the heavens. By His knowledge the depths are broken up, and the clouds drop down the dew." Prov. 3:19, 20.

So our duty is to ask God for wisdom to do His will. "For wisdom is better than rubies and all the things that may be desired are not to be compared to it. Jehovah possessed me (wisdom) in the beginning of His way, before His works of old." Prov. 8:11, 22. "The fear of Jehovah is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the Holy is understanding." Prov. 9:10. "How

much better it is to get wisdom than gold: and to get understanding rather to be chosen than silver." Prov. 16:16. "When wisdom entereth into thine heart, and knowledge is pleasant unto thy soul; discretion shall preserve thee, understanding shall keep thee." Prov. 2:10, 11. "So that thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, and apply thine heart to understanding:—Then shalt thou understand the fear of Jehovah, and find the knowledge of God." Prov. 2:2, 5.

David the sweet singer in Israel has said, "Behold, Thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden part Thou shalt make me to know wisdom." Psalms 51:6. "So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom." Ps. 90:12. "O Jehovah how manifold are Thy works! in wisdom hast Thou made them all: the earth is full of Thy riches." Ps. 104:24. "O give thanks to the God of gods; for His mercy endureth forever. To him that by wisdom made the heavens: for His mercy endureth forever." Ps. 136:2, 5. "Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding." Prov. 3:13.

"He that getteth wisdom loveth his own soul: he that keepeth understanding shall find good." Prov. 19:8. "My son eat thou honey, because it is good; and the honey-comb, which is sweet to thy taste: so shall the knowledge of wisdom be unto thy soul: when thou hast found it, then there shall be a reward, and thy expectation shall not



be cut off." Prov. 24:13, 14. Then if we get wisdom we will be willing to keep God's Laws, Statutes, and Judgments, for in so doing we will have life, for Ezekiel says, "And I gave them My Statutes, and shewed them My Judgments, which If a man do, he shall live in them. Moreover, I also gave them My Sabbaths to be a sign between Me and them, that they might know that I am Jehovah that sanctify them. But the house of Israel rebelled against Me in the wilderness: they walked not in My Statutes, and they despised My Judgments which if a man do he shall live in them." Ezekiel 20:11, 12, 13. "For God giveth to a man that is good in His sight, Wisdom, and knowledge, and joy." Ecclesiastes 2:26. The psalmist says "No good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly."

Moses said to Israel: "Behold I have taught you Statutes, and Judgments, even as Jehovah my God commanded me that ye should do so in the land whether ye go in to possess it. Keep therefore and do them: for this is your wisdom and understanding in the sight of the nations, which shall hear all these Statutes, and say, Surely this great nation is a WISE and understanding people. For what nation is there so great, who hath God so nigh unto them, as Jehovah our God is in all things that we call upon Him for? And what nation is there so great, that hath Statutes and Judgments so righteous as all this Law, which I set before you this day?" Deut. 4:5-8.

And Job says, "And unto man He saith, Behold, the fear of Jehovah that is wisdom; and to depart from evil is understanding." Job 28:28. And Solomon speaking of Jehovah in Prov. 8:14 says "Counsel is Mine, and sound wisdom: I am understanding; I have strength." "I WISDOM dwell with prudence, and find out knowledge of witty inventions." Prov. 8:12. "For wisdom is a defence, . . . but the excellency of knowledge is that wisdom giveth life to them that have it." "Wisdom strengtheneth the wise more than ten mighty men which are in the city." Eccl. 7:12, 19. "I said, Days should speak, and multitude of years should teach wisdom. But there is a spirit in man: and the inspiration of the Almighty giveth them understanding. Great men are not always wise; neither do the aged understand judgment. Therefore I said, Harken to me; I also will shew mine opinion." Job 32:7-10. This was Elihu reasoning with Job, when Elihu ended his words: "Jehovah answered Job out of the whirl-

wind." Job 38:1. Jehovah asked Job questions that he could not answer; among the questions Jehovah asked were these, "Who hath put Wisdom in the inward parts? or who hath given understanding to the heart? Who can number the clouds in wisdom? or who can stay the bottles of heaven, when the dust groweth into hardness and the clods cleave fast together?" Job 38:36-38. "Then Job answered Jehovah and said, I know that Thou canst do everything, and that no thought can be withholden from Thee." Job 42:1, 2. So Job acknowledged that with God is wisdom and understanding. It is our duty to seek wisdom from God. For we know that Jehovah in His wisdom saved Israel from the hand of him that hated them, "He rebuked the Red Sea also, and it was dried up; so He led them through the wilderness." Ps. 106:9.

