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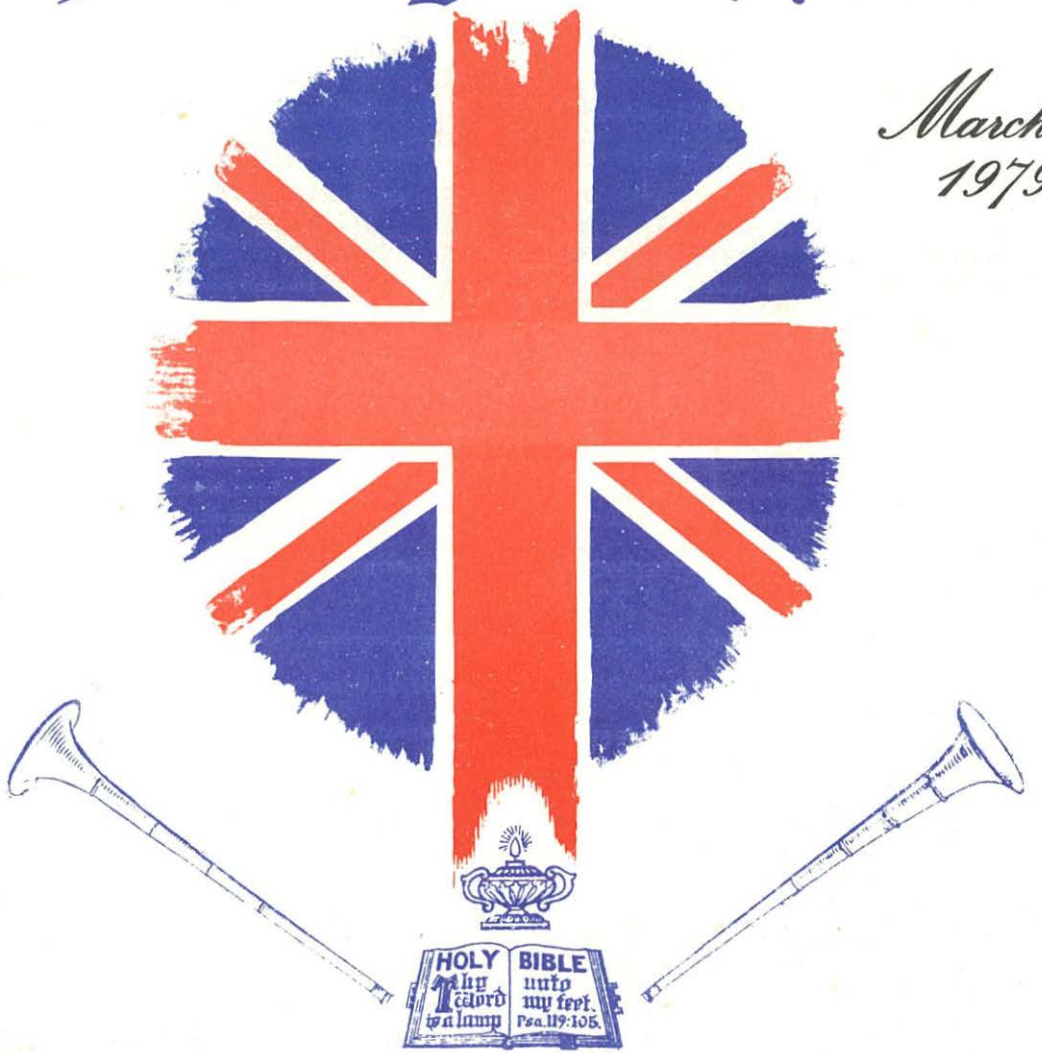
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AND THE IMMINENT RETURN OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

Israel, Judah and the Jews

'The House of Israel' is not synonymous with the 'House of Judah'. The House of Judah and some of the Jews are *of* Israel, that is, descended from Jacob. The distinction we wish to emphasize is that while some Jews are Israelites, all Israelites are not necessarily Jews. In a similar way, all Scots are British, but all the British are not Scots. When the general blessings were apportioned at Jacob's death, the Messiah was promised, with the sovereignty, to Judah; but the 'multitude of nations' and the temporal grandeur of the birthright were given to Joseph. The House of Israel was to obtain these in the latter days, or the Christian era. Ten-tribed Israel was to be divorced under the Mosaic law and its identity temporarily lost to history,but known to God; it was to be recovenanted in Christ to enjoy the Israel birthright in the Isles of the Sea, to be His nation of evangelists in the world, and the inheritor of the Kingdom of God. The prophets display meticulous care in their address to the 'House of Israel', the 'House of Judah' and 'the inhabitants of Jerusalem' (the Jews). To apply to one 'House' a prophecy which refers to the other is clearly to misapply the message and confuse the issue. A careful regard of this distinction is prerequisite to the correct understanding of the prophetic Scriptures.

Prophecies Concerning

ISRAEL

Israel to have a change of name (Isa. 65:15).

Israel to be called by a new name (Isa. 62:2).

Israel to be called after Isaac (Gen. 21:12).

Israel to be blind to their identity (Rom. 11:25; Isa. 42:16-19).
Israel to be a multitudinous people (Gen. 13:16; 15:5).
Israel to become known as the righteous Nation that keepeth the truth (Isa. 60:21; 26:2).
Israel to become a Nation and a Company of Nations (Gen. 35:11).
Israel to make a new home in the Appointed Place—the Isles of the Sea (2 Sam. 7:10; Isa. 24:15; 49:1; Jer. 31:10).
Israel to be a Nation for ever (Jer. 31:35, 36).

Israel to have a perpetual monarchy (Jer. 33:17).
Israel to come under a new covenant (Jer. 31:31-34).
Israel to be called the sons of God (Hos. 1:10; Rom 8:14).
Israel was taken captive into Assyria by Shalmaneser, circa 721 B.C. (2 Kings 18:11, etc.).
Israel were to be immune from defeat in war (Isa. 54:17; Lev. 26:6-8).

THE JEWS

The Jews to be known by a change in physiognomy (Isa. 3:9).
The Jews have retained their old name unchanged.
The Jews' name to be a curse to them (Isa. 65:15).
The Jews still claim to be the chosen people.

The Jews to be bereft of children (Jer. 15:7).

The Jews to be a reproach and a proverb, a taunt and a curse (Jer. 24:9).
The Jews to be scattered in all the 'kingdoms of the earth for their hurt' (Jer. 24:9).
The Jews have been strangers in all lands (Jer. 15:4).

The Jewish Nation was broken in A.D. 70 (Dan. 9:24-27; Jer. 19:11).
The Jews have remained under the old law.
The Jews do not accept Jesus Christ as the Messiah.
Judah taken captive to Babylon by Nebuchadnezzar, circa 603 B.C. (2 Kings chs. 24 and 25).

The Jews are descended from the remnant of Judah which returned from captivity in the time of Ezra and Nehemiah.
The Jews have suffered endless persecution.

Israel had been removed from Palestine 700 years before the Crucifixion. When it occurred they were still absent, being at that time beyond the Euphrates, in their migration through Europe.

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From The President's Desk

Greetings Christian Friends,

I have just been reading the January issue of "IDENTITY", the official monthly publication of "The Association of the Covenant People," Vancouver, Canada. I was most impressed with its lead article by J. Cranswick. It contains not only a timely warning, but also the best possible advice. *" IN 1979 TRY CHRIST."* Because of this, I decided to reprint the article for you to read. It is just as applicable to Australia as it is to Canada, and I know you will be blest by what you read.

Here we are again — on the threshold of another year. What lies ahead in1979? Will it be a repeat of '78? Can we as Identity believers dare hope for Christ's return in this new year?

Identity believers KNOW Christ is coming to rule this earth and therein lies the solution to all the world's problems. We, naturally, look forward to that glorious day with great hope in our hearts, that THIS will be the year.

But, how will others, non-Identity believers, approach the new year? What has the businessman and merchant got to look forward to? Is there any prospect of relief from the continual round of labour problems, wage demands, slowdowns and strikes? Can he look forward to prosperity within a system that seems bent on taxing him out of business or imposing controls and restrictions to the extent he feels completely moribund? Is there relief on the horizon for the shortages of goods, shipping and postal delays? What about the unreliable help who clearly "don't give a damn", who steal from him, who want more pay for less work... will they cease to be a thorn in his side in '79?

The businessman must realize that he is trying to survive in the whirlpool that is the Babylonian system going down the drain, or he will lose his sanity. He will continue to suffer the dizzy buffeting as the rejected system spirals its way to total collapse. There is no hope — no way out of the present financial and economic morass.

"And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buyeth their merchandise any more:" Rev. 18-11.

Christ and His new order, soon to be established, is the hope of the future where greed will not be the basic business motivation.

Young people, students, who have not been brought up with an understanding of Christ's teaching are presently in a vacuum. They put their trust in their fellow man, science, advanced technology, oriental religions. They jump from one scheme or cult to another, searching, wandering in a wilderness of doubt, uncertainty and vulnerability. They see the failure of the Babylonian system of economics, politics and religion at every hand. In whom or what can they put their trust in 1979?

"I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Phil. 4-13.

Christ is the ONLY sure way.

Parents, desperate to raise families to become worthwhile future citizens are assailed on all sides by immorality abounding. The heart-rending loss of affection of loved ones is a problem many young families face. Drugs and liquor enter into the family scene bringing untold tragedy. Wives and husbands disputing and separating as lust supplants love in the home. Society has surely lost its sense of values as Satan works overtime (knowing his time on the earth is short) to frustrate God's plan for mankind.

"Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabiters of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great

wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time." Rev. 12-12.

"But Jesus called them unto him and said, Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God." St. Luke 18-16. Thus we see why Satan so viciously attacks the family unit. He knows full well that control of young minds is essential to obstruct God's plan for the establishment of His Kingdom. The attack will only cease when Christ returns to rule. The family who feels threatened in this year of 1979 ought to turn to Christ as a group for in so doing the blessings of Christ's love will become part of their daily lives and Satan's pressures will be effectively resisted.

Honest national leaders will be looking at 1979 with great trepidation. Almost daily we read of corruption and greed in high places. How can an honest politician survive, surrounded by anarchists, internationalists and Marxists? In Canada the schism between French and English widens. The breakup of our country seems inevitable. Internationally we see Africa aflame and a continued unsettled atmosphere in the near east. Camp David produced no settlement. Iran (ancient Persia) is about to fall into the Russian sphere, as has Afghanistan, Libya, Sudan and Ethiopia, to complete the line-up of nations in whose company Gog (Russia) travels towards God's fury at Armageddon.

A politician who refuses to accept the fact that God has a plan; that Satan is real and in opposition to it; and the fact that man can be an agent for one or the other — is going to wander about, willy-nilly, during 1979 in a maze of intrigue, simply a pawn in the political chess game, moved and sacrificed at the will and pleasure of those "in the know" who control the destinies of nations.

Is there a national figure who is not a self-seeker, who has no axe to grind, is free of corruption, who believes Canada can withstand the divisive wiles of the Devil? If there is, step forward — declare for Christ, for He is coming soon to redeem his people, Israel, the people with an Anglo-Saxon heritage. Canada ought to be in the vanguard of these peoples putting our trust in Him and thus enter His new era as full beneficiaries of the blessings of Christ's Kingdom. We need national leaders to march with Christ.

Our present breed of politicians are not the answer to Satanic intrigues that face us in 1979. Oriental religions, cults or man-centered endeavours are not the answer to the spiritual vacuum in which many of our citizens will enter 1979. Self-gratification and lust will not give comfort to those who suffer from the effects of an immoral society. Depression experienced as a result of unfulfilled personal desires or business failures and frustrations or downright fear for the future can only be remedied by something firm and strong in which one can place complete trust.

Christ can be trusted. Take your troubles to him. In Him will be found comfort and mercy. "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." St. Matthew 11-28.

The institutions of man have failed. They will ALL be swept away. Put not your trust and hope in them any longer.

In 1979, try Christ!

Pray: "In thee, O LORD, do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed: deliver me in thy righteousness." Psalm 31:1.

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THE TIME OF JACOB'S TROUBLE

By Pastor Robert T. Woodworth

"Alas! For that day is great, so that none is like it; it is even the time of Jacob's trouble; but he shall be saved out of it"
– Jeremiah 30:7.

The Bible speaks of a time coming when Israel and Judah would be filled with fear and trembling, when men would travail like women in labour, because of all the great problems upon the land of Jacob. If you are bound by tradition to believe that this has reference to the modern state of Israeli and the struggling homeland of the Jews who are political refugees from Asia, Africa and Europe, there is little use in continuing.

But I want to show you today that this has reference to a great nation and company of nations in the midst of the earth, separated from other people, a multitude in the midst of the earth, a nation prepared of God, bringing forth the fruits of God's kingdom people, for the descriptions I just used are Bible prophecies concerning Jacob's land and people in these last days. They refer to the Christian nations today, not to ancient or modern Palestine.

Over and over again the Bible speaks about the coming of the "day of the Lord." This day of the Lord begins with trouble and ends with redemption. It starts in the morning with judgment and ends with deliverance. Look at these Bible references to the day of the Lord. Amos 5:18-20 says the day of the Lord is a time of darkness, not light, a time when men would run from one evil and run into another.

Isaiah 2:6-21 describes a time in Israel's future when her land would be filled with silver and gold and other treasures; there would be no end to her chariots or traffic jams, and people would end by worshipping the things they had made, their luxuries would have become idols for worship. But this modern man shall go from his soft luxuries back to the cave for protection – sounds like bomb shelters not far removed from the Cromagnon man. The same reference is used in Revelation when godless men seek shelter in the rocks instead of in *The ROCK*, Christ Jesus. Isaiah 13:6 says, "Howl ye, for the day of the Lord is at hand; it shall come as a destruction from the Almighty."

Jeremiah speaks of the day of the Lord as a time when Almighty God would bring judgment with war. Certainly war is judgment of the Lord. War has been aptly described as hell. Jeremiah 46:10 tells us, "For this is the day of the Lord God of hosts, a day of vengeance, that He may avenge Him of His adversaries; and the sword shall devour, and it shall be satiate and made drunk with their blood; for the Lord God of hosts hath a sacrifice in the north country by the river Euphrates."

Ezekiel is even more specific in naming

the recipients of God's judgment in the Day of the Lord. In 30:1-5 he calls the day of the Lord "the time of the heathen", or a time when godless nations would rise up boldly to attack God's people. He mentions Egypt, Ethiopia, Libya, Lydia and Chub, all north African nations, and their allies. They shall fall by the sword indicating judgment by war. Included in Ezekiel's prophecy are "the mingled people" who also shall be judged in the day of the Lord.

Zephaniah 1:2,3,7; tells that the day of the Lord would bring great destruction of life, a great sacrifice which the Lord Himself would bring about. Zephaniah 3:8 summarizes the events of the day of the Lord: "Therefore wait ye upon Me, saith the Lord, until the day that I rise up to the prey; for My determination is to gather the nations that I may assemble the kingdoms, to pour upon them Mine indignation, even all My fierce anger; for all the earth shall be devoured with the fire of My jealousy."

Again the prophet Zechariah (14:1-3) describes with consistency the day of the Lord in similar terms. He says the nations will be gathered by the Lord to battle, great chaos and distress shall result; and these wars without and within nations shall characterize the time before the Lord comes forth to fight against those nations.

Jesus continued with the same prophetic teachings about the last days, that nations would lift up swords against other nations, wars and rumours, or fear of war, would be the order of the day and natural calamities like famines, earthquakes and floods would occur in many widespread places.

Let us go back to Jeremiah 30 to understand better this time of Jacob's trouble, vv. 4-7. We conclude this time was to be identified as a period of great trouble. But verse 7 ends with "But he (Jacob) shall be saved out of it". While this age begins with trouble, the eternal message of the prophets and God's Word is that it will end in salvation, in deliverance! Verses 8-11 tell how God Himself will break the yoke of oppression, bonds of slavery, and tyrants' rule. The time of Jacob's trouble resolves into the time of Jacob's deliverance. Zion's incurable wounds are to be healed. The new Jerusalem shall be built (vv. 12-17; 18-22)

This is the most neglected message of Bible prophecy – not just the threat of impending doom, but the thrill of imminent redemption! Trouble? Yes, but salvation surely. As Calvary was represented by betrayal, denial, death, and defeat; and then becomes the very crucial Cross of faithfulness, life, and victory; so the day of the Lord represents both – destruction of one for the deliverance of the other.

Now let us examine the cause, purpose, and solution to Jacob's trouble, the conflicts confronting Christendom.

THE CAUSE OF JACOB'S TROUBLE

The original underlying cause of Jacob's trouble is given in the Scriptures in many places in many ways, but it amounts to this: Jacob, God's earthly chosen people, although under an immutable covenant given to their father Abraham, were also under a conditional

covenant of law given to Moses. Israel broke God's laws, forsook the covenant, and separated themselves from God's providence and protection. Deut. 31:16-17 bears this out.

"And the Lord said unto Moses, Behold, thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, and this people will rise up and go awhoring after the gods of the strangers of the land, whither they go to be among them, and will forsake Me, and break My covenant which I have made with them. Then My anger shall be kindled against them in that day, and I will forsake them, and I will hide my face from them, and they shall be devoured, and many evils and troubles shall befall them; so that they will say in that day, Are not these evils come upon us, because our God is not among us?"

God said it. Israel would forsake Him and break His covenant. For this, God would forsake them temporarily until many troubles came and they realized that these were the direct result of forsaking God and breaking His covenant of law. Salvation, restoration, redemption, and restitution could never come to these people until they first recognized their separation from God and acknowledged their national sin in violation of His righteous laws. Remember, this did not apply to individuals who still trusted in God and obeyed His Word. They were true believers who were saved in spite of the trend of the nation.

Thank God there are still those today who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and strive to live for Him in spite of the social trends of our times. These have their salvation by faith, but the nation suffers because national salvation can come only by national recognition of God and obedience to His national laws.

THE PURPOSE OF JACOB'S TROUBLE

God's two-fold purpose for the time of Jacob's trouble is given in our text (Jeremiah 30:7). It is both judgment and redemption. Isaiah 34:1-5 gives the judgment of God upon the nation. The people bring this evil upon themselves, because they choose to sin rather than to obey God, but the actual judgment is meted out by the Judge of all nations Who in His infinite justice must make the punishment comparable to the crime. Since this would result in national destruction which is tantamount to racial and human annihilation, God, in His infinite mercy pays the price of sin Himself and redeems His people. For this cause Christ came – to visit and redeem His people (Luke 1:68).

Redemption is the blessed hope of Israel all through the Scriptures. Isaiah 17:12-14 tells of the rushing of many nations to their destruction. The heathen nations rush in to destroy God's people in the time of their trouble, but Isaiah says, "Behold at eveningtide trouble; and before the morning he is not. This is the portion of them that spoil us, and the lot of them that rob us." Not only does Almighty God stop the enemy, but He preserves His people.

In Isaiah 65:23-25 the Lord calls a halt

to the fruits of the labours of His people being given to the godless and hateful heathen. "My elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands". And why does God do this for one people against another? Because they are the seed of His elect, He says.

Jesus confirms all this in His teachings as well concerning the last days. In Matthew 24:6 He says, "Ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars; see that ye be not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet." In the time of Jacob's trouble we are not to be troubled in heart, but watchful and prayerful, looking for redemption.

THE SOLUTION OF JACOB'S TROUBLE

While God's people suffer in trouble of every sort around the world through no fault of their individual sins, what shall we do who know the Lord and believe His Word? Must we sit idly by and watch the suffering and wait for divine deliverance? No, there are some things we are instructed to do. We can watch and pray, we can witness and prepare, we can preach and teach to enlighten and encourage those in the darkness of discouragement.

Let us pray with the Psalmist (25:22), "Redeem Israel, O God, out of all his troubles." On what basis may we ask this of the Lord? Claim Psalm 130:7-8: "Let Israel hope in the Lord: for with the Lord there is mercy, and with Him is plenteous redemption. And He shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities."

Claim these promises from Isaiah: "But now, 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" (43:1). "Thus saith the Lord that made thee, and formed thee from the womb, which will help thee; Fear not, O Jacob, My servant; and thou, Jesurun, whom I have chosen. For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour My spirit upon thy seed, and My blessing upon thine offspring . . .

"Remember these, O Jacob and Israel . . . thou shalt not be forgotten of Me. I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and, as a cloud, thy sins. Return unto Me; for I have redeemed thee" (Isaiah 44:2-3, 21-22).

See also Isaiah 45:22-25: "Look unto Me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else. I have sworn by Myself, the word is gone out of My mouth in righteousness, and shall not return, that unto Me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear. Surely shall one say, In the Lord have I righteousness and strength: even to him shall men come; and all that are incensed against him shall be ashamed. In the Lord shall all the seed of Israel be justified, and shall glory."

We call Anglo-Saxondom to repentance and reformation. We pray for national awakening and salvation. We long for return to God's laws and look for redemption through God's Son. Christ must be exalted as King as well as Prophet and Priest. This is our hope in time of Jacob's trouble.

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Operation Letterbox

Our branch of the B.I.W.F. has decided that the time is ripe for an all-out effort to direct our peoples' attention to the WORD OF GOD as *THE ONLY SOLUTION TO OUR CURRENT PROBLEMS*. Amidst the barrage of humanly devised, and humanly oriented schemes and devises with which we are now being brainwashed, one thing stands out clearly. NOT ONE OF OUR LEADERS, either POLITICAL OR RELIGIOUS, HAS THE SLIGHTEST IDEA OF EITHER THE CAUSE OR THE CURE FOR THE DESPARATE CONDITION IN WHICH OUR NATION NOW FINDS ITSELF.

God has made it quite clear in His Word that *ALL* our troubles are CAUSED by *DISOBEDIENCE TO HIS DIVINE LAWS*, and that they will only be CURED by *REPENTANT NATIONAL RETURN TO THESE SAME LAWS*.

To this end, we have prepared 6 different pamphlets for distribution in letter-boxes. These pamphlets are especially designed to catch peoples' attention, and to make them start to think. They are not intended to give all the answers. That will come later as people seek for more information.

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DANIEL'S Seventy Week Prophecy

PART 2 by W.E. Filmer

Daniel's Seventy Weeks Prophecy begins with the general statement (Dan. 9:24), that within a period of seventy weeks, or four hundred and ninety years, six things were to be accomplished in regard to sin. We have seen that these were all fulfilled by the year A.D. 33 when our Lord was crucified. This date, therefore, marks the end of the period. The starting date is given as 'the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem,' and we found that in the year 458 B.C. exactly 490 years before the Crucifixion, Ezra set out from Babylon to Jerusalem, and soon afterwards work on the building of the walls began.

With the beginning and the ending of the period thus laid down, the following verses divide the seventy weeks into three parts, and proceed to elaborate on what events were to take place in each part.

In the *Authorised version* we read, '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 threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall even in troublous times' (9:25). In the *Revised Standard Version*, however, there is a full stop after the seven weeks which leads only to confusion, for it implies that the Messiah would appear after forty-nine years, following which the city would be rebuilt over a period of 434 years (sixty-two weeks). The A.V. rendering suggests exactly the opposite, namely that during the first forty-nine years the city would be restored, 'even in troublous times,' and this is actually what happened. It further implies that after another 434 years (threescore and two weeks) the Messiah would appear, leaving him the final week, or seven years, in which to accomplish the six items listed in the previous verse.

The First Seven Weeks

Most expositors fail to give an explanation of the first forty-nine years. But there must be some reason why these are divided off, and the wording suggests that it was to be during this time that the city was to be restored. Now we saw that shortly after the return of Ezra in 458 B.C., the Jews began to build the walls of Jerusalem, but this work was soon held up on orders from Artaxerxes who had received a denunciatory letter from the adversaries of the Jews (Ezra 4:7-23). These orders were later reversed when Nehemiah made his journey in 445 B.C., and it became his life's work to complete the predicted restoration. The gaps in the walls and gates were soon made up, but then we read 'the city was large and great: but the people were few therein, and the houses were not builded' (Neh. 7:4). Nevertheless we are given no information as to the date when the building of the city was completed.

It seems, however, that it was not merely the buildings, but the whole civil and religious life of the city that was to be restored. The prophecy says that 'the street shall be builded again' (v. 25); 'the street,' commonly used as a public meeting place, is symbolic of the civic life of the city. It is evident that Nehemiah was just as much concerned with this as with the actual bricks and mortar. Much of his

book tells of the reforms that he carried out, and the last of these, recorded in the final chapter, did not take place until over forty years after Ezra's journey to Jerusalem.

This is evident from the fact that Nehemiah's term of office as governor was initially for twelve years, from 445-433 B.C., following which he returned to the king in Persia (Neh. 5:14 and 13:6). After that there must have been a long interval before his next visit, for in the meanwhile widespread corruption had set in: Tobiah, the Ammonite, had been given accommodation in the temple, there was open violation of the sabbath, and tithes had been allowed to lapse, compelling the priests to neglect their duties and return to the fields to provide themselves with food. Furthermore many mixed marriages had been contracted, and the offspring were already old enough to speak a mixed dialect of Hebrew and foreign languages

A close approximation to the date of Nehemiah's final reformation can be made, for it took place when Joiada was high priest. Thus Nehemiah 13:28 tells us that 'One of the sons of Joiada, the son of Eliashib, the high priest' had contracted a mixed marriage. In this phrase, the title 'high priest' belongs not to Eliashib, but to Joiada, for every Hebrew scholar should know that 'Joiada son of Eliashib' forms a single name, and that the following title belongs not to the father but to the son. Had Eliashib been a high priest, Joiada's name would have been omitted altogether. But that Eliashib was already dead, follows also from the manner he is earlier spoken of in the narrative about his giving Tobiah accommodation in the temple (Neh. 13:4-7).

Now according to Josephus (*Antiquities* XI, v. 5) Eliashib became high priest soon after Ezra came up to Jerusalem in 458 B.C. and, according to the *Chronicon Paschale*, he held office for forty years. Hence Joiada could not have succeeded before 418. We also know from one of the Elephantine Papyri, dated 407 B.C., that Johanan, son of Joiada, was already high priest a year or two before that date. Thus we are able to place Nehemiah's final reform between 418 and 408, that is in the last decade of the first forty-nine years of the seventy-weeks period.

This fact confirms the view that 458 B.C. - A.D. 33 are the correct dates for the whole period.

The Final Week

'And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself' (Dan. 9:26). Both the A.V. margin and the R.S.V. render the final clause 'and shall have nothing.' This seems to signify that Christ would not receive the Kingdom at that time, for the rest of the verse goes on to foretell the destruction of Jerusalem. The word 'cut off' clearly alludes to the Crucifixion of the Messiah, for it is the word generally applied to anyone condemned to death by judicial decree.

But there are those who make out that this verse says that '*At* the end of threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off.' They assert that this implies that the Crucifixion was to occur at the end of 483 years from the decree to restore Jerusalem. But this is not what the text says, nor can the word translated 'afterwards' be construed to mean 'at the end of'. It means subsequent to the close of. This meaning is, in any case, required by the previous statement that the sixty-two weeks would extend '*unto* Messiah the Prince,' as well as by the following statement (v. 7) that 'he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week.'

Those who believe that the Messiah was crucified at the beginning of the final week are, of course, at a loss to find any historical fulfilment for the events predicted to take place during these last seven years. Consequently they are obliged to lop these off, and hold them indefinitely in suspense, awaiting some future fulfilment. In this way the definitely limited period of 490 years has been stretched already far beyond 2,000 years – surely one of the greatest absurdities ever foisted upon credulous Christians.

The Destruction of Jerusalem

The remainder of verse 26 should be read as a parenthesis explaining the statement 'and he shall have nothing.' It tells us that 'the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary.' Most commentators agree that 'the people of the prince' were the Romans, their prince being Titus, son of the Roman emperor, whose armies destroyed Jerusalem and demolished the temple in A.D. 70.

Following this the prophecy says that 'the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined' (v. 25). A flood is an Old Testament metaphor for an invading army; for example, the prophet Nahum foretold the fall of Nineveh, saying, 'with an overrunning flood he will make an utter end of the place thereof' (Nahum 1:8). So Daniel foretold not only that Jerusalem would be destroyed by an invading army but also that until the end of the age there would be wars, and the land would be desolate. This is made clearer in the R.S.V. which reads, 'And to the end there shall be war; desolations are decreed.'

An objection to this interpretation has been raised on the grounds that all this would lie outside the predicted period of seventy weeks. But the prophecy as a whole is not restricted to such a period, for the last verse also speaks clearly of desolations continuing 'even until the consummation,' which must surely mean the end of the age. But in any case, the wording of verse 24 should make it clear, as we have already seen, that the seventy weeks is a period set apart in the history of Jerusalem during which six things were to be accomplished in regard to sin. Obviously other things predicted may happen outside that period.

The Final Week

Verse 27 begins, 'And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week.' There should be no doubt that the week referred to is the last of the seventy weeks. For that reason 'he', the subject of the last sentence, cannot be the prince that shall come to destroy the city after the seventy weeks had ended, but the Messiah Himself. There are, however, those who argue that 'he' must refer to the last person mentioned, namely 'the prince that shall come,' but this is not necessary where a parenthesis intervenes.

The covenant that is to be confirmed is the New Covenant, for concerning Jesus Christ, we read in Hebrews 9:15, 'For this cause he is the mediator of the new testament (covenant), that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance.' Likewise at the last supper our Lord took the cup, saying, 'This is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins' (Matt. 26:28). In view of this, our Lord is called 'the messenger of the covenant' in Malachi 3:1.

Now Hebrews chapter 9 leads up to the subject of our Lord as mediator of the New Covenant by drawing attention to certain parallels with the Mosaic Covenant, saying, 'the first covenant had also ordinances of divine service and a worldly sanctuary' (Hebrews 9:1). It is then pointed out that 'When these things were thus ordained, the priests went always into the first tabernacle, accomplishing the service of God. But into the second went the high priest alone once every year, not without blood, which he offered for himself, and for the errors of the people' (v. 6-7).

This clearly alludes to the service ordained for the Day of Atonement on the 10th day of the seventh month (Lev. 16:29). The sacrifices laid down for this included both a sin offering and a burnt offering. The writer of Hebrews goes on to explain that these Old Testament sacrifices were only 'a figure for the time then present,' pointing forward to the New Testament counterpart, the sacrifice of Christ Himself. If this parallel is valid, it follows that Christ ought to have offered these sacrifices not at the Passover, but on the Day of Atonement which was in the autumn.

Now we are told in Hebrews 10:5-7 that, 'When He cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me: In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure. Then said I (Christ), Lo I come . . . . to do thy will, O God.' This dedication of Himself as the sacrifice for sin, was made by our Lord when He came to be baptized by John in Jordan, for it was then that He first identified Himself with sinners. This was confirmed by the Baptist who at once declared, 'Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world' (John 1:29). It must be realised, of course, that the offering of a sacrifice and the killing of it are not necessarily identical or simultaneous events.

Now the baptism of Christ took place in the autumn, three and a half years before the Crucifixion, and, although we have no direct evidence on the point, it may well have taken place on the Day of Atonement.

Once this divine counterpart to the Old Testament sacrifices had been offered, there remained no further need for the sacrifices offered in the temple. Thus it is stated in Hebrews 9:9 that, when He said, 'Lo I come to do thy will, O God, He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second.' Thus was fulfilled the next clause in Daniel's prophecy: 'In the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and oblation to cease,' for after the baptism of our Lord in the autumn of A.D. 29, the temple sacrifices became superfluous and no longer valid.

Alternative Theories

In view of the remarkable manner in which the orthodox dates for our Lord's ministry fulfil precisely the chronological requirements of Daniel's prophecy, it may seem unnecessary to consider any alternative theories. There are, on the one hand, those who hold that our Lord was crucified in A.D. 30, basing this on a false interpretation of the fifteenth year of Tiberius. They then argue that the Jewish sacrifices ceased to be valid from the date of the Crucifixion. But since this was in the spring, it could not be precisely 'in the midst of the week,' but six months later. This may seem a small point, but there still remains no historical fulfilment for the last three years. Some have thought that the seventieth week ended when the disciples first preached to the Gentiles, but this is not only chronologically incorrect, but it complies in no way with the

prophecy laid down in verse 24.

On the other hand, there are those who, in consequence of their preconceived errors, lop off the last week and hold it in suspense for the future. They contend that it is 'the prince that shall come to destroy the city and the sanctuary' who will confirm, or make a covenant with the Jews for either three and a half or seven years, and they identify this prince with a future Antichrist.

The idea of connecting the Antichrist, or Man of Sin with the seventy-weeks prophecy arose through equating the last half week with the 1,260 days of Revelation 12:6 and the 'time, times and a half' of Revelation 12:14 and Daniel 7:25. This is nothing but muddled thinking, and altogether on a par with converting a number of pounds into dollars, and then treating the resulting figure as pounds, and converting it into dollars a second time.

A distinction must always be kept between the prophetic time periods and the actual time that these represent. Half a prophetic week is 3½ prophetic days representing 3½ actual years. These *actual* years cannot afterwards be treated as *prophetic* years and equated with 1,260 prophetic days. Conversely, 1,260 prophetic days are the same as 3½ prophetic 'times' (not years), and these cannot be equated with 3½ prophetic days or half a prophetic week.

But apart from this, the Bible does not say that anyone was to *make* a covenant; it says, 'He will *confirm* the covenant,' implying that the terms were already known, and required only ratification. This was true of the New Covenant whose terms had long since been stated in Jeremiah 31:31-34. For the making of a covenant a different word would have been used from that in the Greek and Hebrew texts of Daniel.

Further difficulties arise when we are told that, according to this theory, the Antichrist will cause the oblation and sacrifice to cease in the midst of the week. Because neither sacrifices nor oblations are being offered by the Jews at present, and there is not even a temple in which to offer them, we are expected to believe that at some future date the temple will be rebuilt, and the blood sacrifices restored. Only when we actually see these unlikely happenings taking place, will it be time to discuss this problematical theory further.

Subsequent Desolations

The difficulty with the closing words of Daniel's prophecy lies not so much in what is predicted, as in the translation of the words that the angel spoke. Almost every version of the Old Testament gives a different rendering, the Authorised Version alone, with its marginal readings, providing no less than three alternatives.

The main text reads, 'For the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.' This evidently reverts to the desolation of Jerusalem that is to continue until the consummation, or end of the age. This fate was later confirmed by our Lord in His lament over Jerusalem, 'Behold, your house is left unto you desolate. For I say unto you, Ye shall not see me henceforth, till ye shall say, Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord' (Matt. 23:38-39).

From the Authorised Version it would appear that it is the Messiah who, by divine decree, causes Jerusalem to be made desolate;

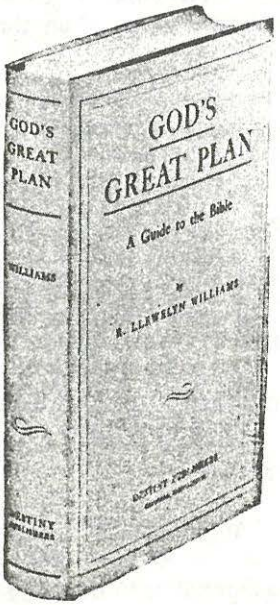
in this way retribution is poured out upon the city. Another reading suggests that 'with abominable armies he shall make it desolate,' while a further alternative for the concluding clause says that ultimately 'that determined shall be poured upon the desolator.' This latter translation is followed in most other versions including the R.S.V.

An interesting point, however, is that the word used for *abominations* always signifies some sort of pagan idol or shrine. This idea is conveyed in yet another reading in the A.V. margin: 'Upon the battlements shall be the idols of the desolator.' In view of this, it is, perhaps, not without significance that the temple site at Jerusalem was first polluted by a Roman shrine, and then for the past 1,250 years by the Mohammedan 'Dome of the Rock,' which covers the place formerly occupied by the altar of sacrifice.

Conclusion

The foregoing interpretation of Daniel's Seventy Weeks Prophecy provides a satisfactory explanation of how every detail was fulfilled at the time predicted. Evidently a period of four hundred and ninety years elapsed between Ezra's return to Jerusalem in 458 B.C. and the Crucifixion of our Lord in A.D. 33. Shortly after Ezra's return, work began on re-building the city walls, and within forty nine years Nehemiah completed the restoration of the civil and religious administration of the city. Finally, during our Lord's ministry, the six items listed in Daniel 9:24 were accomplished and finally completed on the Cross by A.D. 33.

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God's Great Plan

by R. Llewelyn Williams

Fifth Impression

'UNDERSTANDEST THOU what thou readest? And he said, How can it, except some man should guide me?' (*Acts* 8: 30-31).

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Active Faith

By U.N. Owen

As the battle for survival continues unabated and the 'powers of darkness' (Eph.6:12) appear to be gaining the upper hand in all spheres, a hope is rekindled in the breast of the faithful by a brief reconsideration of the tremendous events of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. Men and women of that time were faced with almost the same situation as obtains today although the magnitude of events cannot be compared because of twentieth century achievements in contracting the world and bringing all nations into much closer contact. Nevertheless, as the clock is turned back to those early times, one can again appreciate that while tyranny in all departments abounds, the Lord is not oblivious to the call of the faithful.

There have been very dark periods in the long history of Christianity and the political life of those who had and have embraced the regenerating hope which is in Jesus Christ the Lord. But few could be darker than that awful day, Sunday, August 24th, 1572, when a gigantic crime wave swept over 100,000 Protestant Christians in France. The phrase 'crime wave' is not intended to describe the conditions with which man in the middle twentieth century is familiar, although it is most certainly a crime that religious leaders are prepared to bow in deference to the propaganda of the anti-Christ forces which are rampant today – the term as applied to the late sixteenth century is when men, women and children were massacred ruthlessly in one of the most cruel acts of treachery perpetrated by a monarch. This was, of course, the massacre of St. Bartholomew.

Two years previously (1570), the Huguenots had obtained official assurance of complete liberty for the exercise of their religious faith and now in this one devastating attack, carried out by the order of Charles 9th, an act which will live in infamy, has left its mark even to this day on France. On a given signal, 15,000 Huguenots in Paris were massacred and Catherine de Medici's influence over her son-in-law, Charles 9th, plunged France into a bath of blood. The Powers in Europe expressed indignant abhorrence at this crime very much in the same manner as members of UNO expressed horror at the rape of Hungary, *but expressions* of horror and abhorrence do not help those who suffer and have suffered from unbridled covenant breaking or to use plain language – lawlessness.

Some twenty-six years after this event, Henry of Navarre (Henry 4th) under the Edict of Nantes, granted a certain degree of toleration to his Protestant subjects which may be recognised as the Charter of the French Reformation and which continued in force for eighty seven years. Under this Charter Huguenots were permitted to hold office under the Government and to have a Protestant Chamber in Parliament. These conditions obtained right through the reign of Henry and his successor Louis 13th and although persecutions, particularly after the rise of Cardinal Richelieu, were experienced, in the main the Huguenots had a period of comparative peace.

The privilege of liberty, however, was soon to be withdrawn when Louis 14th, after instigating a series of persecutions against the Huguenots, with a single stroke of his pen revoked the Edict of Nantes and attempted to

extinguish, for ever, Protestantism in France. By this mad act, France was deprived of many of her noblest sons and a vacuum, both morally and spiritually, was created from which that country has never quite managed to recover. Compelled to renounce their faith or perish, the Huguenots, leaving all their worldly goods behind, but carrying their faith with them, sought refuge in various Protestant countries notably England, Holland, Switzerland and Germany. In this exodus, almost three-quarters of a million French subjects left their land with over 120,000 settling in England, a great number of whom finally settled in what is today Leicester Square in London.

A terrible retribution overtook France for this act for all are surely familiar with the convulsions of that country when literally hundreds of thousands died in the Revolution and Napoleonic wars. The re-action from blind, persecuting, religious intolerance found expression in latent and devastating atheism which, in its turn, created a social order of vice, crime and unprecedented lawlessness. Covenants cannot be broken lightly and, when all the trappings are stripped away, the Edict of Nantes was a covenant. If the massacre of St. Bartholomew had not taken place and the Edict of Nantes remained inviolate, one feels assured that the bloody history of France would never have been written. The reign of terror which is another name for the French Revolution, stands out as one of the greatest warnings in history to mankind.

France's loss was England's gain and what a gain to any country to have men and women of the highest spiritual calibre contribute their talents and endeavours to the common advantage. These Huguenots were just such a people. Many of them were men of marked ability, great in learning and scientific attainment and all of them were industrious and, as must be obvious, highly principled. It should not be thought that this brief consideration of the Huguenots' arrival and impact on Britain in any way detracts from English ingenuity or enterprise – this is surely too well known for this to be the case – however, the facts of history show that the Huguenots certainly provided a tremendous stimulus to British industry. The early cotton-spinners at Bideford, the wood-carvers at Taunton, the hat-makers at Wandsworth and the glass-makers in Sussex were all Huguenot refugees. Throughout their history, the Huguenots have ever shown their depths of gratitude to the people who gave them refuge. Many of these Huguenots fought under William of Orange at the Battle of the Boyne which to this day is celebrated on the 12th of July by the march of the Orangemen. Three regiments were entirely composed of Huguenots some of whom rose to be Officers and even Generals in William's army.

Many Huguenots rose to great eminence in various walks of life, not the least being Sydney Smith and Dr. Martineau in literature, Layard in Assyriology, Labouchere, Shaw-Lefevre and Plimsoll in politics. Science, Art, Music, Law and the Church are other spheres in which the Huguenots and their descendants enriched countries to which they ultimately travelled and settled, and while they took with them such a variety of talents, they carried an unforgettable experience with them. They had been disciplined by suffering – they were baptised with the spirit of self-sacrifice and, if one did not know that they were a portion of the Covenant People of God, one would surely say that their image was reminiscent of that of Israel of old.

The Huguenots who settled in London soon formed themselves into Churches and within a few years there were no less than thirty-five Huguenot Churches in the great metropolis. These flourished from 1688 to 1775 after which date it would appear that time and environment wore away the original spirit of veneration for the Refugee Church. The grandchildren and great-grandchildren of the Huguenots were not haunted by the vision of cruel persecutions nor were their memories saddened by the devastating experiences. In consequence, the Huguenot churches became weaker and weaker until, one after the other, doors were closed.

Today, there are still lingering traces of those momentous years when the Huguenots resolutely determined to resist the treachery of truce and covenant breakers. Orange Street Church in London is one of many such traces which, after passing through many vicissitudes, continues to hold Services to this day in a spiritual atmosphere which is a reminder of the spiritual integrity of those men and women who refused to sell their souls into bondage. A challenge to all surely emerges from this brief comment on the recent past. The 100,000 lives that were lost surely cry out against the Romeward trend so clearly apparent today. Have men become so callous and unthinking that the experiences of the past count for nothing? Has human conscience been replaced by political brain-washing?

This is the time when courageous men and women should *become active Christians*, living their faith instead of merely voicing it. The battle for survival is real and it requires a realistic, virile and active living faith to assure the victory. The 'powers of darkness' *have not changed their ambitions* – they have merely coated these under such sentiments as 'world unity for world peace' – Christians, i.e., the 'children of light' are being duped and allured into the darkness and appear to be quite content to have it so.

"Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of the Lord; awake, as in the ancient days, in the generations of old. Art thou not it that hath cut Rahab, and wounded the dragon?" (Isaiah 51:9).

The people of God's Covenant have, in the past, overcome the lethargy of 'sitting still' in the face of insidious enemies and by their deeds, have 'wounded the dragon'. The poetic and symbolic language in 'cut Rahab' is, according to most commentaries, the sin of inactivity and this is surely the case today. Thus the challenge of Isaiah rings out today for God's people, even if only in small 'Gideon-like' groups, to meet the challenge of the 'dragon' and show that true Christian Conscience has not been inebriated by the wine of the 'Harlot' and that the spirit of the Huguenots, the Covenanters and all those zealous men and women down the ages is still actively alive.

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THE WINE OF BABYLON

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A Study of the Typical and Anti-typical "Babylon the Great" which throws light on present-day world trends.

"And Moses built an altar, and called the name of it 'The LORD my banner': For he said, Because the hand of Amalek is against the throne of the LORD, therefore the LORD will have war with Amalek from generation to generation."

(Exodus 17:15, 16, margin.)

We have seen how the ambitious schemings resulting from human pride and self-glorification, as typified in the great Babylonian civilisation of Nebuchadnezzar's day, have persisted to the present time. Not only has there been an unbroken succession or dynasty of evil from generation to generation, but it has become evident that the hidden powers of evil tend to operate chiefly through a particular strain of the human race.

Whilst in every nation or race there are those who tend to good and those who tend to evil, it is nevertheless true that in some racial strains the tendency to evil is far stronger than in others. There lies hidden in the forgotten ancestry of some peoples a deep undercurrent of rebellion and unrest which – like a long-buried but still viable seed – comes to life and activity when the conditions for its growth are right.

Thus, in these "latter days" of mankind's history on earth, a froth of evil spreads abroad upon the whirlpool of events; to revert to our earlier metaphor, evils which are completely alien to our so-called "Western Christian culture" are appearing among the peoples of that culture, and are growing up rapidly to the fruiting stage. "By their fruits ye shall know them", warned Our Lord; and so it is that alarm spreads among the more enlightened members of our community as the fruit of evil practices, of departure from the ways of God, becomes more evident. As we pointed out in an earlier article on this subject, the "wheat and tares" were to be allowed to grow together "until the harvest", when by their respective fruits the evil could be distinguished from the good and be rooted out for destruction.

In our last article we saw the identification of "the seed of evil" with those of "the synagogue of Satan, who say they are Jews and are not." (See Revelation 3:9).

We propose now to complete this process of identification by reference to ancient history as recorded both in the Bible and by secular historians, and to trace the connection of racial origins at a remote period in recorded history with world troubles in our own day. How significant it is that global chaos today is chiefly in the racial sphere!

Prior to the destruction of Sodom by "natural disaster" visited upon the Cities of the Plain by Divine decree, Abraham was visited by certain persons who, though in

human form and substance to all intents and purposes, were nevertheless of non-earthly origin. Through one of them, the LORD spoke and said: "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 household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment*. . ." (See Gen. 18:17-19)

Here we see prophesied the establishment of a nation which would *tend towards good.*

Obviously, the biological origins of this new strain of the human race, to be founded in the "son of promise", Abraham's son Isaac, would have to be very carefully ordered over many generations until it was strongly established. This was clearly recognised by the fathers of the race. Abraham commanded the steward of his vast household to seek out a wife for Isaac from among his own kindred. So essential was this discrimination that he demanded an oath of his servant: "I will make thee swear by the LORD, the God of heaven, that thou shalt not take a wife unto my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I dwell, but thou shalt go unto my country, and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son Isaac." (Gen. 24:3,4)

We see that God Himself saw in Abraham the establishment of a strong family discipline, which should ultimately become a national discipline. Is it not significant that in these very days in which we live – the "latter days" often referred to in the Scriptures – a strong attack on the integrity of *family life* is being launched by the same inimical forces which are seeking to destroy the existence of *national life?*

Back to our history: let us observe the first result – in Abraham's son Isaac – of strong family discipline. Isaac takes a wife of his own people as commanded by Abraham, and in due time twins are born to them, Jacob and Esau. Esau, the first-born, "despised his birthright" and sold it to his twin Jacob, who clearly *did* value it. That birthright included, of course, the God-given responsibility to keep pure the line of descent begun in Isaac. Esau further showed his contempt for that responsibility – and incidentally his unfitness for it – by marrying two Canaanitish women – women descended from the bearer of Noah's curse, Canaan the son of Ham. Very likely Esau used some of the kind of "rationalising" which we so often hear around us today when attempts are made to justify things that are wrong. But the "rationalising" did not take away the wrongness of something that was contrary to God's clearly-expressed will. And so, we read, Esau's action was a "grief of mind unto Isaac and unto Rebekah." (Gen. 26:35)

It was because Esau had thus irrevocably contaminated his line that Rebekah in desperation led Jacob her remaining son to deceive his father Isaac and obtain the family blessing (which normally belonged by right of birth to the first-born and should therefore have gone to Esau.) But Esau had committed a fatal error in introducing admixture of alien blood into the racial line of his descendants and thus had to be put on one side. Rebekah fully understood this: although normally she would have been quietly subject to Isaac as head of the family, in this instance she was forced to act because Isaac by allowing his

love for his son Esau to override his obedience to God's command through Abraham, was endangering the whole future of his descendants. God had promised that the "seed of the woman" should come through Abraham's family ("in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed" – Gen. 22:18). Thus the Edenic promise was in danger of non-fulfilment *through Abraham*. How could this promise be fulfilled if the one remaining possible line of descent – that through Jacob – were not maintained unadulterated? Only within the Semitic branch of Noah's family, and only within the Abrahamic line of descent, could that racial purity be found. *This was the line of God's sovereign choice.*[1] Its maintenance was essential. How could the Son of God be born into this world in fulfilment of the Divine promises from a contaminated line? The Canaanitish women were descendants from a line which had within it the "mixed seed" from that evil sowing before the Flood, when the Enemy sowed the field (the world) with tares (an alien race or races not of the seed of Adam.) As to the origin of these aliens, that must be a subject for another study.

Isaac does not rebuke Rebekah for her deceit. On the contrary (perhaps shocked into an appreciation of the true facts of the situation by the desperate measures his wife had resorted to) he meekly accepts a rebuke from her (see Gen. 27:46; 28:1) and forthwith commands Jacob that he must not take a wife of the daughters of Canaan. Did Rebekah perhaps notice, with a mother's understanding eye, that Jacob was also in danger of falling in love with one of the daughters of Canaan? For she says (Gen. 27:46): "If Jacob take a wife of the daughters of Heth, what good shall my life do me?" In other words, she remembered what God had said to Abraham and realised that she would have lived in vain in God's sight if Jacob also forsook the purity of his line – for then the line of the future Messiah would not be through her.

We see, then, that Satan had attempted to corrupt the race of Adam by alien admixture before the Flood; he made a similar attempt to corrupt Sarah, the wife of Abraham, when Pharaoh of Egypt took her and God had to intervene in no uncertain manner (of which you may read in Genesis 12:17); and again later when Abimelech king of Gerar took Sarah, and once more God had to intervene (Gen. 20:1-7).

In our present study we see that Satan attempts to corrupt Isaac's two sons; he succeeds with the one, but is frustrated with the other. Nor is this merely a private matter concerning the lives of these two men: on the contrary, the results of these Satanic activities in the lives of two men who lived so long ago *are still with us and directly touch the lives of every one of us.* This will become clear as we pursue our study, but in the meantime we might add that right on down through the history of Israel, the nation descended from the patriarchs Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, we find constantly repeated the temptation for Israel to sin against God and their own destiny in mixing themselves with alien peoples. But always one line is kept pure of descent – the line that produced, as to his humanity, the Seed of the Woman, the Anointed One.

1. *For scriptural evidence, see (among others) the following references: Nehemiah 9:7; Psalm 33:12; Psalm 105:6; Isaiah 44:1; Deuteronomy 7:6; 14:2; I Chronicles 16:13.*

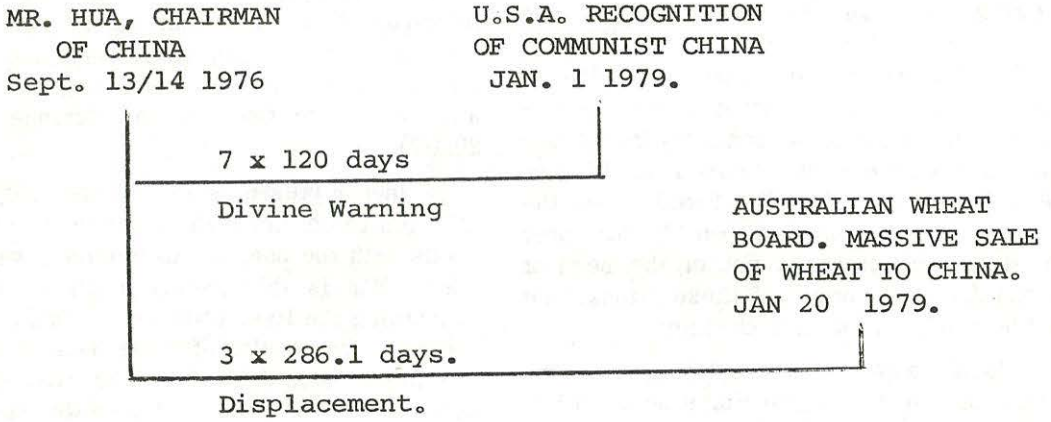
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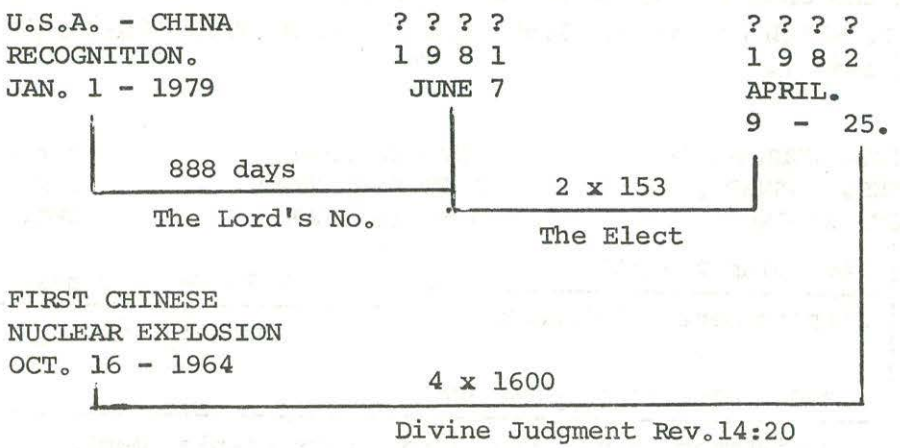
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On January 20th 1979 the Australian Wheat Board signed, in Peking, an agreement to sell large quantities of WHEAT to China during the next three years.

The question which puzzles me is this. TO WHOM OR WHAT does the DISPLACEMENT CYCLE of 3 x 286.1 days belong? Chairman Hua of China, or The Australian Wheat Board? Time alone will provide the answer.

Here is another link with APRIL 1982!



Over the years it has been observed that the main Biblical time-cycle associated with NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS and OUTER SPACE VENTURES is the number 1600. It would be as well to read Revelation 14th. chapter, (especially verse 20) again - and again.

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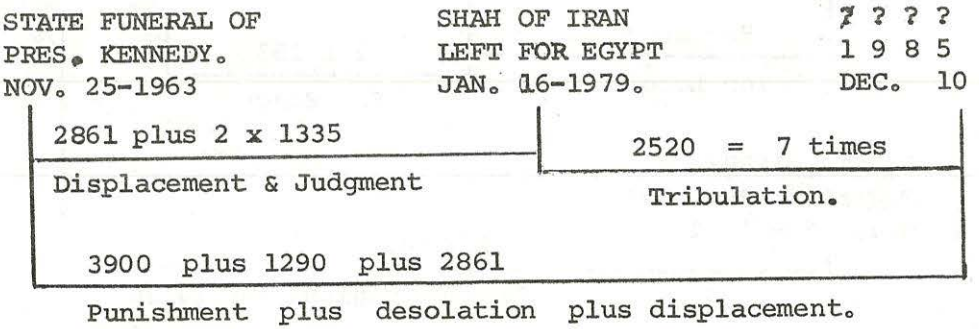
During the years 1961/1963 the U.S. Kennedy administration became involved in Iran's national affairs, much against the wishes of a major Islamic religious sect. At the time of writing (Jan.1979), Iran is in a turmoil, the SHAH leaving Iran on Jan 16-1979. As a salute to the SHAH'S departure, Mother Nature added to the trials with a major earthquake in the Northeast districts.