God speaking unto Moses said, "And thou shalt make holy garments for Aaron thy brother, for glory and for beauty. And thou shalt speak unto all that are wise-hearted, whom I have filled with the spirit of wisdom, that they may make Aaron's garments to consecrate him, that he may minister unto Me in the priest's office." Ex. 28:2, 3. "See, I have called by name Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah: And I have filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, and understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship." Ex. 31:2, 3. And in Ex. 35:30, "And Moses said unto to the children of Israel, See, Jehovah has called by name Bezaleel, the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah; And He hath filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship . . . And He (God) hath put in his (Bezaleel) heart that he may teach both he (Bezaleel) and Aholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan. Them hath He filled with wisdom of heart, to work all manner of work." Ex. 35:30, 31, 34, 35. "Then wrought Bezaleel and Aholiab, and every wise-hearted man, in whom Jehovah put wisdom and understanding to know to work all manner of work for the service of the Sanctuary, according to all that Jehovah had commanded. And Moses called Bezaleel and Aholiab, and every wise-hearted man, in whose heart Jehovah had put wisdom, even every one whose heart stirred him up to come into the work to do it." Ex. 36:1, 2.

When you have read all these citations, I think you will be thoroughly convinced that Jehovah alone gives us or anyone wisdom.



# Which Day Should We Keep?

Is it the first day or the seventh day? Let us see what Genesis says about it.

"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." "The First day He created Light. The Second day He made the Firmament and called it Heaven. The Third day He created the Earth and Grass, Herb bearing seed, and Trees bearing fruit. The Fourth day He created the Sun, Moon, and Stars. The Fifth day He created every living creature in the waters, whales, fishes, and all things that live in the waters; and every winged fowl in the air. The Sixth day He created cattle, creeping things, and every beast of the earth. Then God said "Let us make man in Our image—male and female He created them." "Thus the Heavens and the Earth were finished and all the host of them. And on the Seventh day God ended His work which He had made; and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had made. And God blessed the Seventh day, and sanctified it; because that in it He had rested from all His work which God created and made." Gen. 2: 1-3.

So don't you think that God would want all His children to do as He did, for He worked six days, then rested the SEVENTH day; so should we work SIX days and then rest the Seventh day.

When He gave His laws, statutes, and Judgments to Israel, through Moses, He said work six days and rest the seventh day.

So man was told to work six days before he should rest one day: for God said He sanctified the seventh day, then it couldn't be just any day, but it must be the day that God sanctified. So why say just any day so we rest one?

Before the flood God chose Noah to do, His work here on the earth because He was a just man and he was perfect in his generation; then he surely kept God's laws and God's sabbath.

Then after Noah He chose Abraham; but before He made a covenant with Abraham He was sure that Abraham could be trusted, and would keep His commandments, (the token of the covenant was circumcision). After Abraham was Isaac, after Isaac, was Jacob, and after Jacob, his twelve sons.

In Moses day God called Moses to take the children of Israel out of Egypt: and after they were

in the wilderness He called Moses to come up in the Mount of Sinai, and He gave Moses the covenant written with His own fingers on two tables of stone; the covenant was The "Ten Commandments" and in them one commandment says, "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it Holy. Six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of Jehovah, thy God, in it thou shalt not do any work: thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy man servant, nor thy maid servant, nor thy ox, nor thy ass, nor any of thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates; for in six days Jehovah made heaven and earth, the sea and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore Jehovah blessed the sabbath day and hallowed it." Ex. 20:8-11, Deut. 5:12-15.

God told them that when they should get in the land that He had promised them for an inheritance, that they should till their land six years, then let it rest the seventh year: So He gave the land a Sabbath year, or rest year. And He promised to care for them, for the sixth year the land would produce enough to keep them during the "rest" year and enough to last until they should raise a crop the next year or the First working year. Then in seven Jubilees we were to have a Grand Jubilee which would be two years, no servile work should be done for the fiftieth year will be a Jubilee also. To prove it read Lev. 25:8-11. "And thou shalt number seven sabbaths of years unto thee, seven times seven years; and the space of the seven sabbath years shall be unto thee forty-nine years. Then shalt thou cause the trumpet of the Jubilee to sound on the tenth day of the seventh month; in the day of atonement shall ye make the trumpet sound throughout all your land. And ye shall hallow the FIFTIETH year, and proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof: it shall be a Jubilee unto you: and ye shall return every man unto his possession, and ye shall return every man unto his family. A Jubilee shall that fiftieth year be unto you: ye shall not sow, neither reap that which groweth of itself in it, nor gather the grapes in it of thy vine undressed." Lev. 25:8-11.

So we of Israel can look for great things to come to pass, in the next few years. May Jehovah give us wisdom and an understanding heart that we may know His will and do it.



# An Epic of Israel

By Loretta Reynolds

After the death of Joshua, Israel was ruled by judges.  
And again did evil in the sight of God;  
Thus they were compelled to serve the king of Edom.  
After many years, they cried unto Jehovah, and He  
delivered them.  
But they hastened not to drive out the Cannanites,  
As God commanded.

Again and again, Israel did evil, and had to serve the  
heathen kings,  
'Till Deborah, a prophetess in Israel arose,  
Noting the remorseless cruelty,  
Upon her people practiced by the heathen;  
And their slavish devotion to the heathen gods—  
Jehovah forgotten!

Then a flame burned in her breast,  
Like unto the flame in the burning bush;  
And it burned till she was roused to action,  
Kindling a flame within a nation's heart!  
With prophetic eloquence, she preached a holy war.  
But Issacher, her tribe had bowed his shoulder to bear  
the tyranny,  
Of Jabin's soldiers, and tax-collectors.  
And become a servant under task-master's work.

So she removed toward the South and pitched her tent  
In the valley of Achor, in a nook between the hills,  
The Door of Achor, door of hope.  
And there beside a tree, the palm of Deborah,  
She began to prophesy and judge, and grow to power,  
Among the tribes of Zebulon and Naphthali;  
"Make not provision for the flesh to fulfill the lusts  
thereof—  
Sight of the eyes, hearing of the ears,  
Idolatries of time and sense—the worship of the  
Baalim,  
The gods of old Babylon, by Abraham derided;  
The worship of which is the marriage bed defiled.  
By which the people are corrupted.  
Beware lest thou forget Jehovah, the God of Israel!  
For our sins, from us, hath He hid His face."

In the Valley of Israel's humiliation,  
Deborah opened a door of hope for Israel;  
'Twas a new thing in Israel, she did.  
'Twas new for a woman in the name of God to speak.  
But her utterances, pleading for Jehovah.  
In the deep or wild notes of her voice resounding.  
And echoing in the hills, passionate in warning.  
Against idolatry, touched the finest chords of the  
Hebrew soul.

In her rapture she beheld the Holy One  
Giving the Law from Mount Sinai, in majesty and  
power.  
Or again, looking into the future, saw  
His proud triumph over Satan and the heathen gods,  
So gradually her abode became the rendezvous

Of the tribes, a seat of justice, a shrine of reviving  
hope—

A "door of hope in the valley of Achor!"  
Where there were great searchings of heart among  
the people;  
For they knew her spirit, sanguine, fearless,  
From Jehovah was a gift!  
And the inspiration of the Almighty, gave her under-  
standing,  
When she implored: "Turn ye to the God of Israel  
And worship Him alone; then will He deliver us  
From our sore oppression!"

"The soul that has for long years fortified itself  
In pious courage and patient well-doing,  
In high and noble thought, leaps one day,  
To its own surprise,  
To the height of generous daring, or heroic truth.  
The issue of crisis we cannot foresee, is thus deter-  
mined."

For righteousness as well for freedom  
Israel must fight the hosts of Canaan.  
Deborah must select her general,  
To lead the hosts of God against the heathen.  
So she called Barak, son of Abinoam, and said,  
"Take 10,000 men of Zebulon and Naphtali,  
To fight Jabin, king of Canaan, for Jehovah hath  
said:  
I will deliver him into thy hand."  
Then Barak, knowing the lack of his own power,  
said:  
"I will not go, except thou go with me!"  
And realizing the dire necessity, she replied:  
"Surely, I will go with thee!"