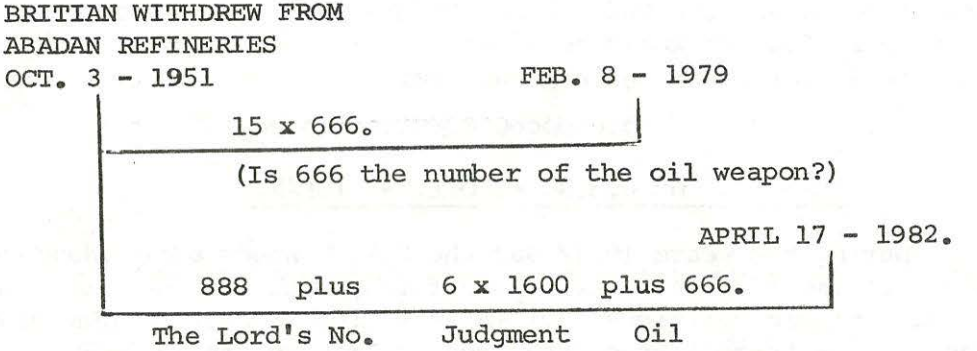
The Islamic leader is due to return to Iran from Paris on Jan.25 1979, determined to set up an ISLAMIC STATE.

The Soviet Union, troubled by this new threat, is moving tribesmen from districts and villages adjacent to the border with Iran. The ten-dollar question for the U.S.A. is - WILL THE NEW LEADER CUT OFF OIL SUPPLIES FROM THE ABADAN REFINERIES FROM THE U.S.A ??

In the chart below, observe the remarkable time-link between the date of the State Funeral of the late President Kennedy, and the de-

parture of the Shah to Egypt. The chart has been extended to DECEMBER 1985, a date which has strong links with GREAT BRITAIN. (To be shown in a later issue).





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RHODESIA - BRITAIN - AUSTRALIA.

A referendum held by Great Britain on JUNE 5 - 1975 to jion the E.E.C., and that to be held in Rhodesia on JAN. 30 - 1979, are separated by the Divine Time Measure of 1335 days. (See Dan. 12:12).

According to T.V. news reports, there is much opposition from white settlers to Prime Minister Ian Smith's campaign, urging all to vote YES for black majority rule.

BRITAIN VOTES FOR E.E.C.
JUNE 25 - 1975.

RHODESIANS TO VOTE
JAN. 30 - 1979.

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For some time, one has noticed that a time-cycle of 1335 days can signify either BLESSING or JUDGMENT. In the above chart, the figure "1335" could not be clasified as a blessing. JUDGMENT is the more likely definition.

The chart is extended to take in both Australia and the Great Pyramid date of 1953.

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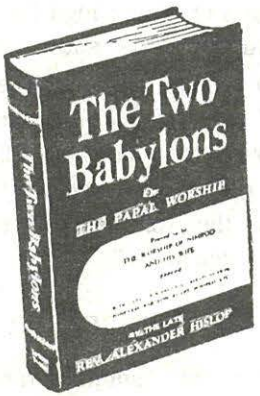
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THE GOVERNMENTAL HOPE

OF THE WORLD

By Rev. G.H. Nicholson

Let us consider the return of Christ from the standpoint of government. Mankind has always hoped for the blessings of a Utopia on earth. "Utopia" was the name of an imaginery island in a work by Sir Thomas Moore (1473–1535) which enjoyed approximate perfection in politics and laws. The name captured the imagination as a synonym for any place of ideal perfection. But, as nothing of this sort ever happened, the name has come to mean also any fanciful scheme for social betterment which has never worked.

To show what is the only true hope of the world, we should be able to show also that there is no other Utopian idea that can bear examination. We live in an age of the greatest falsehood and illusion, and our own most strongly held Utopian theory, upon which we, as a nation, have set our faith, is proving worthless.

To say that a government, or a governmental procedure, is democratic is held to be the acme of governmental perfection. To say that it is undemocratic is held to be its condemnation, and it may even be dubbed Fascist as a term of abuse. But is Democracy always so very much superior to Fascism? May it not even be inferior at times? A major part of its voting power must include the more politically ignorant and irresponsible, many of whom would vote only for sectional, or unworthy ends, and when their representatives in Parliament can act equally irresponsibly by pandering to such evils with their doctrinaire policies and using them in their intrigues for political power.

The idea of Democracy having its Utopia cannot be entertained. No-one has risked his reputation for sanity, by declaring its coming Golden Age. We know it must always be subject to the corruption of human nature at all levels of political life and subject also to potent and sinister outside pressures.

We are learning that majority rule is a political arrangement that can open the door to tyranny as well as to freedom, to bad government just as much as to good government; to bloodshed and dictatorship just as readily to justice and security, and the counting of heads is the means by which legality is given to all these things. This shows the fearful danger in which we now find ourselves, which is exacerbated by the race problem, which our leaders have forced upon us. The failure of all *human* government shows that the only true hope for the world lies in the promised Theocratic Kingdom.

THE KINGDOM OF GOD UPON EARTH

To many people this subject lacks

reality like Moore's Utopia, but the Return of Christ to consummate His Kingdom in power and great glory is something that is very much 'down to earth' and its impact will touch the world in which we live, at every point.

It involves a mighty host of angels destroying the wicked and removing all things that offend in the Kingdom that God committed to Israel at Mount Sinai (see Matt. 13:41-43) a nation later hidden in the world for their sins, but, at a still later date, to be transferred from Palestine to the "appointed" place (see II Sam. 7:10) which transfer was confirmed also by our Lord (see Matt. 21:43) and which nation Israel was destined to become a Christian nation and to be redeemed through the New Covenant sealed in the Blood of Christ (see Jer. 31:33 and Heb. 8:10). This results in the universal recognition of Christ through the manifestation of His great power and glory, a recognition also of His Israel nation; the extension of His unchallenged rule over the whole earth, and, under Him, the administration of the whole world by His Christian Israel nation, presided over by the twelve Apostles, whom our Lord told, would, at this time, "sit on twelve thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel".

That this is exactly what the Scriptures say, cannot be questioned, and fortunately the Scriptures have their own built-in proof of their truth in that the prophecies concerning Israel are, or are being, fulfilled in our race, and the other prophecies in the ways indicated.

RACIAL SEGREGATION NEEDED IN GOD'S KINGDOM

The above facts show that we shall not be seeing things aright unless we recognise that God's Kingdom on earth, destined to include all nations, commences with a racial nucleus, and that God's "servant" nation Israel has an essential part to play in His redemptive purpose right through to the Millennial Reign of Christ. The nation must therefore preserve its racial purity, and not lose its racial characteristics and sense of its national mission by becoming a racially mixed collection of people. Because some cannot understand God's demand for racial segregation – and especially for Israel – I am treating this subject at greater length.

God has a very beneficent and practical plan for the purpose of leading all nations back to Himself, out of all forms of suffering, and into a state of peace, security and the enjoyment of "every good thing" but always through obedience to His commandments, statutes and judgments. To demonstrate this great fact *in the Life of a nation*, He "created" a new race for that very purpose, and, to effect this, He overruled events in this way.

Abraham and Sarah were 100 and 90 years old respectively at the birth of Isaac. They were long past child-bearing age, so this was the first creative act of God in getting the race started. Sarah was Abraham's half-sister. Their son Isaac married his cousin, and his son Jacob, the father of the twelve tribes, who alone were to be God's chosen racial instru-

ments of blessing to the world, also married his cousins. In breeding if too prolonged, can be detrimental, but a limited amount kept within a selected stock creates a strong blood line, which, if preserved from inter-race mixing, forms a new and distinct race. To the nation so formed, God gave a name of the greatest prophetic significance, Israel, meaning "ruling with God".

He gave the strictest, and oft repeated instructions, and put into operation other factors, for maintaining their racial segregation. On no account could they marry into any other race. The descendants of Abraham through Hagar and Esau were excluded from the birthright of becoming God's racial instruments of blessing on account of their mixed race descent.

God also gave them a special diet. Certain foods were "unclean", and could not be eaten. This also would be a barrier to social intercourse with the other peoples who ate "unclean" food.

Their unique religion also made any association with other people impossible to the faithful Israelite, and to protect their segregation in another way, God ordered them "to make them fringes in the borders of their garments . . . and to put upon the fringe a riband of blue." This was to be a distinctive national dress "*throughout all their generations*", and was for the stated purpose "that ye may remember and do all my commandments, and be holy unto your God." Esau, Ahab and Solomon were all condemned for breaking this sanctity of race.

Nothing could be more plain. Throughout their generations the nation was to be conscious of being God's specially created and segregated nation for the special purpose of "showing forth His praise" to the world, and in accordance with what had been the mainspring of their national life – the unconditional and covenanted undertaking, that God, Who overrules all things, had made with Abraham, that one day this nation would be His instrument of blessing to "all the families of the earth."

These things, which are central to the working out of God's purpose for man, we have wholly ignored, and thereby we are depriving ourselves of the promised peace, security and blessing in our national life.

OUR RESPONSIBILITY

Our general unbelief has caused us to be sadly lacking in an understanding of these things. We have made Jesus Christ to appear as a King without His Kingdom. We praise Him with our lips but our hearts and minds are often far removed from a desire to know about His Kingdom to be established "on earth as it is in Heaven".

When asked as to how we should pray, our Lord gave only two petitions for our prayers. Firstly, for the coming of this Israel Kingdom over which He would rule on earth, and secondly, that, in the meantime and in the presence of an evil world, we might be provided with our bodily needs, and with our souls' protection.

That the Kingdom to come, in its consummated state, would be such as to draw into it all the nations of the world is clearly seen in God's prophetic message for us in the days to come. "Arise, shine; for thy light is come . . . For, behold the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee and His glory shall be seen upon thee. And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising."

As the instruments of the Kingdom we must put away our unbelief, our policy of racial integration, which is an "abomination" in the sight of God, and which our Lord, in His earthly ministry, warned us would bring upon us the most fearful evils. We must put away all other evils, and make our Country what God intends it to be – a Demonstration Model of His coming Kingdom.

To this end, we are warned that we are to go through a period of tribulation such as never existed previously on earth, which will cause many of us to turn to God, Who will save us out of our trouble. Some will not understand these things. Our understanding does not depend upon our intellectual capacity, nor upon what we are pleased to think of as our common sense. It depends upon our own PERSONAL RIGHTEOUSNESS, as the prophet has said concerning "the time of the end": "Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly; and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand."

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WHY?

By Robert Thornton

In 588 B.C., the Babylonian Juggernaut crushed the beautiful and evil city of ancient Jerusalem. It was not a pleasant end for the inhabitants. There was no mercy and no quarter. Blood flowed in the streets and in the homes. The brutal sword thrust, the agonizing cry of the dying and the blaze of the invaders' torch was everywhere.

The Bible account is given in Jeremiah chapter 39:

"In the ninth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the tenth month, came Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon and all his army against Jerusalem, and they besieged it. And in the eleventh year of Zedekiah, in the fourth month, the ninth day of the month, the city was broken up. And all the princes of the king of Babylon came in, and sat in the middle gate . . . And it came to pass, that when Zedekiah the king of Judah saw them, and all the men of war, then they fled, and went forth out of the city by night, by the way of the king's garden, by the gate betwixt the two walls; and he went out the way of the plain. But the Chaldeans' army pursued after them, and overtook Zedekiah in the plains of Jericho; and when they had taken him, they brought him up to Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon to Ribiah in the land of Hamath, where he gave judgment upon him. Then the king of Babylon slew the sons of Zedekiah in Ribiah before his eyes; also the king of Babylon slew all the nobles of Judah. Moreover he put out Zedekiah's eyes, and bound him with chains, to carry him to Babylon. And the Chaldeans burned the king's house, and the houses of the people, with fire, and brake down the walls of Jerusalem." Jeremiah 39:1-8.

WHY DIDN'T GOD SAVE?

It is a terrible thing to see a nation die. Many times throughout history, great nations have been crushed and destroyed at the hands of heathen hordes which were little different from beasts.

Naturally the question is – why? Why did the God of Heaven not help His people? Why did He deliver them into the hands of heathen butchers? The numerous Bible accounts of deliverance provided for God's people, from time to time, beginning with their miraculous exodus from Egypt, show plainly not only that God can deliver but has often done so. Why then did He not come to the aid of Zedekiah, the last king of Judah in the fateful year, 588 B.C.?

SIN IS THE ANSWER

A study of God's Word reveals that not only did God allow this to happen. He caused it to occur. It was God Who gave the heathen host of Nebuchadnezzar victory over Zedekiah and Jerusalem. The prophecy in II Kings 21: 12-13 leaves no doubt about God's hand in the destruction of Jerusalem. "Behold, I am bringing such evil upon Jerusalem and Judah that whosoever heareth of it both his ears shall tingle . . . I will wipe Jerusalem as a man wipeth a dish, wiping it, and turning it upside down."

So we come again to the question – a fearful question. Why did God help the heathen destroy His own people? Sin is the answer. The sinful condition of Judah during the last fifty years before its destruction is well described in C.R. Dickey's excellent book *'One Man's Destiny.'*

"Events moved swiftly to the end of Judah's national independence. The leaven of sin had done its work – and the wages of sin is death. The time of which God's prophets warned had come: . . . Egypt and Babylon were the weapons of destruction. The eclipse which cast shadows over the reigns of Jehoahaz, Jehoiakim and Jehoiachin deepened into a blackout in the time of Judah's last king – Zedekiah. See how the usual course of evil repeats once too often: . . . ."

As the Bible says: "The Lord God of their fathers sent them his messengers, rising up betimes, and sending (them) because he had compassion on his people, and on his dwelling place: but they mocked the messengers of God, and despised his words, and misused his prophets, until the wrath of the Lord arose against his people, *till there was no remedy.*" "Then came the Babylonian king, Nebuchadnezzar, with the sword and a campaign of total warfare. He slew their young men and spared not the women or the old men that stooped for age. He burnt the temple and carried away its treasures. He laid low the walls of Jerusalem and destroyed all its palaces with fire. All who escaped the sword he carried away to Babylon . . . ."

It is no exaggeration to say that America's position, before God today, is quite similar to that of Judah just prior to the Babylonian invasion.

Judah no longer looked to God. The king Zedekiah disobeyed the commands of God. Baal worship, the satisfaction of the flesh, filled the land. America, too, has departed from God. Not since the early 1900's has Jesus Christ been publicly and officially acknowledged by the head of government.

THE GOVERNMENT IGNORES HIM

Just before He ascended, Jesus told His disciples that all power had been given unto Him, both in heaven and on earth. This fact is recorded in Matthew 28:18. The Father has committed all things into the hands of Jesus. This directive has never been revoked and it never shall be. Jesus is the manifestation of the Living God. He is sovereign over this nation. Yet American government continues to ignore Him. Not long ago, our government gave high praise to His sworn enemies on the occasion of Communism's 50th anniversary. But I have yet to hear a single word of praise by our government for Jesus Who redeemed us.

TOO HOT TO HANDLE

The basis of all national law is found in the Bible, beginning with the Ten Commandments. Yet several years ago, when a bill was introduced to acknowledge the Ten Commandments as the basic law of the nation, the Congressmen quickly side-tracked it by constantly referring it from committee to committee. It was God's law and apparently too hot to handle. Today the bill lies buried in dust far down in one of the devious pigeon-holes of officialdom. And this is small wonder for the

Ten Commandments would be embarrassing to every area of our government.

DENYING JESUS IS DENYING GOD

Take just the first commandment for instance: "Thou shalt have no other gods before me." What member of government could obey this injunction while building bridges to the anti-Christ government in Moscow or Peking? And how could the administration possibly do business – as they are – with the anti-Christ state in Palestine while confessing Jesus Christ to be God in the flesh?

PAYDAY CAME, AS IT DOES TO ALL

The end of sin is death. This was the truth which finally breached Jerusalem's walls to let the looting, killing, burning Babylonian troops into the city. That nation had finally reaped its wages. It is just as true for a nation as for a man that the wages of sin is death.

How can America escape these wages? Perhaps the question should be – will she? Is it possible? Has God given America a means whereby she may escape the fate of Zedekiah's Jerusalem?

THERE IS A WAY

Yes, there is a way by which the nation may be saved if there is yet humility and strength to take three positive steps. First, the nation must come to acknowledgement of God revealed in Jesus Christ. This must be public and official confession of Jesus. Such an acknowledgement would be of little use aside from repentance. We must confess ourselves to be a sinful nation and turn from all our wicked ways. How can our wickedness be identified – only by a return to God's Word as the basis of government.

When and if these conditions are met, the nation will find itself crying out to Jesus: "Spare thy people, O Lord, and give not thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them . . . then shall the Lord be jealous for His land and pity His people." (Joel 2:17-18).

PRAISE AND APPLAUSE

This is a day when salesmanship is emphasized to a very great degree. Everywhere Americans are engaged in extolling the values of various products and systems. One cannot pick up a magazine or a newspaper or tune in a channel without coming face to face with applause, commendations, praise and acclaim for both men and women of notoriety and the many and varied products of modern life.

NEVER A SINGLE OFFICIAL WORD

We give Nobel peace prizes while death on the battlefield increases. Communism is praised for fifty years of fighting against God and murdering tens of thousands of their citizens. But never is there a word, not a single official word, of praise or thanksgiving for Jesus. God has called us and blessed us and increased us as no other nation. Yet before all the world, we deny Him and keep company with those who hate Him.

READY TO CRUCIFY HIM?

All this spells out the spiritual condition of America today. Do you think we will be

allowed to continue dragging the Name of God through the dirt and spitting upon Him before all the nations of the world? Although it is terrible to contemplate, it appears that America is as ready to crucify Jesus as was Jerusalem in 30 A.D. If He came again in humility, would He be received with glory and honour at the Capitol or would He be turned over to those who hate Him and crucified before the United Nations?

THERE WAS A TIME

There was a time when repentance in Jerusalem would have cut off the armies of Nebuchadnezzar. There was a day when Jerusalem of the first century could have received Jesus. Then Caesar's legions would have been saved the effort of repeating the Babylonian destruction of some 600 years earlier.

NOT A PLAN BUT A MAN

Everyone has a plan to save America. It is not a plan we need. It is a man we need – a God-fearing man. As Holland wrote:

"God give us men . . . .
Men who can stand before a demagogue
And damn his treacherous flatteries without winking;
Tall men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog
In public duty and in private thinking . . ."

True . . . but what we need most of all today – a President humble enough and tall enough and spirit-filled enough to walk our land from coast to coast, from south to north, in the Name and Power of Jesus Christ.

"Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a flock: thou that dwellest between the cherubims, shine forth. Before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh, stir up thy strength, and come and save us. Turn us again, O God, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved" (Psalm 80:1-3).

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"The Coronation Stone" upon which all British Monarchs are crowned, is an oblong block of reddish sandstone weighing nearly 350 pounds, and is approximately 26 inches long, nearly 11 inches in depth, and about 16 inches broad. It was fitted into a chair made especially for it by Edward the First after he had brought the Stone from Scotland in 1296 A.D. The Stone was located in a special compartment immediately beneath the seat of the Chair. From that time onward to the present, all English Monarchs, with one exception, have been crowned sitting in this Chair immediately over the Stone. The one exception was Mary Tudor who, being an ardent Roman Catholic, was crowned sitting in a Chair sent especially for her use by the Pope with his blessing. Cromwell, who was not a king, sat in the Coronation Chair (to show his contempt for Royalty, it has been said) when he was installed as Lord Protector in Westminster Hall; but the Stone had been removed from the Chair before he sat in it.

The Stone was removed from Scone in Scotland by Edward the First following a victorious campaign. He also took away the Scottish regalia and jewels, but these were returned later following the signing of the Treaty of Northampton, and the English people would not allow the Stone to be returned. "They rose in insurrection and marched to the Abbey, where they dared any of the King's officers to take it."

The "Stone of Scone" had been in Scotland for a little over 800 years, it having been brought there by Fergus MacEarca after he had come from Ireland and conquered Argyll. Fergus desired to be crowned King of his new Kingdom on the "Stone of Destiny" as it was called in Ireland, so he sent back for it. The Stone was brought to Iona, and King Fergus was crowned sitting on it there. The Stone remained at Iona until 836 A.D., when Kenneth Mac-

Alpine acquired by marriage the Pictish kingdom and made Scone his capital. He caused the Stone to be brought to Scone where it acquired its new name, "The Stone of Scone", and where it remained until 1296 when Edward removed it to London.

While the Stone was at Iona, it is recorded that when Saint Columba was dying he begged that he might be carried to the altar, and there, with his head resting on the Stone of Destiny, this Irishman, who was a missionary to the wild Pictish tribes, passed on to his reward. All Scottish kings from Fergus onward to 1296 A.D. were crowned sitting on the Stone.

Irish records, in legend and tradition, show that the Stone had been in that country for more than 1000 years where it was known as the "Lia Fail", "The Stone Wonderful", or the "Stone of Destiny". It had arrived there when an aged Eastern seer or prophet, accompanied by his scribe or secretary, together with a Hebrew Princess named Tea Tephi, or Tamar Tephi, with other members of his party had been shipwrecked and rescued off the coast of Northern Ireland about 583 B.C. They were welcomed by the King of Ireland named Eochaidh the Eremon, who was later crowned seated on the "Lia Fail". He married Tea Tephi, and his capital of Cathair Crofinn was renamed "Tara", which is the Irish version of "Torah" and which means in Hebrew "law", and it is said that the King Eochaidh gave to his bride "The Hill of Tara" as dowry.

In England, the Stone is known as "Jacob's Pillow", as well as being called the Coronation Stone. Fastened in the Stone are two iron rings held there by two staples driven into the rock. The iron staples to which the iron rings are attached are, in the words of an expert in iron work, "worn to a thread"; or more accurately, "to the slenderness of thin cardboard."

Now, the question is, "Where, and how did these iron staples get worn so thin?" The stone has been in England for some 650 years. It has been in Westminster Abbey all this time (except for a few weeks following its theft on Christmas Eve 1950). The Stone has not been carried around in England, so the iron staples did not get worn thin in that country. The Stone was in only two places in Scotland for 800 years previously—first at Iona for 350 years, and then at Scone for another 450 years; so the iron staples did not get worn thin in Scotland. The Stone was in Ireland for over 1000 years before that, located at only one place, Tara; so the staples didn't get worn thin in Ireland.

We know the history of the Stone for over 2500 years, during which

time it was not carried around enough to scratch the surface of the rings or staples. Then where did the staples receive the great amount of wear evidenced by examination? Rev. Dean Stanley, in his Memoirs of Westminster Abbey, said of the Stone, "The iron rings, the battered surface, the crack which has all but rent its solid mass asunder, bears witness of its long migrations."

We get our first view of the Stone in Genesis 28:10-22, wherein we have the story of Jacob one night sleeping outside the walls of the City of Luz. He had arrived after sunset, and the city gates were closed. Looking around for something on which to lay his head, his eyes lighted on a building stone on the refuse heap which the builders had rejected. While sleeping with his head on the Stone, he had that wonderful vision. Rising in the morning Jacob took the Stone he had used for a "pillow", set it on end for a "pillar of witness", and anointed it with oil, calling the place "Beth-el", which means "God's House" or "House of God". Jacob left the Stone there, but some twenty years later he was commanded by God to return, when he built an altar to God calling it "El-Beth-el", meaning "The God of the House of God" (Gen. 35). The Stone, or Pillar, was very sacred in Jacob's eyes. It commemorated the times when God had talked to him and promised him and his children in all their generations, blessings of surpassing magnitude. And what it was to Jacob, it is to our people today. It is in "God's House", Westminster Abbey, under a stone arch on which is carved, "Surely this is the House of God".

Years later, during the famine, Jacob went down into Egypt at Joseph's request, evidently taking the Stone with him, because later, on his death-bed, he made Joseph the guardian of the Stone, and, of course, Joseph's children after him; Ephraim falling heir to the birthright promises which were to be fulfilled in "the last days". (See Gen. 49:1 and 49:22-24).

From that day Joseph and then Ephraim would keep the Stone as a "title deed" and at the Exodus when Moses took the bones of Joseph with him (Ex. 13:19), we may be sure he also took the Stone. The Israelites were in the wilderness for forty years. They carried the Ark of the Covenant and the Stone of Israel with them throughout their wanderings. The Stone was carried on the poles which were placed through the iron rings. It was here in the wilderness where the iron staples became worn so thin. Nowhere else was the Stone carried around enough to wear the staples and rings.

During those forty years we have the record of the Stone, the Rock,

being used twice to assuage the thirst of these three million people, together with their flocks and herds (See Exodus 17 and Numbers 20). The first time, Moses was instructed to "smite the rock", but the second time he was told to "speak ye unto the rock". Moses disobeyed in the latter instance, and struck the rock twice and for this was denied entrance to the Land of Canaan.

Years later, the Stone found its way to Solomon's Temple where it was used as a "Pillar of Witness", and all kings of David's line were crowned sitting on, or standing beside, this Stone. See II Kings:12-14 where the young King Joash was crowned standing by the Pillar "as the manner was". In II Kings 23:3, we find Josiah before God. Before the Stone was placed in the Temple we find Abimelech (Judges 9:6) was made King by the "Pillar" which Joshua had set up as a "Pillar of Witness".

The Stone remained in the temple, and all Kings of Judah used it as a Coronation Stone until the destruction of the temple by Nebuchadnezzar in 585 B.C., who caused to be taken to Babylon all the valuables from the temple but apparently overlooked the rough, battered rock which would be of no importance to him, but to Israel it was "a Sacred Stone"; "The Pillar of Witness".

Jeremiah evidently took the Stone along with other sacred relics when forced to go to Egypt with the King's daughters (Jer. 1:7-19; 43:6, 7; 44:14-28). Later, leaving Egypt on the Ships of Dan, he eventually arrived in Northern Ireland with Tamar Tephi, one of the King's daughters, about 583 B.C.

The Coronation Stone is the visible and physical symbol of the throne of the House of David which God declared would endure for ever (II Sam. 7:16; Jer. 33:17). It has been "overturned" three times. *I will overturn, overturn, overturn, and it shall be no more until he comes whose right it is* (See Ezekiel 21:27). Overturned from Palestine to Ireland — overturned from Ireland to Scotland—overturned from Scotland to England. Evidently it will go back to Palestine "when he comes whose right it is" to sit on the throne.

This Stone is, no doubt, the Stone that Joshua set up as a witness by the sanctuary (Joshua 24:27). *For it hath heard all the words of the Lord.*

On Davenish Island in Lake Erin, four miles below Enniskillen, is an ancient cemetery in which there is a tomb hewn out of solid rock which from time immemorial has been called "Jeremiah's Tomb". Jeremiah was known by the ancient Irish as "Ollar Folla" which means "Hebrew Prophet". He established in Ireland the laws given to Israel by God through Moses.

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Chapter 7

JOSEPH GIVEN THE BIRTHRIGHT

Reuben was the firstborn of Jacob's twelve sons. He lost the Birthright owing to his wickedness, (Gen. 35:22). Joseph being in close contact with Bilhah's sons learned from them of Reuben's sin and reported it to his father. (Gen. 37:2). The first indication of the passing of the Birthright from Reuben to Joseph is given in Gen. 37:3 with the presentation by Jacob to Joseph of the "coat of many colours". Read also Gen. 48:8-22; 49:3,4; 49:22-26; and 1 Chron. 5:1. Into the hands of the House of Joseph was given the custody of the "Stone of Israel". – "Jacob's Pillow".

JUDAH GIVEN THE SCEPTRE

Read Gen. 49:8-12. See also for the first promises concerning the Sceptre, to Abraham, Gen. 17:6. To Jacob, Gen. 35:11. For additional confirmation see 1 Chron. 5:2. Here we have the origin of the "Divine Right of Kings". This promise conferred on Judah is re-affirmed in Davidic Covenant (2 Sam. 7:16). This line of kings was not to cease until Christ comes to earth to take the Sceptre and the throne of His father David and to rule over the House of Jacob forever. (Luke 1:30-33)

The King (or Prince) over Israel all down the ages was to come of Judah's seed. Hence it was that Christ was born of the House and Lineage of David of the Tribe of Judah. Today He is the Spiritual Head of the Kingdom. When He comes again He will be its King in His Bodily Person.

In Jacob's death-bed blessing of his sons, Judah and Joseph were selected for responsibilities far above the others. (Gen. 49) Here we see the beginning of the Division of the Israel people into "the two families which the Lord hath chosen" (Jer. 33:24) – The House of Israel, and the House of Judah. Psalm 114:2 puts it, "Judah was his sanctuary and Israel his dominion."

EXODUS FROM EGYPT

69 Israelites and Jacob, "besides Jacob's sons' wives" went into Egypt. (See Gen. 46:26, 27) See also Acts 7:14 where we are informed that "Jacob, and all his kindred" consisted of 75 souls, at the time of Joseph's sending for him. The wives would be included in this latter figure. The Israelites were in Egypt for a total of 430 years. (Exodus 12:40, 41) During this time they had multiplied exceedingly and had been enslaved after a new king arose "which knew not Joseph". (See Exodus 1)

The first 15 chapters of Exodus record the long contest with Pharaoh, during which 10 Judgments were executed upon the Egyptians, and 13 miracles were performed which resulted in the Exodus of the Children of Israel from Economic Bondage in the land of Egypt.

It is estimated that at least 3,000,000 Israelites came out of Egypt because there were "about six hundred thousand on foot that were men, beside children." (Ex. 12:37) The next verse informs us that there was also "a mixed multitude with them." Fourteen months after the Exodus a census was taken which showed that there were 603, 550 men of twenty years of age and upward capable

of going forth to war. (Numbers 1:45, 46) But the Levites were not numbered among them. (Num. 1:47) Neither was the "mixed multitude". Read the whole of the First chapter of Numbers.

MIRACLE OF GROWTH

Such a miracle of growth has never been recorded of any other people, 70 to over 3,000,000; although it has been recorded of the same people at this time of the ending of the Age of Punishment. In 1800 A.D. there were, roughly, only 16,000,000 Anglo-Saxons. In a little over 150 years, instead of 400, they have multiplied until there are at least 175,000,000 of them today. God had promised that the descendants of Abraham, through Isaac and Jacob, would become so multitudinous that it would be as impossible to count them as it is impossible to count the Stars of the Sky, the Dust of the Earth, or the sands of the sea-shore. (see Gen. 13:16; 15:5; 22:17; 26:4; 28:14)

THE 13th MIRACLE

The 13th Miracle was the Crossing of the Red Sea. The surface of the sea bottom became "congealed". (Ex. 15:8) Evidently a crust formed on the surface of the sea bottom of sufficient thickness and strength to support the weight of the Israelities who crossed on foot with their flocks and herds; but the heavy chariots of the Egyptians broke through and became mired in the mud and quicksand, and drowned when the waters returned to normal. The dividing of the Red Sea was evidently accomplished by a terrific and prolonged blast of wind. "The blast of thy nostrils"; "Thou didst blow with thy wind". Read the 14th and 15th chapters of Exodus.

The possibility of the Red Sea freezing over and the waters being divided (into liquid and solid: water and ice) is also not to be overlooked.

THE 13 TRIBES REDUCED TO TWELVE

The 12 sons of Jacob formed the nucleus of the original 12 tribes. Joseph's two sons, Ephraim and Manasseh became fathers of tribes and inherited Joseph's original portion and an extra portion of the land. (Gen. 48:22) With the passing of the Birthright to Joseph, his sons became the fathers of the Tribes of Ephraim and Manasseh; the House of Joseph; but no tribe of Joseph. Thus there were now 13 fathers of potential tribes, which, in Egypt did multiply until each tribe became multitudinous as shown in the census of Num. 1.

But after the Exodus, at the time of the census, God commanded that the Levites would not be numbered among the tribes. The Levites were appointed to be the special servants of the people. They supplied the Nation with their Priests, Teachers, and the Civil Service of the Nation.

This reduced the number of Tribes again to 12. Manasseh, up until the time of the census, was the 13th Tribe in Israel. After that there were again 12 Tribes and the Levites, who were not counted as a Tribe.

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Marks of Israel

During the Christian dispensation lost Israel were to possess certain marks of identification

A great and mighty nation.	Gen. 12:2; 18:18; Deut. 4:7,8.
Named 'Great'.	Gen. 12:2.
The chief of the nations.	Gen. 27:29; Deut. 7:6; 15:6.
A maritime nation, having command of the seas.	Gen. 49:25; Num. 24:7; Deut. 33:13, 19; Psa. 89:25.
A company or commonwealth of nations.	Gen. 35:11; 48:19. Eph. 2:12.
A missionary nation.	Gen. 22:18; Isa. 43:21; 49:6; 66:19.
The custodian of God's Word.	Psa. 147:19, 20; Isa. 59:21.
A just nation.	Gen. 18:19; Lev. 19:15; Deut. 1:17; Zeph. 3:13.
God's instrument in destroying evil.	Jer. 51:20; Dan. 2:34,35.
An undefeated nation.	Isa. 54:17; Micah 5:8,9.
Blind to their identity.	Isa. 29:10-12; 42:16, 19, 20; Rom. 11:7, 8, 25.
Have an island home north and west of Palestine.	Isa. 49:1-3, 12; Jer. 3:18; 31:8.
Occupy islands and coastlands.	Isa. 24:15; 41:1, 5; 49:1-3; 51:5; Jer. 31:8, 10.
Possess the gate of his enemies.	Gen. 22:17, 24:60.
Have multitudinous seed.	Gen. 13:16; 15:5; 22:17; 24:60; 26:4, 24; 28:3, 14; 32:12.
Colonize and spread abroad.	Gen. 28:14; 49:22; Deut. 32:8; 33:17; Psa. 2:8; Isa. 26:15; 27:6; 54:2; Zech. 10:8, 9.
Lose first colony and then expand, demanding more living space.	Isa. 49:20.
Irrigate the deserts and build the waste places.	Isa. 35:1; 43:19, 20; 58:11, 12.
Possess the wealth of the earth.	Gen. 27:28; 49:25, 26; Deut. 33:13-16.
Possess the heritage of the heathen.	2 Sam. 22:44; Psa. 2:8; 111:6.
Receive strangers and refugees.	Lev. 19:33, 34; Isa. 11:10; 14:1; 55:5; 56:6-8;Zech. 8:22.
Set free slaves and prisoners.	Psa. 72:4; Isa. 42:7; 49:9; 58:6.
Have a descendant of King David reigning over them.	2 Sam. 7:13; 1 Chron. 22:10; 2 Chron. 13:5; Psa. 89:35-37; Jer. 33:17.
Lose all trace of their lineage.	Hos. 1:9, 10; Isa. 42:16; Rom. 11:25.
The power of the Holy People is to be broken.	Dan. 12:7; Deut. 32:29-36.

The British Commonwealth of Nations possesses every one of these marks — therefore they are lost Israel. The United States of America possesses some of them.

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We Believe in God - the God of the Bible. (Exodus 3:4-14.)

We Believe in Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God. (John 1:14.)

We Believe in the Holy Spirit and His Mission. (John 14:26, Acts 2.)

We Believe in the atoning sacrifice of Jesus Christ on Calvary. (Matt. 26:28, Romans 5.)

We Believe in His ascension into Heaven. (Mark 16:19, Acts 1:9-11.)

We Believe in the bodily return of Christ (Acts 1:9-11) to take the throne of David (Isa. 9 7 Luke 1:32) and rule on this earth for a thousand years (Rev. 20:1-6); and that His Body, the Church, will be united with Him and reign with Him. (Eph. 5:24-33; Col. 1:24; 1 Cor. 15:50-58; 1 Thes. 4:14-18; Rev. 19 9).

We Believe John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

We Believe that personal salvation by faith in the atonement of Jesus Christ is necessary for all, Israelite, Jew and Gentile (Rom. 3:22-25). Each one must be born again. (John 3:1-7). To confess Christ, who died that sinful men might live, is individually supreme above all else. (Matt 10 32-33. Rom. 10:9-13).

We Believe the whole Bible, both the Old and New Testaments; that it is the inerrant Word of God (11 Peter 1:9-21). We believe its history, its covenants, its promises.

We Believe in its Gospel of Grace (Eph. 2:1-8), which is the Gospel of Salvation to all men.

We Believe in, and seek to make known, the Gospel of the Kingdom (Matt. 4:23, 24:14).

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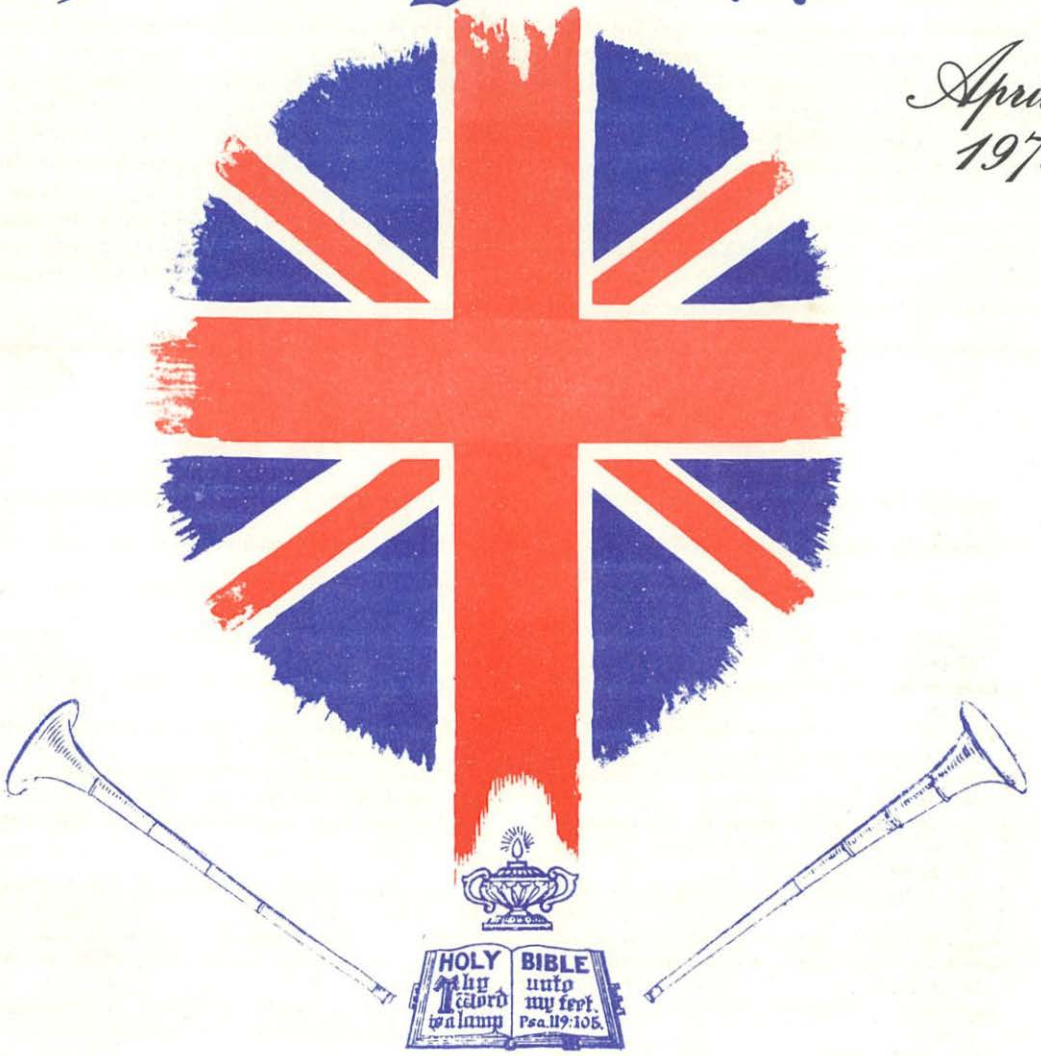
We Believe that this people Israel, consisting of twelve tribes (Exod. 28:21; Rev. 21:12), the descendents of the twelve sons of Jacob, were chosen of God to be His 'peculiar people' and 'servant nation' through whom all the other nations of the earth are to be blessed. (Exod. 19:5; Deut. 7:6-8; Isa. 41:8, 42:6; Gen. 22:16-18).

We Believe that the differentiation between 'Israel' and 'Judah' is clearly marked in the Scriptures. (See 1 Kings 12; Jer. 3:6-11; Ps. 114:1-2; Ezek. 37; Zech 11:7-14; 11 Chron. 10). They are not interchangeable terms. To understand this is to possess the key to Israel Truth. (Ps. 114:2; 1 Chron. 5:1-2).

We Believe the time has come when the 'lost' Israel "nation and company of nations" (Gen 35:11) has been found and positively identified. Only one race today answers in every detail to the Bible picture of Israel "in the latter days," and that is the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic — the British Commonwealth of white nations and the United States of America. Thy possess what Israel was to possess and are doing what Israel was to do. The identities of this race with Israel are so many and so pronounced that one who re-reads and studies his Bible in the light of this great truth will make discoveries that will cause him to give this subject most serious thought, especially in view of what is happening in literal ful-fillment of Bible prophecy in the world today. The nations are in turmoil. The power of the Holy People (Anglo-Saxon-Israel) is being broken (Dan. 12:7). The old Babylonian social order is being overthrown, and the world is being prepared for the Return of the Lord Jesus Christ, for His reign upon the Throne of His father David, and the glorious restoration of the Kingdom of God on earth. (Zech. 14:9; Luke 1:32-33).

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AND THE IMMINENT RETURN OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

Israel, Judah and the Jews

'The House of Israel' is not synonymous with the 'House of Judah'. The House of Judah and some of the Jews are *of* Israel, that is, descended from Jacob. The distinction we wish to emphasize is that while some Jews are Israelites, all Israelites are not necessarily Jews. In a similar way, all Scots are British, but all the British are not Scots. When the general blessings were apportioned at Jacob's death, the Messiah was promised, with the sovereignty, to Judah; but the 'multitude of nations' and the temporal grandeur of the birthright were given to Joseph. The House of Israel was to obtain these in the latter days, or the Christian era. Ten-tribed Israel was to be divorced under the Mosaic law and its identity temporarily lost to history,but known to God; it was to be recovenanted in Christ to enjoy the Israel birthright in the Isles of the Sea, to be His nation of evangelists in the world, and the inheritor of the Kingdom of God. The prophets display meticulous care in their address to the 'House of Israel', the 'House of Judah' and 'the inhabitants of Jerusalem' (the Jews). To apply to one 'House' a prophecy which refers to the other is clearly to misapply the message and confuse the issue. A careful regard of this distinction is prerequisite to the correct understanding of the prophetic Scriptures.

Prophecies Concerning

ISRAEL

Israel to have a change of name (Isa. 65:15).

Israel to be called by a new name (Isa. 62:2).

Israel to be called after Isaac (Gen. 21:12).

Israel to be blind to their identity (Rom. 11:25; Isa. 42:16-19).
Israel to be a multitudinous people (Gen. 13:16; 15:5).
Israel to become known as the righteous Nation that keepeth the truth (Isa. 60:21; 26:2).
Israel to become a Nation and a Company of Nations (Gen. 35:11).
Israel to make a new home in the Appointed Place—the Isles of the Sea (2 Sam. 7:10; Isa. 24:15; 49:1; Jer. 31:10).
Israel to be a Nation for ever (Jer. 31:35, 36).

Israel to have a perpetual monarchy (Jer. 33:17).
Israel to come under a new covenant (Jer. 31:31-34).
Israel to be called the sons of God (Hos. 1:10; Rom 8:14).
Israel was taken captive into Assyria by Shalmaneser, circa 721 B.C. (2 Kings 18:11, etc.).
Israel were to be immune from defeat in war (Isa. 54:17; Lev. 26:6-8).

THE JEWS

The Jews to be known by a change in physiognomy (Isa. 3:9).
The Jews have retained their old name unchanged.
The Jews' name to be a curse to them (Isa. 65:15).
The Jews still claim to be the chosen people.

The Jews to be bereft of children (Jer. 15:7).

The Jews to be a reproach and a proverb, a taunt and a curse (Jer. 24:9).
The Jews to be scattered in all the 'kingdoms of the earth for their hurt' (Jer. 24:9).
The Jews have been strangers in all lands (Jer. 15:4).

The Jewish Nation was broken in A.D. 70 (Dan. 9:24-27; Jer. 19:11).
The Jews have remained under the old law.
The Jews do not accept Jesus Christ as the Messiah.
Judah taken captive to Babylon by Nebuchadnezzar, circa 603 B.C. (2 Kings chs. 24 and 25).

The Jews are descended from the remnant of Judah which returned from captivity in the time of Ezra and Nehemiah.
The Jews have suffered endless persecution.

Israel had been removed from Palestine 700 years before the Crucifixion. When it occurred they were still absent, being at that time beyond the Euphrates, in their migration through Europe.

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From The President's Desk

Greetings Christian Friends,

Once again we have arrived at one of the most significant periods in the calander of the Christian Faith. But the tragedy of the present day must surely be that this significance is almost entirely unrecognised by the very people upon whom it should have the greatest impact. One would think that in our present parlous position, which is almost daily worsening, that some sort of sanity would evidence itself in an attempt to extricate ourselves from the mire. But NO.

Through the prophet Jeremiah, God states the position quite clearly.

"A horrible thing, an appalling, has happened in the land.
The prophets prophesy falsely, and the priests rule at their beck and call.
And my people love to have it so.
But what will you do at the end of it all?"

(Jer. 5:30-31 Moffatt).

Never was truer word spoken. MY PEOPLE LOVE TO HAVE IT SO. Surely, one of the greatest mysteries of our present day must be the maddening blindness, (or is it blind madness?) which people not only accept, but which they appear to so deliberately seek. They don't want truth. They are so used to the darkness that they are frightened of the LIGHT which TRUTH brings.

Truly has the Lord said through Isaiah the prophet;

"Go now, write it on a tablet before them, inscribe it on a scroll, that it may serve in days to come as a witness forever.
For this is a rebellious people, Faithless children.
Children who will not hear the instruction of the Lord.
Who say to the seers, 'You shall not see.'
And to the prophets, 'You shall not prophesy to us right things!
Speak to us smooth things. Prophesy delusions.
Get you out of the way. Turn aside from the path.
Trouble us no more with the Holy One of Israel.' "

(Isa. 30:8-11 Smith & Goodspeed).

Does it sound familiar? It should. People today don't want what is right. They want what is most convenient for them. Of course, if what they want also happens to be right, then that is a conveniently added bonus.

So it is with this time of the year which we call Easter. How many people really want to change this celebration back to what it really means? Not many. Even those who call themselves Christians compromise themselves, and thereby discredit both their faith and their God. They soundly criticise the 'unbelievers' for their ungodly actions and attitudes, and their idolatry. Then they themselves stock up with easter eggs and bunnies and hot cross buns. By some strange mechanism, being a Christian apparently sanctifies the use of these pagan customs. And of course, we can't deprive the children of these little pleasures can we. They will feel so left out of things if they don't get the same things as other children. What hypocritical nonsense!! Our children would be far, far better off if they WERE left out of these heathen customs. We might even manage to propogate a future generation of adults who desired to follow God rather than to indulge their fancies.

Stripped of all its paganism, Easter celebrates the greatest event to date in the entire history of the world. It even surpasses the Birth of Christ, because it is the celebration of the REASON for His Birth. It celebrates the Death and RESURRECTION of the SON OF GOD, the ONLY Mediator between God and man. *THE MAN - CHRIST JESUS.*

He didn't come to be a good man. He didn't come to be a great philosopher. He came "To visit and redeem His people Israel" (Luke 1:68). He came to purchase "His peculiar treasure." (Ex. 19:5, Psalm 135:4). In doing so, He bought the whole world. (Matt. 13:44).

This is what the Death and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ means. This is what Easter SHOULD BE ALL ABOUT.

At this time, let us not go into the way of the heathen. Let us seek our God with a pure and contrite heart, thanking Him for His great Love and Faithfullness.



Fundamental Belief

By W.G. Finlay

It is basic and therefore fundamental to the Christian faith that men should believe God. Any belief that is centred on other than the revelation of God, is man's philosophy and fallible, human interpretation. That this latter is becoming the dominating factor in the teaching of today is all too clearly evident in the contempt with which the Bible is being held by an increasing majority of people. Men shrug their shoulders and point complacently to the Scriptures which indicate a 'falling away' and fatalistically surrender to the inevitable fulfilment of the picture. Others again, in the full awareness of the existence of not only the prophetic Scriptures but their reality in the world of today, brush aside, as of no importance, these warning signs in the smug conviction that it does not apply to them.

Many devout and sincere teachers are of the opinion that they are working within the Will of God and yet, by their very teaching, are making the 'Word of God of none effect'. Unwittingly, they become propounders of 'the traditions of men' and in this role, nullify a most formidable factor which is a God-ordained proof of His reality. *This factor is the Israel nation.* To the many who follow the traditions of men, this statement causes resentment, for the claim of a national Message in the Bible is diametrically opposed to commonly held views which, in general, are based entirely on the realm of the spirit. Much as this may be resisted, it is an undeniable *Scriptural* fact that the Israel nation had, has and shall have, a vital role to play in the consummation of the Plan of God for world recovery. This conclusion is arrived at through the exercise of fundamental belief in God. However, there are those who contend that the First Advent of Christ eradicated all that which had preceded it and consequently the Christian Dispensation of Grace is now the ultimate expression of the Will of God for a fallen world. Here, indeed, is evidence of making the 'Word of God of none effect'. If this Dispensation is all there is to God's Purpose, current trends indicate that it is doomed to failure and that Christians and humanity as a whole, have no hope for better things to come in the world.

As one examines the Messianic prophecies of the Old Testament, not in the light of the 'traditions of men', but as trusting believers, one notes two positive roles of the Messiah. (1) The Lamb of Sacrifice, and (2) The King of Kings. Lacking a fundamental belief, men's traditions have interwoven the two and have made so much of the Bible of none effect as to destroy faith in It as God's Revelation. One such prophecy is that recorded by Micah. "But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is

to be *ruler in Israel*; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting". (Micah 5:2)

This theme is picked up by Gabriel in his annunciation to Mary. "He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: and he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end" (Luke 1:32-33). In the light of current teaching, these Scriptures are completely meaningless. The Rule of Christ, it is contended, takes place at conversion and His Dominion is the authority of His Rule in the individual's life. This does not meet the requirements of Scripture nor does it satisfy the Word of God. *According to the Word of God, the Kingship of Christ is to be exercised over Israel, the house of Jacob.* To justify the modern misconceptions, the house of Jacob or Israel underwent a metamorphosis and became a spiritual company of believers thus displacing the national nucleus which descended from the patriarchs. Here again is evidence of making the Word of God of none effect. God has sworn by His Oath (Heb. 6:13-14) that the literal seed of Abraham would continue, and appointed the ordinances of the sun, moon and stars as witnesses to His faithfulness – all this means nothing when fundamental and basic faith is supplanted by the traditions of men.

Another remarkable Scripture, indeed the very words of the Lord Jesus Christ Himself, is rendered meaningless when the spiritualising theory is accepted in the place of literal fulfilments. This passage is found in Matthew 19:28. "And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel". It will be noted that there are unmistakable factors here which are either true or false for they do not allow for 'shades of truth' nor do they permit compromise. Theology and the propounder of the traditions of men cannot wriggle out of this for all translations based on the original Greek text are unanimous in the correctness of this statement.

The time factor mentioned by the Lord is determined by (1) the regeneration, (2) when He shall sit in the throne of His glory, and (3) the Resurrection of the apostles. It would be more than ludicrous to assert that these three take place each time a repentant sinner is converted. The time when the Lord shall sit on the throne of His glory is clarified by His Olivet Discourse wherein He stated: "When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all his holy angels with him, *then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory*: and before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth the sheep from the goats . . ." (Matt. 25:31-32). This is certainly no silent and secret coming to rule over the human heart – this is the mighty Second Advent of the Lord Who shall inaugurate the Kingdom of God and at Whose coming the first Resurrection takes place among which, it is promised, the apostles are numbered. Theirs is a special task, namely, to sit on twelve thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel. Amazing indeed, for it means that the *twelve tribes of Israel* – not a

spiritual substitute – must be in existence at the end of the age. This surely dispels the delusion that there was a God-sponsored metamorphosis at the time of Pentecost in which Israel became a spiritual body of all believers. It should be noted again that the Lord stated that the apostles would judge the *twelve tribes of Israel* – the same people to which James addressed his epistle and who are called by Peter, 'the strangers scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, etc. The two epistles written by these men are sufficient to give the lie to any claim that Israel, as a national nucleus, had passed into oblivion because of their transgressions. They further expose two startling lies which are fostered and nurtured by teachers today, that (1) the church is Israel and (2) that the Jews are Israel.

While I Peter 2:25 may have been mentioned previously in *The Covenant Message*, its importance in this connection cannot be over-emphasised. "For ye *were* as sheep going astray; but are *now* returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls". This is spoken of the 'chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, etc. . . .' (verse 9), words which have been mutilated by the traditions of men and which have been written off with a flourish as having no meaning other than the new Israel – the church. Texts out of context are usually revealed and, in this case, verse 25 exposes the fallacy. The church, if the modern interpretation is correct, must have had an existence of considerably more than its then 27 odd years. It will be recalled that the Christian church as such, had its beginning at Pentecost which, it is generally agreed, was *circa* 33 A.D., and Peter wrote his epistle in A.D. 60. Thus, in that brief period when, in fact, there was a steady expansion of the church, it cannot possibly be said that it had a history which indicated a 'going astray'. This was to come at a later date. Note again that Peter relates the going astray to a period in the past which certainly could not apply to the church. Who then was this 'chosen generation'? The very wording of Peter's phraseology precludes the Jews for they have not 'returned to the Shepherd and Bishop' who is none other than the Lord Jesus Christ. These people were none other than the twelve tribes of Israel who at that time were outside of the boundaries of Palestine and among whom the Christian church was founded.

The ravages of men's traditions have left the Word of God untarnished in the faith of those who hold fast to the fundamental belief, but to those who, with 'itching ears', have heeded the vain interpretations of men, it has become a battle-scarred Book which is continually diminishing with each passing year. In spite of exposed error, 'traditional' propounders persist in their folly and wallow in the mire of making the Word of God of none effect. No doctrine, however emotionally satisfying and conscience-appeasing, is justified when it reduces the Mighty God of the Bible to a fallible being Who must admit to failure. This, whether it is liked or not, is precisely what is implied when one transposes a national function into an individual experience. With Paul, Christians should say: ". . . yea, let God be true, but every man a liar:" (Rom. 3:4). If fundamental belief was basic to Christianity

today, the Word of God would not only be effective in the world but a dynamic mechanism in producing the cure for all the world's ills. "Let God be true . . . ."

The truth of the matter of Israel is soon established. Abraham was the father of a national nucleus which was endowed with the Purpose of God. This much is clearly and irrevocably established in the unconditional Covenant which God made with the patriarch. The Promises contained within the Covenant are material and are inextricably interwoven with a national nucleus. The Promises were made within the context of God's Purpose to bless all the families and nations of the earth, and there is no hint or suggestion anywhere in the Bible that the trinity of Israel, the unconditional Covenant or God's Purpose are divisible and negotiable by men. The national nucleus, stemming from the loins of the covenanted patriarchs, was guaranteed perpetuity because of the Covenant made with Abraham. In spite of their violation of the Law and the captivities, their continuity is assured because the Honour of God is involved.

Throughout the New Testament, this theme runs like the golden thread and one notes, within the many exhortations, the call to repentance. What must the people repent? As the Israel people alone had transgressed the Law of God (the Law was only given to Israel), surely this is directed to them. Why did the Lord specifically send His disciples to the 'lost sheep of the house of Israel' (Matt. 10:6)? Why did He tell the Syrophenician woman that He was only sent to the 'lost sheep of the house of Israel' (Matt. 15:24)? The church was not in existence at this time. Why did the Lord submit to the indignity of maltreatment at the hands of the Jews and Romans in His Crucifixion? This fulfilled the blood Covenant which was only made with Israel. Why did He not rebuke the disciples when they intruded national Israel in His post-Resurrection Ministry? They asked: "Lord, wilt thou at this time *restore again the kingdom to Israel?*" (Acts 1:6). The church, at this time, had not yet been inaugurated. Peter, in his first sermon recorded in Acts 2:36 was most specific in his commission to those who had gathered to hear him. He said: "Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made this same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ". Why not let the world know this? Why specifically the house of Israel?

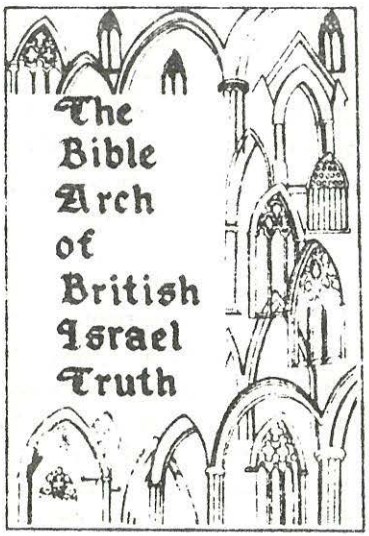
There is a school of thought which contends that the Lord Jesus Christ, during the silent years prior to His emergence into the public eye, went to the East and not only taught but learned from the masters of the Orient. This is pure speculation and diametrically opposed to the Scripture wherein He claimed that His mission was to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. Paul did not go to the East nor did he journey into Ethiopian Africa. He limited his journeys to the regions where Israel sojourned in transit to the 'appointed place' (II Sam. 7:10). His writings are intimate with the contents presupposing a common knowledge far transcending the fellowship of faith. Both James and Peter have already been dealt with and once again, the Israel content

is very decidedly there. In the Revelation of the Lord given to John on the Isle of Patmos, the Israel factor too is there and is unmistakable.

The teaching of the continuity of national Israel in no way renders the Word of God of none effect. It upholds the veracity of God, it vindicates His Oath and Honour, it lets 'God be true', it proves His Reality and assures the ultimate consummation of His Purpose in raising the whole Creation from the morass of satanic despair, into the liberty of God's Kingdom.

In this Federation, we contend that the Israel nation of God is found in the Anglo-Celto-Saxon and kindred peoples and justify our claim by indicating the words of promise as found in the Abrahamic Covenant, fulfilled, albeit in part, in these people. We may be wrong in our identity although no other people on the stage of world history vindicate the word of promise as does our group of nations. If we are wrong, and this we do not acknowledge, what higher calling can there be than to call a nation, or group of nations, to function in the Israel spirit? The Israel nation must be here and must be recognisable by the God-placed marks of identity. Find that people, identify that people, and call them to national repentance and responsibility to God and man. This latter is the fruit of fundamental belief and a charge laid on all believers.

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Paul's Gentile Ministry

By Rev. Robert Record

There is nothing that quite so blinds people to Biblical truth as the tradition that the Jews alone are Israel, and all the rest of mankind are Gentiles. In fact the dictionary I have defines a Gentile as "a non-Jew." And most people have the idea that Paul ministered to such a people.

But what are the facts? In the Old Testament the word *Gentile* is taken from the Hebrew, *goi*, meaning "nation" or "a collective body". It is therefore used of any nation or collective body. Israel herself was to be a great goi, and a company of goi, or Gentiles.

In the New Testament the word, *Gentile*, is taken from the Greek, *ethnos*, which is translated *heathen* and *nations*.

Thus, while it is true that in general Scriptural usage, the word, *Gentile*, denotes the heathen world or the heathen nations as distinct from the Israel people which worshipped the true God, yet when Israel (most of which are not Jewish) herself turned to idolatry and were later divorced of God and carried captive out of their land into Assyria, they too became Gentilized, or as the heathen in their worship.

As the prophet, Hosea, writes of Israel's Captivity he says in Hosea 8:8: "Israel is swallowed up: now shall they be among the Gentiles as a vessel wherein is no pleasure." The only way that Israel could be thus "swallowed up" would be for them to be looked upon as being a heathen people. They would be just another "goi", or nation, having lost the faith and the worship that had hitherto set them apart from the other nations.

In other words, the word, *Gentile*, is more of a religious word than it is racial. It denotes those nations which worship idols, from the people and nation which worships the living and true God. The word, *Israel*, means *"prince with God"*, or *"ruling with God"*. When Israel were put away because of their sin and idolatry, they were no longer worthy to bear that name, and took on other names which helped to identify them with the other nations.

What is generally overlooked or ignored is that the remnant of Judah inside the walled city of Jerusalem did not go with Israel in the Assyrian captivity. But 130 years later their city was besieged and captured by Nebuchadnezzar, and its inhabitants taken to Babylon. 70 years later a remnant of this remnant were given a 70-week charter by God and brought back to Jerusalem under Ezra and Nehemiah. To them had been committed the kingdom and the oracles of God. Note Matthew 21:43 and Romans 3:1,2.

Not until we get these facts straight in our minds, and in our thinking, can we begin to understand Paul's "Gentile ministry". In

Acts 13:46, for example, after Paul had met up with great opposition from the Jews who refused to believe the gospel he preached, he says, "It was necessary that the Word of God should first have been spoken to you: but seeing ye put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, lo, we turn to the Gentiles."

Why should the Word of God have been preached first to the Jews? Because they had been made custodians of the kingdom and had been brought back to Jerusalem, in the providence of God, to provide the environment for Christ's first coming. It follows that they should thus be the first to hear the Gospel. But it was not to be ever thus. Paul here announces that this policy was being changed. He would henceforth devote his time to preaching to the Gentiles.

But to what Gentiles? Tradition has it that because Paul turned from the Jew to the Gentile world, that he turned to a non-Israel people. But did he? In John 10:16 Jesus declares that He has "other sheep . . . which are not of this fold." Now Israel, not the heathen, are spoken of in the Scriptures as God's "sheep". By no stretch of the imagination can these sheep be made to be Christians. Christians are not lost sheep which must be brought or found. Christ is talking about the divided sheepfold of Israel and Judah.

The Judah division was represented in Palestine; but National Israel had been divorced over 700 years before and scattered among the nations. These also, said Jesus, I must bring, "and there shall be one fold and one shepherd." He was not referring to a non-Israel people, or the Gentile world. He was referring to those Israelites who had been swallowed up among the Gentiles, but were not of them racially. And Paul's letters to the so-called Gentile churches in Galatia, Corinth, Ephesus, etc., prove that he was writing to an Israel people familiar with the Law of Moses and Israel history.

In the 7th chapter of John after Jesus had told the Pharisees that they would seek Him, and not find Him, and whither He was going, they could not come, the Jews said among themselves, "Whither will He go that we shall not find Him? will He go unto the dispersed among the Gentiles, and teach the Gentiles also? Now who were these "dispersed among the Gentiles" to whom Jesus might be going, and which the Jews referred to as "Gentiles"? He certainly was not referring to the Jewish dispersion after 70 A.D. for this had not yet taken place. The only other dispersed people to whom Jesus could have referred was the national house of Israel divorced in 721 B.C. They were the "other sheep" of which Jesus spoke. They were Gentilized Israel.

Turning to Romans 9:24-26, we find Paul speaking of an Israel people "among the Gentiles". In verse 23 he speaks of "the vessels of mercy" which God had "prepared beforehand for His glory." Then in verse 24 he says, "Even us whom he has called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles." A better ren-

dering of the last clause of this verse as indicated in the margin of the Scofield Bible is "but also from among the Gentiles."

You will please note that Paul distinguishes, here, between the "vessels of mercy" and the "Jews", and he identifies himself with the vessels of mercy. Then Paul could not possibly have been referring to Gentiles as distinct from Israel, but to Israel which had been swallowed up among the Gentiles. "Even us", says Paul, "not of the Jews only", but also of ten-tribed Israel among the Gentiles.

Paul makes this clear in verses 25 and 26 where he quotes from Hosea 2:23 where the prophet speaks of the redemption and restoration of Israel. The people to whom God had shown no mercy when He divorced them and took them captive out of their land, He would at a future date show them mercy and favour, and claim them again as "His people". This whole book of Hosea, and particularly this 2nd chapter, treats of national Israel of the northern kingdom. Yet the preponderance of preaching and teaching you hear these days takes this 23rd verse of Hosea 2, and declares that the people who had not previously obtained mercy are the Gentiles, or non-Israel peoples.

Paul further identifies these who once had it said of them, "Ye are not My people", by continuing in Romans 9:27: "Isaiah also crieth concerning Israel . . ." Paul does not say that Isaiah also cried concerning the Gentiles, but concerning Israel, he does not mean the Jew.

In the light of these pertinent, Biblical facts we see that Paul's so-called "Gentile ministry", was actually to the same people to whom Christ said He had been sent: "The lost sheep of the house of Israel". His missionary journeys were made to Israel which were then settled in the region of Asia Minor.

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New Testament Christians

By Pastor C.O. Stadsklev

In recent years we often hear Christians speak of themselves as "New Testament Christians". Although many of these Christians mean well, they are not thinking so well. In this article we shall see how absurd, unscriptural and dangerous it is to call oneself a "New Testament Christian". Such a statement is actually an attack upon the deity of the Christ and the inspiration of both the Old and the New Scriptures.

If a Christian clergyman had called himself a "New Testament Christian" about 40 or 50 years ago, I imagine he would have been put out of his pulpit because Christians then realized that the foundation for the New Scriptures is in the Old. Christians of that day (both the clergy and the laity) were informed; they read the Bible. They knew that the roots of the New Scriptures were in the Old Scriptures and that if anyone could discredit, belittle or set aside the Old Scriptures, the New Scriptures would crumble and fall.

To begin this Bible study may I call your attention to the emphasis that the Christ placed upon the Old Scriptures in the four Gospels. For instance, in the one book of Matthew there are 48 quotations from the Old Scriptures. One can see immediately that if a person is to understand the book of Matthew, he must have some knowledge of the significance and meaning of these 48 direct quotations from the Old Testament.

We find 23 direct quotations from the Old Scriptures in the book of Mark; 23 in the book of Luke; and 14 in the book of John. In other words, in these four Gospels we have over 100 direct quotations from the Old Scriptures. Can you imagine someone attempting to understand and interpret the four Gospels without a knowledge of these Old Scriptures?

In the book of Romans, which is a book of 16 chapters, there are 56 direct quotations from the Old Scriptures. Again – how can a person understand the book of Romans without knowledge and understanding of these 56 quotations from the Old Scriptures?

Let us consider some of the references in the Gospels where Christ refers to the Old Scriptures. First of all, we quote from Matthew 22:29:

"Jesus answered and said unto them, Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God." If this was true then (and it was) it is 100 times more true now. Today we have erroneous and unscriptural teaching among sincere, born-again believers, the reason simply being that they do not know the Old Scriptures. And when Christ referred to *"the scriptures"* He made reference, of course, to the Old Scriptures, the only Scriptures in existence at that time.

Among the erroneous teachings set forth today is the one that the Jews are the Israel

people. Another is the teaching by born-again clergy and laity that the church is the kingdom. If those who teach these errors would read the history and the prophecies of the Old Scriptures and stop jumping from one brief text to another, they could never believe or teach that the Jews are the Israel people of the Bible, nor could they teach that the church is the kingdom. Jesus said, "Ye do err . . ." and the reason is ". . . not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God."

Our next reference is Matthew 26, verses 53 and 54. The circumstance was the time of Christ's arrest. He said,

"Thinkest thou that I cannot now pray to my Father, and he shall presently give me more than twelve legions of angels? But how then shall the scriptures be fulfilled, that thus it must be?"

Notice that Christ very carefully did everything in harmony with the prophecies of the Old Scriptures. If Christ had failed on one of about 300 prophecies pertaining to Himself, the whole prophecy concerning the Christ would have crumbled and failed – there would be no proof of the deity or the identity of the Christ. So He said, ". . . how then shall the scriptures be fulfilled . . ." Again let me say that Christ was not referring to the New Scriptures – there were no four Gospels or writings of the Apostle Paul at that time. The Apostle Paul had not even been converted at this time. Christ was referring to the Old Scriptures.

Verse 56 of this same chapter states: "But all this was done, that the scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled. Then all the disciples forsook him, and fled." This is the importance and emphasis the Christ gave to the Old Scriptures.

We turn next to the book of Mark – Mark 14:48 and 49:

"And Jesus answered and said unto them, Are ye come out, as against a thief, with swords and with staves to take me?" This also was at the time of Christ's arrest.

"I was daily with you in the temple teaching, and ye took me not: but the scriptures must be fulfilled." Note again the emphasis the Christ placed on the Old Scriptures.

Mark 15:27, 28: "And with him they crucify two thieves; the one on his right hand, and the other on his left. And the scripture was fulfilled, which saith, And he was numbered with the transgressors."

In Luke 4:20 and 21 we read of the time when Christ was preaching in Nazareth: "And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all of them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him. And he began to say unto them (What do you suppose He said?), This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears."

Luke 16:27 through 31 is a tremendous passage. Here the context sets forth the parable of the rich man and Lazarus. Note what the Christ said as He gave this story and illustration:

"Then he said, I pray thee therefore,

father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house: For I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment.

"Abraham saith unto him (Note Christ's emphasis on Moses and the prophets), They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them. And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent.

"And he said unto him (these are the words of the Lord Jesus Christ in the parable) If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead." What a timely statement for our day!

Thousands of well-meaning, sincere Christians are trying to persuade people to believe in the Christ and in the Christian faith by trying to do something sensational or miraculous. How much more success they would have convincing and converting people if they only knew the Old Scriptures, the writings of Moses and the prophets. Setting forth the prophecies from the Old Scriptures and showing their fulfilment in the New would be much more effective in persuading unbelievers than being able to go about the country and raise the dead.

Jesus said, "If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rose from the dead." And this is our trouble today. This is why we have strange unscriptural teachings (the Apostle Paul called them Jewish fables) taking the place of actual scriptural Bible doctrine in the church. Many Christian people will travel across the country to see something sensational, but they will not go across the street to hear what Moses and the prophets said. This situation will change – it will run its course, and we will find ourselves turning back to the Word of God.

There are several verses in Luke 24 I would like to have you note. This passage takes place after the resurrection of the Christ. You will recall He joined Himself to two who were walking on the road to Emmaus. They did not know His identity, but He spoke to them, and among other things said, (verses 25–27):

"Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken:" And what fools we are today, the reason being that we are so slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken.

"Ought not Christ to have suffered these things (This was the Christ Himself speaking to these two men) and to enter into his glory?

"And beginning at Moses (note He began with the writings of Moses) and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself." Why did not the Christ call the attention of these men to the miracles He had performed? or to the fact that He had come out of the grave? Christ knew that if these men were to have an intelligent faith, it must be based upon the Word of God and not upon something sensational they might see, hear or receive through their five senses.

Later on in verse 32 we read, "And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures?"

The greatest service that a clergyman can render and the greatest blessing the Holy Spirit can bring is simply to open up the Scriptures. Again keep in mind that the only Scriptures in existence at the time of Christ were the Old Scriptures. The reason for all of this emphasis is that the proof and the evidence of the deity of the Christ and the inspiration of the Scripture is actually in the Old Scriptures.

We continue with verses 44–46 in Luke 24:

"And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me." I repeat that if we today had the kind of preaching that Christ set forth after His resurrection, we would not have the unbelief, error and confusion so prevalent. Christ expounded the law of Moses, the prophets and the Psalms.

"Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures (the Old Scriptures). And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day."

By the way, this was what gave the Apostles power, anointing and authority in their preaching. All they did was to show that Christ fulfilled all that was prophesied in the Old Scriptures – this sort of preaching could not be refuted or gainsaid.

We turn now to the book of John and quote from John 2:22:

"When therefore he was risen from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this unto them; and they believed the scripture, and the word which Jesus had said." My friend, although one may have knowledge and soulish experiences, one cannot be a strong, intelligent, sound Christian with faith and authority apart from a knowledge and an understanding of the Old Scriptures.

In John 5:39 Jesus said, "Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me." Isn't this enlightening? Christian people call themselves "New Testament Christians", not realizing that it is the Old Scriptures which give proof and evidence concerning the Lord Jesus Christ. And when Christ said to "search the scriptures", He did not mean to search the four Gospels or the writings of the Apostle Paul, which writings were not in existence at this time. He said, "You search the Old Scriptures – they testify of Me."

Verses 44 through 47 of this same chapter read,

"How can ye believe, which receive honour one of another, and seek not the honour that cometh from God only? Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: there is one that accuseth you, even Moses, in whom ye trust.

"For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me." Do you Christian people who call yourselves "New Testament Christians" realize what you are doing? Do you realize what you are actually saying?

Jesus said further in verse 47, "But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?" This is something for Christian people to think seriously about. There is no doubt that the unbelief of today (both inside and outside the church) is due to the fact that Christian people and even clergymen have ignored, set aside and belittled the Old Scriptures, which give proof and evidence of the inspiration of the Bible and the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ.

We turn next to John 13:18 and 19 as we continue to show how Christ emphasized and and gave importance to the Old Scriptures:

"I speak not of you all: I know whom I have chosen: but that the scripture may be fulfilled, He that eateth bread with me hath lifted up his heel against me." (This was a reference to Judas, who betrayed Christ).

"Now I tell you before it come, that when it is come to pass, ye may believe that I am he."

Here is stated the great principle and purpose for all Bible prophecy: ". . . that, when it is come to pass, ye may believe . . ." What came to pass in the days when Christ was on earth meant very little to the people then because they did not know what had been prophesied. What comes to pass today means little to our generation because we as a people do not know what has been prophesied concerning our nation and the end time. There is therefore no basis for faith.

If one is to have faith, he must first have some understanding; and if one is to have understanding of the New Scriptures, he must have knowledge and understanding of the Old.

John 17:12 gives another reference to the Old Scriptures. Jesus prays, "While I was with them in the world, I kept them in thy name: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, but the son of perdition; that the scripture might be fulfilled." The Scriptures prophesied there would be such a man as Judas and they foretold what Judas would do. Even in His dealings with Judas, Christ was very careful that everything be done according to what was prophesied.

Let us look at a few verses from John 19 at the time of the crucifixion:

Verse 24: "They said therefore among themselves, Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be: that the scripture might be fulfilled, which saith, They parted my raiment among them, and for my vesture they did cast lots. These things therefore the soldiers did."

Verse 28: "After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled, saith, I thirst."

Here is the proof, the evidence relative to the identity of the Christ.

Verse 36: "For these things were done,

that the scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of him shall not be broken.

Verse 37: "And again another scripture saith, They shall look on him whom they pierced."

All of the references given thus far have been from the four Gospels. Let us now look briefly at the book of Acts. In the second chapter Peter preaches his sermon on the day of Pentecost. It is very interesting and significant that this great sermon consists of just one thing – quotations from the Old Scriptures. For instance, in verses 16 through 21 he refers to the prophecy of Joel. Then beginning in verse 25 he quotes from the Psalms. In verse 30 he refers to Bible prophecy. Peter preached from and expounded the Old Scriptures; and God mightily honoured his preaching.

In the third chapter of Acts Peter speaks at the occasion of the healing of the lame man. Beginning at verse 13 and through his preaching, we find that all he does is to read the Old Scriptures, expounding and explaining them and showing their fulfilment. For instance, in verse 13 he refers to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. In verse 18 he says, "But those things, which God before had shewed by the mouth of all his prophets, that Christ should suffer, he hath so fulfilled."

In verse 22 Peter mentions Moses; and in verse 24 he refers to all of the prophets from Samuel. He knew the Old Scriptures were proof and evidence.

As we look at the 6th chapter of Acts, we find the new church is confronted with some difficulty relative to administration. In verse 4 the Apostle said, ". . . we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word." What Word? The only Word they had – the Old Scriptures. They certainly did not have the four Gospels, nor did they have the writings of the Apostle Paul. He was not yet converted.

The 7th chapter of Acts sets forth Stephen's tremendous sermon. (Recall that he was murdered after he had finished). What do you suppose Stephen preaches here? Briefly, he begins with Abraham and then goes to Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, Moses, Aaron, Solomon and the prophets. Throughout his message Stephen does just one thing – he expounds the Old Scriptures.

Thus it is throughout the entire book of Acts. Acts 8:4 tells us, "Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word." This is what we need today, We need the preaching and teaching that expounds and sets forth the teachings of the Old Scriptures and shows their fulfilment in the New Scriptures and in subsequent history.

Acts 17:2 and 3 states, "And Paul, as his manner was, went in unto them, and three sabbath days reasoned with them out of the scriptures. Opening and alleging (he just opened up and explained the Old Scriptures and in so doing showed), that Christ must needs have suffered, and risen again from the dead; and that this Jesus, whom I preach unto you, is Christ."

In Acts 24 the Apostle Paul comes be-

fore Felix. We read in verse 14:

"But this I confess unto thee (he is making his defence), that after the way which they call heresy, so worship I the God of my fathers, believing all things which are written in the law and in the prophets."

I wonder if those Christian people who call themselves "New Testament Christians" realize what they are implying when they say they are "New Testament Christians".

Acts 26:22 tells us what Paul says as he makes his defence before King Agrippa: "Having therefore obtained help of God, I continue unto this day, witnessing both to small and great, saying none other things than those which the prophets and Moses did say should come:" That is quite a statement, is it not? Paul said, "I am saying or speaking nothing except that which the prophets and Moses said should come."

In the last chapter in the book of Acts (Chapter 28) there are two references to the ministry of the Apostle Paul. Verse 23 tells us, "And when they had appointed him a day, there came many to him into his lodging; to whom he expounded and testified the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus, both out of the law of Moses, and out of the prophets, from morning till evening."

This was quite some preaching! From morning until evening he set forth the teachings from Moses and the prophets. Some believed – they were convinced and satisfied in their minds. The Apostle Paul's teaching was not merely an emotional appeal that could have its effect for an instant and be forgotten on the morrow.

Verses 30 and 31 of this same chapter read, "And Paul dwelt two whole years in his own hired house, and received all that came in unto him, Preaching the kingdom of God, and teaching those things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ, with all confidence, no man forbidding him." One cannot preach and expound the Old Scriptures without preaching and teaching the kingdom of God.

To further show the emphasis that not only the Christ but also the Apostles placed upon the Old Scriptures, let us consider briefly a few passages in Romans and Corinthians. I repeat that one cannot prove the deity or the identity of the Christ apart from the Old Scriptures. Certainly as a Christian one can have experiences and have the witness of the Holy Spirit, but I am referring to preaching and teaching that convinces, persuades and satisfies men's minds and thinking.

Romans 1:1 and 2: "Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, separated unto the gospel of God, (Which he had promised afore by his prophets in the holy scriptures) . . ." Where did the Apostle Paul get his preaching? Some actually imagine that when the Apostle Paul was converted and came upon the scene with his mission and ministry he instituted something new, some thing separate and apart from the Old Scriptures. Nothing could be further from the truth. The Apostle Paul states above that the gospel he preached was found in the holy scriptures.

Let us look now at the last three verses of Romans. This book is Paul's longest letter and perhaps one of the most wonderful books in the Bible. Please note what we read in Chapter 16:25, 26 and 27:

"Now to him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began, But now is made manifest (how?) and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith: To God, only wise, be glory through Jesus Christ for ever. Amen."

In I Corinthians 15:1 through 4 the Apostle Paul writes to the Corinthians: "Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain.

"For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures . . ." Note that two times in these four verses the Apostle Paul uses the phrase "according to the scriptures."

I trust this Bible study has been helpful. Remember that the life and spirit and proof of the New Scriptures comes from the Old Scriptures. And today we must have the preaching and expounding of these Old Scriptures relative to the Christ and to our time and nation.

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The Chalice of the New Covenant?

by U.N. Owen

"The Cup, the Cup itself from which our Lord
Drank at the last sad supper with his own:
This from the blessed land of Aramat –
After the day of darkness, when the dead
Went wandering over Moriah – the good Saint
Arimathaean Joseph, journeying, brought to
Glastonbury"

Tennyson

While sceptics scoff at Arthurian legends and the romance of history fades before the mechanics of dialectical materialism, there are still those whose souls are stirred by the interlocking of legend, tradition, history and the Bible story of God's Plan for world recovery. Antiquarians and historians are a fast disappearing breed of men in the twentieth century but while the Holy Spirit continues to move over the earth, men will ever receive the necessary impetus to search the past for evidences of hope for the future. The story of the Chalice of Nanteos is one such evidence and the circumstances of this are intended to revive the flagging faith in the Plan of God wherein all the families of the earth will be blessed.

The years roll inexorably by and in spite of the assault of secularisation, men and women of faith continue to remember the events which are indelibly inscribed in history and which provide a hope for the future above and beyond the confused political chaos which blights the world today. Christmas with its message of good-will and hope has come and gone and as over the past nineteen centuries, Christians turn from the commemoration of the Birth of the Lord Jesus Christ to the season of the remembrance of His Atoning Sacrifice and Resurrection. It may be thought that February is somewhat premature to write of the events usually reserved for Easter but in point of fact, although having to do with the Last Supper, this article is mainly concerned with the 'Cup' of the New Covenant.

THE CUP OF THE 'NEW COVENANT'

It will be recalled that the Covenant nation Israel had failed to keep the Law of the Lord and violated the Constitution of Sinai. The politically and geographically divided kingdoms of the house of Israel and Judah both suffered the ultimate punitive clause of the Law of the Lord when they were removed into captivity (Lev. 26:32-33). The house of Israel together with some of Judah were removed into the Assyrian captivity and the remaining section of Judah was later devastated by the Babylonian Nebuchadnezzar. It was at this time that the Lord, through Jeremiah the prophet, promised a better covenant in terms of the Law which, when ultimately operative, would obviate the possibility of the recurrence of the punitive measures of the Law. He promised to make a 'new covenant' with His servant nation Israel wherein His unchanging and eternal Law would be inscribed in the heart and mind of

the people (Jer. 31:31-35 and Heb. 8:8-11).

This 'new covenant' was ratified when the Word, 'made flesh', instituted what has come to be called 'Holy Communion'. The Last Supper, quite contrary to common belief, was not the Feast of the Passover. It was 'Quadosh' the Feast of Brotherhood wherein *one cup*, symbolising unity, was used four times. In the Feast of the Passover, *four cups* each with its own special significance were used. On the eve of His betrayal, Jesus took the cup 'after supper' and said: "This cup is the new testament (covenant) in my blood, which is shed for you" (Luke 22:20). Since that time, the fruit of the vine has been taken in conjunction with the 'broken bread' in remembrance of His Death and while the infinite Gift of His Precious Blood is rightly remembered, few give a passing thought to the Cup itself. What did happen to the cup of the Feast of Quadosh? This question has been asked by many through the centuries and the quest in search of the 'Holy Grail' (the word 'Grail' is probably derived from the French 'graal' meaning a wide-mouthed vessel) became the ambition of dedicated men in the days of king Arthur. Another question now comes to the fore. Why did *men of* England search *in England* for it?

JOSEPH OF ARIMATHEA

Robert de Boron, in the 13th Century, wrote a history of the Holy Grail entitled 'Joseph D'Arimathie' which was based on the Gospel of Nicodemus. In this work, it was claimed that Joseph of Arimathea was entrusted with the task of preserving the 'cup after supper' to which may be added the evidence in the work by J.W. Taylor 'The Coming of the Saints' which provides the story of Joseph's arrival in Britain. Tennyson's lines which preface this article also refer to the well-known tradition that Joseph of Arimathea journeyed to Britain and laid the foundations of the Christian faith at Glastonbury a few years after the Ascension of the Lord. It adds, as must be clearly obvious, that he took the Cup with him. The Chalice or Cup has been romanticised almost beyond recognition in that some have described it as a vessel from which shone a great light – a vessel encrusted with precious stones – a golden goblet with every conceivable beauty associated with it. The early searchers for the Holy Grail no doubt dismissed the rough olive wood bowl at Glastonbury as impossible of identification with the object of their search.

After the death of Joseph of Arimathea the simple wooden bowl which he brought with him was treasured by the monks of the abbey which grew up at Glastonbury. The secret of this vessel was well kept for during the period when the Roman Catholic hierarchy gained ascendancy in England it remained at Glastonbury, an object of veneration. Throughout the troublous times of the middle ages this Chalice remained at Glastonbury undisturbed and unsought until Henry VIII in 1539, announced the dissolution of the Monastries. The reputed wealth of Glastonbury attracted Henry who saw in this an easy way in which to replenish his royal coffers. Fearful for the safety of the vessel entrusted to the Abbey, Richard Whiting, the last Abbot of Glastonbury whose fate was to be dragged on a hurdle to the summit of Glastonbury Tor and there hanged, gave the Cup to seven monks who were told to flee "over the impassable mountains into Wales". An old record tells that they were commanded to deliver it into the care of those in charge of the Cistercian

abbey in the Cardiganshire hills which, in view of the poverty of the abbey, would not attract the gold-hungry Henry. It is claimed that the monks, on their journey to Wales, rested at Ozleworth Church in Gloucestershire where a curious niche became the resting place for the Cup.

In due course, the monks arrived at Strata Florida in Cardiganshire where they lived in peace and safety for three years continuing in the belief that the Monastry would be safe from Henry's emissaries. However, this was not so for news was received that the Monastry was to be destroyed and that the desecrators were on their way. Once again the monks prepared for a hasty flight and turned their direction towards Aberystwyth which would suggest that they were making for the sea. They arrived in an exhausted condition at Nanteos Manor some three miles from Aberystwyth where they were taken in by the Lord of the Manor Llechwedd Dirus. The Lord of the Manor was adjured to guard the cup "until such time as the Church would claim her own".

The wooden bowl was not destined to remain hidden in obscurity for it became known as a 'healing cup' and was venerated in Nanteos much in the same manner in which the monks at Glastonbury venerated it. The origin of the olive cup was shrouded in mystery precisely as the origins of the Anglo-Celto-Saxon peoples. As the years passed the fame of this wooden 'cup' spread and ailing people from far and wide visited the Welsh valley to drink from the 'cup of healing'. Unfortunately, so the story runs, a few had the notion of biting small pieces off the edge of the cup so as to retain a portion of this sacred relic as a personal possession. The head of the family at Nanteos Manor decided to protect the vessel with a band of silver around the rim but the healing power failed immediately and was not restored until the rim was removed. To many this story may seem far-fetched and not compatible with twentieth century science but there are many things in this world which remain a mystery even to the scientist of this age in which we live.

Mrs. Margaret Powell, a descendant of the Lord of the Manor continued to receive the sick and infirm until the day that she died. To whom would the olive wood bowl now pass? Several societies have endeavoured through legal channels to have this holy relic entrusted to them but it remains reposing in a Welsh bank.

Is this bowl of so much adventure the actual 'cup after supper'? Some are emphatic that it is – others are sceptical and more just don't care. 'So what', they say and then proceed along the course of national life in precisely the manner in which the Lord has stated the Israel people would follow. So what! Is it merely an accident that the Cup which the Lord used to ratify the New Covenant *with Israel* should be in the land where the marks of Israel are so clearly to be seen? Is it an accident that this Cup should be in the 'isles' where the 'stone' of destiny should repose under the Coronation Chair?

In this age when 'knowledge shall be increased', surely the time is now when men of wisdom and understanding should start to piece together this tremendous story of legend, tradition and prophecy and note how its reality outshines even the most fantastic of fictitious stories. Here is a story which makes the Bible live through the centuries and above all, gives all the Honour and Glory to God Whose loving care for all the families of the earth may be seen in His activity in the modern development of His Covenant People.

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The Days of Reckoning

By Mrs. D. Price.

These articles, under the above heading, are written with the sole purpose of presenting tangible evidence of a "TIMING" in world affairs which is beyond human agency or chance.

As the world situation rapidly worsens, we will need strong reassurance that "WE HAVE A GUARDIAN", the Lord God of Israel, who neither slumbers nor sleeps.

In the previous article an explanation was promised as to the method used to arrive at the date - APRIL 16/17, 1982. Twelve years ago, when reading "TESTIMONY IN STONE" by the late J. Bernard Nicklin, an idea occured to me to change the chart shown on page 61.

Great Pyramid	Britain Entered
Foot of Great Step.	1st. World War.
Jan. 25/26 1844	Aug. 4/5/ 1914.

25 x 1030.33 days.

Change the above to read:-

Foot of Great Step
Jan. 25/26 1844

5 x 5 x 1030.33	Aug 4/5 1914	W.W.1 begins.
6 x 6 x 1030.33	Aug 15 1945	W.W.2 ends.
7 x 7 x 1030.33	Apl 16/17 1982	???
8 x 8 x 1030.33	Aug 9/10 2024	???

The number 1030.33 is arrived at if a circle is drawn representing ten solar years (3652.4 Days): then square the circle, and the diagonal of the square will be 1030.33 days. A fuller description is given on pages 42-61 of the book "TESTIMONY IN STONE."

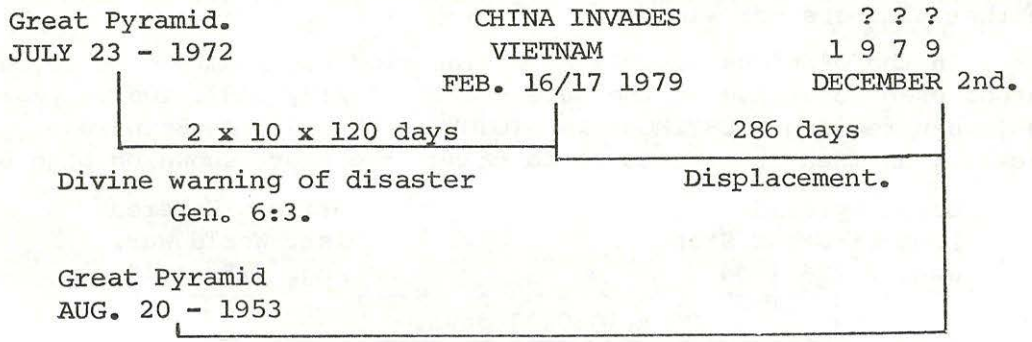
Over the past twelve years one has observed that the British Commonwealth is linked many times with April 16/17 1982, but the U.S.A a week later, and other nations on varying later dates. As the Great

Pyramid is a revelation to the British Race, it is significant that the cycle of 1030.33 days linked with April 16/17 1982, appears to belong ONLY to that race.

What happens in April 1982 is known only to the Lord God, and we leave it at that point.

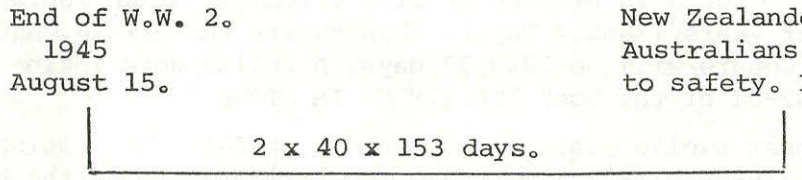
Owing to the present serious world situation, and for your interest, many charts have been extended to connect with future dates.

CHINA AND VIETNAM.



Since August 6 - 1945,(Hiroshima, Japan) time cycles of 1600 days have been linked with atomic explosions and outer space ventures.

A plane to evacuate Australians and New Zealanders from Iran was delayed, but finally arrived and left on Feb 18 - 1979. Note the link between the ending of the Second World War in 1945 on the cycle of 153, the number of the Elect People. This number, 1 5 3, is the key number for both New Zealand and Australia



(St. John 21.)

REV. 18:4. *"Come out of her My people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues."*

Unknowingly, the Divine order was obeyed on the very day shown in the above chart. IT MAKES YOU THINK!!!

Here is a link between the Korean War of 1950 and the China-Vietnam War of 1979.

KOREAN WAR BEGAN	7th DAY OF	? ? ? ?
1950	CHINA/VIET WAR	1 9 8 2
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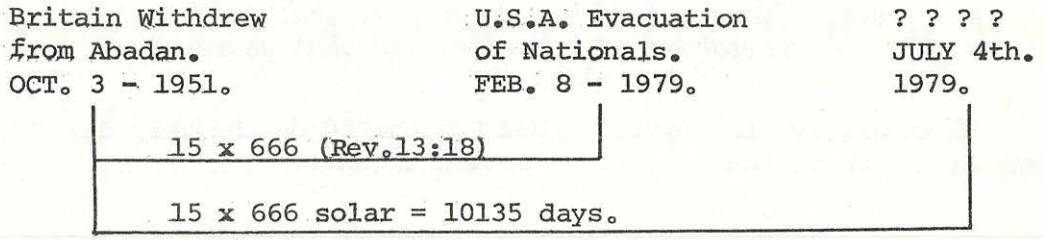
In Daniel 12:11, the number '1290' is linked with AN ABOMINATION THAT MAKETH DESOLATE. The late Dr. Pascoe Goard wrote that the word "AN" should replace the wrod "THE".

IRAN.

IRAN, formerly known as PERSIA, is named in Ezekiel 38:5 as a satellite of GOG, MESHECH and TUBAL, usually identified as the Sobiet Union, Moscow, and Tobolsk.

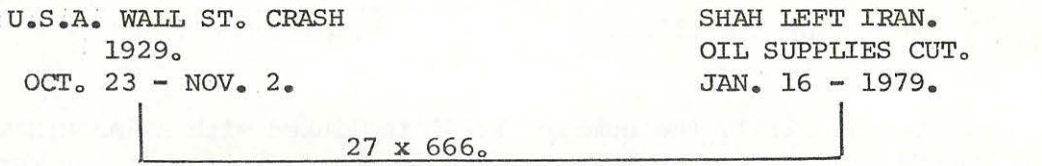
Mention is also made of ETHIOPIA and LIBYA. It is important to note that in Old Testament times, Ethiopia was a generic term for all Central Africa, extending to the west coast. Old maps show the South Atlantic Ocean as the ETHIOPIC SEA. Likewise Libya was a generic term for all the lands of Africa WEST OF EGYPT. The Bible reference to LIBYA does not apply solely to the oil-rich nation known to us today.

Following the ultimatum from the Government of Iran in October, 1951, Britain withdrew from the Abadan oil refineries on October 3rd., 1951. Later, the Americans moved in, but on FEB. 8th 1979, they too left Iran, this time by air, following attacks on their Teheran Legation and mob threats throughout the country.



In the U.S.A. July 4th. each year is known as INDEPENDENCE DAY. BUT unfortunately for Americans, they now realise how DEPENDENT they are on other nations for oil supplies.

A link with the 1929 Wall Street Crash of the Stock Exchange is interesting.



6 6 6 is a symbol of world finance. (Rev. 13:18).

WE ARE PASSING THROUGH THE CLOSING YEARS OF THIS AGE. WHEN THE END WILL COME, WE DO NOT KNOW. MANY FACTORS ARE HIDDEN. BUT FROM WHAT WE SEE, WE CAN WITH CONFIDENCE 'LIFT UP OUR HEADS", KNOWING THAT OUR REDEMPTION DRAWETH NIGH.

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THE WINE OF BABYLON

By Kenneth C. Bayman

"And Moses built an altar, and called the name of it 'The LORD my banner': For he said, Because the hand of Amalek is against the throne of the LORD, therefore the LORD will have war with Amalek from generation to generation."
(Exodus 17:15, 16, margin.)

Psalm 83, Verses 2 to 4: "For, lo, thine enemies (i.e., God's enemies) make a tumult: and they that hate thee have lifted up the head. They have taken crafty counsel against thy people, and consulted against thy hidden ones. 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."

The "hidden ones" of this passage are clearly "Israel". One may ask: since when has "Israel" been "hidden"? This seems to be a clear reference to the hiding of the northern tribes of Israel in anonymity among the nations where they wandered after their captivity and removal from their own land. The Jews, representative of Judah or the southern tribes of Judah, Benjamin and a portion of the priestly tribe of Levi, have *never* been lost or hidden at any time. They have, on the contrary, remained a visible evidence of the validity of many ancient prophecies. Prophecies relating to "hidden Israel" are no less valid, and their fulfilment before the very eyes of our own generation is one of the most powerful evidences for the Divine inspiration of the prophets.

The current enmity between the Jews who form the State of Israel (a misnomer, historically speaking, although there may be some case for the name "Israel" being used by the Jews representatively) and the U.S.S.R. is a development surprising to all but the student of scripture prophecy. The "Red" or Russian Communist state must wipe "Israel" off the world map or in the end concede defeat in their anti-God campaign – for the very persistence of the name "Israel" in world politics is a constant reminder of the God of the Bible, against whom Communism has publicly declared war. We know that the real enemy of the Communists is not the tiny State of Israel, however, but the Anglo-Saxon powers. Who are they, then, but "Thy hidden ones", referred to in Psalm 83:3 ?

And who are the "Reds" of today, but the successors to Esau the Red of old? The historical nature of the connection between them is plain: the Idumeans or Edomites were defeated in warfare and "forcibly incorporated into Jewry by John Hyrcanus (one of the Maccabean leaders' successors) c. 125 B.C." That is to say, the survivors of the Edomites adopted the Jewish rituals and religion as an alternative to being massacred. Thus the sworn

age-long enemies of God and Israel were – irony of ironies! – voluntarily absorbed into Jewry a century before the advent of the Messiah. This intrusion of Edomite blood was the point or origin of much of the vicious enmity Our Lord encountered. The Herods were Idumeans, or "half-Jews" as they were called by the famous Roman-Jewish historian, Josephus. Various secular authorities for this fact of history are quoted in the "Bible Research Handbook"[2] which further comments: "By his Hittite wife, Adah, Esau brought another vicious strain into the race. This was particularly emphasised in Amalek, born to her son Eliphaz by Timna, a concubine, who was probably a Horite. Small wonder that the hatred and villainy of the Amalekites was vented upon the people of Israel whenever occasion presented. It is abundantly evident that the union of the profane Esau with the descendants of the terrible Rephaim[3], and with the tainted line of Canaan, the accursed son of Ham, had produced a race whose association with, and incorporation into, Jewry can only be described as calamitous. Small wonder, therefore, that Esau was rejected of God."

Throughout the ages the Jews have been a target for the smouldering hatred of the nations among whom they have sojourned. Ever and anon this resentment has burst into open fury. Whilst this was a prophesied state of affairs, the *reason* for it now becomes clearer. The admixture of Edomite blood, with its terrible entail of racial corruption, resulted in the appearance among the Jews of individuals with those inherited characteristics which called down upon them the unrestrained wrath of those among whom they dwelt. This irruption of Edomite racial strain has continued down to the present day; always the innocent among the unfortunate Jews have suffered with the guilty. For it was a Jew who founded Communism and Jews transformed communist theory into dreadful fact. *To avoid any misunderstanding, let us emphasise that quotation from the Book of Revelation which we commented upon in our last article*, viz., Our Lord referred to these Jews of Edomite descent in the following terms: ". . . them of the synagogue of Satan, *which say they are Jews, and are not*, but do lie . . ."

The ordinary man-in-the-street has often wondered how it is that active communists in Western countries have nearly always been Jews, as has proved the case in South Africa, where the State has fought openly and with all the determination at its command, against communist plotters. Why, we may wonder, should the richest people in the community espouse the cause of a political movement which aims to eliminate the wealthy? The explanation of this apparent enigma is: the Edomite strain is coming out in Jewry, one here, and another there: sometimes in individuals, sometimes in family groups. Often there has been open conflict within a family, with a split in two directions resulting from mutual antagonism.

It must be clearly understood, therefore, that modern Jewry is composed in the main of two diametrically-opposed strains; one feeling its way back to the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob; the other stepping up its antagonism to the God of Israel. The State of Israel, born out of the claim to the Biblical promises of God (however misapplied), is being forced by the adamant hand of history to the fore-front of the world-stage. There it will have to justify its existence on those grounds, as against the

"Red" element both in and outside of itself which will seek to destroy the name of "Israel" from off the face of the earth in accordance with the resolve of God's enemies as recorded prophetically in Psalm 83:4: "Come, and let us cut them off from being a nation; that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance."

The nominal State of Israel will bear the brunt of the prophesied military attack by the confederacy of evil (which, in Psalm 83:6, includes the Ishmaelites or Arabs) because it has chosen to bear the name "Israel". We may recall that, in Exodus 17:14 the LORD said to Moses: "I will utterly put out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven." Moses' charge to Israel was: ". . . thou shalt blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven: thou shalt not forget it." To their lasting sorrow, Israel failed lamentably to discharge this Divine command: the result is that their hereditary foe now plans to do this same thing to them, namely, to "cut them off from being a nation; that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance."

The Satanic forces are evidently under no delusions as to the real identity of the Anglo-Saxon peoples, God's "hidden ones" hence their real target is not the "Israel front" but the Anglo-Saxon powers.

A characteristic of the Edomites was their pride and haughtiness: they became the Kings of the Jews (in the Herodian dynasty) within little more than a century after their incorporation into Jewry. Characteristically, wherever this strain has appeared among the Jews, those possessing it have sought to dominate other races and peoples. With this in mind, we may close this thought-provoking study with the following significant extract from "Review of World Affairs" (published in 1963):

"Jewish responsibility for the Russian revolution is admitted by the Jews themselves. This is what *The American Hebrew* said: 'The Bolshevist revolution in Russia was the work of Jewish brains, of Jewish dissatisfaction, of Jewish planning, whose goal is to create a new order in the world. What was performed in so excellent a way in Russia, thanks to Jewish brains, and because of Jewish dissatisfaction, and by Jewish planning, shall also, through the same Jewish mental and physical forces, become a reality all over the world.'

"The Rev. George Simons, Superintendent of the Methodist Episcopal Church in St. Petersburg from 1907 to October 1918, said to a Committee of the United States Senate on February 12, 1919: 'In December 1918, out of 338 members of the revolutionary Government, only 16 happened to be real Russians; all the rest were Jews, with the exception of one U.S. Negro. 265 of these Jews came from the lower east side of New York.'

"M. Francois Coty, writing in *Figaro* on February 20, 1932, said: 'The subsidies granted to the Nihilists at this period (1905–1917) by Jacob Echiff of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., New York, were no longer acts of isolated generosity. A veritable Russian terrorist organisation had been set up at his expense. It covered Russia with its emissaries.' "

Recent news out of the U.S.S.R. suggests that the division between "those who say they are Jews and are not", and the real Jews is becoming marked; for the orthodox Jews who are determined to cling to their ancient faith even if it brings suffering and mar-

tyrdom in its train, are denied the facilities for the maintenance of their faith and of their community as the centre of that faith. The State is thus bringing to bear against these Jews the same pressure as is being put on the Christian churches. The hand of Edom, the "Red" hand, is showing itself increasingly.

For Jewry there is a word of hope from the Scriptures – sacred to them no less than to Christians – in the closing words of the Prophet Joel relative to a day shortly to come to pass when "The LORD will be the hope of His people, and the strength of the children of Israel . . . Egypt shall be a desolation, and Edom shall be a desolate wilderness, for the violence against the children of Judah, because they have shed innocent blood in their land. But Judah shall dwell for ever, and Jerusalem from generation to generation. *For I will cleanse their blood that I have not cleansed:* for the LORD dwelleth in Zion."

That this "cleansing" of the Jewish blood appears to have commenced already among those in The Land, was the subject of an article in "The National Message", which told how many of the children born there of immigrant parents have reverted to a fair-skinned, freckle-faced type indistinguishable from typical Anglo-Saxon children!

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THE REALITY OF GOD'S PLAN

By B.R. Hunt

The need to include an address on this subject at our Convention in Salisbury is, surely, symptomatic and a very sad commentary on the modern world in which we live. In all sincerity we like to think of ourselves as earnest Christians. We pride ourselves, and I think justifiably, on the fact that we are several jumps ahead of most in our understanding of the Bible story and the Bible Message.

And yet we thought it advisable to include an address and invite discussion on a subject that should be as self-evident as the sun shining in the heavens. When God put the bare outlines of His Plan to Abraham nearly 4,000 years ago, that Plan was as real to Abraham as the sun shining above him. When God put His Plan to Moses and the Israelites at Sinai 430 years later, that Plan was as real to them as the sun shining above them. When, 1,500 years after that, Christ and His Disciples held long discussions on the subject, God's Plan was as clear and as real to them as that self-same sun shining down on them. That same sun is shining down on the same old world at this very moment. Yet, we, with our extraordinary width and depth of knowledge in all other fields, are almost totally ignorant of an all-important matter which was common knowledge to the fathers of the Adamic race.

This is indeed symptomatic. It is, in fact, the last symptom manifesting itself as a frantic S.O.S. to warn the physicians that the malady has now taken over full control of the Israel body. The tragedy is that this malady, this blindness, this almost total alienation from God, which was unknown to Abraham and Moses and Christ's Disciples, this malady from which Israel is dying at this very moment has been communicated to us by the intellegentzia and the spiritual and temporal leaders of our own race.

To study a subject means to glean all the information one can on the matter, sort out the wheat from the chaff, weigh the pro's and the con's, and hope that by the end of the exercise one will be able to arrive at a definite conclusion based on empirical knowledge. An essential, and in this instance, really terrifying pre-requisite is that the study must be considered worthwhile and embarked upon because we realise that we are uncertain about the matter. Until we have made such a study we can never be quite sure what the final conclusion will be. If we knew all about God's Plan and were absolutely convinced as to its reality we would consider it a waste of time to embark on a serious talk about it, would we not? And so I repeat, the fact that people like ourselves found it necessary to include a talk like this in their series at the Convention is symptomatic of the desperately sick world in which we are living.

Why is it that we are doubtful about, and have to study and discuss amongst ourselves, a fact which is, and always has been, so self-evident that our forefathers took it as much for granted as the air they breathed? How is it

that in recent generations we have got further and further away from the God who was as familiar to the fathers of our race as their own wives and children? Why is it that we can now only discern God's Plan, and then only vaguely, by wiping our minds clean of all that we have been so carefully taught to accept and respect and embarking on an almost full-time study of the Bible and of past and present history? This hasn't all happened by the chance of some blind evolution. We can, in very small measure, console ourselves with the knowledge that we of this generation are not solely to blame. But, and it is a very important but, if we don't start doing something positive about it, the legal principle of vicarious responsibility will start to assert itself and we will be held just as much to blame as the Devil, who, is at the root of it all.

Satan realised that he had boobed the moment Caiaphas prevailed upon the Sanhedrin to demand that Christ be crucified. We see an effort to retrieve the situation from his point of view in his attempt to prevail upon Pilate not to confirm the totally illegal proceedings of the Sanhedrin. He failed and Christ died—literally for us. Satan had been the instigator of events which wrecked his plan, which is just as clever, complicated, devious and fiendish as God's Plan is clever and simple and heavenly. Satan saw very quickly, but too late, that the death and Resurrection of Christ would ensure that God's Plan would continue to evolve unchecked and considerably strengthened. Personal salvation was a very, very real and far-reaching blessing which would flow from Calvary, but even more important was the fact that Israel, the main spring of God's Plan, had been won back as a nation into her rightful place under the Blood Covenant, and was once again, albeit unknown to herself, fully operative in support of God's Plan. The gate to personal sal· ation opened by Christ's Sacrifice must in no way be overlooked or minimised. The consequences which would follow such an approach would be just as disastrous as those which have followed the deliberate playing down and obscuring of the *national* redemption of Israel brought about by that Sacrifice. This national redemption and the consequences thereof had been the focal point of all the prophets, but Satan, like the Jews, overlooked it for a brief moment in his thirst for the blood of Christ.

The impact of the Resurrection was immediate and tremendous. We read about the spectacular mass conversions in Acts. Such an unprecedented but clearly foretold event could not fail to have such an impact on the people of that time. It is difficult to understand why it has lost its impact today. The Resurrection is not only a fine Biblical story. It is as well supported by secular history as the birth, life and death of Sir Winston Churchill. And yet My Lord, the Bishop of Woolwich, in his desire to champion the modern cry for a new image of God, includes the Resurrection along with what he describes as "all the other myths and legends of the Bible which the educated mind of today must reject." If we trace events back it is easy to see that this astonishing utterance from a Bishop of the Anglican Church is but the culmination of the evil scheme the beginnings of which we also read about in Acts.

The Devil saw at once what the result would be if the full implications of the national

redemption of Israel were appreciated. It was therefore vital in his eyes to play down this tremendous fact and, if possible, bury it completely under a mass of irrelevancies. He does not let the grass grow under his feet and he set about this task at once. We of this generation can now see what unbelievable success he has achieved. If we follow the historical records through the Mosaic Dispensation and the Christian Dispensation, one very significant fact emerges clearly. Throughout the Mosaic Dispensation, when Israel was under the "law that was added", Israel's decline from complete monotheism and theocracy down to outright paganism and inevitable disaster can accurately be described as a logical process of evolution in a people who, so long as they were prepared to make the effort to remain in covenant relationship with God, never had it so good. The decline was the natural and understandable outcome of a careless and unthinking complacency of a people who took the road away from God of their own choosing. But you will notice that it is a very different story when we come to the Christian Dispensation. History has repeated itself as to the facts, but the causes are different. After a tremendous resurgence of faith which reconverted Israel to a truly God-fearing race in the proper Biblical sense of that word, and which lifted her in the 16th to the 19th centuries to heights this world had never seen before, Israel started to slip back, until she has now reached the same state of apostasy and downright godlessness she was in at the time of the Assyrian invasion of the Northern Kingdom in the 8th century B.C. The point to note is this. This time the downhill slide is not the result of a gradual, heedless turning away from God with no thought of the consequences on the part of a people following their own volition. There is no need to ask the old question, "Did she fall or was she pushed?" All you have to do is to follow the story told by secular history and you will see that Israel today is well and truly on her headlong and uncontrollable way down the slope which ends at the precipice as the result of a carefully planned, violent and murderous push. The story of that plan, and the incredible psychological skill which has been applied in its execution is a fascinating and truly terrifying story.

In the pre-Christian era, all that Satan had to do was to leave Israel to her own devices and be reasonably sure that she would go to hell in her own way. In the Christian Dispensation, thanks to the fact that Israel was now back in operation as a Christian people working out God's Plan, more drastic measures had to be adopted. Israel had to be pushed, pulled, bullied, beaten, brain-washed and pitched headlong into hell if God's Plan was to be foiled. The need for this sudden, drastic change in technique should by itself be sufficient proof of the reality of God's Plan in the eyes of the devil, and he is no fool, make no mistake on that one.

And what is this Plan of God, the reality of which we enquired into and studied at this Convention? Like everything else that comes from God it is, basically, childishly simple and self-evident. Despite our loud assertions to the contrary, we are all basically childishly-minded, and God does not tax our limited intelligence with difficult or obscure riddles and leave us to work out the solution. God is

not some smart-Alec quiz-master who sets us baffling conundrums and then sits back and enjoys our discomfiture as we try to solve them. He leaves that to our theologians, and they certainly do succeed in baffling and confusing us – and themselves! The psychology of God's Plan is such that when modern Israel can finally be persuaded that she is, indeed, the Israel of God's Bible, and takes up her position as right marker, so to speak, then the rest of the world just cannot help but fall into line and dress by the right.

Most of you, I am sure, have been fishing, or have watched others fishing. They spread themselves out along both banks or in boats anchored mid-stream. All are experts at this game, and all are satisfied that they have read the weather aright and correctly assessed the potential of the river. They just can't fail to haul in the fish. And they are all highly amused at some poor sucker, obviously a beginner, who has chosen some spot away by himself, which even a child would know is the most impossible fishing spot on the whole river. So they all sit, keyed up to the highest pitch of anticipation. Suddenly the sucker over there by himself gets a bite, and he starts to haul in the fish one after the other. He baits up a second rod for his wife and finally has to send the kids up to the car for the picnic hamper to take the overflow from his keep-net. Meanwhile the others haven't even had a nibble. Do they just sit there congratulating the lucky one on his success? Not a bit of it. As soon as they realise that this man has hit the jackpot they all crowd in on him, as close as they can possibly get, trying to reach the shoal which is on the feed in the water under his float. They realise that despite their careful and well-advised choice of spot they had all chosen the wrong spots after all. And they all want to go home with full keep-nets.

And that, in layman's language, is all that God's Plan is – to persuade Israel to position herself at the spot chosen by God and where she must, inevitably, start hauling in the fruits of the shoals of blessings which God has ready and waiting at that spot. When the others see what is happening and realise that they are out of position, they will all want to flock to Israel's spot and beg to be allowed fishing room.

We must be careful not to confuse God's Purpose on the earth with God's Plan. God's Purpose is very easy to grasp from the Bible. It is, simply, that ultimately ALL the peoples of this earth will live together in absolute accord and harmony with each other and in perfect harmony with their Creator. This is the Divine concept of "One-Worldism" and it bears no relation whatsoever to the "One-World" concept which the Zionists and the Bilderburgers and others of like persuasion have in mind as the ultimate fate of mankind. Although the two concepts are as different as chalk from cheese, those who plug the man-made concept of "One-Worldism" do not hesitate to take hold of God's Purpose as outlined in the Scriptures and to twist and distort it and use it with devastating effect against their unsuspecting victims. The PLAN of God is how God will work to bring about His Purpose, and it is here that this Israel nation of ours comes into the picture. We have wandered away and lost our fishing spot once. By the mercy of God through Jesus Christ, we have been led back and given the privilege of starting again. Let us all pray to God that He

will never again permit our foolishness to take charge and lead us away for the second time.