Then she arose and went to Mount Tabor with him,  
On the Sea of Galilee, twelve miles from Tabor,  
Was the center where quietly the clans assembled.  
Ten thousand men in a sacred war for God and  
country.

Now Sisera was captain of the host of Jabin.  
When he heard of Barak's army.  
Gathered he his army; and all his iron chariots  
together,  
Thundering in the van.  
Near Tanaach he formed his front, and crossed the  
river Kishon;  
Then advanced toward the Israelites.  
The tremendous moment had arrived!  
"Up!" cried Deborah, "for this is the day in which  
Jehovah hath delivered Sisera into thine hand.  
Is not Jehovah gone out before thee?"

Then to the foot of Tabor, Barak marched to meet  
him.  
All day long in swamps and marshes,  
Sisera struggled with his iron chariots.  
Then in the dusk of evening, Barak assailed the  
enemy.



'Twas a November night,  
 And meteors were flashing in the sky,  
 Ill-omened to disheartened Canaanites.  
 So Barak routed them completely,  
 On the plains of Jezreel, he vanquished them!  
 And Sisera a coward fled away,  
 To the tent of Heber, the Kenite,  
 Of the House of Hobab, brother-in-law of Moses.  
 And Jael wife of Heber came out to meet him;  
 Made him welcome and gave him fermented milk.  
 He then fell fast asleep, for he was so weary.  
 Then she took an iron spike and hammer,  
 Went softly to him and smote the nail into his  
 temples,  
 And fastened it into the ground, so that he died.  
 Then she cut off his head.  
 So Israel prevailed against the king of Canaan,  
 Until they had destroyed him, and Israel had rest  
 For forty years.

## "Fear Not; For I Am With Thee"

By D. Paul Ziegler

Such is the promise of God to His people Israel. Men have tried to minimize it, and apply it to individuals, but the promise still stands out in all its glory and greatness. That we are right in our application of the promise let us read the contexts and get the truth.

"But now thus saith Jehovah that created thee, O Jacob, and He that formed thee, O Israel, Fear not, for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name (And he said Thy name shall be called no more Jacob but Israel: for as a prince hast thou power with God and with man, and has prevailed." (Gen. 32:28.) "Thou art Mine. When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, (nations) they shall not overflow thee, when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee. For I am the holy One of Israel, thy Saviour: I gave Egypt for thy ransom, Ethiopia and Seba for thee. Since thou wast precious in my sight, thou hast been honorable and I have loved thee; therefore I will give men for thee, and people for thy life. Fear not; I am with thee, I will bring thy seed from the east, and gather thee from the west; I will say to the north Give up; and to the south, Keep not back; bring my sons from far, and my daughters (Israel in both instances,) from the ends of the earth: every one that is called by my name, (EL ISRAEL) for I have created him (Israel) for my glory, I have formed him; Yea I have made him." Isa. 43:1-7.

Gentiles and blinded Israelites have in their blindness applied these far reaching and gracious words to the church, but it is not, that "God comforteth the Church," but it is, That God comforteth Israel.

Never was the people of the world in such agonizing throes as they are in today, but in all this agony, misery and suffering, God still remembers His beloved people Israel, and these peoples and nations are today the United States, Great Britain and the Teutonic nations.

There may be those who will say foolishness and day dreaming to these literal words, but wait and read future written history. It will tell that God does not lie, but that He did love His people Israel, even though at the present they are passing through "Jacob's time of trouble." Jer. 30: 4-9. This is only the time in which God is "bursting the bonds" fastened upon His people Israel, by Babylon, Media Persia, Grecia and Gentile-Rome. No matter whether these "bonds" are ecclesiastical, Civil or economic, today is the "bursting time." These nations and people laughed in the past, but where are they today? It was God who said "though I make a full end of all nations whither I have scattered thee (Israel) yet will I not make a full end of thee." Jer. 30:11. Things are bad, they are appalling in these United States, but we need not fear, but trust in God. The Millennial years are "just around the corner."

"The flame shall not hurt thee, I only design."  
 "Thy dross to consume, thy gold to refine."

"God moves in mysterious ways His wonders to perform."

## THOUGHTFUL WORDS

By D. Paul Ziegler

Read and ponder these words of Greta Garbo, which she spoke to the Famous Swedish Journalist, Ake Sundberg: "We all do the same thing. We go to school, we learn, we grow up, one as much as another. Some are born in mansions, some in cottages, but what difference does it make in the long run? What does it matter who my parents were or what they did. We gradually find our true aim in life and try to fulfill its mission. This is the true significance of life. The results of our life should bear witness to what we are; and what we will do; what we can achieve. Mine happens to be the language of the motion picture screen." From the poorest of families Greta Garbo reached the place in life before she was thirty years old where she was known in every city and village in the civilized world. She saw an aim and a purpose in life. Abraham Lincoln from the poorest of the poor families in Kentucky forged forward until he became President of the United States. And so may it be with all who have a purpose and an aim in life. But how few ever are willing to make the sacrifice in order to attain greatness. Just now God is endeavoring to seek out and find those who shall become rulers and teachers in Israel, but how few are willing to make the sacrifice to attain to the same?



# God's Great Promises to Ten-Tribed Israel

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Be it ever remembered that all these promises of good things do not come to Israel because of any goodness of their own, but the Lord does it for His sake, to care for His name, His word, in all that He has said He would do unto them. This is made plain in the thirty-second verse of the following: "Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you. A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you a heart of flesh. And I will put My spirit within you, and cause you to walk in My statutes, and ye shall keep My judgments, and do them. And ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and ye shall be My people, and I will be your God. I will also save you from all your uncleannesses: and I will call for the corn, and will increase it, and lay no famine upon you. And I will multiply the fruit of the tree, and the increase of the field, that ye shall receive no more reproach of famine among the heathen. Then shall ye remember your own evil ways, and your doings that were not good, and shall loathe yourselves in your own sight for your iniquities and for your abominations. Not for your sakes do I this, saith the Lord God, be it known unto you: be ashamed and confounded for your own ways, O house of Israel. Thus saith the Lord God: In the day that I shall have cleansed you from all your iniquities, I will also cause you to dwell in the cities, and the wastes shall be builded. And the desolate land shall be tilled, whereas it lay desolate in the sight of all that passed by. And they shall say, This land that was desolate is become like the Garden of Eden; and the waste and desolate and ruined cities are become fenced, and are inhabited. Then the heathen that are left round about you shall know that I the Lord build the ruined places, and plant that that was desolate: I the Lord have spoken it, and I will do it. Thus saith the Lord God; I will yet for this be inquired of by the house of Israel, to do it for them: I will increase them with men like a flock. As the holy flock, as the flock of Jerusalem in her solemn feasts; so shall the waste cities be filled with flocks of men: and they shall know that I am the Lord." Eze. 36:25-38. How is it possible for rational beings to take such words, wrest them from their true settings, and say they do not mean what they say. They are too plain. Only one way of understanding them and that is in a literal way. No chance for spiritualizing at all.

Surely these sayings of Ezekiel are enough without going farther, that we may know God was calling dispersed Israel through him, knowing as he did that in the "last end of the indignation" they would ap-

peal to every honest God-fearing soul, as they would turn their minds and eyes back to the long-forgotten and forsaken land, from which their fathers were driven because of their sins. They show conclusively that the whole structure, built by Gentile hands, which teaches the casting off of Israel, literal Israel, from being the chosen people of God, and taking others in their stead, is but a fabrication of lies, which has made infidels by the thousands, and turned the flock of God away on the mountains to starve. But thanks be to God, the end has come, and now in adject poverty, nakedness, and hunger, we are finding out that "there is plenty and to spare" at Father's house, and how gladly our weary, hungry eyes turn that way, ever praying that more light may be turned on.

Even to Daniel the prophet, who almost exclusively dealt prophetically with the heathen nations, God made promises about His people Israel in the following words, as his mind was carried down to the end of the 2,520 year period, the gathering of His people and the coming of Israel to their homeland: "And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book. And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt." Dan. 12:1, 2. "Stand up for thy people" (Israel). No prophecy so perverted, misconstrued, and misunderstood as this. It has no reference to the coming of the Messiah, in the way many teach. "Stand up." Israel comes back into her own, as she has done, and is doing.