The literal, historical nation of Israel as a whole entered into a covenant with God at Sinai. "All that the Lord hath spoken we will do" was the thrice-repeated vow taken by Israel when God offered them the glorious privilege of becoming the human instrument with which God would work to bring about His Purpose right here on earth. Note that well, please. God has not wasted all this effort on a "pie in the sky when you die" basis. The Kingdom of God will not be some sort of idyllic existence where we all float around on clouds twanging away at harps. Personally, I can think of nothing more horrible. There is no need for God to exert all this effort to bring about His Kingdom in Heaven. That Kingdom has been in perfect operation ever since time began. Our Bible makes it quite clear that it is the earth that God is concerned about. Anglo-Celto-Saxondom, the actual nation which is the historically-proven continuation of God's Israel of the Bible, living under the perfect Laws of God, is to be such a shining example of the peace and the prosperity and the perfection that can be achieved by man here on earth that all the other nations living round about will come flocking in, begging to be allowed to participate. That was God's Plan at the beginning, and that is still God's Plan today. That is the gist of the Bible story from start to finish, and I challenge anyone to tell me that it is not – and we are going to have to conform with it whether we like it or not.

That is all God's Plan is. And how simple yet Divinely perfect it is. Israel forming the nucleus of God's Kingdom here on earth under the personal Kingship of the Returned Christ; Israel at long last literally "ruled by God", which is the more correct interpretation of the name; Israel living and and administering the perfect Laws of God while the rest of the world looks on from what the Authorised Version calls the "outer darkness", watching the promised and inevitable blessings of God beginning to manifest themselves so unmistakably in Israel. The sight of Israel enjoying to the full all those blessings which the heathen are so well able to appreciate and to covet, but can never achieve unaided, can only have one effect on the heathen. They will re-act exactly as we saw our fishermen friends re-act when they realised that they had chosen the wrong spot. Then will the words of the prophet Micah be fulfilled. Then will the peoples of the world, conscious of what exclusion from God's Kingdom really means, take counsel amongst themselves and say, "Come, 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."

What a glorious time that will be and oh!, how justifiably proud we will be if we are amongst those who are found worthy to serve in God's Kingdom from the outset. But do you dare to imagine just what is in store for us if we find ourselves amongst those heathen in the outer darkness weeping and wailing and gnashing our teeth, begging to be allowed to move away from that outer darkness and bask in the glorious sunshine of the Kingdom? It is a terrifying thought, but one that could become a ghastly reality.

(To be continued.)

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British-Israel Bible Lesson

Chapter 8

EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING

Before forming His people into a Nation and a Kingdom the Almighty caused them to undergo some severe testing, the results of which augmented their experience and training preparing them to become seasoned instruments in the Hands of God for the Blessing of all the families of the earth. The testing was very evidently designed to create within these people a Trust and Faith in God through the acquisition of Patience, Forbearance, and the knowledge that God knew of all their bodily needs and was definitely interested in their well-being here and now in this mortal life, and provided their necessities, subject to certain conditions.

THE WATERS OF MARAH Read the experience at Marah. After three days without water, then finding some, but undrinkable. The test was severe, the disappointment must have been of an appalling nature. They couldn't live many days longer without water. Faith must have been engendered by the response of the Lord when He was asked for His help. Life-giving water was provided. (Exodus 15:23-26)

MANNA AND QUAILS Read the whole of the 16th chapter of Exodus regarding further testing of the people with hunger, and the immediate response of the Lord when the matter was taken to Him in Prayer. The Manna was provided throughout the whole of the 40 years in the wilderness.

THE SABBATH TEST In the same chapter, starting at verse 23, we read of the giving of the Sabbath to Israel. They learned by experience, some of them to their cost, that God did mean exactly what He said concerning the Sabbath and their food supply. The people who did not believe, and who went out to gather food on the Sabbath, found none,

SECOND THIRST TEST Exodus 17:1-7. "THE ROCK" was evidently "The Stone of Israel" which had been anointed by Jacob at Bethel and which was in the custody of the Tribe of Ephraim of the House of Joseph. The Hebrew word "tsur". translated "rock" does not indicate a rocky formation in a mountain side, but rather an individual stone – THE ROCK.

WAR WITH AMALEK Exodus 17:8-16. Israel's first attempt at organized defense. Learning more about the Power of Prayer – also learning necessity of "upholding the arms of their leader". God declares perpetual war, "from generation to generation", against Amalek and the Amalekites who were a branch of Esau-Edom. (see also Chapter 6)

THE FORMATION OF GOD'S KINGDOM – THE MOSAIC COVENANT

At Sinai, where the Israelites were encamped for a little over a year, (see Ex. 19:1 and Num. 10:11, 12) God formed them into a Nation and a Kingdom with God Himself as the King. **The Mosaic Covenant** begins in Ex. 19:3. Note particularly the "IF" in verse 5. "IF ye will obey my voice" then all the blessings the human heart longs for would be poured out. The Mosaic Covenant is **CONDITIONAL** upon obedience; whereas the Abrahamic Covenant was totally **UNCONDITIONAL**, being the declared Purpose of Almighty God which man cannot

change regardless of his actions; and **God WILL NOT CHANGE.**

THE GIVING OF THE LAW

The Ten Commandments (Exodus 20) and the Statutes, and the Judgments, as well as the Ordinances, which are found in the following chapters, constituted the **ECONOMIC SYSTEM OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD ON EARTH.** It is important to note that the people accepted it. See Ex. 19:8, "And all the people answered together, and said, All that the Lord hath spoken we will do. And Moses returned the words of the people unto the Lord."

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS composed the **DIVINE CONSTITUTION** of the Nation; expressing the Righteous Will of God.

THE STATUTES AND JUDGMENTS, all of which are based on the Commandments, **governed the Social Life** of the nation, which is the application of the Ten Commandments to the actions of the people, individually and nationally.

THE ORDINANCES, which were the **ECCLESIASTICAL LAWS**, governed the **Religious life of the nation.** Many of the Ordinances consisted of Blood Sacrifices for "the remission of sin" (see Hebrews 9:22). All of these Blood Sacrifices were fulfilled in the One Supreme Blood Sacrifice of the Saviour on Calvary Cross. The Law of Commandments **contained in Ordinances** was abolished (Ephesians 2:15); they "were nailed to His Cross" (Colossians 2:14)

But the fulfilling by Jesus of the Blood Sacrificial Ordinances did not in any way affect the necessity of obedience to the Social Laws of the Nation. The Commandments, Statutes, and Judgments; the Law of the Lord, still stands, and later they will be dealt with in considerable detail.

THE THEOCRATIC STATE

The word "Theocracy" is derived from the Greek "Theokratia" which is divided into two words – "Theos", meaning "God"; and "Kratos" meaning "Power" – signifying that God is the Supreme Power in complete control of this Theocratic State. So then, when, in these Studies, we refer to "Theocracy" or "The Theocratic State", we simply mean God's Kingdom, or the Kingdom of God which was established on this earth at Mount Sinai.

When the Nation was formed at Mount Sinai, God Himself was King. The Theocratic State consisted of the King (God); the Divine Law (The Economic System); The Land which had been promised by God (The Promised Land); and the People whom God has Selected (Chosen) for His Service; i.e. The agents or instruments in the Hands of God whom He will use for the working out of His Plan and Purpose for the Restoration of a Ruined World.

Of this Nation, (Kingdom), Almighty God has declared over and over again that it would never be destroyed. It would endure for ever, as long as the Sun, Moon, and the Stars. (see Jer. 31:35-37) Therefore, the Kingdom being established on the earth for ever, must have been in existence continuously all down through the centuries, and must still be in existence as a nation, and as a Kingdom today.

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Marks of Israel

During the Christian dispensation lost Israel were to possess certain marks of identification

A great and mighty nation.	Gen. 12:2; 18:18; Deut. 4:7,8.
Named 'Great'.	Gen. 12:2.
The chief of the nations.	Gen. 27:29; Deut. 7:6; 15:6.
A maritime nation, having command of the seas.	Gen. 49:25; Num. 24:7; Deut. 33:13, 19; Psa. 89:25.
A company or commonwealth of nations.	Gen. 35:11; 48:19. Eph. 2:12.
A missionary nation.	Gen. 22:18; Isa. 43:21; 49:6; 66:19.
The custodian of God's Word.	Psa. 147:19, 20; Isa. 59:21.
A just nation.	Gen. 18:19; Lev. 19:15; Deut. 1:17; Zeph. 3:13.
God's instrument in destroying evil.	Jer. 51:20; Dan. 2:34,35.
An undefeated nation.	Isa. 54:17; Micah 5:8,9.
Blind to their identity.	Isa. 29:10-12; 42:16, 19, 20; Rom. 11:7, 8, 25.
Have an island home north and west of Palestine.	Isa. 49:1-3, 12; Jer. 3:18; 31:8.
Occupy islands and coastlands.	Isa. 24:15; 41:1, 5; 49:1-3; 51:5; Jer. 31:8, 10.
Possess the gate of his enemies.	Gen. 22:17, 24:60.
Have multitudinous seed.	Gen. 13:16; 15:5; 22:17; 24:60; 26:4, 24; 28:3, 14; 32:12.
Colonize and spread abroad.	Gen. 28:14; 49:22; Deut. 32:8; 33:17; Psa. 2:8; Isa. 26:15; 27:6; 54:2; Zech. 10:8, 9.
Lose first colony and then expand, demanding more living space.	Isa. 49:20.
Irrigate the deserts and build the waste places.	Isa. 35:1; 43:19, 20; 58:11, 12.
Possess the wealth of the earth.	Gen. 27:28; 49:25, 26; Deut. 33:13-16.
Possess the heritage of the heathen.	2 Sam. 22:44; Psa. 2:8; 111:6.
Receive strangers and refugees.	Lev. 19:33, 34; Isa. 11:10; 14:1; 55:5; 56:6-8;Zech. 8:22.
Set free slaves and prisoners.	Psa. 72:4; Isa. 42:7; 49:9; 58:6.
Have a descendant of King David reigning over them.	2 Sam. 7:13; 1 Chron. 22:10; 2 Chron. 13:5; Psa. 89:35-37; Jer. 33:17.
Lose all trace of their lineage.	Hos. 1:9, 10; Isa. 42:16; Rom. 11:25.
The power of the Holy People is to be broken.	Dan. 12:7; Deut. 32:29-36.

The British Commonwealth of Nations possesses every one of these marks — therefore they are lost Israel. The United States of America possesses some of them.

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We Believe in God - the God of the Bible. (Exodus 3:4-14.)

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We Believe in the atoning sacrifice of Jesus Christ on Calvary. (Matt. 26:28, Romans 5.)

We Believe in His ascension into Heaven. (Mark 16:19, Acts 1:9-11.)

We Believe in the bodily return of Christ (Acts 1:9-11) to take the throne of David (Isa. 9 7. Luke 1:32) and rule on this earth for a thousand years (Rev. 20:1-6); and that His Body, the Church, will be united with Him and reign with Him. (Eph. 5:24-33; Col. 1:24; 1 Cor. 15:50-58; 1 Thes. 4:14-18; Rev. 19 9).

We Believe John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

We Believe that personal salvation by faith in the atonement of Jesus Christ is necessary for all, Israelite, Jew and Gentile. (Rom. 3:22-25). Each one must be born again. (John 3:1-7). To confess Christ, who died that sinful men might live, is individually supreme above all else. (Matt 10 32-33. Rom. 10:9-13).

We Believe the whole Bible, both the Old and New Testaments; that it is the inerrant Word of God (11 Peter 1:9-21). We believe its history, its covenants, its promises.

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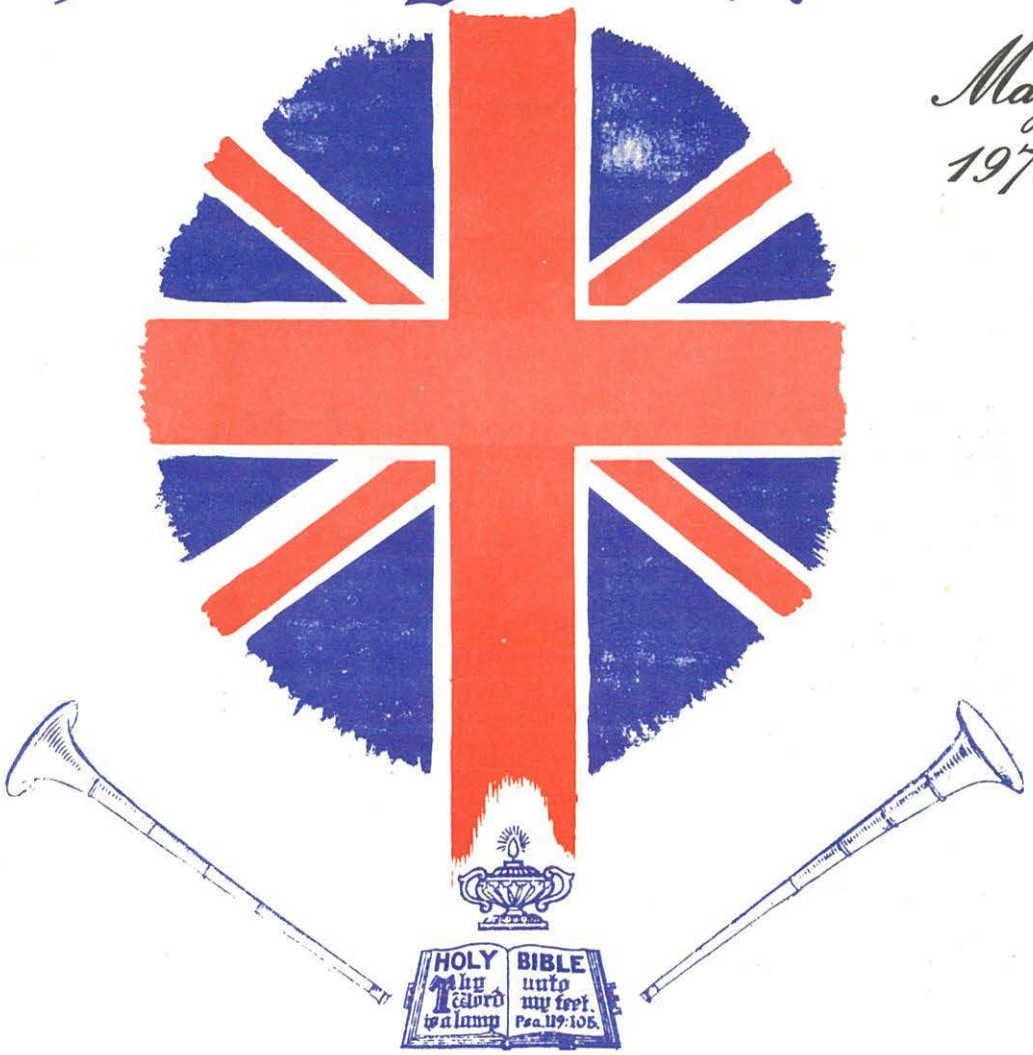
We Believe that this people Israel, consisting of twelve tribes (Exod. 28:21; Rev. 21:12), the descendents of the twelve sons of Jacob, were chosen of God to be His 'peculiar people' and 'servant nation' through whom all the other nations of the earth are to be blessed. (Exod. 19:5; Deut. 7:6-8; Isa. 41:8, 42:6; Gen. 22:16-18).

We Believe that the differentiation between 'Israel' and 'Judah' is clearly marked in the Scriptures. (See 1 Kings 12; Jer. 3:6-11; Ps. 114:1-2; Ezek. 37; Zech 11:7-14; 11 Chron. 10). They are not interchangeable terms. To understand this is to possess the key to Israel Truth. (Ps. 114:2; 1 Chron. 5:1-2).

We Believe the time has come when the 'lost' Israel "nation and company of nations" (Gen 35:11) has been found and positively identified. Only one race today answers in every detail to the Bible picture of Israel "in the latter days," and that is the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic — the British Commonwealth of white nations and the United States of America. Thy possess what Israel was to possess and are doing what Israel was to do. The identities of this race with Israel are so many and so pronounced that one who re-reads and studies his Bible in the light of this great truth will make discoveries that will cause him to give this subject most serious thought, especially in view of what is happening in literal ful-fillment of Bible prophecy in the world today. The nations are in turmoil. The power of the Holy People (Anglo-Saxon-Israel) is being broken (Dan. 12:7). The old Babylonian social order is being overthrown, and the world is being prepared for the Return of the Lord Jesus Christ, for His reign upon the Throne of His father David, and the glorious restoration of the Kingdom of God on earth. (Zech. 14:9; Luke 1:32-33).

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Marks of Israel

During the Christian dispensation lost Israel were to possess certain marks of identification

A great and mighty nation.	Gen. 12:2; 18:18; Deut. 4:7,8.
Named 'Great'.	Gen. 12:2.
The chief of the nations.	Gen. 27:29; Deut. 7:6; 15:6.
A maritime nation, having command of the seas.	Gen. 49:25; Num. 24:7; Deut. 33:13, 19; Psa. 89:25.
A company or commonwealth of nations.	Gen. 35:11; 48:19; Eph. 2:12.
A missionary nation.	Gen. 22:18; Isa. 43:21; 49:6; 66:19.
The custodian of God's Word.	Psa. 147:19, 20; Isa. 59:21.
A just nation.	Gen. 18:19; Lev. 19:15; Deut. 1:17; Zeph. 3:13.
God's instrument in destroying evil.	Jer. 51:20; Dan. 2:34,35.
An undefeated nation.	Isa. 54:17; Micah 5:8,9.
Blind to their identity.	Isa. 29:10-12; 42:16, 19, 20; Rom. 11:7, 8, 25.
Have an island home north and west of Palestine.	Isa. 49:1-3, 12; Jer. 3:18; 31:8.
Occupy islands and coastlands.	Isa. 24:15; 41:1, 5; 49:1-3; 51:5; Jer. 31:8, 10.
Possess the gate of his enemies.	Gen. 22:17, 24:60.
Have multitudinous seed.	Gen. 13:16; 15:5; 22:17; 24:60; 26:4, 24; 28:3, 14; 32:12.
Colonize and spread abroad.	Gen. 28:14; 49:22; Deut. 32:8; 33:17; Psa. 2:8; Isa. 26:15; 27:6; 54:2; Zech. 10:8, 9.
Lose first colony and then expand, demanding more living space.	Isa. 49:20.
Irrigate the deserts and build the waste places.	Isa. 35:1; 43:19, 20; 58:11, 12.
Possess the wealth of the earth.	Gen. 27:28; 49:25, 26; Deut. 33:13-16.
Possess the heritage of the heathen.	2 Sam. 22:44; Psa. 2:8; 111:6.
Receive strangers and refugees.	Lev. 19:33, 34; Isa. 11:10; 14:1; 55:5; 56:6-8;Zech. 8:22.
Set free slaves and prisoners.	Psa. 72:4; Isa. 42:7; 49:9; 58:6.
Have a descendant of King David reigning over them.	2 Sam. 7:13; 1 Chron. 22:10; 2 Chron. 13:5; Psa. 89:35-37; Jer. 33:17.
Lose all trace of their lineage.	Hos. 1:9, 10; Isa. 42:16; Rom. 11:25.
The power of the Holy People is to be broken.	Dan. 12:7; Deut. 32:29-36.

The British Commonwealth of Nations possesses every one of these marks — therefore they are lost Israel. The United States of America possesses some of them.

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From The President's Desk

Greetings Christian Friends,

Recent events both within our own country and overseas, must surely be causing seriously minded people to think very deeply. We must ask the questions, "With so many powerful people and organisations crying 'Peace', why don't we have peace"? With so many people and groups fighting for humanitarian answers to our problems, why is humanity still in such a mess?" With so many laws and regulations being passed and put into operation, why are we still living in a condition which is quickly approaching anarchy?"

One would think that someone, somehow, sometime, would produce a solution which would achieve something. But alas, this just doesn't happen. One is forced more and more to the conclusion that there is some sinister power at work preventing any solution - that our present run of 'bad luck' is not just a coincidence at all.

Believe me, this conclusion is not conjecture. It is an absolute fact. And the sooner our people awaken to the fact of the EXISTENCE of such a power, the sooner they will recognise the IDENTITY of this power.

Our job - yours and mine - is to tell them.

The apostle Paul warned us very positively of this power in his letter to the Ephesians.

> *"For our fight is not against any physical enemy: It is against organisations and powers that are spiritual. We are up against the unseen power that controls this dark world, and spiritual agents from the very headquarters of evil."*
>
> *(Eph. 6:12. J.B. Phillips.)*

This is no new power. It goes back through many thousands of years. It is second only to the power of Almighty God. It is the power of one who appears to have been one of, if not the most power-

ful archangel in heaven, Lucifer. This is the one who rebelled against God, and just as God has selected His servants and representatives down through the ages to demonstrate His Power and to bring to fruition His Plans, so has Lucifer-Satan selected and appointed his servants and representatives to bring to fruition his plans.

Let us never overlook the reality of this power. Let us never overlook the continued existence of this power. And let us never overlook the determined purpose of this power, which is the complete destruction of the Christian Faith, Christian people, and in fact, the very Christ of God Himself.

The identity of this power in the world today, I will leave until another time, but I would recommend you take out your Bibles and read 11 Thess.2:3-11, which deals with *"That wicked one, the man of sin,."* 1 John 2:18,22; 4:3 which deals with *"Anti-christ,"* and Rev.2:9 and 3:9 which deals with *"The synagogue of Satan."*

What we should recognise just now is the activity of His evil power. In our own country Australia, we have an unprecedented breakdown of law and mor ality. Our laws have been subtly moulded in such a way as to virtually prevent us from protecting our own citizens from the sub-human "animals" that prey upon us. Many of our leaders haven't got the intelligence or moral fibre to run a garbage tip, let alone our nation. Yet we have been so brainwashed that we not only place them in power over us, but gladly accept the manner in which they place us in bondage. And of course, the other Anglo-Saxon nations are no better off.

These same powers are now busily brainwashing us, in typical Hollywood style, into believing that we now have peace. What they don't tell us is that their actual plan is to foment so much trouble between their stooges, the Israelis and the Moslem world that the major nations will be drawn into what has been already planned as World War III.

God's People have ever been blind, not only to their own identity, but also to the identity of their real enemy. No wonder we can't win.

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The National Message

By Rev. W.G. Finlay

It is becoming increasingly obvious, insofar as religious matters are concerned, that the yardstick of authority has ceased to be the discipline of Divine Revelation. By this is inferred the constant appeal to the human conscience as the real judge of actions and motives. Biblical evidence with its historical corroboration, prophetic fulfilment vindicated in the contemporary scene – all this means little or nothing at all when the silver-tongued propounder of religious psychology weaves his web of Freudian apology of non conformity to Biblical directives It is surely a sad state of affairs when a so-called 'shepherd' in Israel can assert that the Christian witness is not dependent on the Bible but on the human conscience for his testimony as to the reality of God. If evidence is needed of a positive conspiracy against the Word of God, against the Israel of God and against the Truth, this age provides it in vindication of the prophetic word record by Peter: "First remember that in the last days, men will come with their mockery – men governed by their own passions "
(II Peter 3:3 Weymouth)

That the Word of God would be assailed and its authority undermined by the 'white anting' tactics of anti-God forces is clearly indicated in the prophetic word where, in Daniel 12:7, it is given great prominence. Here, Daniel is given the great sign of the end of the age when he was told that the end could not come except the 'scattering of the power of the holy people' be in evidence. This is very much so today. It has been suggested that the incredible rapidity of the decline of the British Empire and the corresponding loss of influence and prestige is the fulfilment of this prophecy and there are many aspects of this tragedy which vindicate the contention but the focal point of the prophecy is not the 'holy people' but the *power*. The prophecy is that the 'scattering of the power' would mark the end, not the scattering of the people. If 'power', in the sense of rule or dominion was meant, the Hebrew word *shilton* would be used whereas that of *yad* is found indicating the authority of scripture The *yad* is the hand which is used to point to the scriptures. The fact that the British Empire has dissolved is the *effect* of its authority being scattered by the malignant forces of darkness.

The Bible is the Divinely given record of God's Plan for the rehabilitation of fallen humanity and faith in this Plan is the last thing that those powers of darkness desire Hence the fanatical attempt to remove it from the knowledge of those involved Within the framework of this Plan there is Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, men of God, men of destiny whose progeny were endowed with the functional purpose of channelling the blessing of God to all the nations and families of the earth The story of this people is a national one and it is surely most obvious that this fact must be true for it in common with the whole Bible story

is attacked with a vehemence which characterises the assailants as the pawns of Satan.

The national message of the Bible centred in the Israel story is one with tremendous and most unique implications. The national message is the message of the Covenants of God all of which are found in the Old Testament and, with the exception of two, all are intimately bound up with the Israel nation. The most solemn and sovereign authority of God and His Oath is involved in this matter (Gen. 22:15-18) and come what may, any doctrine which discounts the importance of the Oath-bound Covenant impugns the Character of Almighty God. This Covenant involves the literal seed of Abraham whose possession would be the 'gate of his enemies' and whose function was to be a blessing to all the nations of the earth.

The mechanism of God's Plan is meticulously recorded and it does not require the intellect of a genius to realise that this Plan would be the first objective of enemy action. The Old Testament with its great national charters has been assailed time and again until, in spite of archaeological evidence proving its veracity, men have excluded its teaching as of any relevancy today. However, destroying the Plan does not eliminate the material and consequently the next step was the nation Israel – the material of God's Plan. It is a matter of historical record that the nation became divided into two parts and that the major section comprising ten tribes, and called the house of Israel, passed into captivity from 721 to 676 B.C. The second section, under the title of the house of **Judah,** went into captivity from 604 B.C., from which a remnant of 42,000 returned. It is a further matter of Biblical truth that this remnant was never a sovereign nation nor is it referred to as 'all Israel'. The mechanism of destruction now goes into action claiming that the New Christian dispensation could find no point of contact between the inhabitants of Judaea at the time of the First Advent and the Israel of the Old Testament and consequently it must have been God's intention to create a spiritual nucleus in place of that national entity now discredited through sin. Thus within the framework of the destructive mechanism of evil, God's Oath and Covenants become allegorical factors within a vast new undertaking of purely spiritual endeavour.

However much one may point to Biblical evidence to the contrary, the God-dishonouring seed of spiritualisation continues to grow until all reason is lost and factual evidence rejected in favour of speculative humanistic philosophy An honest student must, if he is honest with himself and not a Freudian zombi, investigate the subject of Israel for in no other subject is the Oath of God involved and in no other entity is the evidence of the reality of God so Biblically established. "Ye are my witnesses that I am God" (Isa. 43:10-12). It is more than ludicrous to suggest that God would cut off His evidence when He had assured that so long as the material universe obtained, the 'seed of Israel' would be a nation before Him (Jer. 31:35). The New Testament, in the simplicity of its recorded history, does not support the contention that God had dispensed with the Israel nation, indeed, throughout is

found evidence of national continuity. Of the many instances of national continuity provided in the New Testament the most conclusive is surely that most spiritualised, and what better than that of Luke 16 and the parable of Lazarus and Dives. An immediate reaction here is that this record is not a parable but a literal truth communicated by the Lord Jesus Christ in which He enlarged on the subject of life after death.

Consider the context again. The chapter begins with the parable of the unjust steward and the audience was the people and the Pharisees. In Mark 4:34 it is stated: "But without a parable speak he not unto them: and when they were alone, He expounded all things unto his disciples". Thus to claim that the story of Lazarus and Dives which appears within the parabolic utterances of the Lord, is not a parable is contrary to Mark 4:34. If the story is a literal discourse of life, death, heaven and hell *and not a kingdom parable involving the Israel nation* confusion and not clarity is the nett outcome.

The reader is asked to re-read Luke 16:19-31 and note the main features. Two men died: one went to 'Abraham's bosom' while the other went to 'hell'. It should be noted that nowhere in the Bible is 'Abraham's bosom' used to denote heaven or the abode of the righteous dead. The parable is most specific in its kingdom aspect and is unmistakable in its identification of the two kingdoms of Israel and Judah. There are two principal characters Lazarus and Dives - one rich and clothed with 'purple and linen' who had 'five brothers' and the other was very poor with sores which the dogs licked.

The Pharisees could well understand this as the nation Israel was divided into two at the time of Reheboam (I Kings 12) with ten-tribed Israel in the north and two-tribed Judah in the south. The kingdom of Judah had the house of David in its midst consequently the purple linen was a mark of kingly association while the fine linen was the priestly or Levitical sign. Who but Judah retained the throne of David indicated by the 'purple' and who save Judah retained the 'priests and Levites' represented by the fine linen?

That the rich man 'fared sumptuously every day' is indicative of possession of Jerusalem and the temple with its true worship of God while Lazarus had to get along with the 'crumbs'. When Israel split into two sections, the northern kingdom lost the Throne of David, they lost Jerusalem, the city of God's Peace, they lost the temple and the true worship of the Lord. It will be noted that 'dogs' came and 'licked his sores' and in the light of the story recorded in Matthew 15:22-28 where the Syrophenician woman classifies herself among the 'dogs', the story indicates the assistance afforded to northern ten-tribed Israel by the surrounding non-Israel nations.

Significantly, the beggar dies first and it was the northern house of Israel that first went into captivity in Assyria. He was carried into 'Abraham's bosom', a phrase which clearly indicates a continuity other than in heaven. Within the great unconditional Covenant made with Abraham and his seed, God made promises which involved 'a great nation'; and

'great and mighty nation'; 'a multitude of nations'; a 'possession of the gate of his enemies' etc. When these promises were given, Abraham believed them and embraced them being persuaded of them (Heb. 11:13). It is common knowledge that anything which is embraced by a person is in his bosom and in this instance the phrase 'Abraham's bosom' is indicative of the fulfilment of the Abrahamic Covenant. That the 'beggar' was carried by angels to 'Abraham's bosom' is seen in the house of Israel being removed after their national death in the Assyrian graveyard to the 'appointed place' (II Sam. 7:10) where they enjoy the fulfilment of the promises made in the Covenant by developing into a great nation colonising the earth.

After Lazarus had died, the rich man, too, died and was buried. In identifying Dives with Judah one should note that he claimed to have 'five brethren' (Luke 16:28) and, in the record of Genesis 35:23, it will be noted that Jacob's first wife, Leah, gave birth to Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Issachar and Zebulon six in number Judah had 'five brothers' and so did Dives' The remnant of Judah in Jewry (the Sephardim) saw the fulfilment of the promises in the Isles with the wide gulf of Christianity separating them. The conclusion of the parable needs little or no elucidation.

Here indeed, is found the evidence of the continuity of God's Servant nation and, as in so many instances, the overall history of the Plan and Purpose of God is seen in glorious clarity There is no need for man to appear in the witness box cluttered with an encyclopaedia to give his testimony – all that he needs today is the Word of God and a child-like faith in He Who graciously provided the 'sword of the spirit' which indeed is profitable for 'reproof, for correction, and for instruction in right doing; so that the man of God may be complete, perfectly equipped for every good work'.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

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But the evil day, complete with the day of reckoning, is here. Our only chance is to obey God's call.

"Take up God's armour now! Then when the evil day comes, you will be able to resist the enemy's attacks, and after fighting to the end, you will still hold your ground."

Operation Letterbox

Our branch of the B.I.W.F. has decided that the time is ripe for an all-out effort to direct our peoples' attention to the WORD OF GOD as *THE ONLY SOLUTION TO OUR CURRENT PROBLEMS*. Amidst the barrage of humanly devised, and humanly oriented schemes and devises with which we are now being brainwashed, one thing stands out clearly. NOT ONE OF OUR LEADERS, either POLITICAL OR RELIGIOUS, HAS THE SLIGHTEST IDEA OF EITHER THE CAUSE OR THE CURE FOR THE DESPARATE CONDITION IN WHICH OUR NATION NOW FINDS ITSELF.

God has made it quite clear in His Word that *ALL* our troubles are CAUSED by *DISOBEDIENCE TO HIS DIVINE LAWS*, and that they will only be CURED by *REPENTANT NATIONAL RETURN TO THESE SAME LAWS*.

To this end, we have prepared 6 different pamphlets for distribution in letter-boxes. These pamphlets are especially designed to catch peoples' attention, and to make them start to think. They are not intended to give all the answers. That will come later as people seek for more information.

What we want now are HELPERS to distribute these pamphlets. All you have to do is to select an area to suit your own convenience, and place a pamphlet in sequence, in each letter-box, once a fortnight. It doesn't matter whether you can manage 10 or 500. You only take the number you can handle. We don't want them wasted. When you finish the series of 6 pamphlets to that area, you simply start all over again in the next adjacent area.

Pamphlets will be provided FREE on request. Naturally, donations towards the cost of printing will be appreciated, but don't let that deter you. The main thing is TO GET THE PAMPHLETS OUT.

If you wish to volunteer as a distributor, please contact the secretary, or phone our Headquarters on 29-3935, and advise how many copies you need.

THE TIME IS SHORT. PLEASE JOIN US in this effort to turn the hearts of our people BACK TO OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST AND HIS WORD.

IS DEMON ACTIVITY A REALITY?

by The late John Lovell, D.D.
Kingdom Digest
Texas

The average person believes only a small portion of the Bible! The truth is, we will make it a little stronger — the average Christian believes only a small part of the Bible! Well, to be perfectly frank with you, and making the statement still stronger, the average minister believes only a small part of the Bible! We believe we can prove this in the message we are delivering on this occasion, especially as we discuss the matter of demons and their activities in this address

Let it be said at the very beginning that demons are real Yes, demons are just as real as angels, and the Devil is just as real as God. If we have no demon activity today, then we have no angelic activity today, and if we have no Devil activity today, then we have no God activity today It is rather interesting to notice how the mind of the average minister works He believes that baptism is still all right for today, and he most certainly believes that tithing is still all right for people today Communion is a thing the average minister would declare is for us today Why? Because all of these things are plainly mentioned in the Holy Scriptures, particularly the New Testament Yet these same ministers, in the main, will not agree that demons are still real and that their activity is going on today, just as it was in Jesus' day and in the day of Paul when such doctrines as baptism, tithing, and communion were mentioned! Eph 6:12 should make it clear to every open-minded person who believes the Bible that demons are literal and real, though invisible, and that they are active today, just as they were in Paul's day Please notice in this verse Paul declares that our struggle, or wrestling, spiritually speaking, is not so much with tangible beings of flesh and blood, but with powers, rulers of the darkness, and spiritual forces in the high places. The high places and the place of darkness both refer to the place where Satan's headquarters are located, in the heavens high above the earth where there is total darkness Yet they have access to this planet, and when Satan was expelled from heaven along with his unholy angels, they were cast out into darkness which is the regions above just mentioned, but their sphere of activity was to be on this planet for a limited time. We are fortunate to be living in the time when Jesus is soon to make His appearance in the heavens to cleanse the heavens, to bring light, to dethrone Satan, and to cast into the bottomless pit Satan and his angels, that their destructive, nefarious, wicked work of darkness, destruction, and death will cease for one thousand years!

It is often argued that the fact demons cannot be seen is reason for us not to believe in them and their activities. Did one ever see the wind? Yet the wind is real, quite active, and capable, when it is boisterous and adverse, of destroying buildings ten and twelve stories high, leaving them in rubble and in ruin. It is capable of driving broom straws two and three inches into the trunk of a tree. No, we have never seen the wind, but we have certainly seen its destructive and powerful activities So it is with Satan's demons, devils and evil forces. We have not seen them, for they are not in the dimension of tangibility or of the flesh; rather they are in the dimension of spirit, but their activities are just as real and just as intense and powerful as if they were literal and could be seen

We feel that every minister and every Christian should be greatly concerned about this matter of demon activity, and should be taught what the Bible has to say about this important matter It isn't a matter of our being old-fashioned It isn't a matter of our being negative, and it isn't a matter of anything else except knowing the truth for the truth shall make you free!

Let us now look at a few Scriptures which declare the activities of demons, telling what kind of demons we have, the activities in which they engage, and the destructiveness they often cause

Insanity When we were younger we felt that insanity was a terrible thing. Everyone thought insanity was incurable We now know that insanity is not incurable, that there are many types of insanity, and that people who have some mental disease or sickness should be handled by skilled people and be given

understanding, love, and Christian consideration We don't say that all insanity is caused by demon activity, but we do believe that much insanity is caused by certain types of demons and demon activity We do not say that people who have demons operating in their bodies and minds are bad Oftentimes such people are good, yet because physical weakness, destructive thoughts, or because of spiritual mistakes, the demons have come into that life and have begun their deadly and destructive work Let us read Matt 17 14-18 *And when they were come to the multitude, there came to him a certain man, kneeling down to him, and saying, Lord have mercy on my son for he is lunatick, and sore vexed for for ofttimes he falleth into the fires, and oft into the water And I brought him to thy disciples, and they could not cure him Then Jesus answered and said, O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I suffer you? Bring him hither to me And Jesus rebuked the devil, and he departed out of him, and the child was cured from that very hour* We believe this Scripture proves that insanity in this particular case was caused by the presence of demons which caused the boy to be out of his mind and to fall into the fire and into the water What a pitiful sight! What a terrible thing! Yet Jesus, using His power, rebuked the demon that was causing this trouble Once the demon was rebuked, he had to leave the boy because of the power of Jesus' spoken word, and once the demon was gone, the boy's mind was restored to complete rationality and normalcy. What a blessing! What a victory! What a Christ!

Diseases. America is sick! America needs a doctor! Our hospitals and special institutions are full and running over. Doctors are greatly overworked, and their number is increasing daily. Nurses are overworked, and their number is increasing daily. Our drug stores are filled with drugs and patent medicines, and the clerks are quite busy waiting on the trade. All of this indicates that disease is rampant and that something is wrong with the people of this Christian nation. We would not dare say that all disease is caused from demon activity, for this would be far from the truth. Much disease is caused, in fact, most of it, from eating dead, denatured, demineralized foods; from consuming poisonous, unnatural drugs; and from practicing other bad living habits However, there is one type of cancer which is the most loathsome and unclean of all types of cancer, acting as a leech, eating up the food the body should have and sapping the life and strength from that body, which we believe is actually caused from demons' activity, or the presence and activity of a certain type of demon known as unclean demon. We believe Mark 1 23-26, will make this clear, without further comment *And there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, Saying, Let us alone, what have we to do with thee, thou Jesus of Nazareth? art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art, the Holy One of God. And Jesus rebuked him, saying, Hold thy peace, and come out of him And when the unclean spirit had torn him, and cried with a loud voice, he came out of him*

Viciousness. We certainly don't have to waste any time at this point reminding our readers that the world is filled with viciousness in this hour of darkness. Yes, there are many vicious people and many vicious crimes in this tragic hour. There is a reason for all of this. Some of the world's most heinous sex crimes ever recorded are now being committeed. There are perverts, dope fiends, and alcoholics by the multipled thousands in America today Crime is rampant Sin is everywhere. Viciousness lurks at ever corner We do not want to sound ridiculous, but we do want to declare that much of this viciousness is caused by the presence of demons in the minds and bodies of human beings. Let us read Matt. 8:28-32. *And when he was come to the other side into the country of Gergesenes, there met him two possessed with devils, coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce so that no man might pass by that way. And, behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God? art thou come hither to torment us before the time? And there was a good way off from them an herd of many swine feeding. So the devils besought him, saying. If thou cast us out, suffer us to go away into the herd of swine. And he said unto them. Go, And when they were come out, they went into the herd of swine: and, behold, the whole herd of swine ran violently down a steep place into the sea, and perished in the waters.* Notice that these hogs, when they became possessed with the devils, became violent, began to run, and finally destroyed them-

selves in the water. There is no way of explaining why many criminals, alcoholics, dope fiends, and depraved people act so violently and viciously today, other than because of demon activity. How in the world could you possibly explain how and why the captors of our boys in the war treated them so unmercifully and tortured them in indescribable ways, except for the fact they were utterly depraved and completely possessed by demons, evil spirits, and devils. When a person becomes terribly angry, his eyes flash and it is easy to detect the presence of demons and devils, even as you look into his eyes. It would be a different world and a great day if only the demons could be cast out of such people!

Epilepsy. While we were pastor of the Trinity Baptist Church in Abilene, Texas, many years ago, we often went out to the Abilene State Hospital where there were more than one thousand epileptic patients. There we witnessed their activities and spoke to them in their chapel. It was heartbreaking to see those people, particularly the young boys and young girls, get under the spell of epilepsy, fall to the ground, foam at the mouth, and writhe like a serpent. We knew nothing about demon activity then. We know a little about such matters now. We honestly believe if the doctors, psychiatrists, nurses, and ministers surrounding these precious people, knew all there is to know about demon activity and were filled with the spirit and power of God, these institutions could soon be emptied of all their patients. Epilepsy would be a thing of the past, for those demons could be cast out, and these people could be left whole and well again! The Scripture, Luke 9:38-43, may be helpful as we think along these lines. *And, behold, a man of the company cried out, saying, Master, I beseech thee, look upon my son: for he is mine only child. And, lo, a spirit taketh him, and he suddenly crieth out; and it teareth him that he foameth again, and bruising him hardly departeth from him. And I besought thy disciples to cast him out; and they could not. And Jesus answering said, O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you, and suffer you? Bring thy son hither. And as he was yet a coming, the devil threw him down, and tare him. And Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, and healed the child, and delivered him again to his father. And they were all amazed at the mighty power of God.* Pray tell me how you would explain this Scripture, if you do not admit the presence of demons and their activities. This is a perfect picture of a victim of epilepsy, yet through the power of Jesus' word, these demons were cast out of this poor unfortunate victim, and he became whole and was made well immediately! Yes, these demons are real; they are present today, and the results of their work in this respect are in great evidence today. Let us, then, as Christians, learn how to skillfully use the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, also His Word, and through the power of the Holy Spirit bring deliverance to these precious victims.

Witchcraft. We are usually misunderstood when we mention things along this line, however we feel that our true friends will not misunderstand us, and our enemies will misunderstand us, regardless of what we say or do! There certainly is such a thing as witchcraft, soothsaying, fortune telling, and reading one's mind. It isn't a question of whether or not this is true. The question is, where does one get the power to do such things. Don't misunderstand me. We believe that God gives a born-again, Spirit-filled child of God visions, knowledge, wisdom, and insight. On the other hand, we believe that the Devil gives unregenerated people information who use it for exploitation, monetary gain, and for selfish purposes. We are quite certain that in Acts 16:16-18, the Scriptures tell of an incident of this kind: *And it came to pass, as we went to prayer, a certain damsel possessed with the spirit of divination met us, which brought her masters much gain by soothsaying. The same followed Paul and us, and cried, saying, These men are the servants of the most high God, which shew unto us the way of salvation. And this did she many days. But Paul, being grieved, turned and said to the spirit, I command thee in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her. And he came out the same hour.* Here a poor little girl was being exploited because she was possessed of a demon that gave her the power, the super-human power, to give out information that people wanted to hear. Yet once the apostles used their God-given heritage, the demon was cast out and the girl lost this ability to speak such things. Of course, it made her employer very angry because he lost the money he had been making on this poor victim possessed of demons. The day will come when the servants of the Lord will have such power, will know the Lord so intimately and

will be so completely filled with His Spirit that they too, will be able to cast out all such demons and relieve such victims as the poor little damsel mentioned in the foregoing Scripture.

Many, perhaps, who read this will declare that they believe what we have written, and yet they are discouraged, feeling perhaps in one way or another they may be possessed of demons, wondering if they can ever be rid of these demons and the activities in which these demons are engaged in connection with their bodies and minds. The answer is yes, and here is how victory may come to you, or to anyone in the world. First of all, you must be born again, next, you must be filled with the Holy Spirit, next, you must pray, and pray to God the Father in the Name of Jesus Christ, then you must know how to skillfully use the Name and the power of Jesus, and finally, you must know how to plead the blood — the cleansing, purifying, all-powerful blood of Jesus Christ. Once these five things are true in your life, you, too, can have complete victory in all things.

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NATHANAEL.

By I. Hill Elder

The first step in any study of the disciple Nathanael must be, of necessity, one of identification. The Aramaic name, Nathanael, signifies "Gift of God", while the same name in the Greek language becomes John, and carries a like meaning "Gift of God"

The first chapter of the Gospel according to John may be divided into three parts:-

(1) The profound prologue, verses 1–14

(2) The identification of John the Baptist as Forerunner and Witness, verses 15–34.

(3) The call of Nathanael to discipleship by our Lord, and his prophetic destiny revealed.

Our Lord's reception of this disciple, brought by Philip, was unusual and arresting. "Behold, an Israelite indeed in whom is no guile" (self-seeking), i.e., an Israelite in both its national and spiritual aspects; calling to mind the words of the Psalmist, "Blessed is the man" . . . "in whose spirit there is no guile" (Psalm 32:2). This declaration on the part of our Lord was intended to impress those amongst His disciples who already were seeking for themselves places of honour in the coming Kingdom (Luke 22:24). This rivalry ended during the Last Supper when the disciples learned their final lesson on humility by the servile task of feet washing being performed by their Lord and Master. In their later post-Resurrection service as Apostles there is no trace of competition or rivalry.

For purposes of identification we should remember that three persons named John were involved in the events of our Lord's ministry. (1) John the Baptist. (2) John, son Zebedee. (3) Nathanael – John. The end of John the Baptist is clearly stated in the Scriptures. John, son of Zebedee, whose twin brother James was put to death by Herod, met, according to tradition with a like violent death in fulfilment of our Lord's prediction to the brothers (Mark 10:39). Vide Papias, Bishop of Hierapolis in the middle of the 2nd century in the second book of his "Expositions" whose statement is reproduced by Philip of Side (C.450) and again by the 9th century. chronicler, George Hamartolos; see also the Syriac Martyrology (C.A.D. 400) and the Companion Bible on Mark 10:39. The Martyrdom of the brothers took place C.A.D. 44 (Syriac Martyrology).

By three names Nathanael is recorded in the New Testament, Bartholomew – Nathanael – John. Bartholomew, son of Tolmai is a patrynomic and its bearer would have another name too. He has been variously identified, but especially with Nathanael. J.W. Taylor in his "The Coming of the Saints" mentions Bartholomew or Nathanael (p. 19). In St. John's Gospel Philip is associated with Nathanael and no mention is made of Bartholomew, while the other three Gospels associate Philip with Bartholomew and do not mention Nathanael. It is significant that whether referred to as Bartholomew or Nathanael he is associated with Philip, the disciple who was instrumental from the very first in bringing disciples of John the Baptist to our Lord (Matt. 10:3; Mark 3:19; Luke 6:14; John 1:45).

THE CALL OF NATHANAEL

The great Levite of the House of Aaron,

John the Baptist, trained his disciples in the prophecies concerning the Messianic Kingdom, hence Philip's declaration to Nathanael "we have found him of whom Moses in the law, and the prophets did write, Jesus of Nazareth". The reaction of Nathanael to this announcement is that of one who is not only a seeker after truth, but a student of Scripture prophecy. "Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth?" Nathanael responded immediately to Philip's invitation "Come and see", and was completely disarmed by the reception he received as he approached our Lord; his astonishment that our Lord had knowledge of him and his movements caused Nathanael to exclaim "Rabbi, thou art the Son of God, thou art the King of Israel." Nathanael confessed that our Lord was Son of God and King of Israel. This was the confession of an "Israelite indeed", in recognition of both Kingdom and Lord, proclaiming the Person of the Lord with the Kingdom. Immediately afterwards our Lord promised the Apocalypse to Nathanael (John 1:45-51). From this day onward the special friendship between our Lord and Nathanael led to this disciple being known as "The disciple whom Jesus loved." Henceforth the self-effacing Nathanael refers to himself, not by name, but by his most sacred title "The disciple whom Jesus loved."

Nathanael played a more important part in the ministry of our Lord than is generally realized, giving him that faithful companionship "a David and Jonathan friendship" which must have been oft-times a great solace to his Lord and Master in times of persecution and jealousy of the Jewish hierarchy.

THE FOURTH GOSPEL

Nathanael was the first to record the events of our Lord's ministry, therefore his Gospel should precede the narratives of the other three Evangelists as pointed out by Ferrar Fenton in his translation. Nathanael wrote in Hebrew while the other three Evangelists wrote in Greek. Nathanael, however, in his old age, translated his Gospel into Greek from the original Hebrew for the Greek churches, largely composed of dispersed Israel scattered about Asia Minor. It was natural that Nathanael in his Greek translation should use the Greek form of his name and so we have "The Gospel according to John"; in his Gospel there are many details not recorded by the other three Evangelists. (Ferrar Fenton).

This loved disciple is mentioned, as having been present at the Last Supper "the disciple whom Jesus loved . . . leaning on Jesus' breast" to whom Peter beckoned that he should ask the Lord who it was who "should betray him" (Luke 13:23,24).

After our Lord's spiritual Crucifixion in Gethsemane, and His arrest by order of the Sanhedrin, Nathanael–John, followed his Lord into the palace of the High Priest, to which this disciple appears to have had the entrée, either as a personal friend of the High Priest, or possibly being, like the High Priest, of the House of Aaron, which, with the House of David, was the most exalted "House" in Israel. Whatever Nathanael–John's source of prestige it was sufficient to gain permission to bring in Peter. "But Peter stood at the door without. Then went out that other disciple which was known unto the High Priest, and spake unto her that kept the door and brought in Peter" (John 18:15,16). There was greater significance in this action on the part of Nathanael–John than a mere friendly gesture towards a fellow disciple. It was necessary in strict observance of the Mosaic Law that "at the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established" (Deut. 19:15).

Nathanael–John brought in his fellow disciple to be the second witness at the trial of their Lord ere He was led away to His physical Crucifixion on Golgotha.

The Cross on which our Lord suffered was set up in the centre of the earth, and where, according to the ancient Syriac version, the first Adam was buried, giving rise to the age-long appellation "The place of a skull". Afterwards when Nathanael–John came to write his Gospel he could say "This is the disciple which testifieth of these things and wrote these things and we know "(the two witnesses) that his testimony is true ' (John 21:24). It is very possible that our Lord discussed this question of witnesses beforehand with this loved disciple so that "every jot and tittle of the law" might be fulfilled.

THE SACRED CHARGE

"Now there stood by the cross of Jesus His Mother . . . when Jesus therefore saw his Mother and the disciple standing by, whom He loved, He said unto His Mother, "Woman, behold thy son!" Then saith He to the disciple "Behold, thy Mother!" "And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own home." Immediately after this committal by our Lord Nathanael–John led the stricken Mother away from the dread scene; the sword had indeed 'pierced her own soul also" as prophesied by the aged Simeon (Luke 2:35). Upon taking our Lord's Mother to his own home, Nathanael–John returned to the scene of the Crucifixion where he remained to the end to be witness and recorder of the events of that day.

The tradition that Nathanael–John, known also by his title St. John the Divine, made his home at Ephesus and brought our Lord's Mother there, where she lived until her death, is probably true. There was a large colony of Jews at Ephesus, and they enjoyed a privileged position under the early empire. The city became the headquarters of Nathanael –John who had jurisdiction over the seven leading Churches of Asia Minor, addressed in the Apocalypse.

POST RESURRECTION INCIDENT

On several occasions, after His resurrection, our Lord appeared to His disciples in which they were assured of the reality of the resurrection of the Christ. The third meeting is recorded by Nathanael–John himself, and in recording this meeting uses the Aramaic form of his name (John 11:2).

It was after an all night fishing expedition that Nathanael–John, from the boat, recognized his Master standing on the sea shore. "It is the Lord" he announced to the impetuous Peter. When they had dined together at the invitation of their Lord, his Master drew from Peter the three fold confession, obliging him to give voice to his contrition for his three fold denial of his Lord (John 21:17). Presently when Jesus and His disciples began to move away from the sea-shore, Peter having heard the words of his Master signifying what death he should die, turned around to behold Nathanael–John following, and said "Lord, and what shall this man do?" Quite obviously expecting that some special favour would be shown this loved disciple, to which he received the swift rejoinder from his Lord "If I will that he tarry till I come what is that to thee, follow thou me" (John 21:22).

In contrast to the early martyrdom of John, son of Zebedee, Nathanael–John lived to extreme old age, reaching according to tradition almost 100 years, the manner of his death is not recorded.

From our first introduction to Nathanael –John to the completion of his book "The

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WORSHIP

By Heather Wynne

It is said that in all men there is the desire to worship; that this desire is as much a part of human beings as the need to sustain the body with food. This inner urge has been manifest throughout history in various forms, some as remote from the worship of the One, True God as a foolish or vulgar ditty is from the majesty of Handel's "Messiah".

Israel of old turned from the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob-Israel at the very time that He, The Omnipotent, was miraculously leading them out of bondage in Egypt to the Promised Land. They made a golden calf to worship. Matters improved after the tabernacle was built, and, later, in the time of King David the nation reached a high standard of corporate worship. The pendulum was to swing the other way again, and the two sections of Jacob's descendants were banished from the land for their idolatry.

It is interesting to note that the Apostle Peter, addressing "the dispersed (12) tribes", called them by the same titles as God had used through Moses to their forefathers about fifteen centuries earlier – 'a chosen generation' (race); 'a royal priesthood'; and 'a holy' (separated) nation. (I Peter 2:9). Because of these, so to speak, built-in characteristics we, the descendants of these same Children of Israel, should feel a strong desire to worship the One, True and Living God of Israel. That is to say, our desire to worship should be directed towards the Great God Who chose and moulded our forefathers into a nation and, even when chastising them, cared for them and guided them from the places of their captivity across continents to the Appointed Place in the West, and this God did centuries before He sent His Son into the world.

As we look around the world today it seems as if the desire for worship is present in very few of 'the people of the West'. Perhaps one reason is that while preaching the Christ of the Gospels (sometimes, alas, expurgated) the Christ Who was 'from the foundation of the world', the Word of God, Who could say "before Abraham was I AM" – in fact the Christ Whom God made the expression of Himself from the beginning of the world – *this* Christ is neglected. Perhaps when more of our fellows realise the majesty of God as portrayed in the Old Testament, the Scriptures so frequently quoted by Jesus, and how, from the beginning His purpose for fallen man has been worked out in history – and is still to be fulfilled – perhaps then this dormant need to worship will awaken. It is not merely apathy or materialism that smothers it. Some men are too virile, too frank and realistic to stomach the feeble presentation of the Son of God in these days, at the 'end of the age'. It behoves us to present the other side of the picture.

We have glimpses of the awe-inspiring nature of God in the accounts of Moses' experiences on Mount Sinai and of the transfiguration of Jesus, seen by three of His

friends. The prophet Isaiah foretold that "the glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all flesh shall see it together; for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it". St. John the Divine, although he had been an intimate friend of Jesus, was so overwhelmed by the vision he saw of Jesus, in all the glory of Heaven, that he 'fell at His feet as dead'. (Rev. 1:17). Awe and reverence are still important factors in worship, even though Jesus is our Elder Brother and God our Heavenly Father. To accept the whole Bible as true and to study it with patience are sure ways of finding the deeper levels of worship which our souls desire.

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Revelation of Jesus Christ" we find that the similarity in mode of expression between his Gospel, Epistles and the Revelation leaves no manner of doubt that Nathanael–John was the writer of all three.

When Nathanael–John was in the isle that is called Patmos, whither this Apostle had gone on a mission, for the Word of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ, Nathanael–John, writing under his Greek name, was projected forward in spirit to "the day of the Lord" while the great panorama of the future of Israel and the World unfolded before him, the Apostle was commanded to write all these things "in a book".

The day of the Lord should not be confused with the Sabbath Day; the day of the Lord and the events which prophetically belong to it are clearly stated in the "Book of Revelation". We have no Scriptural warrant to alter the name of the day of rest, the Sabbath, or "Day of rest for the heart" as the term Sabbath signifies, nor to refer to the Sabbath as "The Lord's Day".

THE APOCALYPSE

The Divinely appointed Apocalyptic vision promised to Nathanael–John at the time of his discipleship (John 1:51), and which in fulfilment God granted "to inform His servant of what must speedily happen . . . Happy are the readers and the hearers of this prophecy who observe its records" (Ferrar Fenton translation). These, the Apostle was commanded "to write in a book", an enduring record wherein the message of salvation, the redemption of Israel, and the future glory of the Church as the Lamb's bride is revealed, together with the conditions in the "new heavens and the new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness" (Rev. 21:29; Peter 3:13).

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THE REALITY OF GOD'S PLAN *(continued)*

By B.R. Hunt

I have no intention of quoting chapter and verse from the Scriptures to try and prove to you the reality of God's Plan. I don't really think that such a course is necessary in a gathering such as this. We know that when God gave the bare outlines of His Plan to Abraham in the form of promises for the future of Abraham's seed He clinched the reality of those promises by swearing by Himself because He could swear by no greater. That is more than enough for me and I am quite sure that it is enough for you. Having studied our Bibles in the light of the British-Israel vision which God in His mercy and for reasons best known to Himself has revealed to so few in Israel, the details and the reality of God's Plan are as obvious to us as they are to the Devil, who is determined to thwart it. But the details and the reality of God's Plan, indeed the reality of God Himself, is far from clear to the vast majority of our people. That is why I seized this opportunity to talk on this subject at our Convention because, however badly the subject may be handled, we would all be reminded of our urgent need and duty to God to spare no effort to get our people back to the knowledge of and love for God which temporarily transformed the England of the 16th Century from a tin-pot nation on a small island into the greatest power for good that this world has ever seen.

As I mentioned previously. Satan realised that if the national consequences of Calvary were allowed to assume their full significance and importance to the world, everybody would start frantically looking around for the nation involved. If that enquiry had been allowed to develop along the normal lines the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples would have stood revealed as God's servant nation Israel within a very short time of their so-called disappearance. There can be no doubt that when our people do at long last realise just who they are and what their responsibilities are, the rush to serve God in the proper way by stamping out the evil horror that is sprawled like an octopus over the whole world will be irresistible. That is why Satan rushed into operation his counter-plan, of which we see the first manifestations recorded in the Acts of the Apostles – a plan which starts by the application of the principle of "divide and rule" and ends with the savage enforcement of "regather and enslave". The plan involved throwing up a gigantic smoke-screen behind which the fact that Israel had been redeemed as a *nation* at Calvary, and the identity of that nation, would be completely obscured. If the importance of the national consequences of Calvary could be played down, or, even better, completely obscured, the need and the desire to re-discover Israel would never present itself – and that is exactly what has happened.

But the staggering facts of the Crucifixion and the Resurrection were something that not even the Devil could sweep under the carpet Some plan had to be devised which would appear to recognise Calvary in its full

and true light but would divert attention from the main facet. This could be done by concentrating, to the exclusion of all else, on the blessing of individual salvation bestowed as a result of Christ having made Himself the full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of all mankind. Get men thinking entirely of themselves and they would become so wrapped up in their own importance and their own personal gain that the national aspect would never occur to them. And again, this is exactly what has happened. The plan is fiendishly clever. Obscure from the world that the nation – not the Church or the spiritual concept, but the nation-of Israel had been redeemed as a *nation* to work for God, with all the blessings that must flow if Israel carried out her duties to God, then neither "lost" Israel or any other nation would start looking around to see whether they did not perhaps qualify for these blessings. So long as Israel could be kept in ignorance of the fact that Israel still existed as a national entity, and of the need to return to and remain in covenant relationship with her God, then it would be a relatively simple matter to lead blind Israel right away from her God and prepare her for the slaughter, and thus completely foil God's Plan. And Israel has been led away from her God – so far away that we now have to make a conscious and a prolonged study before we can convince ourselves that we are Israel and catch a glimpse of the Plan of God which was the be-all and end-all of our forefathers' existence.

The ideology of the moment is "One-Worldism" Every channel of the popular public-communications media have been brought under the control of one small group who have, under the influence of the Devil, for centuries been quietly working away at this plan for world domination. Radio, television, newspapers, magazines, educational institutions and even pop groups and the "hippies" all plug away day after day at this theme that if all the different systems of politics, defence, education, law, religion and even racial groups can be moulded to conform to a "one-ness" under the benevolent eye of the United Nations, then all the problems which have bedevilled mankind since history began, will miraculously disappear overnight. One big stumbling block to the fulfilment of this aim is, surprisingly, Christianity. Although most Christians would be shocked to be told that it is they who stand in the way of this ideology of the universal brotherhood of man, the authors of "One-Worldism" spotted this fact right from the outset. Read their lectures on the subject and you will see for yourselves. This is for the simple reason that the Western Christian peoples drank in with their mother's milk the basic teachings of God's Bible, and are instinctively aware that the God Who, unknown to most of them, honours His promise to watch over them, lays peculiar emphasis on the need for selection, separation and purity of race and religion. Knowing this, the authors of the plan for World conquest realised that a "new image" of God amongst Christians was essential if their plan was to succeed. In fact they have gone further and stated quite categorically that Christianity must be smashed.

Of particular significance to the thinking Christian is the fact that the most ardent advocates of "One-Worldism" are pagan, hea-

then, atheistic or, at the very best, agnostic. And yet the most persuasive argument used by these heathen advocates are the Christian Scriptures! The Christian finds it difficult to resist an appeal which is backed by "And there abideth faith, hope and love; and the greatest of these is love", as interpreted by Church dignitaries such as the Bishop of Mashonaland, who preach such doctrines as "God's creative cross-breeding in His highest creation." The Christian would, perhaps, be inclined to tread more warily if the Bishop would point out that "love" in this context means love for God, and not a sloppy, sentimental, apologetic and cringing surrender of himself and everything he holds in respect, including his allegiance to God Himself.

Another powerful weapon in their armoury is the frequent and skillful use of Christ's masterly precis of the last six commandments, "Thou shalt love thy neighbour, full stop, end of quotation". Here again that word "love" has been processed until it emerges in a completely unrecognisable form. And for obvious reasons those vital words "as thyself" which round off Christ's precis are completely omitted. The absurdity of suggesting that those words "as thyself" may have any bearing on the matter will be readily apparent to the thinking Christian. If the Christian loved himself as much as he is forced to love his neighbour, then he would, logically, ask to be allowed to keep for himself at least half of his Christian heritage when he hands the other half over to his heathen neighbour and watches him trample it into the mire of his self-chosen environment. But by wishing to keep anything for himself he would immediately cease to be a Christian and would become that horror of horrors, a white supremacist and racialist, standing in a thoroughly un-Christian manner in the way of the natural and completely laudable aspirations of the black nationalist – who, incidentally, as a heathen is not bound by the "love thy neighbour" law, but is armed and urged to cut his Christian neighbour's throat.

Similarly, with the cornerstones of "One-Worldism" so firmly laid on the unbreakable foundation of that Christian Scripture, "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free; there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one" the Christian, like the pagans and heathens and atheists who keep ramming this one down his throat, must forget that the text ends with those vital words, "in Christ Jesus".

And so we have allowed it to go on, with the result that we are witnessing today. But things have had to be speeded up because, as our Scriptures foretold, "the devil hath come down, having great wrath, because he knoweth he hath but a short time." The tempo has been increased and we now see the physical, mental, moral and spiritual breakdown of the Western Christian peoples, which is an essential pre-requisite to "One-Worldism", proceeding at a fantastically accelerated rate. In the last ten years we have watched the launching of the drug cults and the sex cults – the subtle and insidious advertisement and glorification of everything that is ugly, "off-beat", repellent, perverted and destructive and which we have allowed to have such a marked impact on our youth. We are told that

this is the natural rebellion of a modern, educated generation against the out-moded, Victorian mentality of their parents. This is the result of natural evolution, we are told, but the timing and the synchronisation necessary to achieve sudden and world-wide coverage has happened too frequently for any thinking person to accept the workings of chance. That there is a world-wide conspiracy to this end is obvious, but to mention it is to invite a scream of ridicule and invective which which echoes from one end of the world to the other.

A particular point to note is that this breakdown of the minds and bodies is going on amongst the Western, Christian peoples and nowhere else. A typical example was the launching of the "Is God Dead?" campaign. This originated, as we are told, in a theological college in America, and was the product of "deep-thinking scholars who have been profoundly moved to search their souls in an earnest endeavour to find the true answer to the perplexities and problems which challenge modern man as he holds himself poised on the edge of the new world of space he is about to add to his conquests." Surely, the very jargon betrays its origin? How these deep-thinking scholars managed to interest no less than eight different and, so we are asked to believe, competing publishing houses and three radio stations to combine and splash this blasphemy across every Christian nation at exactly the same moment is remarkable to say the least It was cleverly done and you probably read the article in the Sunday newspapers in this country Great prominence was given to the writings of the Higher Critics of the 19th Century whose thoroughly destructive criticisms of the Bible were quoted as authoritative and binding, even though every scholar of repute today condemns these Higher Critics as having been thoroughly discredited. The Regiate Professor of Biblical Studies at Emory University, Georgia, got top billing for his treatise in support of the contention that "God's corpse now lies rotting in the tomb."

The theme of this campaign was summed up in one sentence, "This quest for God in the depths of man's experience unmistakably echoes Jesus' teachings to his (note the small H) *Apostles*, "The kingdom of God is *within* you." The italics are mine. What can this be but a deliberate distortion of Luke 17:20-21? The writer must have known that those words were, in fact, addressed to the Pharisees whom Christ soundly berated for being liars and murderers, a generation of vipers, and the seed of their father the devil. The writer must have known that the now acceptably correct rendering of "within you" is "AMONGST you". By altering "Pharisees" to "Apostles" and by rendering "amongst" as "within", the writer was reasonably certain of convincing the unwary that he had clear Biblical authority for his extraordinary proposition that God is nothing more than the sum total of man's experience Needless to say the writer is employed by the largest publishing house in the world, the head of which is known to have close affiliations with the Communists who have sworn to smash Christianity

I repeat, we are not drifting into apostasy and godlessness. We are being dragged there by the scruffs of our necks by our top

politicians and our church dignitaries, many of whom are also known to have Communist affiliations. And why was it considered necessary to launch this campaign, which was hailed as "a challenge to all thinking Christians"? Practising, as opposed to professing, Christians comprise a very, very small minority of the white race which is itself a very small minority in the teeming millions of the world. Why aim at this insignificant group of people in an effort to destroy their faith and love of God? Surely this is all the proof we require of the reality of God's Plan. If that Plan is not painfully real to the Devil and his minions there would be no need to have launched such an extensive attack against God and His pitifully few supporters, would there?

I repeat that this assault against the minds and bodies of men is aimed only at the white Christian races and at no-one else. Again, one must ask why. Much as the idea is belittled and sneered at, it is an incontestable fact that the only peoples who have brought any material or spiritual blessings to this world have been the Anglo-Celtic-Saxon peoples acting under the tremendous resurgence of faith which followed the Reformation. If the white races, with the knowledge, initiative and technical know-how which is their prerogative, are the only people who have been able to achieve anything constructive in this world, why aim at their destruction? Only a lunatic kills the goose which lays the golden egg. This ceases to be a puzzle if one has taken the elementary precaution of trying to learn how your enemy thinks. Years back, a gentleman by the name of Lenatcharsky took time off from his self-imposed duties of preaching to the Christians that they must love their neighbours. He took advantage of this respite to talk to his own people whom he told, "Christianity and Christians must be regarded as our greatest enemies. We hate them. We have dealt with the kings of the earth. Let us now apply ourselves to the king of heaven." There is not much doubt about that dialectical application of "Love thy neighbour"! And take this one which came from Budapest in 1952, where the plan for one-world government was amplified. "Our Control Commissions will forbid the whites to mate with the whites. The white women must cohabit with members of the dark races, the white man with the black woman . . . Mixing the white with the dark means the end of the white man and our most dangerous enemy will become only a memory. Our superior intelligence will easily enable us to retain mastery over a world of dark peoples."

Incidentally, I wonder if the Bishop of Mashonaland has drawn God's attention to the fact that He has allowed man to outstrip Him in the art of "cross-breeding in His highest creation"? God, apparently, has had no difficulty in carrying on His creative crossbreeding even though there is neither male nor female to breed from. Just how man is going to carry on with his destructive crossbreeding if, in addition to the lack of the two vital participants, God is dead, really does present a challenge in the true sense of that word.

This determination to smash white Christianity is, I submit, clear proof that even if our own people are ignorant on the subject, there are some who are in no doubt as to the reality of God's Plan and the vital part that

the white Christian people are, whether they like it or not, destined to play in the fulfilment of that Plan.

It was, of course, no simple matter to lead the resurgent Israel of the 16th–19th centuries away from God Who had led them to such unprecedented heights of glory, or to blur and eradicate their inherent memory of the fact that God had a plan involving that nation. Calvary with its unmistakable blessings of personal salvation supplied the answer in one direction by opening the way for concentration on the individual to the complete exclusion of the nation. But some substitute had to be found for God towards Whom Israel has always looked back instinctively even as she walks away from Him. Satan had the answer all ready made. Just as the Anglo-Celtic-Saxon people began to emerge as an unmistakably dominant force for good after the Napoleonic Wars we see the rise of Marxist Socialism which paved the way for the total surrender of oneself to the god of the Socialist welfare state in the first instance, and finally to the god of one-world government in the hands of the few evil geniuses through whom Satan has been working over the centuries since Calvary.

And so we have the situation we are viewing today. The idea that Israel still exists as a nation is laughed to scorn. God and His Plan to win back His creation through the nation of Israel are pooh-poohed. In His place we see the welfare state pretending to be the benefactor from which peace, health, prosperity and happiness must flow. We know that these benefits can only flow from the honest, productive activity of a people working under God's perfect laws but we have been brain-washed for so many years now that most of our people really do believe that these benefits flow from some legislative fiat, some magical opening of doors by the passage of man-made laws which automatically make men healthy and wealthy and wise.

A Convention such as this should be a time of great joy and satisfaction as we study the Word of God and are made to realise that the Omniscience and the Omnipotence of God and the Reality of His Plan to use the literal nation of Israel so that all the families of the earth shall be blessed are the only things of which we can be certain in this changing world. I was, therefore, very hesitant about painting the gloomy picture I have painted in a setting such as this. I am sorry, but I cannot help doing that. Whether we like it or not the picture is terrifyingly gloomy – and it is designedly so. Satan's plan is that our minds should become so shocked and numbed by the ever-increasing violence and horror and evil that he has instigated in this world that we will, in abject terror, throw in the sponge without a fight. He hopes that we will, in sheer desperation, start to subscribe to that Satanic adage, "If you can't bust a racket, get in on it". But this should come as no surprise to us. We are now witnessing the fulfilment in minutest detail of exactly what God in His Word told us would be happening at the end of this age. The incredible fulfilment of prophecy as evidenced by the secular history of this world has convinced us of the certainty of the fulfilment of God's assurances finally to intervene and jerk this conspiracy of evil back to the realisation that He is God. We

know that He holds the nations of this earth in the palm of His hand and that the outcome will be just as He said it would be.

The going at this particular section of the road is hard and dangerous and terrifying, but the prospect at the end of the journey is glorious, but that is a talk in itself. As I see it, there is only one point which is still in doubt – just where will we stand when God is finally constrained to move to put an end to the forces of evil which at the present moment are running rampant throughout His world? Will we be amongst those who will plaintively enquire of Christ, "Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name", only to be met with those sorrowing but irrevocably final words, "Get thee from me. I never knew you"? I suggest that unless we are inclined to be a bit more active and militant in support of God than we are at the moment, we are going to find ourselves thrust out of God's Kingdom and living amongst the heathen in the outer darkness, gibbering and praying for the blessed relief of the first death. You will note that I take it for granted that this will occur in my lifetime, and I'm no chicken. But that also is a talk in itself. The choice is ours. The right to qualify for service in God's literal Kingdom here on earth, for which we pray daily in the Lord's Prayer, is ours for the asking. I suggest that we all pray to God to strengthen and maintain our resolve to start fighting for that right from this moment onwards.

AMEN.

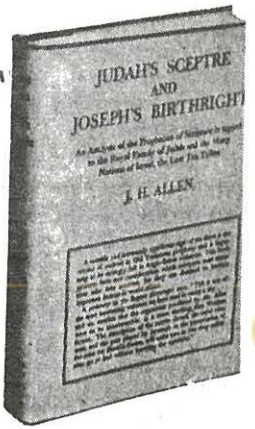
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The Days of Reckoning

By Mrs. D. Price.

THE 1979 BRITISH ELECTIONS.

"BY MEASURE HATH HE MEASURED THE TIMES, AND BY NUMBER HATH HE NUMBERED THE TIMES; AND HE DOTH NOT MOVE NOR STIR THEM, UNTIL THE SAID MEASURE BE FULFILLED." (2 Esdras 3:37.)

Before working out charts based on Biblical time cycles, one must have relevent starting points for counting the days. This principle is followed throughout. Please note that these charts are without political bias, my forebears having left England in 1853 for Australia.

From the elections on May 3 - 1979 to the State opening of Parliament by Her Majesty the Queen, there will be several important events, and so we leave their charts to later articles.

The sudden death of King George VI in February 1952 led to the accession of Princess Elizabeth to the Throne, and a new pattern of time cycles began to emerge. In a later article a chart will be given covering events from 1952 to 1979 and their links with dates up to the year September 2001.

Death of King George VI
Accession of Elizabeth
February 6 - 1952

British
Elections.
May 3 - 1979

	888	Davidic Throne.
2 x 1600 =	3200	Rev.14:20 Judgment.
2 x 2300 =	4600	Dan.8:14 Cleansing.
	1200	Rev.11:3 Tribulation.
	9948 days	

MR. CALLAGAN
PRIME MINISTER
April 5/7 1976.

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1 9 7 9
May 24/26.

4 x 286.1 = 1144.4 days
Great Pyramid Displacement Cycle

(Note: I regret I have no record of the date of P/M. Callaghan's birth.)

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FORMER PRIME MINISTER, SIR HAROLD WILSON.

Harold Wilson P/M.
March 4 - 1974.

U.K. Elections
May 3 - 1979.

1600 plus 286.1 days.

Judgment and Displacement.

MRS. THATCHER, LEADER OF CONSERVATIVE PARTY.

BORN
Oct. 15 - 1925.

U.K. Elections
May 3 - 1979.

888 The Lord's Number
2 x 1335 = 2670 Dan.12:12 Blessing
10 x 1600 =16000 Rev.14:20 Judgment.

19558 days.

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Many major events in current British History have been linked by Divine Time Measures with the 1927 SOLAR ECLIPSE which was visible over the whole of the British Isles. Of a truth, Britain has been eclipsed as a great WORLD POWER to the bewilderment of many people.

Total SOLAR ECLIPSE 1 9 7 9
OVER U.K. MAY 9.
JUNE 27-1927

2 x 888 = 1776 The Lord's Number
60 x 286 =17166 Displacement.

18942 days.

Is the Lord's number of 888 coupled with the displcement A SIGN, a shake-up in the mass-spirit of the British Nation which may soon begin?

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U.K. Voted to join E.E.C.
June 5 - 1975 MAY 9 - 1979.

5 x 286 days
DISPLACEMENT FORESHADOWED.

10 x 153 Israel, My People AUG 13 - 1979.

Rome Treaty Signed
March 25 - 1957.

2 x 888 = 1776 The Lord's No.
4 x1600 = 6400 Judgment
(Rev.14:20)

8178 days.

AN IMPORTANT NOTE. The frequency of the appearance of the number 8 8 8 as a time measure is very uncommon. 8 8 8 is the numerical value of the name JESUS in the Greek. In the majority of the charts in this article this significant and unusual number appeared.

WHY???

D.Price. 22/4/79.

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The Miracle of Pentecost

And when the day of Pentecost was fully come (Acts 2:1)

No other event has given rise to more controversy than Pentecost. For most Christians there comes a time when the fact and the challenge of Pentecost has to be faced. How does one do this?

It is necessary to consider some of the things that had preceded Pentecost. Though the Bible has a forward look, it is helpful sometimes to look backward. Among the outstanding facts we discover (a) that Almighty God had been very active in world history; (b) that He had promised to send Messiah to re-establish all things again in righteousness (Gen. 3:15; Eph. 1:10); (c) He had proceeded with His plan in calling the fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, and developed from them the nation of Israel; (d) He had given that nation, Charters, Laws, Commandments and Statutes. He had given that nation, prophets, priests and kings; (e) When the fulness of the time had come, God the Father sent His Own Son, Jesus Christ, to unite in Himself all these offices, plus that of being the true sacrificial Lamb of God to be offered for the sin of the world; (f) Messiah gathered around Himself disciples whom He proceeded to instruct in the things concerning 'the Kingdom of God', the main theme of Biblical revelation. His kingdom teaching and instruction was confirmed by the frequent demonstration of Kingdom Power. He had thus far fulfilled all that was spoken of Him by the prophets; (g) He offered Himself as the perfect sufficient sacrifice on Calvary; (h) He rose from the dead and for forty days demonstrated the nature of His resurrection and the reality of it, and continued His final instructions. (i) He ascended to the right hand of the Majesty on high, where He has been seated, waiting and expecting.

INSTRUCTIONS

All these things preceded Pentecost and what is of interest to us, must be our Lord's instructions prior to His ascension. We read in Acts 1:2 that it was through the Holy Spirit that the Risen Christ gave commandments to those He had chosen to represent Him in the world. He told them to go into the world and preach the gospel to every creature (Mark 16:15). He told them that they were to make disciples of all nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. His purpose for them took in the universal scope of blessing in harmony with the Abrahamic Covenant. "In thee and in thy seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed" (Gen. 3:15). The disciples had asked the question, "Lord wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?" (Acts 1:6). Now note, Christ condemned not their conception of the Kingdom being restored to Israel, but their inquisitiveness as to 'when'. There are those who say and teach that the Kingdom is not going to be restored to Israel. Christ never said so. What He did say was that there was something else for them in the meantime. "But ye shall receive power, *after* the Holy Spirit is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and to the uttermost part of the earth" (Acts

1:8). Now what is all this but that ye shall be My ambassadors, My credentials, My representatives, in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, all the world! Ye shall receive the power, authority and the credentials to act for Me in My Name. It is more than significant that our Lord's instructions were not, as is so often thought, that they were to wait and pray for this power or authority. He had already promised to send or give it to them. To pray and ask for it would have been to disbelieve His promise! We do not doubt there would be prayer, but the record does not say that they were together to pray for the Holy Spirit prior to the actual Day of Pentecost.

THE MEANING OF PENTECOST

In Christ, God's ideal Prophet had come. In Christ, God's perfect Sin-Offering had come. And in Christ, God's perfect King had come. But to function as God's Priestly-King the Aaronic priesthood had to be ended, and the Order of Melchisedec (the Order of the Priestly-King) re-instituted, which it was with our Lord taking up the office of Priest-King. It would be surprising if such stupendous events in the economy of God were not attested by outstanding miraculous signs or demonstrations. Hence we read that our Lord was, "*Declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness (the Holy Spirit) by the resurrection of the dead*" (Rom. 1:4). The priesthood was jealously guarded in Israel and was confirmed by a miracle which occurred in the sight of all Israel, see 17th chapter of Numbers. Christ's Kingly-Priesthood has been confirmed by God by the miracle of resurrection and Pentecost. The attesting miracle of Pentecost was heard, not only by the people assembled, but by Jerusalem in general, their hearing was appealed to; their sight was arrested by fire, and to sight and sound was added the miracle of speaking in other languages.

Here then was the great inauguration ceremony of the Priestly-King's Kingdom Ambassadors. Resurrection and Pentecost were the vindication of every claim Christ made, He was God's ideal Prophet, Priest and King. The *final demonstration is not yet. That will come at the Advent in the future.* But now God has demonstrated that the Perfect Priest has arrived, the Perfect Sacrifice has been made and accepted, the Perfect Priestly-King sits at the right hand of the Majesty on high waiting and expecting until the time arrives for the functioning under His Kingship of the Kingdom of God on earth. The great question is, are we, as His Ambassadors, conveying to the world a true, faithful message as from the King? Are we interpreting His Kingdom message aright? For this was what Pentecost was for, the focusing of the world's attention upon the Divine attestation of God's Priestly-King highly honoured and exalted above all names. Since no King or Government can long exist by the toleration of rebellion against its Sovereign, so the Holy Spirit empowered royal ambassadors of God's King to demonstrate to the world the ideal life and blessings of the Kingdom. If we are not doing this, making the King known and seen, and His Kingdom instructions clear to the people, we are not in the true Pentecostal tradition. Power was given at Pentecost for service in the Kingdom of God. When it is diverted to some other course or object it becomes a curse instead of a blessing.

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SCRIPTURE CAMEOS

By Kenneth C Bavman

Knowledge. True and False

"The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge" (Proverbs 1:7)

"Whether there be knowledge it shall vanish away" (I Corinthians 13:8)

Like all else that has to do with the human mind, there is a true and a false side to knowledge Knowledge is the fund of human thought related to experience and contemplation: it is not static, but is subject to constant change. " it shall vanish away" as we are told by Paul the Apostle in the above-quoted passage Nothing could be more certain than this.

Contrasted with this picture of human knowledge, painfully acquired, often untrue or irrelevant, and always ephemeral, is what might be termed the true knowledge. This is "the knowledge of God" From this basic knowledge, all else that is satisfying to the human mind emerges – and remains unchanged except in degree. Proverbs 1:7 proclaims (margin) "The fear of the LORD is the *principal part* of knowledge." "Fear" is not "fright", in this context, as shallowly claimed by the enemies of God and man. "Fear" as thus used means "reverential respect and understanding". Those who have understanding of God, i.e., the knowledge of God, revere Him, respect Him. Knowing Him, they know His power and in this sense fear Him. It is this "fear" which both depends on, and also adds to, true knowledge.

Significantly, the atheistical doctrine of uniformity – that basic philosophy of modern science which proclaims "that existing processes, acting as at present, are sufficient to account for all geological changes", provides a remarkable example of purely human knowledge which is in process of "vanishing away" The first encouraging signs of a resurgence of true knowledge on the subject of our earth's early history have come to light *

Yet there is another sense in which the Scripture is being fulfilled – for *true knowledge* of earth's beginnings in relation to human history has all but "vanished away" during the past 100 years, owing to the uncritical acceptance of uniformitarian theory and the daughter-theories springing from it. It is not generally realised that Darwin's "theory of evolution" is a re-hash of ancient teachings, and was dependent for its acceptance in the "modern" world upon the earlier teachings of Lyell the attorney-turned-geologist. Lyell (1797–1875) taught a version of geology based upon the earlier work of James Hutton (1726–1797), a Scottish geologist: both claimed that there had never been any catastrophic reshaping of the earth's geological features, but

** An important, scientifically-oriented work recently published in the U.S.A. is "The Biblical Flood and the Ice Epoch", by Donald W. Patten (Pacific Meridian Publishing Co., Seattle, Washington). This excellent and thorough work carries to a further stage the studies of earlier authors, particularly Whitcomb and Morris, whose "The Genesis Flood" has gone through nine editions since its appearance in 1966.*

that all had been the product of vast periods of time; slow changes wrought by forces similar to those prevalent today.

Darwin based his "evolution" theory upon the same thought – namely, that vast periods of time had gradually brought about changes in the forms of life to suit gradually changing conditions upon the earth.

This philosophy (for it is philosophy rather than science) found ready support among the many scholars who – particularly between the early nineteenth and the early twentieth centuries – were trying to discover a secular basis for the various sciences. At this late stage of the 20th century, however, the compelling search for truth has led many leading scientists to question the premises (most of them guesses rather than facts) upon which the uniformitarian view of the sciences is based.

Honesty has led many scientists to admit that uniformitarian presuppositions have led up a blind alley, and that the time has arrived for new theories to be formulated. Scientists with a Christian background have at this point come forward with a "new look" at our most ancient literary sources, particularly the Bible. They have studied these records and the views of eminent scholars of the pre-Lyell era, and have re-discovered that the "catastrophism" (as opposed to "uniformitarianism") of Newton, Halley, Whiston and others is not only capable of being understood in terms of modern scientific knowledge (i.e., *knowledge* as opposed to *theory*), *but it explains many facts which cannot be explained by uniformitarian theories.*

The "man in the street" may shrug off these things, and feel they are of interest only to the scientifically-minded. But, on the contrary, these things are of the most vital interest to every one of us. For our daily lives, and the conditions under which we are living today, are directly affected by the "doctrine of uniformity".

It was by means of this quasi-scientific doctrine that men like Hutton, Lyell, Darwin and their followers laid the foundation for "modern" secularism. They threw the cold water of so-called "scientific" unbelief and agnosticism on the teachings of the Holy Scriptures. By questioning the historical and scientific validity of the Scriptures, they gave the lead to all would-be scholars for a century past. This in turn led to the questioning of the moral authority of Scripture, and then to the questioning of all established authority. The "Establishment" (meaning the conventional order of Western society) has deliberately been brought into contempt, and revolution in varying guises has been the inevitable result.

Hence we find today that the universities of the world are the prime movers in rebellion, the breeding-grounds of political unrest and subversion.

When we look at the great British Empire of a quarter of a century ago, and compare it with the sorry spectacle which Britain presents in every field today, we marvel that so great a Power could have been toppled, and the very basis of its greatness turned topsy-turvy in so short a time. We think of British missionaries (like Carey and Livingstone) and of devoted civil servants (like Raffles, the

founder of Singapore) and many others who maintained the beneficent Imperial influence which kept primitive peoples in a state of peace and progress over so long a period. We think of the proverbial British honesty and uprightness noted by so many historians. And we reflect with dismay on today's dismal contrast – as exemplified in the shady political intrigues by means of which British weapons and British passports are issued to Black terrorists (trained by the communist powers) to enable them to attack the peaceful enclaves of White civilisation in Southern Africa. We find it hard to believe. We wonder, too, at the disappearance of the "freedom of the high seas", which for centuries was guaranteed by *Great* Britain, but is now abrogated by Britain to prevent oil reaching Rhodesia.

All this has been done in the name of high-sounding "principles", such as "majority rule for Black Africans", "support for freedom fighters against the oppression of their white masters", and so on. All this deceptive jargon comes from the ranks of Socialism. Liberalism and Communism

Wherever has this un-British change of heart of character, come from?

There can be only one answer: it has come from the indoctrination of millions of British subjects through every kind of propaganda-medium – from college to cinema, from university to television, from newspaper to novel. And the basis of all this false teaching, this false knowledge, is the false doctrine of uniformity. Thus true knowledge has to a great extent vanished before the inroads of deception.

The greatest impact of false teaching has been upon the social sciences. It is here that these evil doctrines have done their greatest damage, because on the basis of a quasi-scientific authority they have eroded the the moral authority of centuries of Christian teaching and practice among the English-speaking peoples. The results of the trends in education a generation ago have come to fruition today. "By their fruits ye shall know them", advised Our Lord. And what an evil harvest it has proved to be! The generation of young adults in the Western world today is very nearly The Lost Generation. It is most probably The *Last* Generation which will arise to adulthood under human government.

Not only by their fruits do we recognise this, however: there is "the more sure word of prophecy, whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn . . ." For the very doctrine of uniformity which is false science's pride and the basis of its standpoint today, *was prophesied by Peter the Apostle nearly two thousand years ago:*

"Knowing this first", he wrote (note that he is imparting *knowledge*); "that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, and saying: 'where is the promise of his (i.e., Christ's) coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation . . .?" (See II Peter 3:3).

How true. These "scoffers" are among us today.

When we read books or magazines or newspapers, or listen to the radio, let us

remember these things. Let us remember that all talk of "millions of years" for the formation of earth's topographical features; of "cave men" and "evolution", of "ice ages" of vast duration of time, of "missing links", of the "equality of man", of the inevitability of human progress, of socialism and communism, reflects only the falsity inseparable from the false doctrine of uniformity, which has long been foretold in our text-book – the Bible.

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Abraham had been on an errand of mercy and had rescued Lot and his family who had been taken captive, and on his victorious journey home was met by Melchizedek Abraham offered a tenth of his spoils and received a blessing from this priest, the priestly blessing *bread and wine* Melchizedek was greater than Abraham The writer of the epistle to the Hebrews says *the less is blessed of the better* And we are exhorted to consider how great this man was unto whom even the patriarch Abraham offered tithes.

Why is this new order named after Melchizedek? Melchizedek was not only a Priest of the Most High God, he was also a king King of Salem. The combination of the offices of king and priest is quite new. In Israel it was not so. The King had no authority to act as priest, and the priest could not rule over the people. Ancient and modern history records many wars which have been fought when the priesthood clashed with the monarchy

The world has known all types of rulers kings, queens, presidents, protectors, dictators, but it has never known a King-Priest. This kind of ruler is reserved for the Messianic Kingdom. The Messiah will *rule the nations with a rod of iron* as King, but as Priest He will *bind up the broken-hearted, proclaim liberty to the captives and the opening of the prison to them that are bound,* and He will be able to release from sin, having offered the eternal sacrifice.

God has created a new Order of Priesthood in Melchizedek An order is not established for two members only. There will be other king-priests under the Messiah and of this Order. In the Apocalypse, John hears those around the throne singing the new song and saying: *And hast made us unto our God kings and priests*

(combined office) *and we shall reign on the earth.* The Apostle Peter speaks also of the Royal Priesthood. These priests are royal—they are also kings. In this Royal Priesthood will be the administrators of the Kingdom.

The world of tomorrow, having suffered the judgment of God, will need priestly rulers, and the need is met by the creation of this new and glorious form of administration.

The calling to priesthood is of God. *No man taketh this honour unto himself* (Heb. 5:4). Self-appointed priests are no priests. They cannot be; if they are self-appointed, they have not the priestly spirit. The priestly office is one of service, first to God and then to the people; and one who has this spirit of service does not seek his own appointment.

Training for the priesthood is through suffering. This was the appointment, even for Christ, in order that He might be a faithful High Priest—one who could sympathize. First he learns to suffer and is then endued with the power of healing —all forms of healing for spirit and body. With *prayers, supplications, strong crying and tears, Jesus learned obedience by the things which he suffered, and being perfected in his training was called of God, an High Priest after the order of Melchizedek* (Heb. 5:7-10). On Calvary's altar He offered the eternal and acceptable sacrifice for sin, and at His gracious hands we receive His priestly blessings and He offers to us, as Melchizedek did to Abraham . . . bread and wine with all its sustaining grace.

The sons of Zebedee had a devoted mother who wished for them a prominent place in the Kingdom—in fact, the right and left-hand places of the throne of David. Well might Jesus say, *Ye know not what ye ask.* In answer to the request, He offered the cup of suffering which they said they would accept, but the places in the Kingdom were not His to give. His Father did the appointing. Paul wrote to Timothy: *If we suffer, we shall also reign with him.* How often is this forgotten—the reigning depends upon the suffering.

Our King-Priest officiates at this present time in the heavenly sanctuary, and by the blood of Jesus the believer has liberty to enter "the holiest." Here is the mercy-seat, and here He receives us and forgives us as we confess our sins. Here He blesses us and strengthens us, refreshes and cheers us. In this place of communion, through our prayers and listening to His voice, we receive instruction, and by fellowship with the great High Priest, are being trained for a place in the Royal Priesthood of the Kingdom of Christ.

The priestly calling is the most wonderful of all—to love, to suffer, to

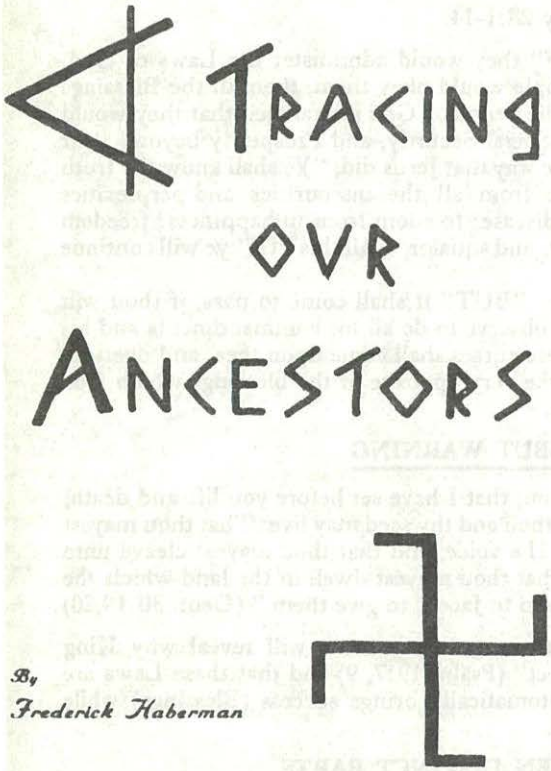
show mercy, to strengthen, to heal and bind up, to correct, to bless, to sympathize, are all part of the priestly service. The sanctuary is the place where those who have a priestly spirit, even now intercede on behalf of those they love—even their enemies. These bring their hearts to God, and when they cannot pray, the spirit *searcheth their hearts* and interprets for them.

Let us be faithful to our task, calling daily for the return of Christ, for our King-Priest to occupy the throne of David . . . *Even he shall build the temple of the Lord; and he shall bear the glory, and shall sit and rule upon his throne; and he shall be a priest upon his throne* (Zech. 6:13). *Surely I come quickly, even so, come Lord Jesus.*

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Chapter 9

THE PALESTINIAN COVENANT

The Palestinian Covenant is found in Deuteronomy 30:1-10, but in order to secure a thorough understanding of the Covenant the whole chapters of Lev. 26, and Deut. 28,29,30 should be read carefully - and studied.

This Covenant was made with the Israel people just before they entered the Promised Land, and lays down the conditions under which they can remain in possession. It is important to realize that the Nation has never yet occupied the land under the Unconditional Abrahamic Covenant; nor has it ever possessed the whole land, (see Gen. 15:18; also Numbers 34:1-12) but only that small portion known as Palestine.

THE "IF" AND "BUT" CLAUSES OF THE COVENANT

Read carefully Leviticus 26:1-13, and Deuteronomy 28:1-14.

"IF" the Nation would be faithful to God - "IF" they would administer the Laws of God, make them the Law of the Land, and "IF" the people would obey them, then all the Blessings the human heart longs for would be poured out on the people. God guaranteed that they would have Permanent Peace, Perfect Health, Happiness, Social Security, and Prosperity beyond their wildest dreams. Or to put it in the short and concise way that Jesus did, "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free."(John 8:32) Free from all the insecurities and perplexities of life. Free from war; free from sickness and disease; freedom from unhappiness; freedom from Social Insecurity; freedom from poverty, want, and squalor. All this "IF" ye will continue in My Word."

"BUT". Starting at Lev. 26:14 and Deut. 28:15. "BUT" it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee." And then follows all the details which are the very opposite of the blessings which God desires to pour out on a faithful and obedient people.

MAN'S FREE WILL - BUT WARNING

"I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live: That thou mayest love the Lord thy God, and that thou mayest obey His voice, and that thou mayest cleave unto him: for he is thy life, and the length of thy days: that thou mayest dwell in the land which the Lord sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them." (Deut. 30:19,20)

A reasonable study of the Commandments, Statutes and Judgments will reveal why King David could declare "The Law of the Lord is perfect" (Psalm 19:7, 9) and that these Laws are the Natural Laws of the Universe. Obedience automatically brings success (Blessings) while disobedience automatically brings failure (cursings).

THE COVENANT IS IN SEVEN DISTINCT PARTS

Deuteronomy 30:1-10 contains a most remarkable synoptic pre-view of the history of the Israel

nation from that time to this, and beyond into the future. (a period from about 1450 B.C. – of which over 3400 years are now past).

1. Dispossession of the land for disobedience. Deut. 30:1. (see also Deut. 28:63-68; Gen. 15:18)
2. Future repentance while still dispossessed. Deut. 30:2; (Luke 15:11-32)
3. Return of the Lord. Deut. 30:3. (Amos 9:9-14; Acts 15:14-17; Luke 1:32, 33; Acts 1:11)
4. Restoration to the Land. Deut. 30:5. (Isa. 11:11, 12; Jer. 23:3-8; Ezek. 37:21 to 25)
5. National Conversion, Deut. 30:6. (Romans 11:26, 27; Ezek. 36:16-38; Hosea 2:14-16.
6. Judgment of Israel's enemies. Deut. 30:7. (Isa. 14:1, 2; Ezek. 38 & 39; Joel 3:1-8; Matthew 25:31-46)
7. National Prosperity. Deut. 30:9. (Amos 9:11-14; Isa. 65:17-25)

DISPOSSESSION AND PUNISHMENT FOR LIMITED TIME

For disobedience Israel was to be divorced (Jer. 3:8) from God (no longer in partnership with God) and their land. They would lose their name Israel, and be called by another name. (Isaiah 65:15) They would be called after Isaac instead of Israel. (Gen. 21:12; Romans 9:7; i.e. Saxons) They would undergo punishment, correction, training through experience, for a definite period of time – not forever.

Leviticus 26 and Deuteronomy 28, 29, 30 tells of the punishment clauses in the Covenant. Leviticus 26:18, 21, 24, 28 informs us that the Age of Punishment shall be for "Seven Times". After which comes National Conversion, Restoration, and National Prosperity under the Direct and Personal Sovereignty of the King of Israel, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

"Seven Times" of punishment is explained in the Bible as being 2520 years, but this will be dealt with in future chapters.

ISRAEL NOT TO BE DESTROYED

After enumerating the punishments that would befall Israel for her wicked, sinful, idolatrous and adulterous ways, God makes this positive statement:

"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." Leviticus 26:44, 45.

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Israel, Judah and the Jews

'The House of Israel' is not synonymous with the 'House of Judah'. The House of Judah and some of the Jews are *of* Israel, that is, descended from Jacob. The distinction we wish to emphasize is that while some Jews are Israelites, all Israelites are not necessarily Jews. In a similar way, all Scots are British, but all the British are not Scots. When the general blessings were apportioned at Jacob's death, the Messiah was promised, with the sovereignty, to Judah; but the 'multitude of nations' and the temporal grandeur of the birthright were given to Joseph. The House of Israel was to obtain these in the latter days, or the Christian era. Ten-tribed Israel was to be divorced under the Mosaic law and its identity temporarily lost to history,but known to God; it was to be recovenanted in Christ to enjoy the Israel birthright in the Isles of the Sea, to be His nation of evangelists in the world, and the inheritor of the Kingdom of God. The prophets display meticulous care in their address to the 'House of Israel', the 'House of Judah' and 'the inhabitants of Jerusalem' (the Jews). To apply to one 'House' a prophecy which refers to the other is clearly to misapply the message and confuse the issue. A careful regard of this distinction is prerequisite to the correct understanding of the prophetic Scriptures.

Prophecies Concerning

ISRAEL

Israel to have a change of name (Isa. 65:15).

Israel to be called by a new name (Isa. 62:2).

Israel to be called after Isaac (Gen. 21:12).

Israel to be blind to their identity (Rom. 11:25; Isa. 42:16-19).
Israel to be a multitudinous people (Gen. 13:16; 15:5).
Israel to become known as the righteous Nation that keepeth the truth (Isa. 60:21; 26:2).
Israel to become a Nation and a Company of Nations (Gen. 35:11).
Israel to make a new home in the Appointed Place—the Isles of the Sea (2 Sam. 7:10; Isa. 24:15; 49:1; Jer. 31:10).
Israel to be a Nation for ever (Jer. 31:35, 36).

Israel to have a perpetual monarchy (Jer. 33:17).
Israel to come under a new covenant (Jer. 31:31-34).
Israel to be called the sons of God (Hos. 1:10; Rom 8:14).
Israel was taken captive into Assyria by Shalmaneser, circa 721 B.C. (2 Kings 18:11, etc.).
Israel were to be immune from defeat in war (Isa. 54:17; Lev. 26:6-8).

THE JEWS

The Jews to be known by a change in physiognomy (Isa. 3:9).
The Jews have retained their old name unchanged.
The Jews' name to be a curse to them (Isa. 65:15).
The Jews still claim to be the chosen people.

The Jews to be bereft of children (Jer. 15:7).

The Jews to be a reproach and a proverb, a taunt and a curse (Jer. 24:9).
The Jews to be scattered in all the 'kingdoms of the earth for their hurt' (Jer. 24:9).
The Jews have been strangers in all lands (Jer. 15:4).

The Jewish Nation was broken in A.D. 70 (Dan. 9:24-27; Jer. 19:11).
The Jews have remained under the old law.
The Jews do not accept Jesus Christ as the Messiah.
Judah taken captive to Babylon by Nebuchadnezzar, circa 603 B.C. (2 Kings chs. 24 and 25).

The Jews are descended from the remnant of Judah which returned from captivity in the time of Ezra and Nehemiah.
The Jews have suffered endless persecution.

Israel had been removed from Palestine 700 years before the Crucifixion. When it occurred they were still absent, being at that time beyond the Euphrates, in their migration through Europe.

What We Believe

We Believe in God - the God of the Bible. (Exodus 3:4-14.)

We Believe in Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God. (John 1:14.)

We Believe in the Holy Spirit and His Mission. (John 14:26, Acts 2.)

We Believe in the atoning sacrifice of Jesus Christ on Calvary. (Matt. 26:28, Romans 5.)

We Believe in His ascension into Heaven. (Mark 16:19, Acts 1:9-11.)

We Believe in the bodily return of Christ (Acts 1:9-11) to take the throne of David (Isa. 9:7, Luke 1:32) and rule on this earth for a thousand years (Rev. 20:1-6); and that His Body, the Church, will be united with Him and reign with Him. (Eph. 5:24-33; Col. 1:24; 1 Cor. 15:50-58; 1 Thes. 4:14-18; Rev. 19:9).

We Believe John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

We Believe that personal salvation by faith in the atonement of Jesus Christ is necessary for all, Israelite, Jew and Gentile (Rom. 3:22-25). Each one must be born again. (John 3:1-7). To confess Christ, who died that sinful men might live, is individually supreme above all else. (Matt 10:32-33, Rom. 10:9-13).

We Believe the whole Bible, both the Old and New Testaments; that it is the inerrant Word of God (II Peter 1:9-21). We believe its history, its covenants, its promises.

We Believe in its Gospel of Grace (Eph. 2:1-8), which is the Gospel of Salvation to all men.

We Believe in, and seek to make known, the Gospel of the Kingdom (Matt. 4:23, 24:14).

We Believe that the Bible contains God's Plan for the remedy of all human ills, and that this plan is being worked out through the Bible people called Israel. (II Sam. 7; Deut. 32:8).

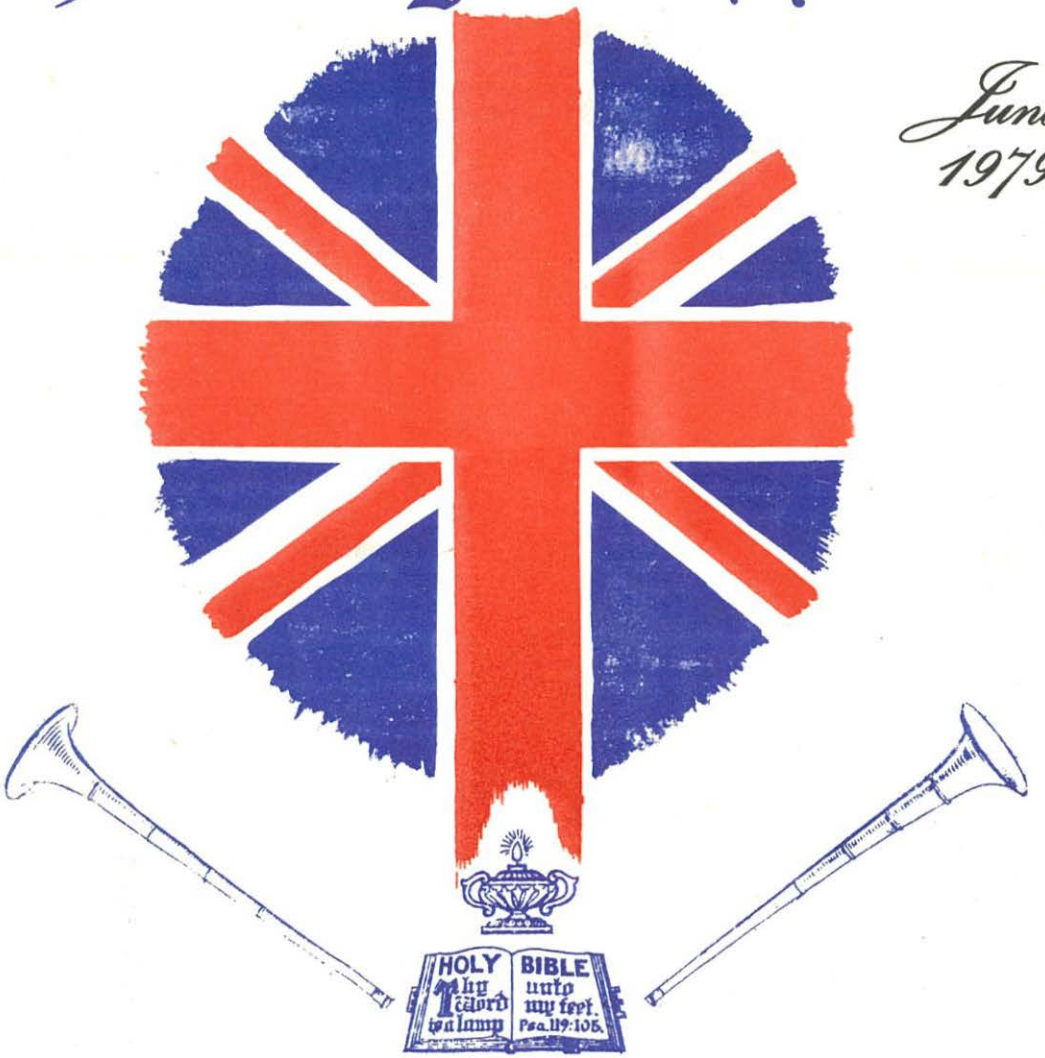
We Believe that this people Israel, consisting of twelve tribes (Exod. 28:21; Rev. 21:12), the descendents of the twelve sons of Jacob, were chosen of God to be His 'peculiar people' and 'servant nation' through whom all the other nations of the earth are to be blessed. (Exod. 19:5; Deut. 7:6-8; Isa. 41:8, 42:6; Gen. 22:16-18).

We Believe that the differentiation between 'Israel' and 'Judah' is clearly marked in the Scriptures. (See I Kings 12; Jer. 3:6-11; Ps. 114:1-2; Ezek. 37; Zech 11:7-14; II Chron. 10). They are not interchangeable terms. To understand this is to possess the key to Israel Truth. (Ps. 114:2; I Chron. 5:1-2).

We Believe the time has come when the 'lost' Israel "nation and company of nations" (Gen 35:11) has been found and positively identified. Only one race today answers in every detail to the Bible picture of Israel "in the latter days," and that is the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic — the British Commonwealth of white nations and the United States of America They possess what Israel was to possess and are doing what Israel was to do. The identities of this race with Israel are so many and so pronounced that one who re-reads and studies his Bible in the light of this great truth will make discoveries that will cause him to give this subject most serious thought, especially in view of what is happening in literal ful-fillment of Bible prophecy in the world today. The nations are in turmoil. The power of the Holy People (Anglo-Saxon-Israel) is being broken (Dan. 12:7). The old Babylonian social order is being overthrown, and the world is being prepared for the Return of the Lord Jesus Christ, for His reign upon the Throne of His father David, and the glorious restoration of the Kingdom of God on earth. (Zech. 14:9; Luke 1:32-33).

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Marks of Israel

During the Christian dispensation lost Israel were to possess certain marks of identification

A great and mighty nation.	Gen. 12:2; 18:18; Deut. 4:7,8.
Named 'Great'.	Gen. 12:2.
The chief of the nations.	Gen. 27:29; Deut. 7:6; 15:6.
A maritime nation, having command of the seas.	Gen. 49:25; Num. 24:7; Deut. 33:13, 19; Psa. 89:25.
A company or commonwealth of nations.	Gen. 35:11; 48:19 Eph. 2:12.
A missionary nation.	Gen. 22:18; Isa. 43:21; 49:6; 66:19.
The custodian of God's Word.	Psa. 147:19, 20; Isa. 59:21.
A just nation.	Gen. 18:19; Lev. 19:15; Deut. 1:17; Zeph. 3:13.
God's instrument in destroying evil.	Jer. 51:20; Dan. 2:34,35.
An undefeated nation.	Isa. 54:17; Micah 5:8,9.
Blind to their identity.	Isa. 29:10-12; 42:16, 19, 20; Rom. 11:7, 8, 25.
Have an island home north and west of Palestine.	Isa. 49:1-3, 12; Jer. 3:18; 31:8.
Occupy islands and coastlands.	Isa. 24:15; 41:1, 5; 49:1-3; 51:5; Jer. 31:8, 10.
Possess the gate of his enemies.	Gen. 22:17, 24:60.
Have multitudinous seed.	Gen. 13:16; 15:5; 22:17; 24:60; 26:4, 24; 28:3, 14; 32:12.
Colonize and spread abroad.	Gen. 28:14; 49:22; Deut. 32:8; 33:17; Psa. 2:8; Isa. 26:15; 27:6; 54:2; Zech. 10:8, 9.
Lose first colony and then expand, demanding more living space.	Isa. 49:20.
Irrigate the deserts and build the waste places.	Isa. 35:1; 43:19, 20; 58:11, 12.
Possess the wealth of the earth.	Gen. 27:28; 49:25, 26; Deut. 33:13-16.
Possess the heritage of the heathen.	2 Sam. 22:44; Psa. 2:8; 111:6.
Receive strangers and refugees.	Lev. 19:33, 34; Isa. 11:10; 14:1; 55:5; 56:6-8;Zech. 8:22.
Set free slaves and prisoners.	Psa. 72:4; Isa. 42:7; 49:9; 58:6.
Have a descendant of King David reigning over them.	2 Sam. 7:13; 1 Chron. 22:10; 2 Chron. 13:5; Psa. 89:35-37; Jer. 33:17.
Lose all trace of their lineage.	Hos. 1:9, 10; Isa. 42:16; Rom. 11:25.
The power of the Holy People is to be broken.	Dan. 12:7; Deut. 32:29-36.

The British Commonwealth of Nations possesses every one of these marks — therefore they are lost Israel. The United States of America possesses some of them.

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From The President's Desk

Greetings Christian Friends,

If the recent mini-budget introduced by the Government has proved nothing else, it has certainly proved the complete inability of governments to solve our present economic problems. Hand in hand with this is the proof of the sheer futility of placing any reliance on governments to do so.

But of course, economic problems are not the only ones which are destroying our nation and society. A very highly respected authority published a list of existing circumstances and problems which he shewed to be the basic causes of national collapse. I have set out below, a selection from his statement, and suggest that you read it very carefully.

1. The decay and decline of religion. Man losing all interest in the pursuit of religion.
2. Higher and higher taxes to support extravagant and bureaucratic governments and officials.
3. The growing lust for more brutal sports of all kinds.
4. The decline and collapse of the home.
5. Public apathy towards government
6. Loss of patriotism.
7. The importing of cheap foreign goods creating financial ruin for the home industry.
8. Public and Private debt. Spending beyond the means of both public and private individuals.
9. The lust for materialism, or the finer things of life.
10. Easy living, resulting in soft debilitating minds and bodies.
11. Heavy unemployment, creating great unrest and resentment among the masses.
12. Mongrelisation, or race mixing.

13. The repression of free speech and a free press.

14. Uncontrolled crime and violence in all forms.

15. A declining birth rate among the good white families, with a corresponding rise in the children of the mobs.

16. The rising cost of welfare.

17. The exhaustion of the soil. Erosion washing the topsoil from the farmlands.

18. The loss of thrift and independence.

19. Immorality in all forms becoming rampant among all classes.

20. The sacred rite of marriage transformed into multiple divorce.

21. Patriots who warned of impending danger being ridiculed and ostracized by society.

You will readily see that this list outlines the major problems of our present society. Whilst there may be other points which could be added to the list, we are living today with *EVERY ONE OF THESE FACTORS!*

BUT !!! The above list was NOT written about our present society.

The author was the famous historian and authority, Edward Gibbon.

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WHO'S WHO IN THE BIBLE.

By Rev. W.G. Finlay

"For they have taken of their daughters for themselves and for their sons: so that the holy seed have mingled themselves with the people of those lands: ..." (Ezra 9:2).