Hosea, who prophesied a few years before the dispersion of Ten-Tribed Israel, and who, through his marriage, became an object lesson to them, has this to say prophetically in the way of a promise to literal Israel, as he shows so beautifully, by his married life, how they were cut off, and at last gathered again. "Then saith God, Call his name Lo Ammi: for ye are not My people, and I will not be your God. Yet the number of the children of Israel shall be as the sand of the sea (how numerous, though cut off and scattered), which cannot be measured nor numbered; and it shall come to pass, that in the place where it was said unto them, Ye are not My people, there it shall be said unto them, Ye are the sons of the Living God. Then shall the children of Judah and the children of Israel be gathered together, and appoint themselves one head, and they shall come up out of the land: for great shall be the day of Jezreel." Hosea 1:9-11. Read the whole chapter. In the following:



"And it shall be at that day, saith the Lord, that thou shalt call Me Ishi; and shalt call Me no more Baali. For I will take away the names of Baalim out of her mouth, and they shall no more be remembered by their name." (Hosea 2:16,17.) God also promised to take the names of their idols out of their mouths. Israel would call Him Ishi (My Husband). No more to be remembered by their former name Israel, so we find modern Israel called Anglo-Saxons, Teutones, Americans, Canadians, etc., and anciently called Goths, Getae, Scythians, Jutes, Whites, Fights, Ficti, Picti, etc. Many are the names we are able to pick them out by, as we begin to unravel the ball of Gentile written history. Surely the Gentiles thought they had Israel buried once for all under these various and numerous names, but time always proves God's revelator.

"For the children of Israel shall abide many days without a king, and without a prince, and without a sacrifice, and without an image, and without an ephod, and without teraphim: afterward shall the children of Israel return, and seek the Lord their God, and David their king; and shall fear the Lord and His goodness in the latter days:" Hosea 3:4, 5. Do you notice when the prophecy applies? To the "latter days", then will you tell us that Israel has sunk into oblivion, never to be found, as it is taught by many so-called "spiritual people"? But when we take the vast amount of Biblical evidence that we have, and prove so clearly that they are wrong, He also tells what these so-called "spiritual people" will do: "The days of visitation are come, the days of recompense are come; Israel shall know it: the prophet is a fool, the *spiritual man is mad*, for the multitude of thine iniquity, and the great hatred." Hosea 9:7.

Amos, who was of the herdmen of Tekoa, did not forget to ask God about his people Israel, and in return got these words, "Behold, the eyes of the Lord God are upon the sinful kingdom, and I will destroy it from off the face of the earth; saving that I will not utterly destroy the house of Jacob, saith the Lord." Amos 9:8. The sinful kingdom of Jeroboam, and mingled Israel, from intermarriages, were promised total destruction, but not so with pure-blooded Israel, for we read, "For, lo, I will command, and I will sift the house of Israel among all nations, like as corn is sifted in a sieve, yet shall not the least grain fall upon the earth. And I will bring again the captivity of My people of Israel, and they shall build the waste cities, and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and drink the wine thereof; they shall also make gardens, and eat the fruit of them. And I will plant them upon their land, and they shall no more be pulled up out of their land which I have given them, saith the Lord thy God." Verses 9, 14, 15.

One hundred and thirty-four years after Shalmaneser had carried Ten-Tribed Israel away, out of their land, we find Obadiah picks them up in the following prophetic promise: "But upon Mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be holiness; and the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions. And the captivity of this host of the children of Israel

shall possess that of the Canaanites, even unto Zarephath; and the captivity of Jerusalem, which is in Sepharad, shall possess the cities of the south. And saviours shall come up on Mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau; and the kingdom shall be the Lords." Obadiah 17, 20, 21.

Before their dispersion, Micah remembers them as follows, after prophesying of their fall and captivated condition: "But in the last days it shall come to pass, that the mountain of the house of the Lord shall be established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow unto it. And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His paths: for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. And He shall judge among many people, and rebuke strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. But they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree; and none shall make them afraid: for the mouth of the Lord of hosts hath spoken it. For all people will walk every one in the name of his god, and we will walk in the name of the Lord our God for ever and ever. In that day, saith the Lord, will I assemble her that halteth, and I will gather her that is driven out, and her that I have afflicted; and I will make her that halted a remnant, and her that was cast far off a strong nation: and the Lord shall reign over them in Mount Zion from henceforth, even for ever." Micah 4:1-7. Who among all the minions of Israel, after the beautiful story of Israel is learned, would not long for the time when "the law should go forth of Zion, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem"? For that time of "lasting peace," when we shall "learn war no more," and all munition plants shall be engaged in turning out all kinds of agricultural implements, with which to farm and beautify God's footstool. When every one may "sit under their own vine and fig tree." If you are a Methodist, sit under your own vine; if a Baptist, sit under your own vine; if a Presbyterian, sit under your own vine, and so forth. No one shall molest "nor make thee afraid." Here is truly free speech and independence for you, but it only comes with a restored Israel. Are you willing to halt "in following the multitude to do evil," and be driven out, that you may be one of the Lord's helpers during this time of Restitution? It is coming, so hope for it. In the past "hope deferred has made the heart sad," but at last we are nearing the days of glad fruition.