One of the great delusions of this time and certainly one of the most tragic is the ideological propaganda which contends against the retention of the dignity of racial and national identities. However, this situation should not be surprising to the student of the Word of Prophecy for this is but one aspect of the 'distress of nations' (Luke 21:25) which the Lord indicated as marking the end of the age. Another gigantic signpost given was that of universal deception and delusion which, taken in conjunction with national and international distress, provides the basis for a remarkable exposure of the most sinister of Satan's conspiracies.

The Integrity, Nature and Character of The God of the Bible is involved with the word 'Israel' and the confusion surrounding the identity of Israel is a reflection of an equal confusion in respect of man's comprehension of God. It requires little opthalmic exercise to read Genesis 22:16-18, Jeremiah 31:31-36 and Hebrews 8:8-10 and to verify the unique relationship intc which God entered with Israel and it requires very little mental endeavour to continue observing that 'the seed of Israel' (Jer. 31:31-36), being constituted the 'witness' of God (Isa. 43:12), was guaranteed a perpetuity so long as the material universe obtained. The simplicity of God's language in providing this guarantee is amazing and yet, more than amazing, is the utter confusion which passes for man's teaching.on this subject. Within the framework of this confusion, one is given to understand that the Church is Israel or, alternatively, that the Jews are Israel, neither of which contentions meet the scriptural requirements indicating the faithfulness of God to His Word and Covenants. It should be noted that it was the 'seed of *Israel*' which was guaranteed perpetuity – it was not the seed of *Abraham*, the 'father of the faithful' (Rom. 4:16-17) – thus pointing to the literal offspring of Jacob whose name was changed to Israel (Gen. 32:27-28) and divorcing the modern contention of the identity of the Church as Israel.

To any, but the deliberately blind, the statement in Malachi 3:6 settles the matter for all time. *"For I am the Lord, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed."*

This benediction is merely an extension of the promises of continuity which are found throughout the Old Testament and which, by virtue of its phraseology, allows for no ambiguous claim that God has changed His Mind and transferred His Oath-bound and unconditional Covenants to a cosmopolitan body of people bound together by the teaching of man. This theory is certainly lacking in scriptural authority and by attempting to invalidate the national Israel, falls within the category of the delusions of this age.

The identification of the Jews as Israel too falls within the framework of universal deception for mention of the word 'Israel' is immediately accepted as indicating the Jews. *Where, in the Bible, is it written that the Jews are Israel?* Men speak very glibly of 'Abraham the Jew' or of 'Moses the Jew' or that 'Moses led the Jews out of Egypt', *but where is the scriptural authority for these?* No such authority exists. The Bible mentions the word 'Jew' 282 times but, on the other hand, 'Israel' is mentioned 2,500 times and the question must arise: if 'Jew' means 'Israel' or *vice-versa*, why use the two words? This question leads to an interesting study which, while it may embrace ancient times and events, is nevertheless a vital one in respect of the delusions of this time.

The obvious starting point in such a study would naturally be Jacob-Israel who, it will be noted, was a twin to Esau. This relationship in a bygone age may appear to have little relevance today but, in pursuing the study, one will find an amazing story unfolding. Before the birth of the twins, Rebekah, the mother, was told by the Lord that she would give birth to two kinds of people (Gen. 25:23) and by reason of the 25th verse and Genesis 27:11 which describes Esau, the firstborn, as red and hairy as distinct from Jacob, one is given to understand that the phrase 'two manner of people' *indicates physical rather than spiritual differences.* Isaac, who was oblivious of the discourse between Rebekah and the Lord in respect of the future of his sons, appointed Esau as his heir to the birthright which, as is well known, Esau traded for a mess of pottage, the reddish colour of which in conjunction with Esau's general aspect, gave rise to the name 'Adom' or 'Edom' (Gen. 25:30).

To many, the act of obtaining the patriarchal blessing was an indication of Jacob's subtle character, but the whole story from the Divine announcement to Rebekah to Esau's 'despising his birthright' should be considered in this respect. Isaac bestowed the birthright blessing on Jacob (Gen. 27:29) and his blessing of Esau makes interesting reading. "Behold, thy dwelling shall be the fatness of the earth, and of the dew of heaven 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 ..." (Gen. 27:39-40). When did Esau-Edom have the dominion and when was his 'dwelling the fatness of the earth'? The answer is most illuminating.

Leaving Jacob-Israel and his progeny to pass through the tremendous experience of

slavery in Egypt, one follows the development of Esau-Edom into nationhood. Being divorced from the Covenant as was Ishmael before him, Esau married into that family and then later moved with his whole following towards the south, giving his name 'Edom' to the land formerly called the land of Seir and which was the possession of the Horites – a people whose origins, like those of the Emims, Anakims, Rephaims and Zuzims (Deut. 2:12 and Gen. 14:5-6) are lost in antiquity. The boundaries of this land of Edom are very concisely defined in the Scripture, having its western boundary in the valley of Arabah which was the line taken by Israel in their trek from the Sinai peninsula to Kadesh-barnea. The southern boundary was the sea-port of Elath which served that purpose for the Edomites. The northern demarcation for Edom was the land of Moab which was separated by the brook of Zered (Deut. 2:13,14,18). Unfortunately the eastern boundary is not defined but the Scripture indicates that Bozrah was the capital of the land – a name which figures very prominently in Isaiah 63:1-6.

What happened to the Horite inhabitants of the land is not known, but significant is the fact that the pattern of national life in Edom became identical with that of the Horites. The list of princes of kings provided in Genesis 36 vindicates this statement while at the time of Moses, chiefs and the king of Edom are mentioned (Ex. 15:15; Num. 20:14). Whatever may have happened to the Horites, the inhabitants of the land of Edom were called the 'brothers' of Israel (Num. 20:14; Deut. 2:4) which, in the sense that Esau was the brother of Jacob, was correct. This relationship of 'brother' should be borne in mind for it is again used in the post-captivity period in which the remnant of the tribes of Judah and Benjamin (42,360) returned from the Babylonian captivity.

In Deuteronomy 2:8 it is very clearly established that the children of Esau 'which dwelt in Seir, through the way of the plain of Elath' were the occupants of that territory and in II Kings 16:6 the Syrian king drove *'the Jews from Elath'* – a fact which is certainly self-explanatory. The record of wars and fluctuating fortunes of war between Edom and Judah-Israel is recorded in the Books of Chronicles and Kings. Was this Esau seeking to gain the 'dominion' promised by Isaac?

The history of Jacob-Israel at this time is well-known. After a brief period of unity under kings David and Solomon, the nation divided and became two separate kingdoms. The northern kingdom comprising the ten tribes, because of their continued transgression of the Law, passed into the Assyrian captivity from which they did not and could not return, having invoked the 'bill of divorce' (Jer. 3:8; Deut. 24:1-4). What happened to this major portion of the children of Jacob-Israel – remembering that it constituted five-sixths of the entire family – appears to create little interest and certainly forms no part of Christian teaching today. This is amazing when one considers that the birth-right tribe, Joseph-Ephraim, was among those passed into the Assyrian captivity.

Some 130 years later Israel's 'sister' Judah, too, went into captivity but it is signi-

ficant that this 'sister' did not come under the same 'bill of divorce' and therefore could legally return to the land. In the campaign now waged by the dominant Babylonian Empire against the remnant of Jacob-Israel left in the land, i.e., the two tribes of Benjamin and Judah, it would appear that the Edomites were notable for their viciousness and deep-seated resentment against Israel for the Psalmist when languishing in Babylon, singled them out and wrote: "Remember, O Lord, the children of Edom in the day of Jerusalem: who said, Rase it, rase it, even to the foundation thereof" (Psa. 137:7). While the Edomite forces were engaged in Nebuchadnezzar's campaign against Judah, the Nabatheans invaded the land of Edom or Idumea as it became called, and drove the Edomites westward forcing them to settle in what is now southern Palestine. Bearing in mind that the Edomites were now a nation of displaced persons, the most logical action would be to seek consolidation with some other people in similar circumstances. As will become obvious, they sought this among the remnant which returned from the Babylonian captivity.

When the decree of Cyrus (Ezra 1:2-4), whose Empire replaced that of Babylon, became effective and the rebuilding of Jerusalem and the temple was begun, a peculiar note is struck and is clearly evident in the writings of both Ezra and Nehemiah. In these two Books, the name 'Jew' becomes manifest. However, as one studies these Books, particularly that of Nehemiah, one notes a distinction between Judah, i.e., the remnant of that tribe which had returned, and the Jews. In Nehemiah 4:10 the remnant of Judah speaks: "And JUDAH said .... (verse 12) And it came to pass that when the JEWS *which dwelt by them* ..." From this it is obvious that 'Judah' and 'Jew' are not synonymous terms. In the 16th verse of the same chapter the phrase 'all the house of Judah' is mentioned and one is tempted to ask why, if the house of Judah means the Jews, they are not referred to as such? However, there is more to come. In the 5th chapter and in the first verse is recorded: "And there was a great cry of *the people* and of their wives against their *brethren the Jews.*" This is the precise formula of address recorded in respect of the relationship between Israel and Edom when Israel was passing from Sinai to the land of Canaan (Num. 20:14). In Nehemiah 5:8, the Jews are again referred to as 'our brethren' while in the 6th chapter, verse 6, the phrase 'thou and the Jews' clearly differentiates between thou – Judah and 'the Jews' – Edom.

Returning to the 5th chapter of Nehemiah, one notes the cry of the women of Judah because of the required labour and bondage necessary for the prodigious task of rebuilding the city and temple. It would appear that much was required of Judah while 'their brethren' were exempt from this. "Yet now our flesh is as the flesh of *our brethren*, our children as their children: and, lo, we bring into bondage our sons and daughters to be servants ..." The Spirit of the Lord had not stirred up Edom to rebuild Jerusalem therefore they, having infiltrated from the south among the remnant, were not prepared to bond themselves for a task which was merely political for them. They were quite prepared for Judah to bond them-

selves for this could be the basis for the 'dominion' which Isaac had inferred in his blessing of Esau.

After much political wrangling, the city and temple were completed but Ezra was shocked to realise that a vicious propaganda had created the national sin of miscegenation (Ezra 9:1-2). Who would be interested in the mongrelisation of the 'holy seed' of Judah-Israel but Esau-Edom? What better way could that 'dominion' over Israel be achieved? The first attempt failed for Ezra put it down swiftly. However, Ezra was not eternal and with his passing, a slow rot set in to these people whose existence had been limited to 70 prophetic weeks (Dan. 9:24).

During the turbulent period when the Medo-Persian Empire gave way to that of the Grecians, one finds the history of Judaea comparatively quiet with a willingness to live under the sovereignty of whatever Empire happened to dominate. During this period Judaea became cosmopolitan and with the introduction of numbers of aliens an all-time low was reached in Judah's spiritual relationship with God. With the advent of Antiochus Epiphanes who rescinded the Sabbath and made a mockery of the temple by pouring swine's broth over the altar, the spirit of patriotism asserted itself and Judas Maccabeus led a great revolt which culminated in the re-establishment of the true worship of God. In this process, and according to the Jewish Encyclopaedia, Maccabeus concentrated on the Edomites subjecting them to the dominion of Judah. This state of affairs did not last long for the dominion was broken and Edomite infiltration once again penetrated the land of Judaea. John Hyrcanus (125 B.C.) finally subdued the Edomites and forced an integration which ultimately caused the disappearance of the name Edomite. Antipateran Idumean–Edomite displaced the Judah–Israel line in Judaea and, according to the Jewish Encyclopaedia, this was the beginning of the Idumean dynasty which ruled over Judaea from that time until its conquest by the Romans. From this same source it is stated that "From this time the Idumeans ceased to be a separate people, though the name Idumea still existed at the time of Jerome."

This evidence is all the more significant when one considers the Gospel accounts of the Birth, Life, Death and Resurrection of the Lord. Jesus said: "My sheep hear my voice" – a statement which again sifts the wheat from the chaff for there were those in Judaea who gladly listened to Him while others sought His destruction. In John 8, one has the remarkable evidence of those who resisted Him and in all arrogance denied their need for deliverance. This chapter should be read and the obvious Edomite identity of the Jews noted. They claimed to be Abraham's seed, which was not denied, and then they claimed never to have been in bondage to any man, which, too, was not denied. Judah–Israel had been in bondage on at least two occasions (1) Egypt, and (2) Babylon, the first of which was commemorated in the keeping of the sabbath (Deut. 5:14-15) and the second a mere 400 odd years previously. Thus the record of John 8 is a clear testimony as to the identity of those Jews.

The historical record thus far is one of Edom seeking to capture the birth-right which

their father Esau had so recklessly traded for a mess of pottage. At the time of the First Advent they dominated the scene in Judaea with a dominion which has extended, in the various departments of life, to this very day. They forced the acceptance of the lie that their name, i.e., Jew, was synonymous with Israel and that, in fact, they were Israel. Conveniently forgotten is the fact that in or about the 8th century of the Christian dispensation a vast nation of mixed origins became 'Jews'. How can these people be the Israel of God? They had no connection with Palestine nor was there any association with the patriarchs Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. They hailed from the regions of the east – a fact which is attested to by their oriental cast of feature and were known as Chazars. Denial of this is useless. Consult the Jewish Encyclopaedia and under the heading 'Chazars' read these facts and know something of the great delusion of this time.

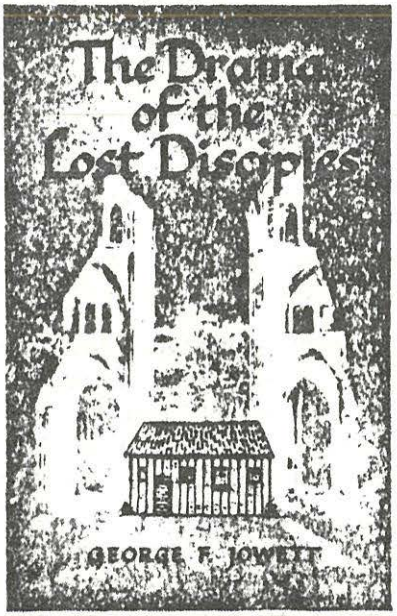
As has been stated above, the Edomites while rightfully claiming descent from Abraham, cannot claim the same descent from Jacob–Israel. They are thus not the 'seed of Israel'. The subsequent admixture of other races none of whom can claim any affinity with the patriarchs but who maintain that they are the 'chosen' people is exposed as a blatant lie. The question then arises: where are the people of Jacob–Israel? These 'hidden ones' (Psalm 83:3), the 'lost sheep of the house of Israel' (Matt. 10:6) must, if God is true and His Word reliable, be in existence today. How to find them is the problem and one has no other means than the faithfulness of God to His Word of Promise in His Covenants. Search these Covenants and then turn to the stage of world history.

Is it mere coincidence that the Anglo-Celto-Saxon and Kindred peoples fulfil the marks of God's Covenants which He put on Israel? Coincidence gives way to fact when promise after promise is fulfilled in the combined history of the Anglo-Celto-Saxon and Kindred people. That the greatness achieved under these Promises is on the decline need cause no doubt for this is the pattern of the events prescribed in the Word of Prophecy at the end of this dispensation (Dan. 12:7).

In approaching this subject one must be frank and, in this frame of mind, must admit that the Jews are not a nation nor do they stem from one common ancestor and consequently cannot fulfil the marks of Israel insofar as nationhood is concerned. Of the identity of part of them with Esau, there is sufficient Biblical and historical evidence, but this does not justify the claim that they are Israel for Esau–Edom was rejected by God from the status of 'ruling with God'. Anglo-Celto-Saxondom is Israel and the awakening of these people to their responsibilities is the object of this Federation. We seek to let God be true and endeavour to create a national desire within Anglo-Celto-Saxondom to let God have His purpose in our national existence. This purpose is designed for blessing by revealing the reality of God and His Mercy and Grace to which no people are lost. It is in the sight of all nations that Israel must function but she must first know who she is and to Whom she belongs. To this end, the Federation labours.

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CHRISTIAN ECONOMICS

by Pastor R. Thornton

First, let us look at God's Word for just a moment in this relation. In Gen. 2:15 we read, "And the Lord God took the man and put him into the garden of Eden, to dress it and to keep it." Now that would mean that God put Adam in the garden of Eden to prune, to mow, to gather fruit, to sort, to plant and to do many other chores which would keep him busy all through the day. A lot of people appear to believe that Almighty God placed Adam in the garden so that he might have a vacation – so that he might lie asleep on the grass or lie back and look up at the scudding clouds and take his ease. But, friends, do not be deceived. Almighty God placed Adam in the garden to work, "to dress it and to keep it." Although you might disagree with my interpretation as to exactly what dressing and keeping it means, you cannot disagree with the thought that is presented so clearly – that he was not given a vacation in the garden of Eden. He was placed there to "dress it and keep it," to do certain work which God had prescribed for him. We seem to have come to the place today in America where we have forgotten the fact that God did actually create man to work.

IN LAFAYETTE PARK

Now let us see what our editorial writer has to say about this. "Recently, there appeared in a magazine," the editor says, "a picture of a group of negroes and the tents in which they were living in Lafayette Park across the street from the east front of the White House. One of these negroes is holding a sign reading, 'we need houses in Mississippi.' Now, on the face of this black man holding this sign is the expression of one who feels that he is being deprived of something to which he has a right. Apparently he feels that he is entitled to a house and that the President of the United States ought to see that he gets it. His face wears the expression of one who is aggrieved by reason of injury that has been done to him. Now the man appears to be unaware that *any* obligation whatsoever rests upon him to earn a house, to build it or to acquire it by his own efforts.

POLITICAL GIVE–AWAYS

The man is not nearly so much to blame, however, for feeling that someone owes him a house as are the politicians who have been selling him this idea for a generation or more. Now, in effect, the aspirants for office in our country today have been telling people 'if you will vote for me, I will give you better wages, lower taxes, better social security payments, better schools, better roads, bigger housing subsidies and more direct help of all kinds from the government.' Now, the people are hardly to be blamed then for putting some measure of confidence in these promises and, indeed, enough wealth has been given away to convince them that there is a cornucopia somewhere that their political leaders are willing to pour out for them. Now, unfortunately, there is some substance in this promise as long as accumulated wealth remains available for our politicians to distribute. Please remember, friends, that all the wealth which they distribute is accumulated from our tax dollars –

yours and mine.

BACK TO THE BIBLE

When this wealth, however, is gone then it will become painfully apparent to all that we can have only that which we ourselves are willing to earn. "In a large degree," the editorial writer continues, "the initiative and self-reliance of many of our people has been destroyed because they have been taught to look to government to solve their problems." Now we will continue this editorial writer's comment in just a moment. But, first, let us go back to the Bible and see what God does say about work and labor. In Proverbs 12:11, we read, "He that tilleth his land shall be satisfied with bread; but he that followeth vain persons is void of understanding." Certainly this is plain language and it is apparent to me, at least, that our civil rights marchers and their sympathizers are following vain men, men filled with their own vanity at their efforts to turn this America of ours into a communistic camp. They certainly are not tilling their land, they certainly are not doing the work which is at their hand and so they do not deserve actually to be satisfied with bread, according to the Bible, because God's Word says that "he that tilleth his land shall be satisfied with bread but he that followeth vain persons is void of understanding." It goes without saying that the leaders of much of the civil rights movement today fall into the classification of vain persons.

RUTH'S PROBLEM

There are a number of examples of industry in the Bible. For instance, consider Ruth 2:17. If ever there ever was a welfare case, Ruth the Moabitess was one. She has just returned from Moab to the land of Judah. Her husband had come forth to Moab out of Judah many years ago. Now he is dead and she is returning to Judah. She has no husband. She has no home. She has no income and she has a dependent mother-in-law. What did she do? – apply for state aid? Did she go to her neighbors and say, "You owe me bread"? No, indeed. The Bible tells us what she did. Ruth 2:17. "So she gleaned in the field until even, and beat out that she had gleaned: and it was about an ephah of barley." She followed after the reapers in the field and she picked up the straws of grain which were left. She gathered these carefully and worked all day doing so and then she beat them out and took the grain that she had thus beat out and she had plenty of bread for that day. Now, she continued to do this many days until God changed her position and brought her a husband. So, at least, we can say that this is an example of industry and one which ought to be followed by our people.

WHO BOUGHT THE TENTS?

Let us go back to the editorial writer for a moment. He continues, concerning these people who were encamped in the park in Washington, D.C. "They were living in what appeared to be new, good quality tents and one cannot help but wonder who purchased these tents and who paid the expenses for these people who came all the way from Mississippi to Washington, D.C., just to picket the White House!" Certainly a few houses, at least, could have been built with the money so used and with the time which the campers wasted in making this foolish, lazy and futile effort. "Now the proper course", the editorial continues, "is for the people not only to support themselves but also to support the government. But this has been twisted into the belief that the government should support the people. That was not the ideology that made

our country great and prosperous." And I interject here my own thought to say that this is the proper course for all people, white or black. They are to support themselves and also the government.

Now, today, the pattern that is being taught to our people, both white and black, is that the government is to support the people and we appear to forget that the money that the government gives away is our tax dollars.

HOW TO CONQUER POVERTY

Not long ago, a New York newspaper carried the inspiring story of a Chinese family of nine. This family lived and worked in a small laundry in New York City. Three of the children slept in a cellar beneath the laundry. The rest of the family slept behind the laundry. Now the writer of the letter himself earned a Ph.D. Two of his brothers earned their M.D.'s and one became a dentist, another a teacher and one went into religious work. The members of this family never took relief and they always supported themselves. They gained their education, friends, by their own efforts. The writer of the letter suggests that eighteen hours of work a day and continuing study is the way to conquer poverty and improve one's living conditions. This is the real war on poverty and here it is functioning in New York City, implemented by a Chinese family. This is a fine example – a wonderful example -- of the only permanent way to cure poverty. This is a refreshing account and how sharply it contrasts with the people who show little interest in helping themselves but are fond of marching, fond of carrying banners, fond of shouting slogans and demanding that other people be compelled to support them.

A GREAT ECONOMIC SIN

"Certainly the attitude of the campers in Washington", continues the editorial writer, "was that their needs should be supplied by others and not by themselves. Now, that is wrong and the country cannot prosper on that basis. One of the greatest sins, probably the greatest sin, committed against the people of our country is to teach them the false philosophy that it is the business of others and not of themselves to provide the things which they need."

Let us go again to the Bible to see some of the examples that God has given us relative to work and to labor. In Acts 18:3, we read, "And because Paul was of the same craft (that is, trade), he abode with them (Aquila and Priscilla, that is) and he wrought." I call your attention to the word "wrought". In modern day language, it would be translated "worked". Paul abode with his friends, Aquila and Priscilla and they both belonged to the same trade as he. So, what did he do when he lived with them – he worked, friends, he worked. Paul worked. In I Cor. 4:12, Paul is admonishing Christians in Corinth. He says, "Labour, working with your own hands." Again, in I Thess. 4:11, Paul is writing to Christians in Thessalonica. This is his advice he says, "That you study to be quiet and to do your own business and to work with your own hands as we commanded you."

A CHRISTIAN WORKS

You see, this is a Christian commandment. Again, when we look at the insurrection that is taking place across our country in this area, when we see our streets filled with mobs of marchers and rioters, and then when we turn again to Paul's admonition that says study to be quiet and to do your own business and to work with your own hands, we see the difference between our so-called civil rights demonstrations and the Word of God.

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Scripture Cameos

By Kenneth C. Bayman

The families in heaven and on earth.

"I kneel before the Father from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name and nature."
– Ephesians 3:15. (Moffat)

The letters of Paul the Apostle to the Ephesians and Colossians deal with the relationship of the celestial beings to God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ on the one hand, and to the church of God on the other hand. By "church of God" is meant God's "family on earth", as opposed to His "families in heaven". This distinction is clearly made in the passage from the letter to the Ephesians, quoted above.

Few Christians realise that God the Father has not one, but many families, of whom the Adamic family is only one. Each family has its own particular name and nature, as also appears from the quoted passage of Scripture. Each one's destiny is different: the circumstances, nature and destiny which applies to one family does not necessarily apply to the others. The "families in the heavens" have their own order of being: they have their own rulers. Thus, Paul in Ephesians 1:21 refers to the "angelic Rulers, Authorities, Powers and Lords", in Ephesians 3:10 to the "angelic Rulers and Authorities in the heavenly sphere", and again in Ephesians 6:12 to the "angelic Rulers, the angelic Authorities, the potentates of the dark present, the spirit-forces of evil in the heavenly sphere."

These are strange and wonderful utterances.

We find, on reference to Paul's letter to the Colossians, that he mentions "seen and unseen" creatures, "both in heaven and on earth", "including Thrones, angelic Lords, celestial Powers and Rulers", "Elemental spirits of the world", "every angelic Ruler and Power". (See Colossians 1:16; 2:8,10.) (Quotations from Moffat version).

Then at the beginning of Chapter 2 of Ephesians we find a reference to this present world being "under the sway of the prince of the air – the spirit which is at present active within those sons of disobedience among whom all of us lived when we obeyed the passions of our flesh, carrying out the dictates of the flesh and its impulses . . ." What an abundance of evidence we see abroad in the world today, as to the activities of this unseen "prince of the air"! Like some air-borne contagion, he infects all mankind, and the only cure is that available in the one "through Whom the worlds were made", that is, the Lord Jesus Christ. Only that Almighty Power is able to give us release from the bonds of evil powers both of earthly and heavenly origin who abound in the region of the earth in these closing stages of the era of human government.

Why should these ubiquitous, immensely powerful denizens of the unseen world bother with the short-lived weaklings of earth? For,

as a dying woman once remarked wistfully to the writer: "What poor, weak creatures we are." What a true description of humanity in its sin, its pride, its weakness and mortality.

Yet, paradoxically, God the Creator, "the Father from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name and nature" has created man on the earth "a little lower than the angels" and has "crowned him with glory and honour." (See Psalm 8:4,5 quoted in Heb. 2:6-8). In this brief description of the nature and destiny of man lies many a strange and wonderful truth. In the first place, let us note that it is in the past tense. Man is not yet "crowned with glory and honour", but this is nevertheless his destiny as redeemed by "the strong Son of God". In creating man, God destined him for a place of glory and honour among His other families, and no Satanic interference will be allowed to prevent this aim being achieved. Not all men will be saved from the wreckage of Adamic creation: this is where the doctrine of "election" comes in, but it is not the "mechanical" type of selection often envisaged. The point is that *all* mankind will have had the opportunity during their brief span of existence on this earth of being linked with the Ever-living God Who gave them life. By nature many of them will have been incapable of being so linked. As a result of various complex factors arising from Satanic interference both directly and indirectly, humanity has become "the field of mixed seed".

Perplexed, often misled by philosophical speculations and atheistical propaganda, many people ask how it is that a God of Love can doom many – perhaps the majority – of Adam's race to eternal punishment. This is of course a subject deserving a study on its own, but here we may briefly point out:

1. If the contagion of sin is admitted into a perfect order of things, it would corrupt it: hence it must be excluded from the new order.
2. For reasons which go beyond the present Adamic order of creation, God permitted Satan to remain in existence, as a result of which he tempted the first human pair and brought about their downfall and the corruption of the entire order of creation associated with them. Incidentally, this is an example of what is stated in 1 above.
3. Thus in the Book of Revelation it is explicitly stated *firstly*, that Satan is "bound" during the 1,000 years of the Divine rule upon earth. It is during this time that the Golden Age spoken of by Isaiah and other prophets will run its course, proving the merit of even this earthly order of things and the possibilities inherent even in mortal man, once the source of sin and rebellion has been removed. *Secondly*, when Satan is released from his bonds at the end of the Millennial Age, immediately he reinfects the inhabitants of the earth, with the results depicted in Revelation 20:7-9. (See also 20:2,3).
4. The purpose of the releasing of this great but evil Being seems to be to demonstrate *firstly* that he is incapable of repentance and a changed nature; and *secondly* that the

consequence of evil (in this case pride and the lust for power) is destruction. The contagious nature of evil is also demonstrated, for despite the evidence provided by the Golden Age as to the merits of human life under Divine Rule, the mass of mankind on the earth at the time of Satan's release are nevertheless still deceived by him.

5. Thus the winding-up of the Adamic Order upon the earth at the close of the Millennial Age provides the hosts of heaven (i.e., the many orders of beings inhabiting other dwelling-places in the illimitable heavens) with a demonstration of the nature and futility of pride and rebellion.

Referring to the ancient prophecies of the great Plan of Salvation, the Apostle Peter pointed out that the prophets were unable to understand these things which they prophesied, for they were intended for a later age; and he makes the significant remark: "*which things the angels desire to look into.*" (I Peter 1:12)

Who are these "angels"? It is important to know this, because the vast demonstration taking place upon this earth is largely for their benefit. Moffat renders this passage: "The very angels long to get a glimpse of this!"

The word "angel" has more than one meaning, and that meaning is determined by the context in which it is used. Basically, the word means simply "messenger". No doubt this derivation refers to the very ancient idea that a being from the heavens is necessarily a messenger from God. But a study of the whole Bible reveals that *all* beings from the heavens (i.e., from space) are *not* "messengers from God" This fact will become apparent as we pursue our subject further.

Returning to the Apostle Paul's references to some of the other "families in the heavens and on earth", we find –

1. that Christ is above all "the angelic Rulers, Authorities, Powers and Lords, above every Name that is to be named, not only in this age but in the age to come" (Eph. 1:21).
2. that in opposition to Christ and therefore in rebellion, is "the prince of the air" – the spirit which is at present active within those sons of disobedience among whom all of us lived when we obeyed the passions of the flesh"; (Eph. 2:2,3)
3. there is a "*divine secret which God the Creator of all concealed from eternity* – intending to let the full sweep of the divine wisdom be disclosed now by the Church to the angelic Rulers and Authorities in the heavenly sphere in terms of the eternal purpose which he has realized in Christ Jesus our Lord"; (Eph. 3:9-11)
4. that beyond the visible struggle with evil men in the world (so much in evidence today!) "we have to struggle, not with blood and flesh, but with the angelic Rulers, the angelic Authorities, the potentates of the dark present, the spirit-forces of evil in the heavenly sphere" (Eph. 6:12)
5. that Christ "is the likeness of the unseen God, born first, before all the creation – for it was by him that all things were created both in the heavens and on earth, both the

seen and the unseen, including Thrones, Angelic Lords, celestial Powers and Rulers"; (Col. 1:15,16)

6. that it was in Christ that "the Divine Fullness willed to settle without limit, and by him to reconcile in his own person *all on earth* and *all in heaven* alike in a peace made by the blood of his cross"; (Col. 1:19,20)
7. that we are warned to beware of "a theosophy which is specious make-believe, on the lines of human tradition, corresponding to the Elemental Spirits of the world and not to Christ"; (Col. 2:8 – see also 2:10 and 20)

From the above-quoted passages of Scripture we note several astonishing things: *firstly*, that the Plan of Redemption which it is the true Church's *only* commission to preach, is "a divine secret concealed from eternity"; *secondly*, it is this "divine secret" which the "angels desire to look into" (or, as Moffat puts it, "the very angels long to get a glimpse of this"); *thirdly*, the divine wisdom is disclosed by the Church (i.e., the true Church teaching the one and only commission, the gospel or plan of redemption) "to the angelic Rulers and Authorities in the heavenly sphere"; *fourthly*, that Christ reconciles in his own person not only "all on earth", but also "*all in the heavens*"!

This is a tremendous revelation indeed.

How often does one hear proclaimed the astounding fact that the Plan of Redemption which Christ carried out personally is not limited in its effects to this earth, but embraces "all in the heavens"?

Because the truth is so great and awe-inspiring, and because its ramifications go infinitely far beyond the scope of the human mind, preachers tend to limit their teachings to the redemption of the families of the earth. True, it is the redemption of the race of Adam, and the justification of God's work in the earth, which provides the setting for this immense "divine secret", but the fact that it has effects which are cosmic in scope and which reveal "the full scope of the divine wisdom" illustrates the great importance of earthly affairs to celestial beings.

Thus we return to our earlier question: it is important to know what is signified by the term "angel": "who are these angels who long to get a glimpse of this"? And who are the "Elemental spirits of the world" who are set in opposition to Christ, and from whom we obtain release only through death? *

We hope to consider these important questions in the following article in this series.

All quotations are from the Moffat translation. Colossians, chapter 2, should be carefully studied.

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Divine Authority

By Allan Green

THE POWER OF THE LAW

The Saviour gave up His Spirit, Caiaphas retained his and lived on. The priest offended, but it was the people who paid. The price of the Crucifixion was paid forty years later.

It was all so unfair, we say. The guilty escaped and the innocent paid. The priest sinned. Of the people who paid forty years later, of the mad Edomites who defended Jerusalem against Titus, many whose blood flowed so madly were actually unborn when Caiaphas was craftily and deviously involving Pontius Pilate. It was all so obviously, so palpably wrong, we insist.

If we would spend a great deal more time studying the Lord, and a great deal less time criticising Him, we might do better. Solomon sinned: Rehoboam paid. And if the father of two fine and tenderly loved sons, with half his misspent life already misspent, would realise that it was on their backs that the price of the sin and folly of his own day and generation was likely to fall, he might, surprisingly, find the sword of judgment piercing his own vitals in their tenderest place.

If the sense were in his head, if his mind perceived beyond the rules of the local gambling fraternity, he might even realise that the Lord had been very clear, very specific, about His intentions, and yet had left time for him to stir himself into some effort to earn mitigation.

The Lord's word has stood for well over three thousand years. He has given plenty of time. Is it to be laid at His door if His critic has all along been too much engrossed with what might or might not win the three-thirty to take any notice? We make no apology for blunt words: softening down the ugly outlines of it all is not our business. Fair or unfair, we were forewarned. Fools neglect the forearming.

That the Lord's ways are high above our ways is point one of lesson one in discipline and propriety in His service. The British have no excuse for not knowing it; and perhaps our present brood of archbishops and bishops might do well to take a little time from their preoccupations with religious politics to cogitate on it. The Lord's savage threats to the neglectful shepherds of His people are also well over two thousand years old. The clerics, too, are forewarned.

TO THE DOGS WITH A DIFFERENCE

England is going to the dogs. We hear it on all sides. But this is by no means the first time England has been going to the dogs. John Wesley stepped out into an England, the morals of which stank to high heaven. His simple and sincere approach touched off among the common folk first revulsion to the filth that accompanies evil, and then a religious revolution.

But these days are different.

It is well to take a steady and factual look as to why they are different. The parsons just prior to Wesley's day earned notoriety by going fox hunting: the neglected people went from evil to evil. They turned their backs on the Lord and left Him alone. He was subjected to default and gross neglect.

But there was no attack on Him. The veracity and authority of His Word were not being undermined from within His own church. The higher critics had not got under way, and the clerics were generally too busy fox hunting and wine bibbing to bother. There was a certain protection for the hierarchy in this: to get respectably, politely and mildly drunk may hardly commend itself, but it was at least protection against the sober but thoroughly heinous process of attacking the Lord, and deliberately undermining the truth and authority of His Word by pseudo-scholarship.

These days are different because the veracity and authority of the Lord and His Word are now being attacked from within the state church of His Israel people. It is cardinal. It is vital. We say deliberately that it means the end of the church. Matthew in his Gospel makes it quite clear that there is no forgiveness.

VESSEL OF DISHONOUR

But that is by no means the full content of the story. It is common knowledge that the money power at this time works frantically for world domination. Indeed, unmasking this power is a journalistic success in the U.S.A. So far as we can make out, the sensationalism of it is thoroughly enjoyed by those whose appetites run that way, but it is heeded by few. And nobody does anything in particular about it, it appears. It is all very faith-shaking.

Truly, it seems, the devil moves in subtle yet raging power.

Such is the increasing parade of it that it is hard indeed for the simple soul to keep one prime fact in mind. It is that the devil had lost the battle for power long before it ever began. He never had any hope of winning. It is indeed a mistake to imagine that he fights the Lord, for nowhere does the Lord accord him that honour. His doom was pronounced beforehand. The Saviour confirmed it in John 12:31 16:11.

In fact, the dispositions in John's Gospel from about chapter twelve onwards repay careful study. But they need to be given their full weight in grand cosmic policy. The whole of John's words show him to have penetrated further into grand cosmic policy than any other being except Our Lord Himself. (Shewn in the Revelation).

To the fortifying of the soul, but with a mind of steel, it needs to be seen and accepted that He Who sitteth in heavens shall laugh and have them in derision. No piece in the Lord's great plan will fail. The devil, tool in the Lord's hands, a vessel of dishonour no different from Pharaoh of old, is impotent to exceed by jot, tittle or iota the Lord's judgment on the nations; and no man serving the satanic power can hope to escape jot or tittle of the judgment prepared.

Never was a cause so utterly damned. But never had a cause such punitive value meanwhile. It is, however, necessary to look with more care at what the devil is, in fact, doing.

THE LAW IN REVERSE

We grossly diminish the power of the Lord. It is perfect. It is timeless. Coming from the Lord Himself out of the timeless cosmos, it is part of His grand cosmic order. But it is not a religious plaything. It is not a collection of good words for man to brood upon, sniff over and please himself about. It is there to be obeyed. In its own content and substance, it is an instrument of terrible power, and the power is inbuilt.

The Jews have all along realised this. In obedience, the Law is benign and wonderful. That is the obverse of the matter. But the reverse is never studied. Its laws can be broken, man may please himself but the price of that is heavy and utterly inevitable – an implicit content of the Law itself. Cumulatively, it is disastrous. We never study the price, but Jewry has done so painstakingly.

It is a matter almost of arithmetical calculation that if, and in measure as, a people can be induced to go directly contrary to the Law of the Lord, so is that people damned. We mean no less.

WE BECOME PERMISSIVE

And the way to it is to induce that people, in the guise of liberal enlightenment, to become permissive. The Lord is not permissive. He said, for instance, thou shalt not kill. For murder, His penalty is death. To remove the death penalty is to become permissive, it reduces the price of murder. Murder at cheap rates is not of the Lord: it is a cunning and dangerous innovation of the devil.

The Lord's penalty for sodomy is death. His penalty for adultery is death. We have the sodomy bill, we are tampering with divorce. We have become permissive about them. We are doing so under the smear of Christian charity. That is the harlotry of virtue. If the Christians want to argue about that, we point to I John 5:16-17. There is clearly no Christian fog in John's mind, no permissiveness, no receding from the price of sin as the Lord set it. Over sixty years after the Crucifixion, when the diabolical liberalisers had had quite a good run with their softening doctrines, these words of John's stand to contradict them.

In degree as man seeks to be kinder than the Lord, and presumes to teach Him grace, so is man a braying jackass.

WE LEGISLATE AGAINST THE LORD

But to the simple in faith it is important in the buttressing of their faith to realise precisely, and to see clearly through the mass of soft words about it, exactly what is happening.

The Lord's Israel people are being induced to legislate against the Lord.

It should on no account be overlooked that this legislation is striking into the very vitals of the Law of the Lord: murder, marriage and adultery, sodomy . . . This is not only

putting Israel under the law in reverse, with its terrible punitive operation, but this counter-legislation breaks the basic charter on the terms of which we are allowed to live on this planet – the Adamic Charter.

So is Israel completely under condemnation.

That is the precise position at this date. In her church and state, she is sold to the devil. The Lord's case against His people is established, the guilt is patent, and the judgment has begun. Our national salvation hangs on one thing only – on an act of grace by the Lord. Parsonically, that is easy to get: a bit of spiritual writhing and a penitential tear or two are all that is needed. But he who trusts woolly, parsonical verbiage in a hard legal situation is asking for trouble. We prefer to take a glance at the situation as it is.

REAPING THE WHIRLWIND

We dealt in our last study with the way in which Britain is reaping the whirlwind. Further to it, we now freely admit to this country those of alien race, coloured people. So we break the Lord's command to be separate. Now we are accused of breaking promises implicit in the British passports held by Indians in Kenya because they want to come in numbers we cannot accommodate.

But the promises ought never to have been made. They were wrong at the outset. Israel's rights cannot be given to aliens. The emotional furies about it are misguided mob hysteria from people in whom there is no real knowledge.

Still more ludicrous, a political situation is being whipped to froth and fury, and the name of the Queen is dragged into one of the nastiest bits of political sham we have ever seen, because the Rhodesian administration is carrying out very precisely what the Lord demands as the penalty for murder. So righteousness is made to stand on its head, and we are expected to applaud the clowning. We are also expected to believe that our politicians in Westminster really do care two straws for the poor African murderers involved.

The ordinary good sense is not in our politicians to keep the Queen out of the dirty business. In spite of the grim need of the present government for enough smoke and fury abroad to cover its failures at home, it still ought to have had the grace – grace, forsooth! – to keep Her Majesty out of its political muckraking. The government of Britain is bankrupt in basic wisdom, blind to failure and dead to shame. England never stood lower.

MILITARY DISGRACE

But the U.S.A. does not escape. When we wrote our last study, we were too sanguine. It is now clear that in Vietnam the U.S.A. suffers what is probably the military disgrace of all military history. Of men and guns she has enough to take Vietnam and all China. She has dominance in the air and at sea. Why does she not make an end?

That the terrain is bad is rubbish. Our men have fought over worse without earning for themselves one flash of glory. It is implied that it is hard to manoeuvre sophisticated wea-

pons in such a country. That, too, is rubbish. The Pentagon has now had several years in which to refine the sophistications, and to make the weapons viable in any country.

The political miasma behind this sordid war is part of the war. It is there, it cannot be passed over. What emerges is that one of the mightiest military powers of this age is having its nose rubbed viciously not by a small power, but by a very pigmy among the nations. On the showing of the Vietnam War, as an ally, the U.S.A. is not simply useless but completely unreliable, and a direct and dangerous liability.

We write at the moment when the gold rush has been stemmed, but when even the money-drunken U.S.A. is being told that the whole financial structure of the world is in danger. Gold is ever cardinal to prophecy in these End Times. Her summer prospects are described to be of war in Vietnam continuing, and of racial riots and bloodshed at home. We, in Britain, are at this moment in process of hearing, in mounting taxation, to what dreary mean our lives are to be reduced and our riven economy further strangulated. Such is the price of government by dreary men.

And such is the price of the Law of the Lord in reverse.

While a twelve-and-elevenpenny alarm clock, properly set, will waken the family as required, even the acid tongue of Charles de Gaulle will not stir Israel to a sense of its own shame.

So we are the tail and not the head. (Deut. 28:44).

But all this will intensify. The Lord will rouse His people. The flail of judgment makes only a beginning. Its progressive severity should not be mistaken for impotence in Him; Indeed, it must be identified as the utter dominance of His Will, and the mighty power of His arm.

HOLY! HOLY! HOLY!

The Law of the Lord is in reverse. So are we open and vulnerable to its price and penalties, and so is the flail of the Lord at work. Piece by piece, Babylon the Great is being torn down; but the flail first falls on Israel. Without a rag of cover, we and our false shepherds stand naked to judgment.

But the Word stands. There begins a cleansing in Israel. We have wantonly trampled the holy things under feet of men, and we shall be made to answer. We shall be made to come out of Babylon (Rev. 18:4); and, we ask, did any major power in world history ever tolerate a rebuff such as we had over our efforts to enter the Common Market? Is our political hide so thick that we no longer know when we are shamed? The great reckoning, the Time of Jacob's Trouble, comes: in spite of her false shepherds, Israel will be saved out of it (Jer. 30:7).

From her will go forth The Law, and not the law of Westminster (Isa. 42:4 and 20-25; Jer. 31:33-34; Heb. 8:10-12), and everlasting salvation from the Lord (Isa. 45:17-25, etc.). No word will fail.

We shall be made to learn again what is holy. In the later chapters of Hebrews, we are shown that Israel is given the pattern – the shadow and example of heavenly things. They are intensely holy, and the salvation of Israel lies in them.

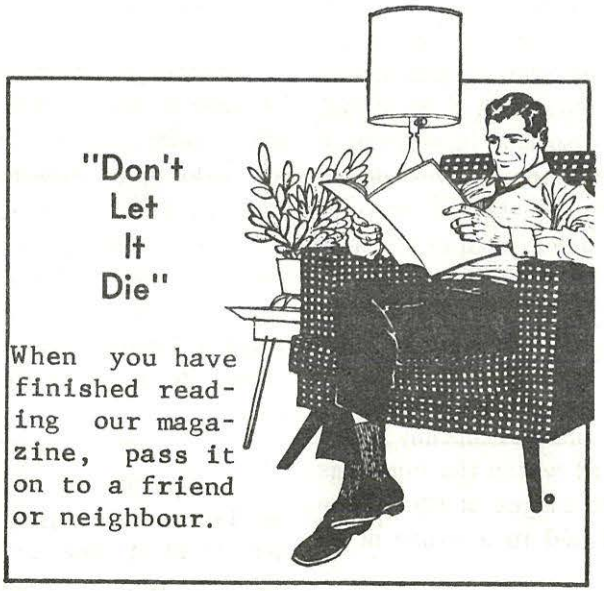
But in order to appreciate them, it was first necessary to look the unholy squarely in the face, to plumb the depths a little. It was necessary to reappraise the devil and his works, and, with the help of the revolting contrast, to climb with reverent minds back into the holy things. This we propose to attempt.

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65 YEARS.

"WITHIN THREESCORE AND FIVE YEARS SHALL EPHRAIM BE BROKEN THAT IT BE NOT A PEOPLE." (Isaiah 7:8)

This prophecy was delivered in the year of the first Assyrian invasion of Israel, 741 B.C., when the Northern and Eastern tribes of Israel, including the half tribe of Manasseh were carried away captive by Tiglath-Pileser.

It was fulfilled in 676 B.C., 65 years later, when Esar-Haddon completed the captivity of the Ten Tribes.

The above extract is from the book "Divine Time Measures" pages 111-112, by the late J. Bernard Nicklin, who also drew attention to another 65 year period between the Great Pyramid date of September 17 - 1936 and September 17 - 2001.

Because of Britain's serious decline in Imperial power and prestige since the First World War to a status, in the world's eyes, to the level of Italy and Eire, together with a serious racial problem which will grow worse in the years ahead, it occured to me last year that there may be another 65 year cycle operating in Britain's current history. It also coincides with a 40 year cycle from September 1939 when Britain entered the Second World War.

In the study of time-factors, I prefer to work in DAY UNITS instead of years. Therefore 65 years contains 23,741 days. This figure contains two alternative sets of time factors.

1.	10 x 1600	=	16,000	Rev. 14:20	Divine judgment.
	6 x 1290	=	7,740	Dan. 12:11	Desolation.
	1 x 1	=	1		
			23,741	days.	

2.	10 x	888 =	8,880	The Lord's Number (Jesus).
	4 x	1335 =	5,340	Blessing Dan. 12:12.
	10 x	286.1=	2,861	Displacement Factor
	10 x	666 =	6,660	Beast System Rev. 13:18.
			23,741	days

In the first chart, the Lord's number is absent, therefore JUDGMENT and DESOLATION is the lot of the nation which believes "GOD IS DEAD."

In the second chart the Lord's number is present and is indicative of Divine Guidance and Blessing bestowed upon His People. The "Beast" system is DISPLACED.

World War 2 ends	
Atomic Age Begins	? ? ? ?
1st Atom Bomb on Japan	1 9 7 9
AUG. 6/15 - 1945.	AUG 5/6 - 16.

10 x 1260 lunar = 12,741 days.

Tribulation.

On October 22 - 1978 the newlu appointed Pope, John Paul II was invested with the Pallium (he was not crowned). The present ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY was the first primate in 1,000 years to attend the inauguration of a Pope!

Pope John Paul II Invested	? ? ? ?
Archbishop of Canterbury attends.	1 9 7 9
OCT. 22 - 1978.	AUG. 4.

2 8 6 days (Displacement.)

If the above time measure is indicative of a COMING DISPLACEMENT between the two leaders, IT IS NOT VERY ECUMENICAL !! Displacement had already begun for the Archbishop of Canterbury who has had to postpone his planned visit to Poland in June, because that is when the Pope will make an official visit to that nation.

There will be an interval of 2 x 1290 days between the Great Pyramid date of July 23 - 1972 and August 16 - 1979. In Dan.12:11 the figure of 1290 is given in connection with "AN ABOMINATION THAT MAKETH DESOLATE."

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AN IMPORTANT NOTE. Daniel 8:14 "UNTO two thousand and three hundred days, THEN shall the sanctuary be cleansed."

The 2300-day cycle of cleansing does not begin to operate until (in this instance) Aug. 4/5 - 1979 is past.

Whether this date will mark a crisis affecting the British peoples or not, one is convinced that it marks the beginning of a CLEANSING in the national life of our race, unseen to all except those with eyes to see.

From August 4, 1979 to the Great Pyramid date of September 17 2001 will be 8 0 8 0 days; or eight times (2300 less 1290) days. During this period, "AN ABOMINATION THAT MAKETH DESOLATE" (1290) will be removed, resulting in thorough cleansing of the Sanctuary and the Nation in preparation for the tasks ahead.

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IN THE LATTER DAYS

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Think of it! The scope of Bible prophecy embraces these very days. You and I are part of all that makes up the picture. Yes, we are part of the finale of all that precedes the climax of "the dispensation of the fulness of time" in which God is going to "gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in the heavens, and which are on earth; even in him" (Ephesians 1:10).

Daniel, the prophet, was conscious of the fact that God was speaking through him about things which were to transpire at the close of this age! "And I heard, but I understood not: then said I, O my Lord, what shall be the end of these things? And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end. Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand: but the wise shall understand." (Daniel 12:8-10).

The Bible makes reference to the interlude between our Lord's Advent and Second Coming as "the last" or "latter days". Since God's Plans and Purposes centre about His chosen people, the posterity of Abraham – Isaac and Jacob – Israel, it logically follows that we can expect to witness His faithfulness to His Covenant Promises in their realization of their Divinely Appointed destiny.

I am not speaking in regard to the Jews, but in regard to the posterity of Jacob–Israel's 12 sons, the children of Israel, of whom the so-called 'Jews' are only a bare remnant at best! Almighty God made very definite covenanted Promises to these chosen people, the great majority of which were to reach literal fruition "in these last days."

DOES GOD HAVE A CHOSEN PEOPLE?

We shall let the Scriptures speak for themselves.

"This people have I formed for myself; they shall shew forth my praise . . . Ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen . . . ye are my witwitnesses, saith the LORD, that I am God." (Isaiah 43:21; 10:12).

"Remember these, O Jacob and Israel; for thou art my servant: I have formed thee; O Israel, thou shalt not be forgotten of me." (Isaiah 44:21).

"Hearken unto me O house of Jacob, and all the remnant of the house of Israel, which are borne by me from the belly, which are carried from the womb . . ." (Isaiah 46:3).

"Thou art my servant, O Israel, in whom I will be glorified." (Isaiah 49:3).

"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." (Isaiah 54:17).

Moses reminded these people: "For thou

art an 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). And again: "Thou shalt be blessed above all people . . . 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. The LORD shall make thee the head, and not the tail, ..." (Deut. 7:14; 28:12).

"You only have I known of all the families of the earth . . . (Amos 3:2) . . . He sheweth his word unto Jacob, his statutes and his judgments unto Israel. He hath not dealt so with any nation: and as for his judgments, they have not known them . . ." (Psalm 147: 19-20).

"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 the LORD'S portion is his people; Jacob is the lot of his inheritance." (Deut. 32:8-9).

"The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms . . Happy art thou, O Israel: who is like unto thee, O people saved by the LORD, the shield of thy help, and who is the sword of thy excellency! and thine enemies shall be found liars unto thee; and thou shalt tread upon their high places." (Deut. 33:27, 29).

Space forbids our quoting *the abundance of Scripture* that conclusively identifies the posterity of Jacob-Israel as the chosen people of the LORD.

The message of the prophets outlines the course these people would take in pursuit of their destiny. History confirms our claim that the English speaking, Caucasians identified today as the Anglo-Saxon-Scandinavian and like people *are the modern Israel nations!* These people have inherited all the birthright blessings of the Abrahamic Covenant! Their manner of life and respective societies are founded upon the Commandments, Statutes and Judgments received by Israel from God. They are Christian, recognise and confess the Sovereignty of God and His manifestation to the 'lost sheep of the House of Israel' in the Person of Jesus Christ. They have carried the Message of the Gospel throughout the whole earth, translated and printed and distributed the Holy Scriptures into almost every known tongue. These protestant nations have not given way to Russian Communism and are the only Caucasians delaying the anti-Christ forces in their ambitions! We call your attention to the fact that the majority of the Roman Catholic nations of the old world have gone over into the Communist camp, turning against the 'harlot' of Bible prophecy and giving their power to the 'beast' as he seeks to weary and destroy 'the lamb'.

The recognized so-called Jew, scattered among all nations, has not inherited the birthright blessings, but endured under the curse brought upon him and his children's children as is clearly stated in the Scriptures. He is obviously anti-Christ and dwells safely *only* amongst the true Israel nations.

THE SHEEP NATIONS

All through the prophetic Scriptures God refers to His chosen people as 'sheep'. "My

people hath been lost sheep . . Israel is a scattered sheep 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." (Jeremiah 50:6,17; Ezekiel 34:30-31). The whole of the 34th chapter of Ezekiel will convince the sceptic of this fact.

The LORD God rebuked the leaders of His people for having exploited them for their own personal gain and assured His sheep, the House of Israel, that He personally would come to their rescue and seek them out! "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, " (Ezekiel 34.7-12).

He did exactly this! "God was in Christ" and plainly told His disciples: "I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel" (II Cor 5:19; Matt. 15:24). It was not God's intention that Jesus Christ should convert the world, but that He should find and *redeem the lost sheep of the House of Israel!* Jesus commanded His disciples: "Go not into the way of the Gentiles, and into the city of the Samaritans enter ye not: But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel, " (Matt. 10:5). This they did, but their journeys took them out of the land of Palestine – westward, always westward, into the Isles and into the New World!

At Christ's Second Coming He is going to judge the nations and separate the Israel nations from the others! "And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats: And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left "(Matt. 25:32-33).

The 'Rightest' and 'Leftist' nations are clearly distinguishable today and are fulfilling their destinies just as our LORD proclaimed they would.

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PROOF

It is commonplace to presume that the Bible can be made to prove any theory that man in his ignorance cares to put forward. It is all a matter of how the evidence is presented. Failure to rightly grasp the unchanging purpose of GOD in THE NATION and the Company of nations promised to Abraham is responsible for every wind of doctrine that divides, and continues to divide traditional teaching.

The demand for proof is ever constant, yet there is ample proof when the Bible narrative is *treated* – as it should be – as a *connected* account of GOD's Great Plan of the Ages that is working out through the ages, in accord with His Will, and in keeping with the Divine time-table.

There is much controversy as to what to believe, and the word "faith" should be approached from Paul's definition – "So faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" (Rom. 10:17).

We can now *hear* from the Written Word which sets out all essential evidence, for scriptural proof rests on the background of Known history, and prophecy which has become history, by which the Word of God supplies its own material proof. Proof of a RACE destined to carry out His Will, of A nation under an Everlasting Covenant to be a blessing to all the families of the earth; as His purpose, through the ages, coming to fruition.

For those who search the Scriptures there should be no mystery as to His Will.

Paul writing to his brother Israelites in Ephesus states clearly that the mystery of His Will had been made known to Israel (Eph. 1:9).

In other words a mystery no longer exists for those who are able to *hear* the Word as a *connected* story. But the narrow creeds of denominational religion do not embrace the overall Plan of the Most High. Consequently, Paul's teaching is not generally understood when he puts forward evidence that is positive proof of God's continuing purpose in Israel. The Apostle affirms that the Israel Race was chosen by God from the beginning as a set-apart Nation – "According to the pleasure of His Will".

By the favour of God He made Israel – "Accepted in the beloved (Jesus). In whom we (Israel) have redemption . . . In whom we (Israel) have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the council of his will" (Eph. 1:1-11).

The mystery of His Will, as recorded by Paul, is the same mystery of the Kingdom which Our Lord taught His disciples when he explained to them the meaning of the Parable of the Sower, in terms that they could understand:– "And he said, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the Kingdom of God: but

to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand" (Luke 8:10).