Nahum, with the dispersion only fresh in his mind, but who was well acquainted with the 2,520-year period of captivity for Israel, as he saw the great street, electric, and steam railroads, automobiles, and so forth, at its close, has this to say: "The shield of his mighty men is made red, the valiant men are in scarlet: the chariots shall be with flaming torches in the day of his preparation, and the fir trees shall be



terribly shaken. The chariots shall rage in the streets, they shall jostle one against another in the broad ways: they shall seem like torches, they shall run like the lightnings. He shall recount his worthies: they shall stumble in their walk; they shall make haste to the wall thereof, and the defense shall be prepared." Nah. 2:3-5. This to be in "the days of preparation," when God should be preparing to restore, gather, and rebuild His people Israel and His land once more. Seemingly there has been no sign or token, but what has been thrown upon the prophetic canvas, so that we might know when the end of the long, dark, dismal period was approaching. Truly God is good to thus remember His wayward, idolatrous, and backslidden people.

Even Habakkuk, over a hundred years after Israel had been driven from their land, is heard praying to God, as, wrapped in vision, he sees, and saw the long years of captivity slowly ebbing away, his people passing through the awful period of the Inquisition, is heard to exclaim: "O Lord I have heard Thy speech and was afraid: O Lord, revive Thy work in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years make known, in wrath remember mercy." Hab. 3:2. He understood the years of their exile, he saw them blinded and lost as to their identity, he saw their blood flowing in rivers. He knew it was the wrath of God upon them for their turning a deaf ear to His law, yet he could pray, "in wrath remember mercy." Just a short prayer, but filled with the greatest immensity of thought and purpose. Sure enough, the prayer was answered, in wrath God remembered mercy, by raising up Martin Luther and the Reformation.

At about the same time the prophet Zephaniah gets in touch with the God of all wisdom, is submerged in the spirit of prophecy, looks down at the end of the exile period, sees Israel, his people, God's people Israel, "beyond the rivers of Ethiopia," in America and tells so beautifully how it will be with dispersed Israel as the period of exile ends. "From beyond the rivers of Ethiopia My suppliants, even the daughter of My dispersed, shall bring Mine offering. In that day shalt thou not be ashamed for all thy doings, wherein thou hast transgressed against Me: for then I will take away out of the midst of thee them that rejoice in thy pride, and thou shalt no more be haughty because of My holy mountain. Behold, at that time I will undo all that afflict thee: and I will save her that halteth, and gather her that was driven out; and I will get them praise and fame in every land where they have been put to shame. At that time will I bring you again, even in the time that I gather you: for I will make you a name and a praise among all people of the earth, when I turn back your captivity before your eyes, saith the Lord." Zeph. 3:10, 11, 19, 20. The "undoing" time came, as heathen and Gentile continued too long to oppress and persecute the Israel of God, it seemed the end would never come, but it did, and Israel stands a free people today, ready to be made "a name and a praise" among all people of the earth, when it becomes fully understood who Israel are, and the golden thread of

their existence is unraveled from the different nations of the earth, among whom they have been captivated. "Great shall be the day of Jezreel." Who does not long for its fullness?

Two hundred years after Israel were driven from their soil, and they were lost among the people of Media, Haggai lifted his eyes, as they were illuminated by the sweet spirit of God, they pierce the dismal, cloudy future, sees the struggles through which his people Israel have past, and are passing, sees them in their awful present struggle, when "the elements are melting with fervent heat," the heavens being shaken, "rolled together as a scroll," and peace taken from the earth, has written these words for our learning: "For thus saith the Lord of Hosts: Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land; and I will shake all nations, and the Desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the Lord of Hosts. The silver is Mine, and the gold is Mine, saith the Lord of Hosts. The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the Lord of Hosts: and in this place will I give peace, saith the Lord of Hosts." Haggai 2:6-9.