In the 1st century A.D. Jesus came to Israelites in Galilee preaching the gospel of the Kingdom, since then many have heard, but without understanding. They have not understood because the purpose of God in – "the ..ation and company of nations" – promised to Abraham, is not co-ordinated in their minds with the ministry of Jesus.

The ministry of Jesus was perforce in line with the Father's Will or purpose of the Most High God, Who ". . . hath chosen *us* (the Israel nation) before the foundation of the world" (Eph. 1:4).

Israel was adopted or chosen by God as from the beginning (Eph. 1:5; Rom. 9:4-5; Gen. 18:18-19; Ex. 19:5-6; I Pet. 2:9-10; Hosea 1:10). Follow these references as they check and re-check through the Old and New Testaments and the pattern of God's Will is imprinted on every line of the Text. This pattern when followed is the key to understanding, for the Bible then interprets itself.

In the noble plan of God the primary question is what was Israel chosen for? The Word of God gives the specific answer: "And in thee (Abraham) . . . and in thy seed (Jacob) shall all the families of the earth be blessed" (Gen. 22:15-18; 28:14).

The "seed" or Race as descended from Abraham, Isaac and Jacob-Israel was chosen because of its inherent characteristic of ability to implement "justice and judgment" (Gen. 18:18-19). To this end it was given the Law, Commandments, Statutes, and Judgments by which to govern.

By the unalterable Will of God, the Nation is destined to be perfected in the administration of His Law. This is vouched for in the terms of the New Covenant (Heb. 8:8-12), whereby His Law will eventually rule the hearts of those responsible for government in a mundane world, for in the age to come the King of kings aided by His *few* elect (I Thess. 4:11-18) will rule His Kingdom on earth through the medium of the Israel body-politic especially trained for that purpose.

The King deals with the earth, earthy and not just with super-human resurrected beings, as some suppose. His Kingdom on earth is composed primarily of a cleansed company, a vast concourse of Israel nations, a material force for good government in the world, that will stand as an example for all peoples to follow.

Why has orthodox Christianity failed to recognise this as the central theme of all Scripture – the *wherefore* of God's continuing purpose in Israel?

The answer is to be found in Hebrews 5:11 to 6:1-6 where it is recorded that the religious leaders of Paul's day were censured for restricting their outlook to "elementary Christian doctrines", namely, to redeem Israel from their past sins (Rom. 3:24-25), and to confirm the promises God the Father made to Abraham and his seed after him (Rom. 15:8). Of these "rudimentary principles" – of the

divine "purpose of God according to election (of Race)" (Rom. 9:11), there is ample proof of continuity evident in all Scripture: (Isa. 45:17; Matt. 3:6; Rom. 9:3-5; 11:2; I Pet. 2:9) yet this, the very basis of "the noble plan of God" – is not the primary principle of orthodox Christian churches.

Churchmen of today, who ought to be teaching the basic principles of Divine revelation, are unskilled in all but the milk of the Word, and come under the same censure as of old. Neglecting – "the first principles of God's purposes" and not bearing forward to its conclusion, they continue to practice the "dead rituals" – of sectarian religion. The result is Christendom, torn by conflicting faiths, has not "heard" the interlocking theme of THE Word which should cause Christians to contend for The Faith which was "once and for all delivered to Israel" (Jude 3). It must be emphasised that faith cometh by hearing the Word of God. But how can they hear without deep study of the Written Word, for as Paul says even he finds difficulty in explaining (Heb. 5:11, Moffatt). The deep meanings to be read between the lines in Hebrews 5 and 6, are not too readily absorbed from the Authorised Version alone, but from other translations by Ferrar Fenton and Moffatt, much additional light can be gained. These three versions should be compared, for together they compound the evidence and supply the proof we seek.

The proof of the continuity of God's purpose is there for all to read, but those who should be teaching this truth, have need themselves to be taught (Heb. 5:12).

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For generations we Anglo-Saxon-Celtic nations, representative of Christian organized religion, have been carrying on a National business on the scale of a ruthless gang of house wreckers, when we *should* have been, *could* have been, conducting a vast corporation of master builders guild of the Kingdom of God, which indeed we were divinely designed to be, – "a holy people unto the Lord for HE hath chosen thee to be a *Special People* above all people that are upon the face of the earth" (Deut. 7:6). BUT, true to traditional stubborn Israelitish nature we rejected the proffered preferment, instead we have been very busy erecting and tearing down the super-structure of our fanciful castles in the air to the utter disregard of a proper solid foundation based on the Commandments, Statutes and Judgments laid down for our comfort and guidance, with the result that our shoddy, defective workmanship is tumbling down all over the world, as have the ancient civilizations. Thus ancient Babylon,

"Babylon shall be as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah it shall never be inhabited, neither shall the shepherds make their folds there, but wild beasts of the desert shall lie there, and their houses shall be full of doleful creatures; owls shall dwell there and satyrs shall dance there; wild beasts of the Islands shall cry in their desolate houses and dragons dance in their pleasant palaces; her time is near to come, and her days shall not be prolonged" (Isa. 13:19-22).

This is a preview of what is in store for us, unless we *repent*. How do you like the prospect my friends? Does it inspire, or does it distress you?

NATIONAL DESTRUCTION INEVITABLE UNLESS WE REPENT – A MODEL PRAYER

The Bible contains the perfect formula for regulation of National affairs. It was designed to solve any problem, however thorny. President Abraham Lincoln proved its efficacy in 1863 when the United States was faced with much the same situation as does America, Great Britain and her Commonwealth today. Like King Hezekiah of Judah he lost no time in calling in the never-failing Almighty God, and the nation was saved and set upon its feet. This is the perfect formula:–

"If my people, which are called by My Name, shall humble themselves, and pray and seek My Face, and turn from their wicked ways *then* will I hear from Heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land" (II Chron. 7:14).

To despise God's Supreme Sacrifice and magnanimity on our behalf of a secure refuge as promised in the 91st Psalm, for example, is only a further obloquy on God, just as the citizens of Christ's parable of the nobleman (Jesus Christ) alluded to in Luke 19:14; who, with hatred, said, "We will not have this man to reign over us", or – more pointedly, when the Israelites in the time of the Prophet Sam-

uel, outwardly rejected God as their King and demanded a ruler according to the custom of the surrounding heathen nations. They were asking for trouble, and they got it in dire form and measure, as chronicled in Holy Writ.

Now isn't that exactly what America, Great Britain and our Commonwealth have done? The British Empire has perished, and the rest of the world is in dire straits. Yes, and our punishment will be a period of National tribulation described in St. Matthew 24:21; as so severe that not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

The year 1863 was a momentous time in the young life of the United States: The country was in desperate straits (much as it is today, perhaps worse) anarchy was rampant and treason stalked through the land when President Lincoln, trusting in God's ability to deliver the nation as He had saved the Israelites in Egypt, issued the following proclamation, March 30th, 1863:–

"Whereas, the Senate of the United States, devoutly recognising the supreme authority and just government of Almighty God in all affairs of man and nations, has by a resolution, requested the President to designate and set apart a day for National Prayer and Humiliation, and whereas, it is the duty of Nations as well as of man to own their dependence upon the over-ruling power of God, to confess their sins and transgressions in humble sorrow, yet with assured hope that genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon, AND TO RECOGNIZE THE SUBLIME TRUTH ANNOUNCED IN THE HOLY SCRIPTURES AND PROVEN BY ALL HISTORY. "THAT THOSE NATIONS *ONLY* ARE BLESSED WHOSE GOD IS THE LORD."

And, inasmuch as we know that by His Divine law nations, like individuals, are subjected to punishments and chastisements in this world, may we not justly fear that the awful calamity of civil war which now desolates the land may be but a punishment inflicted upon us for our presumptuous sins to the needful end of our National reformation as a whole people;

We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of heaven; we have been preserved these many years in peace and prosperity; we have grown in number, wealth and power as no other Nation has ever grown.

BUT WE HAVE FORGOTTEN GOD.

We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us, and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of REDEEMING AND PRESERVING GRACE, too proud to pray to the God Who made us. It behoves us, then, to humble ourselves before the offended power, to confess our National sins, and to pray for clemency and forgiveness.

Now, therefore, in compliance with the request, and FULLY CONCURRING IN THE VIEWS of the Senate, I do by this my proclamation, designate and set apart Thursday the 30th day of April, 1863, as a day of National

Humiliation, to abstain on that day from their ordinary secular pursuits, and to unite in their several places of public worship and devoted to the humble discharge of the religious duties proper to that solemn occasion.

All this being done in sincerity and truth, let us then rest humbly in the hope authorized by the divine teachings, that the united cry of the Nation will be heard on high and answered with blessings no less than the pardon of our National sins and the restoration of our now divided and suffering country to its former happy condition of unity and peace."

URGENT and IMMEDIATE

With the United States in the grip of a civil war as well as a desperate foreign struggle, and the rest of the world in ruinous chaos, the time is over-ripe to follow President Lincoln's wise example and pray as we have never prayed before.

John Wesley used to say:– "God does *everything* by PRAYER and *nothing* without it."

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Chapter 10

THE SEVEN TIMES OF PUNISHMENT

The Palestinian Covenant, as found in Leviticus 26 and Deuteronomy 28, 29, 30, not only specifies the conditions under which the Israel Nation could retain possession of the land, but also sets forth the terms of the Marriage Contract between Almighty God as the Husband and the Israel Nation as His Wife. (see Jeremiah 3:14 and Isaiah 54:5 concerning this relationship)

If the Nation, as the Wife of God, would be faithful to her Husband through obedience to the Commandments, Statutes and Judgments, then blessings of surpassing magnitude would be showered upon her as shown in Lev. 26 and Deut. 28. But if she would not be faithful, then the punishment clauses of the Covenant (or Contract) would become operative. She would be divorced from God and her land for a definite period of time as revealed in the clauses concerning the "seven times" of punishment. (For Divorce, see Jer. 3:8)

These punishments are not to be taken as being seven individual punishments; but rather as an era of time, during which the Israel Nation would be sent into captivity and obscurity, for correction, training, and eventual Redemption; and at the end of the Age of Punishment would be cleansed, purified, (Ezek. 36) and brought back to God, ready and willing to Administer the Laws of God as the National Law of the Land; the people being at last faithful, and acknowledging God as Her King. (Jer. 31:31ff; Heb. 8:8ff)

Because there is not time enough in one Chapter to deal with both the Seven Times Punishment, and the references to the "Marriage", "Divorce", and "Restoration of Israel, this Chapter will deal only with the references concerning the "Seven Times". The others will be dealt with later.

I will punish you seven times for your sins	Lev. 26:18
I will bring seven times more plagues upon you	Lev. 26:21
I will punish you seven times	Lev. 26:24
I will chastise you seven times	Lev. 26:28

The explanation of the era which "seven times" cover is to be found in the Books of Daniel and Revelation. Here we find that "Time, and Times, and the dividing of Time" is equivalent to three and a half times; which is the same length of time as "Time, Times, and a half"; and that this 3½ times is the same length of time as "forty and two months"; and that 42 months is the same as 1260 days. (42 months of 30 days to the month totals 1260 days)

Therefore, we find that 1260 days is equivalent to 3½ times; and that "Seven Times" would be 2520 days – or twice 1260. The following references will make this clear if carefully compared.

Time, Times and dividing of time	(3½)	Dan. 7:25
Time, Times and a half	(3½)	Dan. 12:7
Time, Times and half a time	(3½)	Rev. 12:14
Forty and two months	(1260 days)	Rev. 11:2
Forty and two months		Rev. 13:5
A thousand, two hundred and three score days		Rev. 11:3
A thousand, two hundred and three score days		Rev. 12:6

Is it purely co-incidence, or can significance be attached to the fact that there are just 7 references in the Bible which are explanatory of the "Seven Times of punishment?"

SEVEN TIMES EQUALS 2520 YEARS

In Numbers 14:34 and Ezekiel 4:6, in connection with punishment upon both the House of Israel and the House of Judah, God states: "I have appointed thee **each day for a year.**" Therefore the 2520 days become 2520 years, and history has confirmed it to be for 2520 Solar Years. Any attempt to work the "Seven Times" punishment period out on a "Day for a Day" basis is doomed to disappointment. Actual historical events have proven that the punishment periods expired on a "Day for a year basis" We will consider such proofs in later Chapters. A couple of really marvellous books to read in this connection were written by Mr. Bernard Nicklin, entitled, "Divine Time Measures", and "Their Days are Numbered".

THE TIMES OF THE GENTILES

The "Times of the Gentiles" referred to by our Lord in Luke 21:24 is the same length of time as the "seven times" of punishment on Israel, although starting from, and terminating at different dates. While Israel was undergoing punishment and correction for 2520 years, Almighty God gave a Charter for World Dominion to the Babylonian Succession of Gentile Nations which were headed up by Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon, and followed by Medo-Persia, Greece, Rome, and the smaller kingdoms, represented by the Toes of the Image, which grew up out of the ashes of the Roman Empire. At the end of the "seven times", the Gentile Empires would collapse, their Thrones would crash; and Israel would be restored to the Power and Position they held before deserting God; and eventually "consuming" the whole world under the Sovereignty of Jesus Christ. (see Daniel 2: especially verses 37-45, and Daniel 7:9)

Nebuchadnezzar's Vision, as interpreted by Daniel, gives the course and end of the Times of the Gentiles, or Gentile world rule. The Stone Kingdom, God's Kingdom, the Israel Nation, the Fifth World Kingdom, smashes all these Gentile Kingdoms, and fills the whole earth.

In Genesis 33:3 we find the record of Jacob bowing down seven times to Esau, which appears to be typical of Israel's subjection to Gentile domination for a period of seven times.

In Joshua 6:4, 15, we find the Israel nation marching around OUTSIDE the walls of Jericho, seven times, which appears to be typical of the Nation's period of punishment wherein, for seven times or 2520 years, they are kept outside of the Promised Land.

1 Time equals 1 time circle. 360 degrees to a circle. Seven Times equals 360 X 7, or 2520. A year of 360 days is known as the "Prophetic Year" as distinct from the Lunar and Solar Years. 2520 is the Least Common Multiple of all the figures from 1 to 10.

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Israel, Judah and the Jews

'The House of Israel' is not synonymous with the 'House of Judah'. The House of Judah and some of the Jews are *of* Israel, that is, descended from Jacob. The distinction we wish to emphasize is that while some Jews are Israelites, all Israelites are not necessarily Jews. In a similar way, all Scots are British, but all the British are not Scots. When the general blessings were apportioned at Jacob's death, the Messiah was promised, with the sovereignty, to Judah; but the 'multitude of nations' and the temporal grandeur of the birthright were given to Joseph. The House of Israel was to obtain these in the latter days, or the Christian era. Ten-tribed Israel was to be divorced under the Mosaic law and its identity temporarily lost to history,but known to God; it was to be recovenanted in Christ to enjoy the Israel birthright in the Isles of the Sea, to be His nation of evangelists in the world, and the inheritor of the Kingdom of God. The prophets display meticulous care in their address to the 'House of Israel', the 'House of Judah' and 'the inhabitants of Jerusalem' (the Jews). To apply to one 'House' a prophecy which refers to the other is clearly to misapply the message and confuse the issue. A careful regard of this distinction is prerequisite to the correct understanding of the prophetic Scriptures.

Prophecies Concerning

ISRAEL

Israel to have a change of name (Isa. 65:15).

Israel to be called by a new name (Isa. 62:2).

Israel to be called after Isaac (Gen. 21:12).

Israel to be blind to their identity (Rom. 11:25; Isa. 42:16-19).
Israel to be a multitudinous people (Gen. 13:16; 15:5).
Israel to become known as the righteous Nation that keepeth the truth (Isa. 60:21; 26:2).
Israel to become a Nation and a Company of Nations (Gen. 35:11).
Israel to make a new home in the Appointed Place—the Isles of the Sea (2 Sam. 7:10; Isa. 24:15; 49:1; Jer. 31:10).
Israel to be a Nation for ever (Jer. 31:35, 36).

Israel to have a perpetual monarchy (Jer. 33:17).
Israel to come under a new covenant (Jer. 31:31-34).
Israel to be called the sons of God (Hos. 1:10; Rom 8:14).
Israel was taken captive into Assyria by Shalmaneser, circa 721 B.C. (2 Kings 18:11, etc.).
Israel were to be immune from defeat in war (Isa. 54:17; Lev. 26:6-8).

THE JEWS

The Jews to be known by a change in physiognomy (Isa. 3:9).
The Jews have retained their old name unchanged.
The Jews' name to be a curse to them (Isa. 65:15).
The Jews still claim to be the chosen people.

The Jews to be bereft of children (Jer. 15:7).

The Jews to be a reproach and a proverb, a taunt and a curse (Jer. 24:9).
The Jews to be scattered in all the 'kingdoms of the earth for their hurt' (Jer. 24:9).
The Jews have been strangers in all lands (Jer. 15:4).

The Jewish Nation was broken in A.D. 70 (Dan. 9:24-27; Jer. 19:11).
The Jews have remained under the old law.
The Jews do not accept Jesus Christ as the Messiah.
Judah taken captive to Babylon by Nebuchadnezzar, circa 603 B.C. (2 Kings chs. 24 and 25).

The Jews are descended from the remnant of Judah which returned from captivity in the time of Ezra and Nehemiah.
The Jews have suffered endless persecution.

Israel had been removed from Palestine 700 years before the Crucifixion. When it occurred they were still absent, being at that time beyond the Euphrates, in their migration through Europe.

What We Believe

We Believe in God - the God of the Bible. (Exodus 3:4-14.)

We Believe in Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God. (John 1:14.)

We Believe in the Holy Spirit and His Mission. (John 14:26, Acts 2.)

We Believe in the atoning sacrifice of Jesus Christ on Calvary. (Matt. 26:28, Romans 5.)

We Believe in His ascension into Heaven. (Mark 16:19, Acts 1:9-11.)

We Believe in the bodily return of Christ (Acts 1:9-11) to take the throne of David (Isa. 9:7. Luke 1:32) and rule on this earth for a thousand years (Rev. 20:1-6); and that His Body, the Church, will be united with Him and reign with Him. (Eph. 5:24-33; Col. 1:24; 1 Cor. 15:50-58; 1 Thes. 4:14-18; Rev. 19:9).

We Believe John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

We Believe that personal salvation by faith in the atonement of Jesus Christ is necessary for all, Israelite, Jew and Gentile. (Rom. 3:22-25). Each one must be born again. (John 3:1-7). To confess Christ, who died that sinful men might live, is individually supreme above all else. (Matt 10:32-33. Rom. 10:9-13).

We Believe the whole Bible, both the Old and New Testaments; that it is the inerrant Word of God (II Peter 1:9-21). We believe its history, its covenants, its promises.

We Believe in its Gospel of Grace (Eph. 2:1-8), which is the Gospel of Salvation to all men.

We Believe in, and seek to make known, the Gospel of the Kingdom (Matt. 4:23, 24:14).

We Believe that the Bible contains God's Plan for the remedy of all human ills, and that this plan is being worked out through the Bible people called Israel. (II Sam. 7; Deut. 32:8).

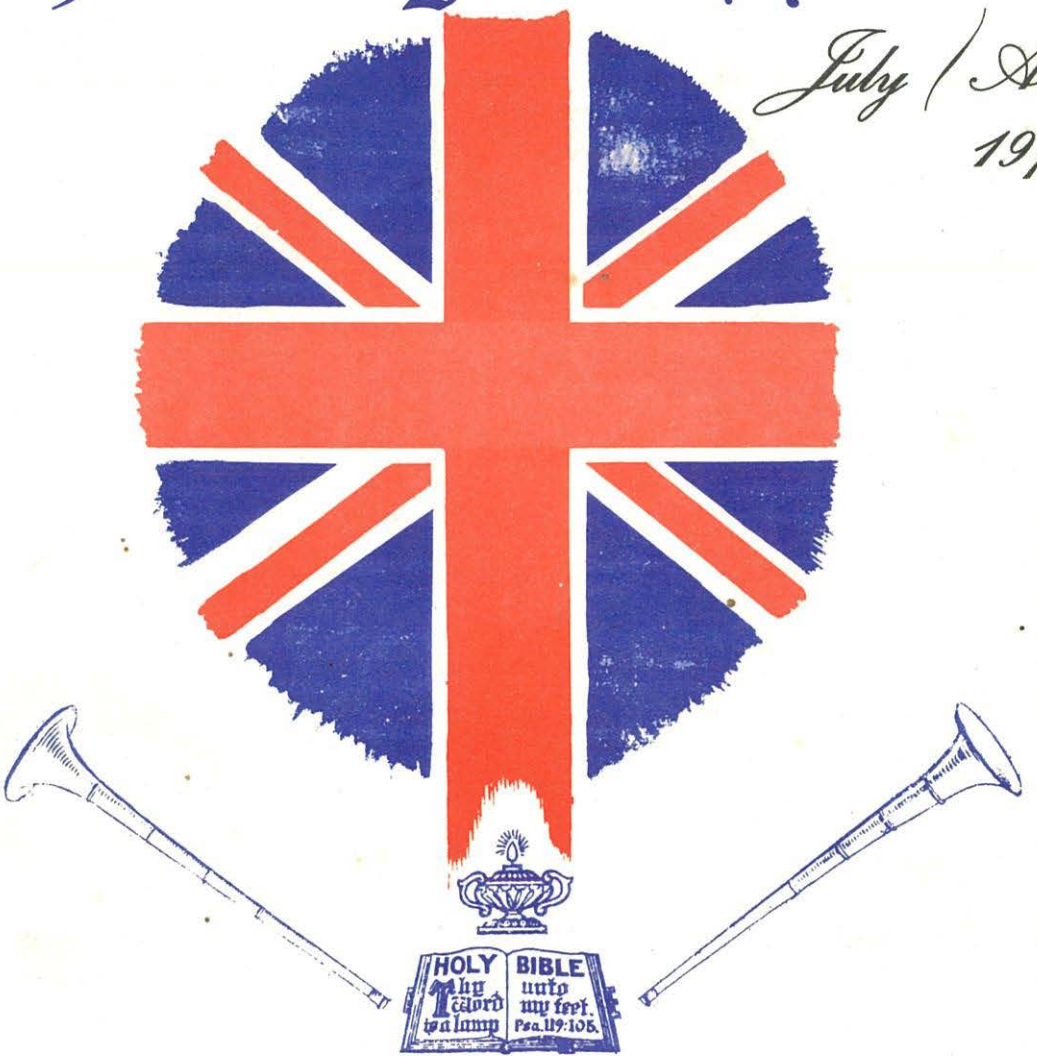
We Believe that this people Israel, consisting of twelve tribes (Exod. 28:21; Rev. 21:12), the descendents of the twelve sons of Jacob, were chosen of God to be His 'peculiar people' and 'servant nation' through whom all the other nations of the earth are to be blessed. (Exod. 19:5; Deut. 7:6-8; Isa. 41:8, 42:6; Gen. 22:16-18).

We Believe that the differentiation between 'Israel' and 'Judah' is clearly marked in the Scriptures. (See I Kings 12; Jer. 3:6-11; Ps. 114:1-2; Ezek. 37; Zech 11:7-14; II Chron. 10). They are not interchangeable terms. To understand this is to possess the key to Israel Truth. (Ps. 114:2; I Chron. 5:1-2).

We Believe the time has come when the 'lost' Israel "nation and company of nations" (Gen 35:11) has been found and positively identified. Only one race today answers in every detail to the Bible picture of Israel "in the latter days," and that is the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic — the British Commonwealth of white nations and the United States of America They possess what Israel was to possess and are doing what Israel was to do. The identities of this race with Israel are so many and so pronounced that one who re-reads and studies his Bible in the light of this great truth will make discoveries that will cause him to give this subject most serious thought, especially in view of what is happening in literal ful-fillment of Bible prophecy in the world today. The nations are in turmoil. The power of the Holy People (Anglo-Saxon-Israel) is being broken (Dan. 12:7). The old Babylonian social order is being overthrown, and the world is being prepared for the Return of the Lord Jesus Christ, for His reign upon the Throne of His father David, and the glorious restoration of the Kingdom of God on earth. (Zech. 14:9; Luke 1:32-33).

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Marks of Israel

During the Christian dispensation lost Israel were to possess certain marks of identification

A great and mighty nation.	Gen. 12:2; 18:18; Deut. 4:7,8.
Named 'Great'.	Gen. 12:2.
The chief of the nations.	Gen. 27:29; Deut. 7:6; 15:6.
A maritime nation, having command of the seas.	Gen. 49:25; Num. 24:7; Deut. 33:13, 19; Psa. 89:25.
A company or commonwealth of nations.	Gen. 35:11; 48:19 Eph. 2:12.
A missionary nation.	Gen. 22:18; Isa. 43:21; 49:6; 66:19.
The custodian of God's Word.	Psa. 147:19, 20; Isa. 59:21.
A just nation.	Gen. 18:19; Lev. 19:15; Deut. 1:17; Zeph. 3:13.
God's instrument in destroying evil.	Jer. 51:20: Dan. 2:34,35.
An undefeated nation.	Isa. 54:17; Micah 5:8,9.
Blind to their identity.	Isa. 29:10-12; 42:16, 19, 20; Rom. 11:7, 8, 25.
Have an island home north and west of Palestine.	Isa. 49:1-3, 12; Jer. 3:18; 31:8.
Occupy islands and coastlands.	Isa. 24:15; 41:1, 5; 49:1-3; 51:5; Jer. 31:8, 10.
Possess the gate of his enemies.	Gen. 22:17, 24:60.
Have multitudinous seed.	Gen. 13:16; 15:5; 22:17; 24:60; 26:4, 24; 28:3, 14; 32:12.
Colonize and spread abroad.	Gen. 28:14; 49:22; Deut. 32:8; 33:17; Psa. 2:8; Isa. 26:15; 27:6; 54:2; Zech. 10:8, 9.
Lose first colony and then expand, demanding more living space.	Isa. 49:20.
Irrigate the deserts and build the waste places.	Isa. 35:1; 43:19, 20; 58:11, 12.
Possess the wealth of the earth.	Gen. 27:28; 49:25, 26; Deut. 33:13-16.
Possess the heritage of the heathen.	2 Sam. 22:44; Psa. 2:8; 111:6.
Receive strangers and refugees.	Lev. 19:33, 34; Isa. 11:10; 14:1; 55:5; 56:6-8;Zech. 8:22.
Set free slaves and prisoners.	Psa. 72:4; Isa. 42:7; 49:9; 58:6.
Have a descendant of King David reigning over them.	2 Sam. 7:13; 1 Chron. 22:10; 2 Chron. 13:5; Psa. 89:35-37; Jer. 33:17.
Lose all trace of their lineage.	Hos. 1:9 10; Isa. 42:16; Rom. 11:25.
The power of the Holy People is to be broken.	Dan. 12:7; Deut. 32:29-36.

The British Commonwealth of Nations possesses every one of these marks — therefore they are lost Israel. The United States of America possesses some of them.

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From The President's Desk

Greetings Christian Friends,

I was starting to prepare this editorial when I received my copy of the Editorial Letter from DESTINY. As many of you will know, this is headed by Mr Howard B. Rand, a man who is greatly loved and respected within our movement throughout the entire world. What he had to say was so topical that I decided to reprint it in full for your information. We strongly suggest that you subscribe to this *"DESTINY Editorial Letter Service"*, as it is a wonderful source of information. Why not contact our Book Room for particulars.

A Special Message To You:

Datelined June 18, 1979, United Press International reported from Vienna, Austria: "President Carter and Soviet President Leonid I. Brezhnev signed the SALT 11 treaty today in a bid to prevent nuclear catastrophe on earth .... The signing, in the ornate Hofburg Palace, took place at precisely 1:02 P.M. (8:02 A.M.,EDT)."

On June 8th, seven days before the beginning of the Summit Meeting, and ten days prior to the day set for the signing of the treaty, President Carter announced his decision to develop the MX Missile to protect the United States against any Russian nuclear attack. In view of past performances by Carter Administration, certain questions naturally arise. Is this just a political maneuver to persuade Senators to ratify SALT 11? Has Carter merely given a go-ahead on developing the MX Missile (the cost of which will be preposterously exorbitant) for such a purpose, while he is secretly committed to withholding a later order for actual production?

This logical deduction is shared by many; in fact, one commentary states that "the MX program is a massive public relations stunt by a man who apparently doesn't have the slightest idea of what he's talking about." This is entirely believable in the light of Carter's comment, in a nationally-televised news conference on May 30th, that the Soviet leaders share his ultimate goal of eliminating nuclear weapons from the face of the earth. How incredibly naive can a man be!

It is known that President Carter acts upon the theory that

a nuclear war is unthinkable. The Kremlin does not. As expressed by Charley Reese in his news column in the Manchester (N.H.) Union Leader for May 4, 1979: " The mood within the Soviet Union is clearly one of war." He quoted a Soviet intellectual as stating: " Our country is a military machine.... We may be primitive, but we will take over." The feeling is widespread among Soviet citizens that the United States is weak and that war will come eventually.

As chief of the spoilers, President Carter is contributing to the inevitability of the coming Day of Battle by extending the hand of friendship to Leonid Brezhnev, declaring they will " walk together " to achieve peace. It was the Prophet Amos who asked: *" Can two walk together, except they be agreed?* (Amos 3:3.) There can be no compatibility between the ideology of World Communism and the righteous priniciples which made the Republic of the United States of America a great nation.

Thus, the attempt to enter into further treaty relationships with the enemies of God, called " a covenant with death," can only result in the execution of the Divine verdict: *" Your covenant with death shall be disannulled, and your agreement with hell shall not stand "* (Isa. 28:18). The Lord of hosts warns: *" I myself will fight against you....even in anger, and in fury, and in great wrath "* (Jer. 21:5). The ultimate outcome will be the removal of unrighteous, hypocritical men from rulership over God's people.

The Apostle Paul expressed himself very feelingly, as translated by J.B. Phillips (Rom. 8: 18-21).when he said: *" Whatever we may have to go through now is less than nothing compared with the magnificent future God has planned for us. The whole creation is on tiptoe to see the wonderful sight of the sons of God coming into their own! "* When Paul mentioned *" the sons of God coming into their own,"* he was referring to what the Apostle John beheld (Rev. 20: 4) when he said, *" I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them ";* those whom our Lord Jesus addressed, saying, *" To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcome, and am set down with my Father in his throne"* (Rev. 3: 21). This is the only solution to the present national impasse.

the neglected truth

By Rev. W.G. Finlay

"For I fear, lest, when I come, I shall not find you such as I would, and that I shall be found unto you such as ye would not; lest there be debates, envyings, wraths, strifes, backbitings, whisperings, swellings, tumults. ."

II Corinthians 12:20.

The context within which the above Scripture occurs is unmistakable. It relates to that beginning of all schisms – division in respect of the Word of God. Scarcely thirty years after the Ascension of the Lord Jesus Christ there were those who deviated from revealed and established Truth and were following the dictates of their own analysis of the momentous Purpose of God. Throughout the almost two thousand years of the Christian dispensation, the practice of departing from the whole body of revealed Truth and seizing schismatically on one facet has created an adverse picture in the sight of the heathen who view Christianity today either as a relic of medieval times or an uncertain philosophy divided against itself. *Ex unitate vires – out of unity comes strength.*

One hears so much on the subject of ecumenism today which, within the realm of Christendom is propagated as an imperative need to stave off the complete disintegration of the Christian Faith. The *attempt* is indeed commendable but the *mechanism* is deplorable as it is based on the same formula which is roundly condemned by the Lord Jesus Christ in His Message to the seven churches in Asia (Rev. 2:13-15). It can never succeed while man persists in ignoring the one and only basis for unity – the Word of God. By this, it should not be understood that Christianity must now embrace one of the many Protestant denominations and that this would bring strength and progress to the Faith. When the statement is made that the only basis for unity in Christendom is the Word of God, it should be understood in the light that the Bible is God's Word and that He has caused His Plan and Purpose to be written that men may believe Him. This Federation avers that only when Christianity believes God will it find the basis for true Christian unity.

'Believing God' and 'believing in God' should not be taken as synonymous terms. While there are no doubt many sincere Christians who will immediately claim that their particular denomination believes and teaches the Bible as the Word of God, one should ask whether this is carried to its logical conclusion in believing what God has said – not what man thinks God means, but literally what God has said. This introduces the subject of theology wherein, instead of believing what God

has said, man looks for hidden meanings and opens the whole Bible to a varying range of human interpretations each claiming to understand what God meant when, in the plainest of terms, He stated His intention. When God stated that He intended that the *nations* of the earth should be blessed, this statement becomes the subject of much probing and ultimately emerges as a mechanism of ill-defined dimensions having little or no relationship to the context in which the original statement is found. God's Plan for the accomplishment of His Purpose likewise finds interpretations which have no unanimity with the context in which the Plan is related. The national function of a covenanted people within the context of God's Purpose is considered entirely irrelevant today and the divorcement of man from the reality of living becomes the natural consequence. Living is a very real thing and the Word of God, whether taken as the Bible or the Person of the Word made flesh, our Lord Jesus Christ, provides the only basis wherein man might have life and have it more abundantly (John 10:10). Any honest perusal of the past two thousand years will reveal that nowhere has any person or people had this abundant life nor is there any indication that this state of existence is in the process of being realised. This being so, surely the most logical action would be a re-appraisal of the things concerning the life of man and the fundamental principles by which he lives.

Such a study takes one back to the beginning of recorded events and the most reliable history of this is, notwithstanding its many critics, the Bible. God created man and provided all that was necessary for him to have abundant life. Peace undoubtedly reigned on the earth. The Satanic rebellion in heaven (Isa. 14:12-14) extended to the earth and the spiritual powers of darkness (Eph. 6:12) wrought havoc in human society. Life was no longer an abundance of good things nor was there any peace, quietness or assurance in the experience of man. God's reaction to this was the statement of His Purpose to rehabilitate the earth and to eradicate the image of Satan now firmly established in human society. How would this Purpose be accomplished and what means would the Lord use? Conjecture will avail nothing nor will human solutions. God specifically states that His way is not our way (Isa. 55:8) therefore one is thrown entirely on His revelation – a revelation which depicts a national nucleus living according to His directive, operating in such a way as to provide an incentive for others to seek God's way of life.

The details of the construction of this national instrument form the basis of the Old Testament and, as one reads through the Covenants which God made, one sees the Plan of God leading to the establishment of His Kingdom in the earth – a recovery of the status enjoyed at the beginning prior to the rebellious intrusion of Satan. This, in essence, is the story of the Plan of God for the accomplishment of His Purpose, a simple story which has become cluttered with extraneous debris and which has clouded the major issues until they are no longer considered of any importance.

An incredible delusion obtains in the popular concept that the New Testament abrogates all that which precedes it and that the things of God and the mechanism of His Purpose begins at this stage. Such views are immediately refuted by the Lord Jesus Christ Himself Who said: "Think not that I am come to destroy (abrogate, nullify, make of non-effect) the law, or the prophets; I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil" (Matt. 5:17). He further stated: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do; for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise" (John 5:19).

It becomes obvious that the Lord Himself recognised a limitation to that which He could do, for anything contrary to that which the Father had established was unthinkable. The Plan of God had been irrevocably sealed with His Oath (Heb. 6:13) – the national progeny springing from the loins of the covenanted patriarchs were assured of national continuity (Jer. 31:35-36 and Isa. 54:17) – and the Son knew that the Father had obligated Himself to the fulfilment of all the promises which He had made, unasked and unsought, to the forefathers of the Israel nation. He knew too, that neither Abraham nor any of his progeny had asked for the great privilege of being the national instrument of blessing and that this calling had been the sole prerogative of God. He was fully aware of the shortcomings of the people, the depths of their folly and transgression, their stiff-neckedness and pathetic weaknesses. He knew of their division and subsequent captivities and the return of the remnant of the smaller portion of Israel – He knew the whereabouts of the major section (Matt. 10:5-6) and was fully conversant with the last recorded words spoken by the Father in respect of the sons of Jacob. These words are recorded in the last Book of the Old Testament and do not, by inference or phraseology, impart the minutest clue to substantiate any suggestion of abrogation of that which had preceded it. 'I am the Lord, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed' (Malachi 3:6).

This is the forgotten factor, the neglected truth in the teaching of man. God does not change His mind nor does He lightly discard His Honour and Oath. It would be more than ludicrous to suggest that the Son would impugn the Honour of the Father by nullifying the preceding two thousand years of careful preparation and the oft reiterated promises of restoration and redemption. The Scripture bears no record that He ever claimed to do this nor did He, by word or deed, suggest that the Israel of the Old Testament was to be replaced in God's Service, by a spiritual body comprising believers of every race.

While throughout the Bible the Israel nation figures very prominently, it should never be forgotten that this nation was not an end in itself but that it had a function and that function was in respect of the Purpose of God which, in turn, had to do with all the nations and families of the earth. God's desire for the rehabilitation of the earth is extended to the whole of creation and embraces all humanity. None are excluded from the desire of God but not all are involved in the Plan of God for the

accomplishment of this. This was laid on the Israel people and the Bible certainly does not encourage the idea that these people are the Jews. The Jews are not found in the Service of God nor are they, in terms of the Promises of God, found to be vindicating the Faithfulness of God. The Anglo-Celto-Saxon and Kindred peoples throughout Europe and the former Commonwealth are the modern development of Israel and, as such, should be a separate 'company of nations' in which the blessings of God should be seen and experienced. Alas, it is not so. The people are involved with all other nations in an unequal yoking and, in their national blindness, fail to observe the calling of God in respect of His Service.

This blindness has had and continues to have, a very detrimental effect on the course of world history. Instead of vigorously proclaiming the truth of God both in word and deed, the Anglo-Celto-Saxon and Kindred peoples have 'learned the way of the heathen' (Jer. 10:2) and have been persuaded that they are the flotsam and jetsam of the world to be wafted hither and yon by the changing tides of political and religious revolutions. However, if one 'believes God' in the true sense of the term, one will realise that these are the signs of the rapidly approaching end of the age wherein, as once before, the Lord intervened and superimposed His Will on the nation and wrought its redemption. The prophetically proclaimed signs of the end of the age are all in evidence today, all of which enjoin the people of God's Purpose to 'look up, and lift up your heads, for your redemption draweth nigh' (Luke 21:28).

The neglected Truth of the Bible is that God will fulfil His Word in such a manner as He has prescribed and no man, power or being, can alter the Divine Fiat of a second Redemption and complete restoration.

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Your Mind — Satan's Prime Target

By Jerry Jones

The pressure of our times is so great that the human mind is cracking under the strain. A prominent doctor in Hollywood said a few years ago, "Seventy-five percent of my patients do not *need* my services: they only need to get right with God."

Man was made for fellowship with God, and apart from God he simply cannot stand up under the increasing stress of our times. For this reason suicides and mental breakdowns are increasing at a terrifying rate.

Experts in religion and behaviour tell us, "One of the great social problems facing the free world is called *abnormal behaviour.*"

Each day in America, nearly seven hundred persons are admitted to mental hospitals or to psychiatric services at general hospitals. Over half the hospital beds in America – nearly 8,000,000 – are occupied by patients suffering from mental disorders. Another 123,000 are under care in institutions for mental defectives. Still another 100,000 or more convalescent patients are carried on the books of mental hospitals while they are receiving treatment at follow-up clinics.

Americans take over 500 tons of barbiturates, sleeping pills and tranquillizers every year, in an effort to soothe their jaded nerves, and drown the cries of their conscience. We take over 43,000,000 aspirins in America every 24 hours.

It is little wonder that, as one sees and hears the hundreds of TV commercials advertising as many different brands of tranquillizers, he gets the impression that we are a nation of neurotics or imbeciles, or both.

It is generally recognized that America is the most *over-medicated*, most *over-operated* and most *over-inoculated* country in the world. It is the most anxiety-ridden country with regard to health. We are flabby and overweight; our gastro-intestinal system operates like a sputtering gas engine. We can't sleep, we can't get going when we are awake. We have neuroses, we have high blood pressure. Neither our hearts nor our heads last as long as they should. Suicide is one of the leading causes of death. We suffer from a plethora of the diseases of civilization.

Why all of this? It is due to a number of things; but it is primarily Satan's final thrust at God and humanity before his approaching defeat at the hands of Christ.

What we are seeing, I believe, is Satan's final effort to overthrow the cause of Christ to win a conflict he cannot possibly win. The tragedy of it all is that he is dragging many people to spiritual ruin. It is for this reason that I am daring to deal with this matter.

When I speak of the mind, of what do I speak? Let's start with the dictionary defini-

tion: "the intellectual or rational faculty in man; consciousness; intelligence: state of being; the understanding or intellect; soul; memory; opinion; . . ."

The human brain is without question the most miraculous thing in the natural world. As science and learning have developed over the past decade, man's wonder has continually increased as to the phenomenon of the will, and the other abilities of his brain.

That little 3.3 pounds of pinkish greyish jelly-like matter, encased in the bones of the cranium, that operates on one-tenth of a volt of electricity, is a most amazing substance. It is composed of thirteen billion brain cells. It has the ability to store, during its lifetime, fifteen trillion facts. It controls our five senses, and directs all motor functions of the body – thus controlling us entirely. It functions in an orderly manner, that is until some outside influence disrupts the natural order.

It is here that Satan enters the picture. If our entire body, our senses, are controlled by the nerve centres of our body, which are controlled by our brain, then it is obvious that Satan is going to attack those senses which are directly controlled by the brain. When our senses are attacked, then the brain is called upon to function abnormally, or contrary to the course which God intended.

Thus, Satan appeals to, and attacks, as the saying goes, "Where it hurts the most." If Satan attacks our vision with those things which are vulgar, unwholesome, contrary to the nature of God, then there is immediately set up a mental struggle which contributes to a condition which is not normal. If our ears hear that which is contrary to all that is good, conflicting with God's desires for us, then, once again, a conflict rages.

Our feelings, or more accurately, our emotions, are a prime target for Satan. Emotions are indirectly related to the will, which is the volitional power of the mind. We must keep in mind always there are two powers struggling for our will, for full control of us. I have never found anything to express the idea better than the following poem:

Three men were walking on a wall,
Feeling, Faith and Fact.
When Feeling took an awful fall,
Faith was taken back.
So close to Faith was Feeling
That Faith fell down as well;
Fact stood strong, and pulled Faith up
And Faith brought Feeling, too.

We cannot get away from the emotional side of life. Our feelings are extremely important. But our hope for eternity is based not on how we feel, but on our faith in what God has promised. When we can understand that our salvation, and every other gift of God promised to us, is based on what God hath promised, and not on how we feel, then there will be a real victory in our lives.

There are some whose religion must include working their emotions up to a frenzied peak, but our salvation cannot be predicted upon the emotional display of our worship.

Of course, there is properly an outlet for our emotions in our worship. One of the great causes for "spiritual neuroses" is the lack of

emotional expression. God's people are too often suppressed in the churches: some churches are like a morgue rather than a house of praise and worship.

Dr. Martyn-Lloyd Jones, in his book, "Spiritual Depression: Its Causes and Cure", states: "There are many indeed who give this (lack of emotional expression) as a reason for not being a Christian. They say: 'Look at Christian people; look at the impression they give.'

"And they are very fond of contrasting us with people of the world: people who seem to be so thrilled by the things they believe in. They shout at their football games, they talk of the films they have seen. They are full of excitement and want everybody to know it. But Christian people too often seem to be perpetually in the doldrums. Too often they give an appearance of unhappiness, lack of freedom, or absence of joy. Certainly, this is a prime reason why large numbers of people have ceased to be interested in Christianity."

Many Christian people, living defeated lives, filled with fear and uncertainty, seemingly bound in spirit, would find everything would work out well for them if they would learn to praise the Lord, and would allow their emotions to be expressed in spontaneous praise to God.

After all: He is worthy of our praise! And praise, when it is spontaneous and heartfelt, is a powerful means of release and expression – something which elevates the thoughts and strengthens the mind.

True and effective praise must be based on our knowledge of the Word of God, and made effective through a practical working relationship with God. We don't praise the Lord in order to *get* something; we praise Him because we already *have* something. And because we are praising the Lord for what we already are and have in Him, all the other necessary things are added to us. "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you" (Matt. 6:33).

Oh how Satan is attacking the minds of the Christians today! He brings confusion into the churches. He fills the world with voices, voices, voices, all loudly proclaiming they have the only truth. Such confusion is Satan's weapon to torment you.

There are radicals on every side of every question, and this is a weapon of torment. Hypocrites in the church discourage many. Proponents of false or misleading doctrines do their share to upset the Christian mind.

Satan uses our every sense – the eye-gate, the ear-gate, the touch-gate, the smell-gate, the hearing as well as the emotions and reason. Oh, his ways are ever so subtle!

The devil would put every Christian into a mental hospital if he could. He would drive discouraged Christians on to commit suicide if God did not restrain him.

Be careful what you allow your eyes to see, your ears to hear, where your feet and hands may go and do.

Always remember "you are what you think". "For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he" (Proverbs 23:7).

God's Word admonishes us to "think on good things". Paul suggests, "Whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things" (Philippians 4:8).

God wants you to have a sound mind. He has fully prepared for the safety of our minds from Satan, and for the recovering of our minds when Satan has captured them.

We do not need to be afraid of Satan. Great assurance is given us in I John 4:4, in the words: "Greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world."

It was our Christ who decreed that devils should be cast out, and the sick healed in His name. It was He who granted an infilling of the Holy Spirit – an enduement of power adequate to meet every test of Satan, and to deliver every troubled life.

God has given us a three-step formula for our deliverance from Satanic oppression.

First, we must recognize our enemy and know his strength. We are dealing with a formidable foe. We cannot say "boo" to the devil and expect him to flee away. I shudder when I hear some folk talk flippantly and lightly about such a heinous creature. This Satan, this devil, was cast out of heaven when he endeavoured to exalt himself above the very throne of God. He and his angels who shared in his rebellion and downfall have since inhabited the earth and the atmosphere surrounding the earth. They are attacking the human race – the only way they can strike back at God.

You must realize Satan is out to get YOU! The Bible describes him: "The devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour" (I Peter 5:8). None is a match for Satan in his own strength, but we know God has not left us without help. "When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him" (Isaiah 59:19). It is God's Spirit within us who can repel the fearsome attacks of the devil.

Second, we must recognize the problem and weakness within our own life. Paul put his finger upon it in II Timothy 1:7: "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear . . ."

Fear is the cause of your emotional and your spiritual problem. This is the root of all the difficulties which come to us. It may be only in our subconscious mind so that we are not actively aware of it, but nevertheless it is a very real and terrible experience in life – and almost every person must fight it.

Why do more than twenty thousand persons commit suicide every year in America? They are afraid! The same is true with the other 80 thousand who attempt suicide but are not successful – and so live on to be further tormented by their fears.

Where does such fear come from? Paul makes it clear that "God hath not given us the spirit of fear." If so, then there is only one

place it has come from – the devil. Satan is to blame. He plants the fear in your mind. This is his most effective weapon in his strike against the mind.

The Scriptures tell us "Fear hath torment" (I John 4:18). Torment is just what Satan wants to give you. He can torment you only through your mind. Mental torment, which takes many forms, breaks down your mental and physical capacities. It is the cause of more than 75 percent of all illness today. And it is all rooted in fear!

Third, we must recognize a power which is greater than the power which would destroy us; and recognizing it, we must appropriate that power to our own lives, we must apply it to our own problems, we must shelter ourselves within it to escape from the enemies which would overwhelm us.

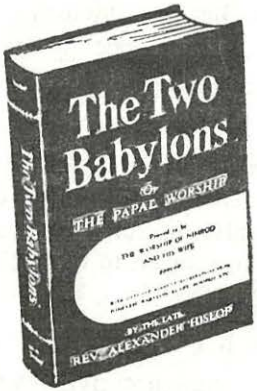
Satan comes to destroy us; Christ came to deliver us. It is as simple as that! Satan would destroy us physically; Jesus came to restore us to health. Satan came to engulf us in fear, to paralyze our mental capacities; Christ came that we might have a sound mind in a sound body.

Deliverance is there: we must take it. Get on your face before God and permit Him to work a work – His work – in your life. Ask Him to give you victory over the unholy, unwholesome desires which captivate your mind and body.

God desires to bring a mighty deliverance to you. He would free your mind from fear and torment. He would give you the *mind of Christ* which knew only and always to do the will of the Heavenly Father.

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By: Rev. J.A.B. Haggart

On 12 October 1978 three heads of State met at CAMP DAVID near Washington D.C. to discuss a Peace Accord. The three men were Pres. Sadat of Egypt, Premier Begin of Israel and Pres. Carter of the United States of America. Pres. Carter was the host at this historic meeting and vigorously advocated the signing of an agreement between the two nations in the Middle East, who had already fought four expensive and damaging wars against each other.

165 days later Egypt and Israel signed the much sought Peace Accord in Washington, D.C. If nothing else, the newly signed Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty stands as a monument to Egyptian President Sadat's first strong battering of those barriers through his precedent-shattering trip to Jerusalem 17 months before. With the signing of the treaty on the White House lawn at 2:00 P.M. on 26th March, Mr. Sadat gave Israel much of the recognition which it has sought from the most populous and powerful of Arab nations. It was the first treaty to be signed between an Arab nation and the new Jewish State, and it appeared to reduce considerably the chances that any combination of Arab nations would go to war against the Israelis any time over the next few years.

Before the signing ceremony Pres. Carter said: "This peace treaty will be permanent." Pres. Sadat referred to it as "one of the greatest achievements of our time." Prime Minister Begin called it "The great turning point in the Middle East." A joyous three-way handshake was given at the completion of the signing ceremony. Pres. Carter has been applauded widely for his part in the pursuit of peace through this treaty. But the cost to the United States taxpayers is tremendous, in terms of economic and military assistance to both sides. As the details of the documents signed are being disclosed, it has become clear that the United States has assumed MORAL and WRITTEN obligations almost as extensive as the treaty commitments Egypt and Israel have taken on them-

selves. Furthermore, the United States has entered into a treaty thereby to defend the new State of Israel against ALL her enemies. For the first time, the United States is officially obligated to help Israel at ALL COSTS. Where there should have been a feeling of victorious accomplishment at the signing of the treaty, many were in a sombre mood of wondering about its complete success. One United States official, noting the many difficulties that lie ahead and problems in executing the terms of the treaty, commented: "There is no joy in all this." The cost of the treaty to the American people will be several BILLIONS OF DOLLARS. It might be worth this cost, if it is successful in obtaining LASTING peace. BUT WILL IT?

If we look to the prophecies of our day (of which there are many) we will find a surprisingly accurate description of this event in Washington on 26 March 1979. Paul, in his first letter to the Thessalonians refers to the second coming of the Lord "as a thief in the night." He meant: unexpectedly. In the very next verse (1 Thess. 5:3) he gives us the description of the event which will precede the Lord's coming. "For when they say (report) Peace and Safety; THEN sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child, AND THEY SHALL NOT ESCAPE.

This passage has been applied in the past to two historic events. The first was to Prime Minister Chamberlain's visit to Munich in 1938 in search of peace with the German Reich. He got a treaty, but very shortly he also got a WAR. England was soon at war with Germany in World War 11. This passage has also been compared to the efforts in Washington to make peace with the Japanese delegation from Tokyo. At the very time of their talks in Washington the Japanese planes attacked the United States fleet at anchor in Pearl Harbour. War was declared upon the Japanese by the United States Congress, entering the United States into World War 11.

The words of Paul in 1 Thess. 5:3 cannot be applied to these two events in recent history, for the reason that they have not resulted in the coming of our Lord. Over forty years have passed since these efforts at peace were made (broken by violent war) and STILL our Lord tarries. Of the recent effort toward peace in the Middle East we ask: "WILL IT BE

PEACE, OR IS IT THE QUIET PRELUDE TO SUDDEN DESTRUCTION?" All the ingredients for the final culmination of all of prophecy are now at hand. They continue to be focused upon the Middle East, where the FINAL battle will take place, as described in Ezekiel 38 and Zachariah 14, not to mention the many references of Jesus Himself to these END DAYS.

The President of the United States claims to be familiar with the Bible, both as a student and as a teacher in his own church in Washington. Flushed with the personal victory of obtaining a Peace Treaty between Egypt and the Jewish State, he is obviously UNAWARE of the real role he is playing. There is no doubt that he is listening to "false shepherds" condemned in the 34th chapter of Ezekiel, vv. 1-22; prophets who fail to feed God's people: the truth that the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples of the world today are MODERN Israel would help in the attempt by NATIONAL leaders to understand what is best for the Christian nations today. King Ahab went to his death at the hands of King Ben-hadad of Syria because he listened to the words of 400 of his prophets, ALL OF WHOM WERE FALSE. Only one prophet, named Micaiah the son of Imlah, was bold enough to warn him that he would be killed in the battle he proposed fighting at Ramoth-gilead. (1 Kings 22:15-38). Had King Ahab listened to him he would not have been slain. All of the true prophets of the Lord emphasize the value of gaining TRUE understanding. The Lord said through Jeremiah: "I will give you pastors according to Mine heart, which shall feed you with KNOWLEDGE and UNDERSTANDING." (Jer. 3:15). The proper timing of events which have been prophesied in the distant past must be studied in the Bible and "searched" out. To recognize the important events which have been prophesied one should give particular attention to Daniel 11 and 12, which speaks to OUR times. The words of Jesus to John on the Isle of Patmos are very revealing and his prophecies as recorded by the writers of all four Gospels.

To a true understanding of the Scriptures it is essential to recognize the two birthright nations of MODERN ISRAEL: BRITAIN (including the COMMONWEALTH COUNTRIES) and the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. Until this is understood the leaders of our countries are to remain ignorant of the fabulous promises that have been made to these nations and the fulfilling of

these promises, even though they remain mostly UNAWARE of their TRUE identity. The proportion of the false prophets in the world today still stands at 400 false to ONE true prophet. Yet, the truth must be proclaimed, and wise are those who heed the words of a true prophet and ACT accordingly. Had Ahab listened to the one prophet, Micaiah, he would not have experienced the ignoble death which he endured. Today, modern leaders would do well to listen to the true prophets, the Watchers at the tower, for the decisions they must make in their leadership.



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Scripture Cameos

By Kenneth C. Bayman

6. *Are we on the side of the angels?*

> *"Now even though it were myself or some angel from heaven, whoever preaches a gospel that contradicts the gospel I preached to you, God's curse be on him!"*
>
> – Galatians 1:8 (Moffat)

So important is this passage from his letter to the Galatians, that the Apostle Paul repeats it in his very next sentence (verse 9).

And well he might, for it is one of the most vital warnings in the entire volume of Scripture.

The "gospel", to which Paul refers is the "good news" of God's offer of salvation.

This "salvation" is not merely salvation from sin. That is the first step; but it goes on to embrace the salvation of an entire order of Creation; of a Universe vaster than the human mind can conceive. It is part of the Creator's plan to bring to full fruition His great work and to justify it in spite of opposition and breakdown due to the frailty of His creatures. And frail they must necessarily be unless and until they forsake reliance upon themselves and place their entire confidence in their Creator alone.

This is what Our Lord meant, in part, when He said "He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it" (Matthew 10:39). He that "finds his life" by realising his own strength and becoming self-dependent fails to that extent to depend upon God.

This does not mean that, in the practical pursuits of everyday life, we should abandon self-confidence: rather it means that we should at all times undergird our own powers (such as they may be) with a consciousness of utter dependence upon the power of God.

The study of passages of Scripture relative to "Lucifer, Son of the Morning", seems to show that it was this great Being's failure to acknowledge his reliance upon his Creator which led to his downfall and the damaging of his vast domain. "Self-reliance" in his case gave rise to an insane personal pride and ambition: he aspired to the place of God Himself. Thus, in Isaiah, chapter 14, verses 12–14 we read of what was going on in his secret heart: "Thou hast said in thine heart, '*I will* ascend into the heavens; *I will* exalt my throne above the stars of God; *I will* sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: *I will* ascend above the heights of the clouds; *I will* be like the 'Most High'."

"Pride goeth before a fall, and a haughty spirit before destruction", we read in Proverbs 16:18. Lucifer was the first to exemplify this proverb, and in I Timothy 3:6 pride is specifi-

cally mentioned as the "condemnation of the devil."