When we consider how the "dry land, the air, the water," have been rended, convulsed, and shaken by the awfulness of seige guns, machine guns, submarines, and airships, we fully realize he was truly a prophet of God. How, amidst the shaking, tottering, poverty stricken Israelitish nations, as they will soon find themselves, hope all gone, but with eyes at last turned toward the resting place of the King of Peace, with a longing, yearning desire that once more he might speak to the troubled waves, as he did in type, with a "peace be still," and to this longing desire the revelation of the long-expected One breaks upon our view, for lo, "the Desire of all nations shall come." The temple yet to be built in Jerusalem, will "be filled with glory," the glory of the "latter house," not the one restored upon the return from Babylon, but the "latter one." "shall be greater than the former," and here, with the assembled Israelitish ambassadors of peace, with the King of Peace as Counsellor, a compact of peace will be signed, more far-reaching than any man or nation, with their short-sightedness, will ever be able to write, it will be *an eternal compact of peace, made by redeemed Israel and Jehovah as its author*. It will not be a peace made in London, Berlin, Washington, "but in this place," the temple, in Jerusalem. All this will be so, for the "Lord saith it." Man's word is left out now, he has had his day, tried and failed. This failure brings a change in Israel, for now "The Lord is exalted; for He dwelleth on high: He had filled Zion with judgment and righteousness. And wisdom and knowledge shall be the stability of thy times, and strength of salvation: the fear of the Lord is His treasure. Behold, their valiant ones shall cry without: the ambassadors of peace shall weep bitterly." Isa. 33:5-7. It will be a time of weeping, some shall weep for joy, some shall weep for shame. Shamefaced they will be, when they see how utterly they have failed, as they have



tried to bring peace by force, and how easily it is done by Jehovah and His subdued people, by love, by "doing unto others as we would have them do unto us," this is the law of our God. If we cannot become subdued enough by the sweet spirit of God, and to humble ourselves before Him, preferring others to ourselves, we are never fit for an ambassador of peace, although we may profess to be one. Oh that our weeping eyes and yearning hearts might be found turning to Israel's God, saying, "Turn thou us unto Thee, O Lord, and we shall be turned; renew our days as of old." Lam. 5:21. It will not be a partial reformation, but a reformation complete, that has been entirely wrought by self abnegation through the life work of His anointed, left as a legacy to us.

Coming down to Malachi, the last Old Testament prophet, three hundred and twenty-four years after the carrying away from their own land, of Ten-Tribed Israel, and no doubt that ere this, Gentile teachers had been doing their work of trying to rid the earth of Israel, so the Lord takes over the matter Himself, and gives the world to understand for all time to come that Israel are not to be destroyed, by giving this closing prophet such an insight into the spirit of prophecy as no other prophet before him had, and in the following, makes all very plain: "*I am the Lord, I change not, therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.*" Mal. 3:6. Could language make it more plain? It is not only Israel, but the "*sons of Jacob.*" Go back to Genesis, find the names of the twelve sons of Jacob, then think, if the identity and names of these sons of Jacob are consumed, God must first change Himself, but He says He changeth not. Then, once for all, let us never be so foolish again as to say, or try to teach others, that Israel, literal Israel, Israel of the blood, Jacob's sons, from whom came the twelve nations of Israel, have been consumed, that they cannot be found today. Do you not see where it leads? It destroys the very God of heaven Himself. Takes away His reliability, makes Him a changeable God. How much better for all to accept Israelism, that Israel still exists, and that God, Israel's God, is the same "yesterday, today, and forever." Once for all shall we not divorce ourselves from Gentileism, become true followers of the Sinless One, Jehovah, acknowledge God as all in all, and His Word supreme.

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# THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

## THE LAW OF JEHOVAH

I

Thou shalt have no other gods before Me.

II

Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them nor serve them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; and shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love Me, and keep My Commandments.

III

Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh His name in vain.

IV

Remember the Sabbath Day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath Day, and hallowed it.

V

Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

VI

Thou shalt not kill.

VII

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

VIII

Thou shalt not steal.

IX

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

X

Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's.