The earth which is the home of mankind is a part of what was once the Luciferian domain: in Job 1:7 and 2:2 we hear Satan ("the Adversary", as the name means) replying to the question of the Lord "From whence comest thou?" as follows: "From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it." Thus the earth is a sphere of Satanic activity. This activity increases phenomenally as the age draws nearer to its end (i.e., the end of the age of human government in the earth). Chapter 12 of the Book of Revelation depicts symbolically the casting out of Satan from heavenly spheres of activity: this would appear to mean that he has hitherto had access to the far-flung limits of his original celestial domain. The fact that during Job's life-time Satan was able to appear before the Presence of the Lord together with other Sons of God to give an account of himself bears this out. But chapter 12 of the Book of Revelation foresees a time when Satan and his angels would be "cast out into the earth." The result is: rejoicing in the heavens among the dwellers there, and woe to the inhabitants of the earth.

In the picture given in this chapter of the Book of Revelation of the Dragon persecuting the "woman which brought forth the man child", we recognise the nation Israel symbolised as the woman; as the woman is persecuted because she was the mother of the "man child", it is apparent that here Christian Israel is being spoken of. The "man-child" is the Son of Man, the Lord Jesus Christ, as clearly appears from verses 4, 5 and 6 of this remarkable chapter. In this chapter we see clearly set forth the unrelenting enmity of Satan, firstly against Israel prior to the advent of Christ, and secondly against Israel after the advent and ascension of Christ. The fact that Satan *and his angels* are "cast out into the earth" would thus lead us to expect a mounting climax of supernaturally-inspired evil towards the close of the age of human government – directed chiefly against the modern development of Israel, i.e., the Anglo-Saxon and related peoples.

It is thus abundantly clear that not only the earth but also the heavens are affected by the Plan of God for the restoration of this part of His dominion. It was in order to provide a way of recovery that the Creator Himself, "in the fulness of time" entered His creation in the Person of His only-begotten Son "through whom the worlds were made". "All things were made by Him", and thus Our Lord now took upon Himself the restoration and repair of the damage wrought by the unfaithful steward – the "Anointed Cherub", Lucifer, Son of the morning – to a portion of His vast Universe. Was it only an "island universe" – our galaxy – that was affected? Or did the evil spread even across inter-galactic spaces of the heavens? We shall probably never know.

Thus Our Lord had in effect to resume His creatorial work: for this reason He could say: "My Father worketh hitherto, and I work" (John 5:17).

This immense work of cosmic restoration is bound up in the salvation of "whosoever

will" upon the earth: it is this aspect of the mystery of God's great Plan which "the very angels long to get a glimpse of" (I Peter 1:12 Moffat). Just as the "Sons of God shouted for joy" when the Creator laid the foundations of our earth, long ago, so now the angels "desire to look into" what is happening on this earth. There is a very lively interest on the part of other created Beings in what God is doing here on this planet. We are told that even the "demons believe, and tremble" (James 2:19).

It is because of the vital cosmic importance of God's plan of salvation that the Apostle Paul gives the solemn, twice-repeated warning in Galatians 1:8 and 9. In the light of Revelation 12, which we have considered above, an "angel from heaven" preaching "another gospel" could well be one of the Angels of Satan, cast out of the heavenly spheres with him. In his letter to the Colossians Paul warns: "Beware of anyone getting hold of you by means of a theosophy which is specious make-believe, on the lines of human tradition, corresponding to the Elemental spirits of the world and not to Christ" (Moffat).

Who are these "Elemental spirits of the world"? In the Authorised Version this passage is rendered "rudiments" of the world. The original Greek word so translated means (according to Young's Concordance) "an element, first step or principle". Moffat's rendering goes very deep: these "first principles of the world" are personified by him into the *Elemental spirits* – those spirits which first occupied our earth and which, disembodied, now constantly seek expression through human beings. It is these forces, unseen and very often unknown, which inspire much of what passes for wisdom among mankind. Quasi-religious fervour often finds its origin in their eerie promptings. Apparently spontaneous "movements" among mankind, in political, religious and cultural circles are derived from the same occult sources.

In all times of world crisis, these Elemental spirits have been particularly active: this was the case during the time just before and after Christ's first advent. Hence some of Paul's advice to the Colossians sounds strangely topical – for the world is experiencing another intense period of occult activity in our day. For example, Paul writes: "Let no one lay down rules for you as he pleases, with regard to fasting and any cult of angels, presuming on his visions and inflated by his sensuous notions . . . As you died with Christ to the Elemental spirits of the world, why live as if you still belonged to the world?" (Col.2:18-20)

Inspiration springing from these elemental spirit forces is clearly recognisable: it always has this world and its temporal interests as its only objective, as though this were the only world there will ever be. Hence Paul's remonstrance in his letter to the Colossians, who were in danger of being deluded.

Unnumbered multitudes are being similarly deluded in our own day: new religions and quasi-religions are springing up almost daily, and the old delusions are by no means dead. Rosicrucianism is an example of the latter, and Hubbardism or "scientology" is an example of the former. The brain-washed devo-

tees of these "movements" are to all intents and purposes lost to the great "rescue operation" of the Creator: they become incapable of realising either their desperate position or the way out.

The appearance of strange flying objects of unknown origin in the skies of the world during the past two decades has given a further fillup to the Elemental spirits. In the U.S.A. particularly (that home of cultism!) a number of new "religions" and quasi-religious cults based on the alleged occupants of UFO's (UFO – unidentified flying objects) have made their appearance. Self-styled "messiahs" have also appeared, true to Our Lord's own predicdiction (see Matthew 24:23-25). We may be thankful that interest in the Bible and true Christianity is also at a high level in the United States, and the faith is strongly represented in all strata of society despite the availability of every kind of propaganda medium to the forces of evil. This very climate of religious interest which gives opportunity to the followers of the Lord Jesus Christ also, naturally enough, attracts the false religionists.

It is because of the attractiveness of the "wisdom" of the Elemental spirits of the world to the natural human mind that it is essential for all Christians to realise the practical meaning of the fact that they in believing the Gospel "died with Christ to the Elemental spirits of the world", as Paul wrote to the Colossians. Paul enlarges on this doctrine in chapter 6 of his letter to the Romans: "How can we live in sin any longer, when we died to sin? Surely you know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into his death! Our baptism in his death made us share his burial, so that, as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live and move in the new sphere of life."

It must be borne in mind that it is only while a person is alive that he is capable of being influenced by the Elemental spirits of the world. As soon as a person dies, he passes beyond the reach of these spirit entities. The importance of the above teaching of the Apostle Paul lies in the fact that, in the case of the Christian, he does not have to wait for natural death for release from the power of the Elemental spirits of the world, for he "dies" to them when by faith he identifies himself with Christ, and thus in effect shares Christ's death and burial – just as eventually he will also share Christ's resurrection.

In writing to Timothy, Paul also mentioned the spirit activity of the latter days – the days in which we live. He wrote: "But in later days, the Spirit (i.e., of God) distinctly declares, certain people will rebel against the faith; they will listen to spirits of error and to doctrines that demons teach through plausible sophists who are seared in conscience."

There are those whose consciences are thus blunted to the extent that they are no longer able to discern the truth. "Even if my gospel is veiled", wrote Paul to the Corinthians (II Cor. 4:3,4): "it is only veiled in the case of the perishing; there the god of this world has blinded the minds of unbelievers, to

prevent their seeing the light thrown by the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the likeness of God."

Note that title of Satan: "the god of this world". He aspired to be "as God"; but his ambition was to be the god of the heavens; instead, he has been demoted, in effect, to "god of this world". Nevertheless, it is here on this planet that there is coming to its fore-ordained climax, the immense cosmic drama which is demonstrating to celestial beings of many orders "the full sweep of the Divine wisdom" (Ephesians 3:9-11, Moffat version).

Hence it is not only important for us to be "on the side of the angels", as the saying goes, but we need to be careful that we are on the side of *the angels of God*, and not the angels of Satan.

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Through Judgment to Righteousness

Part 1

By: F. W. Dowsett

I think it would be safe to say that everyone today, except the wilfully blind, realise the fact that the world is in a very precarious position. Those who don't admit this fact are quite obviously deliberately shutting their eyes, simply because they are too afraid to face the future and the awful possibilities that it holds. They are living in a fool's paradise. But I am sure, that even with these people, there is an underlying fear or uncertainty that everything is not as it should be. A sense or feeling of impending disaster is gradually pervading the thoughts of all mankind, and the big question today must surely be, "How are we to get out of all this?"

Let me say very emphatically that there is only one source of information regarding the way out, and that source is THE BIBLE. It is no use people denying this, because if they were honest about it, they would have to admit that the Bible Way is the only way that has not yet been tried. Those who ridicule God's Word and its instructions to us are those who will not have anything to do with it, and being completely ignorant of what it contains, are thus in no position to pass judgment upon it. In Proverbs 18:13 we read,

"He who answereth a matter before he heareth it,
it is folly and shame to him."

So let us see just what the Bible has to say about this world in which we live, and the future which is in store for us.

Whilst there is a certain amount of disagreement on the meaning of certain aspects of God's Word, there can be no doubt whatsoever regarding the accuracy and certainty of at least two teachings contained therein. These are the absolute certainty of a coming period of judgment upon the earth, followed by a final period of perfect peace and righteousness. So let us see what the Bible has to say regarding these two periods of time.

First we will see what God has to say about judgment.

The Bible is quite clear on the fact that this system under which we exist today (we can hardly call it living), has a time limit placed upon it. This must surely be good news to everybody. God has ordained judgment not only upon this evil system, but also upon those individuals and nations who are actively supporting and using the system for their own evil and selfish ends. But to understand the necessity for this judgment and the form in which it will come, it is absolutely necessary to have some knowledge of how we came to be in such a mess in the first place. Only then will we see and understand just how God is operating, and realise the perfection of His Plans.

When God formed our first parents, Adam and Eve from the dust of the earth, they were perfect in every way. On the creative scale, they were a little lower than the angels, but otherwise were above everything else that God had created. In Psalm 8:4 we read,

> *"What is man that thou art mindful of him, and the son of man that Thou visitest him. For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and has crowned him with glory and honour. Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of Thy hands. Thou hast put all things under his feet."*

There was one thing however that God gave to man that He did not give to any of His other creatures. That was a FREE WILL to make their own choice. They were given the opportunity to choose between good and evil, blessing or cursing, life or death. But despite the blessings that God promised, not only Adam, but his descendants after him, have adopted the attitude that we can do better than God. So we have spurned the life of perfection that God has offered us, and now, after nearly 6,000 years of disobedience to God, with its subsequent misery, we have nothing better than the mess in which we now find ourselves.

No wonder that God says to us, as His people, in Isaiah 48:17-18:-

"Thus saith the Lord thy redeemer, the Holy One

of Israel. I am the Lord thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldst go.
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."

But few people fully realise the methods that Satan has used down through the ages in his effort to destroy mankind and ruin God's plan for this earth of ours. I don't know whether you have realised this or not, but if you look carefully back through the Bible and through history, you will find that every plan and action that God has made or put into operation has been countered with another plan put forward by Satan. In other words, running side by side with the perfect has been, and still is, the counterfeit. Now you know as well as I do, that if you want to produce a counterfeit of something, then that counterfeit has to be as near as possible the same as the original. For example, when a forger makes a counterfeit five dollar note, he does not make up a new design of his own, because he knows that it would be immediately detected. So he makes it as near to the original as he possibly can.

And this is a fundamental principle to be recognised when considering the works of Satan. He has not created or introduced systems of his own imagination. He has deliberately set up and put into operation counterfeits of God's plans. What's more, is that he has done this in such a way, and so carefully, that the majority of people today, and for centuries past for that matter, have not been able to distinguish between the real and the false.

This counterfeiting system has been applied to every phase of our lives, both individually and nationally. God's plan included the formation of an earthly Kingdom through which He would bring ultimate blessing to the whole world. He named this kingdom "ISRAEL", which means 'Ruling With God.' He gave this nation Israel a perfect system of laws which covered all aspects of their individual and national existence. He also gave them a pure form of worship which absolutely excluded all forms of idolatry, but which recognised God alone, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, as the only TRUE AND LIVING GOD. He also promised these people

of Israel that if they obeyed these laws, that they would receive untold blessings, financially, physically, and spiritually.

But what do we find? Satan immediately started to work setting up another kingdom in an all-out drive to break down the greatness and witness of God's kingdom Israel. In order to do this Satan substituted a different system altogether for God's perfect system. But he did it in such a way, and with such cunning, and over such a long period of time, that people are now quite unaware that today we are being governed almost exclusively by Satan's laws, and not by God's Laws. Let me assure you that our present way of life is NOT God's way. By the use of counterfeit and confusion, Satan has completely misled people down the path to ultimate death, thus making full use of his position as "The prince of this world." We read in John 14:29-30,

> *"And now I have told you before it come to pass, that when it come to pass, ye might believe. Hereafter I will not talk much with you, for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me."*

So we find that in every phase of our existance, people have blindly accepted Satan's substitute for God's perfect Way of Life. For instance, we find it in our economic system. God's Laws are very definite as to how we, as a nation, should conduct our financial affairs. The charging of usury, or interest, is prohibited. It provides for the release of ALL debts at the end of every seventh year. In short, it creates a balanced economic system which does not discriminate against the poor in favour of the rich. It is a system which extends credit without the multiplication of debt. But our present system is Satan's system which he inaugurated through Nebuchadnezzar when he commenced the 'Gold Standard' by setting up an image of gold (not just a golden image) on the Plains of Dura. You can read the account in the third chapter of the Book of Daniel. So Satan substituted a 'Debt' system in the place of God's 'Credit' system, and has literally bound the people in chains of economic slavery ever since. There is not one person reading this who is not suffering in one way or another as a result of this.

We also find Satan's counterfeit policy operating in the

religious sphere. In the early days of Christianity, he used every means at his command, per medium chiefly of the pagan Roman Empire at that time, to stamp out the Christian Faith, the Faith which he knew would ultimately destroy him. But he came up against something which he had not expected. He found that the Christian Faith just could not be stamped out like that. No matter what he did, he could not kill the glory and the power of the Risen Son of God, the LORD JESUS CHRIST.

So Satan formulated the policy which is still used today by the exponents and followers of the anti-God forces. If you can't fight them, join them. It was as simple as that. Never underestimate the power and cunning of Satan. He immediately proceeded to set up a church which would be a substitute for the true church, a counterfeit religious system, which would be so much like the real thing that people would not be able to tell them apart. Just how successful this plan has been must be apparent to any thinking Protestant. But the amazing thing is that so many of the things which we, as Protestants, are fighting to preserve were originated by the Church of Rome in the first place. Satan must surely have every reason to be smug about the success of his plans thus far.

Can we expect that God will allow this state of affairs to continue? Most certainly not! So we find the necessity for the coming final judgment upon the earth. God is moving to not only punish the Godless, but to completely wipe out all trace of the evil which is so prevalent in the world today, when under the reign of our LORD JESUS CHRIST, perfect peace will be established and righteousness will cover the earth as the waters cover the sea.

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The bee processes the honey and packs it into beautifully-made hexagonal wax cells in the honeycomb. Although most of the honey we eat nowadays has been taken from the comb and prepared in liquid form, comb-honey is available in many places. The taste of honey depends upon what flowers the bee has visited on its foraging trips. Many nowadays are mixtures of various flowers, so that a pleasant overall taste results.

You can obtain almost any flavor you personally happen to like best. Clover honey is mild and sweet. Tupelo honey, from the pepperidge or tupelo tree, is very popular. Various mints and herbs give their delightful tang to many honeys. Darkest, and hence most nutritious from the point of view of vitamins and minerals, is buckwheat honey. This has a distinctive flavor which may take some getting used to. But it is delicious on buckwheat cakes. Most deeply colored foods contain more

vitamins and minerals than lighter colored ones, and honey is no exception.

What is the nutritional value of honey, compared to white sugar? Honey is made of several sugars which are mostly simple sugars or monosaccharides. This means that they are easily digested, requiring no changes before they are processed by the stomach juices. Levulose, one of these, is almost twice as sweet as cane sugar and carries a distinctive flavor. Seventy-five to eighty per cent of honey is sugar, the rest being water; so it is a highly concentrated food.

It should be remembered that we rob the bees of their food. The metabolism of insects is such that they live chiefly on carbohydrates. We require large amounts of protein to be healthy. So we must not make the mistake of thinking that we should make honey as large a part of our diet as the bee does. We should, instead, think of it as a completely natural, unprocessed sweet, much preferable to refined white sugar. And we should use it as a sweetening agent in place of white sugar.

As readers of this magazine know, sugars need certain amounts of the B vitamins for the body to process and absorb them. This is our chief complaint against white sugar and white flour—their refining has robbed them of these vitamins. Honey contains some of the B vitamins you must have to digest its sugars—thiamine, riboflavin and niacin. It also contains other B vitamins—pantothenic acid, pyridoxine and biotin, which have also been removed from all white sugar and white flour.

Among the minerals found in honey are iron, copper, sodium, potassium, manganese, calcium, magnesium and phosphorus. These are all minerals you need every day. They are not present in white sugar. You should not depend on honey to supply all your needs in the mineral line, for it is not extremely rich in minerals as seeds are, for instance, and of course, you do not eat it in large quantities. But you can be sure when you eat honey that you are not eating a food that has been most unnaturally robbed of its most important elements. They are all there.

Small traces of natural antibiotics have been found in honey, which may be one reason for its worldwide reputation as an ingredient of many medicines from ancient times down to the present. Germs will not grow in it. It does not spoil, no matter how long you keep it, although if you dilute it with water to a thin syrup, it will eventually ferment as fruit and vegetable juices will.

Store honey at room temperature in a dry place, well covered. Do not

keep liquid honey in the refrigerator. If kept for some time it may darken, but this does not spoil the quality. It may crystallize if it is kept fairly cool. This is a natural process and does not spoil the honey in any way. To bring it back to liquid form, place the container of honey in a pan of warm water until the crystals disappear. Creamed honey is a spread about the consistency of butter, which should be kept in the refrigerator when room temperatures are very warm. It can be used as butter and peanut butter are used.

Honey serves you best, nutritionally speaking, if you eat it uncooked, just as it comes. Use it on bread, toast, pancakes or waffles. Mix it with equal parts of butter or margarine, or margarine and peanut butter, for a honey spread; or add butter or margarine and whipped cream to make what the Swiss call Swiss honey. Better use this one as a dessert, rather than a sandwich spread.

When you use honey to cook, you may use it almost exactly as you would use white sugar, except that, in some recipes, you should omit some of the fluid the recipe calls for, since the honey will provide this. Cakes and cookies made from honey retain moisture when you store them. Some even seem to taste better after storing a few days. However, crisp cookies may lose some of their crispness. When you are using honey for baking, be sure to mix thoroughly so that the honey does not form a soggy layer at the bottom. Mix it with liquid or shortening.

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God Unlimited

By Pastor Robert Thornton

God's Word is eternal. The Psalmist says: "His truth endureth to all generations" (Psa. 100:5). We are told that God's Word is forever settled in heaven. "Forever, O Lord, thy Word is settled (established and operative) in heaven" (Psa. 119:89). However, this does not mean that it stops there. In Psalm 19, we are told that there is no speech or language where God is not heard and that His message goes out through all the earth and to all the world (i.e., to each succeeding age). The essential point in this article is to establish the fact of *the ever-continuing processes which flow from God's eternal promises;* in this case, God's promises to Abraham in particular. Although Abraham has not yet sat down in the Kingdom, which God promised to him and to his descendants, he did nevertheless live by the promise for the remainder of his lifetime. He did live in a greater freedom from the Babylonish institutions of his day than any of his contemporaries. This was so because his hopes, his desires, all his purposes and actions were predicated upon God's promise. Because he did believe God, he fully enjoyed the spirit of these promises. He learned to rest wholly upon God and to depend upon Him to keep him, in all his ways, until the promise should come to fruition. In a very real sense, it may be said that he lived in the promise of God. And God, because Abraham continued to honour Him, in believing, did indeed shelter Abraham and keep him, both in a spiritual and material sense, so that in the fulness of time Abraham could be God's promised inheritor in Christ (Rom. 4).

THE TWICE BORN

In each succeeding generation, Abraham's true children (John 8:37,39) have continued in the faith of Abraham coming out from the Babylonish institutions of their city in order to seek (await – Ferrar Fenton Trans.) the city whose builder and maker is God. We see that God's Word is continuous, not only does it work in Abraham himself and bring him out of Satan's world system but this same word of promise continues to work in each succeeding generation of Abraham's seed who are truly born not only of his fleshly line but also of his faith (Gal. 3:7; 4:28). *It is evident that few, even in Anglo-Saxondom, are truly "twice born" in this sense. If they were, their spirit and faith would cause them to completely reject the satanic pattern of this modern Babylon.* God's Word is still as powerful as it was in Abraham's day. Those born of it are "Israelites indeed". Putting aside all guile, they place Abraham's faith, their faith, the hope of God's Kingdom upon the earth ahead of every other consideration. The world system no longer can hold their interest. Their joy and their hope is the same as that of Abraham.

On the other hand, there are untold numbers, even among Abraham's natural seed who, not having been born in Abraham's faith (which is Christ Himself – John 8:56) will not be able

to go into the promised land, but will of necessity die in the wilderness of the people (Ezek. 20:35). Like a mirage, this seemingly fruitful and pleasant land is desolate and drought-ridden. It is a place of no hope where men are held in the chains of their own vanity and pride. It is a desert where even an occasional trickle of the water of God's Word dries up from the sun of self will. Many of God's people find themselves in this Babylonish desert because they have refused to heed the voice of the Way-shower, Jesus of Nazareth.

THE CONCILIATORS

In the United States, many old and honoured institutions are turning back from God and His Word. Where is the educator who really believes that "the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom?" Where is the statesman who claims for the nation and its people their collective destiny under God? Where is the business man whose basis of operation is based on Matthew 6:33, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." *Where is the national leader who will speak out for the sovereignty of God's people and declare Christ Jesus to be our strength?* Both the nation and its leaders are sadly lacking in the "zeal of the Lord". No longer do we hear cries for righteousness but only the defeatist's materialistic call to world-wide amalgamation on all fronts. It is no longer popular to speak out against Communism. Instead our leaders, both political and religious, caution us against "extremism". No more are we enjoined to rout the forces of evil, but rather to conciliate, to placate those of evil tendency whether they be on the regional, national or international front. God calls for "righteousness at any cost", but today's leadership "buys" its way with promises of "peace at any price".

THE SIN OF UNBELIEF

Now, what can we learn from the experience of our Israel forefathers? Having recently enjoyed God's salvation when He miraculously saved them from Pharaoh's pursuing army, they knew both His power and His willingness to use it on their behalf. Despite this, they rebelled against Him, refused to believe Him, and would not advance into Canaan at His command. Because of this, they died in the wilderness and were not allowed to set foot in the Promised Land. They literally became their own executioners. As the writer to the Hebrews puts it: ". . . *with whom was He grieved forty years? Was it not with them who had sinned, (i.e. turned from trust in the living God) whose carcasses fell in the wilderness . . . so we see that they could not enter in (into Canaan) because of unbelief.*" (Heb. 3:17-19). Their sin was that they did not believe God. That is, they refused to accept His promise to go before them and to give them the land of Canaan. They rejected His invitation and refused His power. The Psalmist has well stated their case, "Yea, they turned back and tempted God, and limited the Holy One of Israel" (Psa. 78:41).

But what has this to do with us today? Just this: that we also are tending to turn back from the clear mandate which God gave our

fathers to take all the land, wherein we set foot, for Christ (Gen. 13:14-15; Rom. 4:13). That our fathers when they came to this Western World had such vision is clear from numbers of ancient documents. An excerpt from one is given here by way of illustration: ". . . we all came into these parts of America with one and the same end and aim, namely to advance the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ and to enjoy the liberties of the Gospel in purity and peace . . ." (The Articles of Confederation – May 19th, 1643). Although this document is linked in particular with the United States, it is nonetheless an expression of the pervading spirit of those pioneers who established both Canada and the United States.

THE FAITH OF ABRAHAM

Being the children of Abraham, it is high time that we lay hold again, in this generation, upon the faith of Abraham. The best expression of this faith is found in Hebrews 11:10. "*For he (Abraham) looked for a city (Greek – polis, i.e., policy of government) which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God.*" If we consider this passage in conjunction with the preceding statement in Hebrews 11:8, that "Abraham . . . went out, not knowing whither he went", we have a thumb-nail sketch of Abraham's life. He went out from the Babylonian civilization of his day, to seek an order of life founded upon God's principles. He sought a city or programme of government entirely in line with God's will: in short, Abraham left everything he knew to seek God's literal kingdom upon the earth.

As we suggested at the beginning, God's word is eternal, continuing and unchanging. Many well known Bible passages attest to this truth. For instance: Psalm 105:8 – "He hath remembered His covenant forever, the word which He commanded unto a thousand generations." If such be the case should not modern Anglo-Saxondom, the actual descendants of Abraham, be busy looking for this same city, or at least, as Ferrar Fenton's translation of Hebrews 11:10 suggests, be in constant anticipation of its establishment: "Abraham awaited the city, the Architect and Constructor of whose everlasting foundation is God."

THE CHILDREN OF PROMISE

Those who are truly Abraham's children in spirit as well as flesh are spoken of as the children of promise in Galatians 4:28. We are the children of Abraham's highest desire; we are born of his longing for God's Kingdom and we will never be satisfied until it is established. "Know ye therefore that they which are of the faith (Abraham's faith), the same are the children of Abraham" (Gal. 3:7).

Despite the clarity with which God's Word sets forth these things, the major portion of modern Anglo-Saxon Israel appears to be wholly engaged in the building of a multi-culture, multi-racial Babylon, a city in which all men are held in equality with all other men. This is a city, or world policy of world government, in which it is planned that not even God's only begotten Son and His "called out" can transcend. *A major goal of this modern structure is that all God-given gifts, all individuality, all true inspiration must be forever stifled unto death in order that no voice may*

ever contradict the system, and no aspiration may ever rise above the common level. Nothing can be allowed to beget desire for betterment or to upset the great colourless . . . mass-temperament. Not only are the slaves not to rebel, it is planned that they shall not desire to rebel. This is the city whose rotting, creaking foundation has been laid by Satan. And Satan, whose greatest ability is to bind and to blind the souls of men through their hunger for materialistic perfection, is the Grand Master of this world-wide mess of pottage.

SATAN AT WORK

To this end, Red-dupes high in the U.S. policy-planning areas, have been busily exploiting both our fears and our naivete by promoting such fiascos as acceptance of the Soviet nuclear test ban; a test moratorium, under cover of which Russia pushed full speed ahead to match U.S. nuclear abilities. To this end, Paul H. Nitze, former Secretary of the Navy, launched the idea that it is "safer to be weak than strong". For more than twenty years, such "reactionary" leaders have been busy re-shaping United States policy from one of strength and resolute leadership to an all-out effort aimed at the sacrifice of our nationhood and the subjection of our people to a socialistic world government.

Thus the picture stands and thus we see that we have indeed turned back from the God-fearing and God-trusting spirit of our national founders. So, today, we are literally limiting God by denying Him the right to be our national courage and vision, and our national strength. *Of no nation, at any time in history, can it be said more truly than of the United States today – "Yea, they turned back (from God and from His Word) and tempted God and limited the Holy One of Israel"* (Psa. 78:41).

GOD'S ETERNAL WORD

And what is the answer to this deplorable condition? Exactly the same answer which God gave ancient Israel when they turned back from Him for fear of Canaan's giants. Throughout this growing cosmos of conformity, only a few sense its futility, but in each generation are those who come out into the wondrous light of the hope of Abraham's city – God's Kingdom upon this earth. *The Bible calls them the generation of the righteous.* These are the seven thousand who have not bowed the knee to Baal. In His infinite wisdom, God has preserved an anointed seed whose Head is Christ Jesus. These comprise the "little flock" of whom Jesus spoke, "Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom" (Luke 12:32).

The present leadership of this apostate generation will not enter the Kingdom. Instead its bones will bleach in the "wilderness of the people" (a world-wide socialistic pattern) and then God will call forth the Joshua of our day. The Lord Jesus will come in power and great glory. He it is who, alone, shall lead His people into the promised Kingdom of God on earth. With Jesus will be the Caleb (literally "Whole-hearted") of our day, – those whose hearts, like Abraham's, have only one desire, to see the kingdom of God established. These, the Whole-hearted, will be with Him, and Joshua (Jesus) and Caleb (those who are Jesus'

at His coming) will lead the remnant of God's people into the Kingdom. God's Word is indeed eternal and true. In every generation, it comes to fulfilment; in the last generation of this age shall the greatest fulness of His Word appear. Yet forever shall it be fulfilled and in greater measure as we enter through the arch of each succeeding age.

His promises are Yea and Amen! Hail to Jesus of Nazareth, Wonderful Revealer of the Eternal: Lord and Master, Saviour of all peoples, Redeemer of the House of Jacob!

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Looking at the Law

It is of the utmost importance that we, God's people, understand that our Heavenly Father does have a plan and that His goal is to establish His Kingdom upon this planet. Secondly, the first phase of His plan is to establish His government over the House of Jacob. We are the House of Jacob, the children of Israel. One of the most important factors pertaining to the establishment of that Kingdom is the law of God.

THE LAW REMAINS

In I John 3:4 are these words, "Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law; for sin is the transgression of the law." Our Lord Jesus Christ came to save us from our sins and to establish us in righteousness. When sin – which is the transgression of the law – is removed, the law remains. Unfortunately, modern leaders in the church have almost completely overlooked the fact that through Moses the Lord not only gave us laws pertaining to the individual but He also gave laws which are to govern our national conduct. The keeping of these laws brings national blessing and the violate of these laws brings national suffering; the destruction of freedom, life and property.

The promise of national blessing is proclaimed in Deuteronomy 28:1-2, "And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe and do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the Lord thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth; And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God." I call your attention especially to the fact that this statement is made to the *nation*.

GOD'S INSURANCE

These are national laws. After this proclamation follows a long list of national blessings. The flow of these blessings insures all citizens of health, prosperity, peace and general welfare. Today, we are unable to attain the degree of happiness offered by God because our nation continues to ignore basic Divine Law. As Howard B. Rand has well commented, such blessings cannot be acquired for the nation since they are not obtained by humanly devised means or through laws of purely human origin. It is absolutely essential for the safety and health of the nation that God's laws be instituted. They were given for this purpose. It is only by observing the law of the Lord that any nation can ever hope to secure the wonderful prosperity which is promised by God.

Let us carefully consider the list of blessings promised upon national obedience to God's law. Remember these are national blessings – that is, blessings which come upon the citizens of the nation when God's laws are in operation. "You shall be blessed in town and in country; blessed shall be the fruit of

your body and of your ground . . ." Consider this wonderful promise. Today there are thousands of children born without arms or partially or even totally blind or with twisted spines or weak hearts. This would never happen in this nation if God's laws were upheld. So far as the fruit of our ground is concerned, we would not have to use the many poisonous chemical fertilizers which we use today. The yield of our land would be increased many times without any poison.

VICTORY – HEALTH – PROSPERITY

We are told, ". . . the young of your cattle and the lambs of your flock (shall be increased); full shall your basket be and your kneading-trough; blessed shall you be as you start out and as you come home. The foes who attack you the Eternal will rout before you; they may assail you altogether, but they shall fly before you in all directions. The Eternal will command you to be blessed in your barns and in every enterprise to which you put your hand, blessing you in the land which the Eternal your God assigns to you. The Eternal will confirm your position as a people sacred to himself, as he swore to you, if you obey the orders of the Eternal your God and live his life, so that when all nations on earth see you are owned by the Eternal, they may stand in awe of you. The Eternal will make you overflow with prosperity in the fruit of your body, of your cattle, and of your ground, the ground that the Eternal swore to your fathers that he would give to you. The Eternal will open his rich treasury of heaven for you, to bestow rain in due season on your land, blessing all your labours, so that you shall lend to many a nation but never need to borrow from them. So shall the Eternal put you at the head, not at the tail; you shall be always rising, never falling, as you listen to the commands of the Eternal your God which I enjoin upon you this day, and carry them out carefully, never swerving to right or to left from any of the injunctions I lay upon you this day, by going after any other gods to worship them" (Deut 28:3-14, M).

TURMOIL AND DEFEAT

If the nation refuses to listen to the voice of the Lord and is unmindful of the need to carry out all His commandments and keep His statutes, then there are certain curses which will overtake that nation. These curses are also listed in the 28th chapter of Deuteronomy. You see – the way of national prosperity, the way of national health, the way of national victory on the battlefield is obedience to the laws of God. Of course, we cannot be obedient to those laws until, as a nation, we acknowledge and establish them.

NEEDED – GOD-FEARING LEADERS

Here are the curses which come upon a people who defy the laws of God: "Cursed shall you be in town and in country; cursed your basket and kneading-trough, cursed the fruit of your body and your ground, the young of your cattle and the lambs of your flock; cursed shall you be when you start out and when you return home. The Eternal will send the curse on you, baffling you and thwarting you, whatever you put your hand to, until you are ruined and perish rapidly for your evildoing in forsaking me."

Aren't we often baffled concerning the fact that we never did win the Korean War and that we still have soldiers stationed there? Aren't we baffled by the fact that Russia through North Korea can reach out and take the "Pueblo" and the United States can do nothing about it? Now, instead of trying the administration which made it impossible for us to fight back, we are trying the commander and the crew of that ship. Yes, we are thwarted in all our efforts on the battlefield today. We cannot win in Vietnam simply because we have turned our backs upon the laws of God. "The Eternal will send the curse on you, baffling you and thwarting you, whatever you put your hand to, until you are ruined and perish rapidly for your evil-doing in forsaking me." This is a command to the nation. It is a command that the President of the United States, the Congress, the Supreme Court, and all our leaders should carefully consider and prayerfully obey.

SHAMING HIS NAME

"The Eternal will make plagues cleave to you till he consumes you off the country which you are entering to possess; the Eternal will strike you with consumption, fever, ague, and erysipelas, and drought, blasting and mildew, that shall pursue you till you perish. . ." Our diseases are the result of turning our backs on God's law. Many individuals suffer in these areas. They often ask the question – why must this terrible disease strike down this child or this person? We are moved to cry out in protest against birth defects, against the loss of our sons upon the battlefield. These all come upon us because, nationally speaking, we are ignoring God's laws. We are shaming His Name before the nations of the world. When it is remembered that God has called us to be His witnesses (Isa. 43:10), then the measure of our national sin is revealed!

The list of these curses continues, ". . the Eternal will turn the rain of your land into powder and dust, dropping from the sky upon you till you are destroyed." The droughts and frightening dust storms suffered by our people have all resulted from our wilful perversion of God's way. "The Eternal will have you routed in front of your foes; you may assail them all together, but you shall fly before them in all directions, till all the realms of the earth shudder to see you; . . ." This is our position today. We are not winning on the battlefields because we refuse God's laws. Because of this, American forces are literally becoming food for our enemies. Our young men are dying – nearly one thousand every month – because our backs are turned upon God's laws. 12,000 young men suffer every year because of America's disobedience.

HOW WE FILL OUR HOSPITALS

"The Eternal will strike you with Egyptian boils, with tumours, scurvy, with itch incurable; and the Eternal will strike your knees and legs with evil boils, incurable boils from head to foot. The Eternal will strike your minds with madness, blindness, and dismay . . ." You need no longer wonder why the offices of psychiatrists are filled to overflowing nor why Americans consume 500,000 tons of barbiturates annually. This is the reason ". . till you grope at noon like a blind man in the

dark, and fall into disaster; you shall be utterly crushed and robbed continually, with no one to rescue you." This is the condition of God's people as we turn our backs upon the law.

BLIND AT MID-DAY

A careful study of the list of these national afflictions enumerated here reveals that we are today suffering from the ill effects of just such prophesied calamities. The hoof and mouth disease alone has caused the death of thousands of cattle. Our economic difficulties, with rising prices and high taxes, are ruining our opportunity to obtain full security. Sickness and disease among the people are taking their toll, with millions of dollars paid annually to physicians and for drugs as multitudes seek relief from pain and suffering. Drought also has visited our land from time to time, destroying a great deal of wealth. As a people we are groping at noon as though we were blind. We are robbed of security and wealth through maladministration.

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God's Remarriage

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ISRAEL – MARRIED, DIVORCED, COURTED AND RE-WED

"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"
(Isaiah 54:5)

The Bible tells us that God so loved His chosen people Israel that He likened His relationship to them as a bridegroom toward his bride and as husband and wife. Only Israel is so described in this intimate relationship to Almighty God. The people of Israel were bound to God by a sacred covenant which could not be broken by either party except by death.

Absolute fidelity was the standard. Total fidelity was the standard. Total dedication was the terms. Complete trust and abiding love were the binding factors. Israel was covenant-bound to be a loving and faithful, obedient and serving wife. God is her faithful, loving and providing Husband and Father of her children. The remarkable result of this union of heaven and earth was a peculiar people, a holy nation, a royal priesthood. Through God's chosen wife Israel all other nations were to be blessed and all creation would benefit.

Through Israel God's laws would go forth to the other nations; through Israel God's plan of salvation would be made available to all races, nations and generations. Through Israel God's Son, the Messiah, would come with salvation and redemption. To Israel would be given God's kingdom on earth. These are summaries of Bible teaching about Israel and her marital relation with God sealed by the covenants and sacred vows.

It is important to know the Bible blessings given to Israel and to identify their fulfilment in the world today. For God is faithful. His Word is true. His promises never fail. His people may have failed as individuals to acknowledge and obey Him, but somewhere on the earth today, because God is God and God is able, there is a nation, a race of people, who identify themselves as "one nation under God", whose motto is: "In God We Trust". These people who believe in God, honour and accept His Son, preach and teach His Word, expect and accept His blessings, who call themselves after His name – Christians – these are God's true bride today.

But Israel was not always faithful to God. She loved other gods. She rejected Jehovah and soon forgot her covenant oath and sacred marriage vows. She was then rejected by God as an unfaithful adulterous wife and publicly divorced. All this is in the Bible, as we shall see. Although she was set aside as an unfaithful wife, Israel was spared and provided for with material benefits and spiritual welfare. Whereas Israel had been unfaithful, God was and is always faithful.

Furthermore, God said the time would

come when He would woo His former bride Israel and bring her into the wilderness (or a new land) where He would speak comfortingly to her (Hosea 2:14). Here He would begin a new courtship. In a relatively short period of time, a small insignificant people would move into a new national home, assume a new name, and grow into a prosperous people who would freely acknowledge their dependence on God, as one nation under God. Under this new marriage covenant relationship, Israel would become a great fruitful people, a blessing to all people and the glory of God, her Husband and Father.

Now let us look at some of the Scriptures which show the marriage, divorce, courtship and re-marriage of Israel and God.

God instituted marriage from the beginning. In Genesis 2:4, He tells Adam and Eve that a man shall "leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave to his wife". God's laws governing marriage and husband wife relationships are all clearly given in the Bible. Intermarriage of God's children with the heathen was strictly forbidden (Deut. 7:1-6; Josh. 23:12-13; Ezra 9,10; Neh. 13:23-27) simply because God's people were to be a peculiar people set apart from other people to be servants and lovers of the Lord.

Intermarriage was the sin of Esau, Samson and Solomon (Neh. 13:26; I Kings 11:1-11; Gen. 26:34-35). Intermarriage of God's people to other people alienated Israel from Jehovah and caused God's chosen people to go after other gods, strange gods. Jesus said, "No man can serve two masters" (Matt. 6:24), meaning no people can worship two gods nor can a wife be faithful to two husbands.

GOD WAS MARRIED TO ISRAEL

God's relation as Husband to His wife Israel is given in Isaiah 54:1-10. Verse 5 says "For thy maker is thy Husband; the Lord of hosts is His name; and thy Redeemer the Holy One of Israel; the Lord of the whole earth."

"I am married to you", God tells Israel in Jeremiah 3:14 and pleads with her to turn to Him "I was a husband to them, saith the Lord", in Jeremiah 31:32.

ISRAEL WAS DIVORCED FROM GOD

On the only grounds given for divorce, God divorced Israel because of her unfaithfulness, her infidelity and adultery. The vividness of her sin is borne out in this passage in Ezekiel 16:35-41:

"Wherefore, O harlot, hear the word of the Lord: Thus saith the Lord God; Because thy filthiness was poured out, and thy nakedness discovered through thy whoredoms with thy lovers, and with all the idols of thy abominations, and by the blood of thy children, which thou didst give unto them;

"Behold, therefore, I will gather all thy lovers with whom thou hast taken pleasure, and all them that thou hast loved, with all them that thou hast hated; I will even gather them round about against thee, and will discover thy nakedness unto them, that they may see all thy nakedness. And I will judge thee, as women that break wedlock and shed blood are judged; and I will give thee blood in fury

and jealousy." Read it all. The low, base condition of fallen Israel is here described in plain language.

Earlier in this same sixteenth chapter of Ezekiel, the Lord described their first meeting, betrothal and honeymoon. Verse 8 says "in the language of love", "Now when I passed by thee and looked upon thee, behold, thy time was the time of love; and I spread my skirt over thee, and covered thy nakedness. Yea, I sware unto thee and entered into a covenant with thee, saith the Lord God, and thou becamest mine." The verses following tell of their early marriage and of Israel's beauty as the envy among the nations.

But the ugly prospect of fallen Israel playing the harlot follows, "as a wife that committeth adultery, who taketh strangers instead of her husband!" (verse 32). So God had to divorce His people Israel. He says so in Jeremiah 3:6-11. Verse 8 says, "When for all the causes whereby backsliding Israel committed adultery I had put her away and given her a divorce, yet her treacherous sister Judah feared not, but went and played the harlot also." In verse 29, "Surely as a wife treacherously departeth from her husband, so have ye dealt treacherously with Me, O house of Israel, saith the Lord."

The prophet Hosea writes in metaphors of the marriage of a priest to a harlot which relationship was forbidden by Levitical law (Lev. 21:7) but tells in allegorical form the relationship between God and His people Israel. "Then saith the Lord unto me", says Hosea 3:1, "Go yet, love a woman beloved of her friend, yet an adulteress according to the love of the Lord toward the children of Israel, who look to other gods."

In Hosea 2:2, the prophet speaks the words of the Lord when he says, "Plead with your mother, plead; for she is not my wife, neither am I her husband; let her therefore put away her whoredoms." Verse 13 ends, "she went after her lovers and forgot Me, saith the Lord." Isaiah 50:1, "Thus saith the Lord, Where is the bill of your mother's divorcement whom I have put away."

The prophet Joel suggests that Israel ought to "lament like a virgin girded with sackcloth for the husband of her youth" (Joel 1:8). According to God's laws, a man and wife were bound to their marriage vows until death. So Paul writes in Romans 7:2, "For the woman who has a husband is bound by the law to her husband so long as he lives, but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of her husband."

Again in I Corinthians 7:39, "The wife is bound by the law as long as her husband liveth; but if her husband be dead, she is at liberty to be married to whom she will; only in the Lord."

Now notice how the Lord arranges for his own remarriage to his divorced wife Israel by dying to set her free! That's right, Christ died to redeem Israel, to set her free, to keep His own law, to enable her to be courted and remarried in these last days. Now we come to the most beautiful love story the world has ever known!

ISRAEL WOOED AND WED

Listen to these loving words from our heavenly Father toward His wayward people Israel, spoken as a Suitor toward His beloved (Isaiah 54:7-10).

"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 the Lord thy Redeemer."

The prophet later declares, "I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for He hath clothed me with the garments of salvation; He hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels" (Isa. 61:10). "Thou shalt no more be termed Forsaken; neither shall thy land any more be termed Desolate; but thou shalt be called Hephzibah (My delight) and thy land Beulah (Married); for the Lord delighteth in thee, and thy land shall be married. For as a young man marrieth a virgin, so shall thy sons marry thee; and as the bridegroom rejoiceth over the bride, so shall thy God rejoice over thee" (Isaiah 62:4-5).

So goes the most beautiful love story the world has ever known – God's love for His people as a groom for his bride. In spite of Israel's waywardness and sin, God woos her and wins her to Himself.

In Hosea 2:14 the Lord says, "Behold, I will allure her and bring her back into the wilderness, and speak comfortably unto her . . . And it shall be at that day, saith the Lord, that thou shall call Me Ishi (My Husband), and shalt call Me no more Baali (My Master), . . . and I will betroth thee unto Me for ever; yea, I will betroth thee unto Me in righteousness, and in lovingkindness and in mercies. I will even betroth thee unto Me in faithfulness; and thou shalt know the Lord" (verses 16,19).

In these beautiful pictures, God brings His people Israel from the corners of the earth where He had scattered her to a new land, a previous wilderness, where He begins a new nation under His laws and with trust in His name. This teaching is consistent with the message of the Gospel in the New Testament as well. In fact, it is the New Covenant or Testament God has for His people.

Paul tells Christian Israel in Romans 7:4, "Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ; that ye should be married to another, even to Him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God." Again the apostle writes in II Corinthians 11:2, "I have espoused you to one Husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ."

The reason Christ died was to satisfy the claims of the law; that blood alone atoned for sin and the death of a marriage partner was necessary to annul the marriage and allow remarriage. As he says in Colossians 1:22, "In the body of His flesh through death to present you holy and unblamable and unreproveable in His sight."

In many parables Jesus spoke of a bridegroom and bride. He, Christ, is always the Bridegroom and His people Israel His bride. In Matthew 9:15 for example, "Jesus said unto them, Can the children of the bridechamber mourn as long as the bridegroom is with them?"

In Matthew 22:1-13 Jesus tells a parable about a King who arranged a wedding for His Son. The bride is not mentioned, only the servants who were invited, and the meaning is evident. It is not an illustration of personal salvation as it has been distorted and purported to mean, for God never compels any to be saved, nor does anyone get into heaven unprepared, as the guest did who entered without a wedding garment. No, the meaning is consistent with all we have taken up previously – the marriage of Christ and Israel as outlined by the prophets. We find the same figure in Matthew 25 in the parable of the ten virgins intended to illustrate the kingdom of God. Only the wise virgins met the Bridegroom and went to the marriage.

John recognized Christ as the Bridegroom in John 3:29 when he said, "He that hath the bride is the Bridegroom; but the friend of the Bridegroom who stands and hears Him, rejoices greatly because of the Bridegroom's voice."

Remember that the Church is the Body of Christ (Eph. 5:23-32), of which Christ is the Head (Col. 1:18,24). But Israel is the Bride of Christ (Rev. 19:7-9; 21:2,9,14,22,24). No other people, not even the church, is ever referred to as His bride – only Israel in the Old Testament and the New.

The picture is culminated in those beautiful passages of the Revelation such as 19:7, "Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to Him; for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and His wife hath made herself ready." Note it says "His wife" because Israel was already married, then divorced, now to be remarried. "Blessed are they who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!" (verse 9).

John identifies the bride in Revelation 21:2, "And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her Husband." In verse 9 he says, "Come here, I will show you the bride, the Lamb's wife."

In the verses following we find the union of Israel and the church – the twelve tribes on the gates and the twelve apostles for the foundations of the Holy City. This is the holy union of the bride Israel with the body of Christ, the church. It is the consummation of the ages in the culmination of the kingdom of Christ.

Israel, God's elect chosen nation, once married, once unfaithful, then divorced, suffers the death of Christ to fulfil the law of God, and the wooing of the Lord until the marriage of Israel as the Bride of Christ.

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subject of self-righteousness. At the same time and within the framework of the same situation, Christians at Corinth were contending with one another in what is best described as denominational arguments. "Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. For it hath been declared unto me of you, my brethren, by them which are of the house of Chloe, that there are contentions among you" (I Cor. 1:10-11). This situation arose some 26 years after the Ascension of the Lord and already, instead of following the Word of God, Christians were following what they thought men of God taught. Note the words in the 12th verse of I Corinthians, chapter 1: "Now this I say, that every one of you saith, I am of Paul; and I am of Apollos; and I am of Cephas; and I am of Christ."

The situation is not affected by Paul's letter and a year later he wrote his second epistle in which the strange mechanism of the mind is seen as having created a distorted picture of both Paul and his message. The Scripture has already been quoted but a reiteration here will perhaps drive the point home. "For I fear, lest, when I come, I shall not find you such as I would, and that I shall be found unto you such as ye would not . . ."

In his letter to the Galatians, Paul makes reference to the ease with which Christians are removed from the essential relationship to God. "I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel" (Gal. 1:6). In the following verse Paul charges that there were some who would 'pervert the gospel of Christ' – the word 'pervert' literally meaning 'distort'. To distort the gospel of Christ is to remove it from its context and apply an interpretation which has no bearing on its original meaning. In other words, the charge is made that there were those who removed the gospel of Christ from its Scriptural setting.

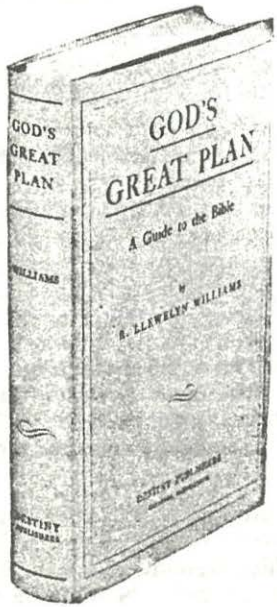
It may appear to be theologically unsound to treat the epistles in this manner but apart from the limitations of the flesh which prohibited his presence constantly at all Christian centres, there was a very definite reason for his epistles and, as has been shown, certain characteristics which required correction had already shown themselves. One is tempted to ask if Paul's letters were effective in respect of the situation and an answer is provided in the Revelation of the Lord Jesus Christ to John on the Isle of Patmos. In the message to the seven Churches in Asia, it would appear that deviations from the gospel of Christ were greater with the exception of the Church at Smyrna which was commended by the Lord. In respect of the other six, His indictment was that they did not hold fast to that which they had, namely, the Word of God and that they were drifting into dangerous traps. He called on the six to repent lest some evil overtake them, and the record of history is that repentance was not forthcoming and not even the ruins of those churches are in evidence today.

In the 19th chapter of the Revelation,

the Lord afforded John a picture of His Second Coming which picture is a tremendous indictment against the teachers of this age. "His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; *and he had a name written, that no man knew but he himself.* And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: *and his name is called The Word of God.*" Retreating within the escape mechanism of spiritualisation will not suffice here for the Lord Himself asks: "Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?" (Luke 18:8) and as Paul asserts: "faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" (Rom. 10:17) – all this leads up to a very pertinent question: 'Why will not man preach the Word of God?'

The Word of God is a vital force, an alive entity which has tremendous power for good. An ever-widening circle of revelation comes from it to equip those who seek guidance against the inroads of error and lie. However, there are few today who place reliance on this Revelation from on High and many who feel that it is merely an encumbrance. The same old story is told over and over again and this story is treated with a familiarity which now tends to drug the mind. Within this drugged state, any broadening of the Christian vision is resisted as it intrudes a note of mental and spiritual exercise which is not wanted. Why has this sad state resulted? The reader will surely know the answer.

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God's Great Plan

by R. Llewelyn Williams

Fifth Impression

'UNDERSTANDEST THOU what thou readest? And he said, How can it, except some man should guide me?' (*Acts* 8: 30-31).

This text might well appear in the frontispiece of the book, the wide scope of which will be apparent from its sub-title, 'A Guide to the Bible'.

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Chapter 11

THE DIVINE MARRIAGE

That the Israel Nation is the Wife of God is the plain teaching of the Bible. God declares over and over again that He is the Husband of the Nation. In Jeremiah 3:14, He pleads: "Turn, O backsliding children, saith the Lord, FOR **I AM MARRIED UNTO YOU.**"

In the New Covenant in Jesus Christ which is found complete in Jer. 31:31-37 and which is partially repeated in the New Testament in Hebrews 8:8, we read the statement of this marital relationship again, "....although I was an **HUSBAND UNTO THEM, SAITH THE LORD**".

In Isaiah 54:5 we read, **"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."

Let it be emphasized that these statements concern the Almighty God as the Husband, and the Israel Nation as the Wife of the Creator of this Universe. These statements are not addressed to any other race nor to any other people. The Israel Nation (not the Jews, not the Christian Church) is the Wife of God.

God, through His Prophet Isaiah, clears up any misunderstanding that might have existed as to the Identity, and place of residence, of His Wife. He declares that her headquarters, or homeland, is located in **THE ISLES OF THE SEA** which are NORTH and WEST of Jerusalem. (cf. Isa. 49:12; Jer. 3:12; Jer. 23:8)

To fully understand these references it must be borne in mind that Isaiah's message from the 40th chapter onward is almost entirely addressed to the Israel people IN THE ISLES OF THE SEA. For instance, the 41st chapter commences "Keep silence before me, O islands; and let the people renew their strength: let them come near; then let them speak: let us come near together to judgment"

Likewise, the 49th chapter begins, "Listen, O isles, unto me; and hearken, ye people from far", and the 3rd verse definitely identifies the people in the Isles to whom the message is addressed, "Thou art my servant, O Israel, in whom I will be glorified." In Isaiah 43:10 these Israel people in the Isles are declared to be God's Witnesses; "Ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord, and my servant whom I have chosen."

Having proclaimed Himself as the Husband of Israel, God declares over and over again His great love for His Wife. To refer to one chapter only, out of many which could be read, in Isaiah 43 He says: "Thou art mine"; "I have loved thee"; "I have created him for my glory"; "This people have I formed for Myself"; "My chosen"; "I am the Lord, your Holy One; the Creator of Israel, your King."

The Marriage Ceremony was solemnized at Mount Sinai when Almighty God came down to earth and formed the Israel people into a Nation and a Kingdom, with God Himself as the King. The full Marriage Contract is found in the Palestinian Covenant which is recorded in Lev. 26 and Deut. 28, 29, 30. Now, while the actual words "Marriage Contract" are not to be found in these

chapters nevertheless this Palestinian Covenant clearly sets forth the agreement, or contract, into which the Husband entered, IF the Wife would be faithful.

In all ordinary marriages, the Bridegroom bestows his name upon the Bride, and in this most wonderful of all marriages, God does exactly the same thing. He gave His Name to His Bride, IS-RA-EL, which means "A prince with God", or "Ruling with God"; or "In partnership with God"; – "Workers together with God"

When the Bridegroom bestows his name upon the Bride, he naturally expects that she will not do anything to bring dishonour upon the new name which she now bears; and when God gave His Name to His Bride He warned her against unfaithfulness, disloyalty and dishonourable actions which would reflect against the Name of her Husband. In the 3rd Commandment the Husband warns His Bride against the taking (or bearing) His Name in vain.

In the Marriage contract blessings of surpassing magnitude were promised for faithfulness – but "Divorce" for "seven times" for unfaithfulness.

THE DIVORCE

The actual word "divorce" is not mentioned in the Marriage Contract, but is found in Jeremiah 3:8; and this whole chapter deals with the Legal position of the Divorced Wife of God. "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."

In Isaiah 50:1, and remember this statement is addressed to the Israel people in the Isles of the Sea, God says, "Thus saith the Lord, **Where is the bill of your mother's divorcement, whom I have put away?** or which of my creditors is it to whom I have sold you? Behold, for your iniquities have ye sold yourselves, and for your transgressions is your mother put away".

Hosea 1:6. "And she conceived again, and bare a daughter. And God said unto him, Call her name Lo-ruhamah: for **I will no more have mercy upon the house of Israel; but I will utterly take them away.**"

Hosea 1:9. "Then said God, Call his name Lo-ammi: for **ye are not my people, and I will not be your God.**"

Hosea 2:2. "Plead with your mother, plead: **for she is not my wife, neither am I her husband.**"

Jeremiah 3:11. "The backsliding Israel hath justified herself more than treacherous Judah."

The 23rd chapter of Ezekiel graphically describes the idolatries and adulteries of both Israel and Judah. Be sure to read the whole chapter.

The House of Israel (the Northern Kingdom – the Ten Tribed Nation) was divorced; but nowhere in Scripture is there any record of the House of Judah being divorced, and there is a very good reason for this. The 18th and 19th chapters of Jeremiah make it clear. The 18th chapter likens Israel as unto a lump of clay in the Hands of the Potter which can be remolded and reformed until it shall eventually become a pleasing vessel in the eyes of God. The 19th chapter likens Judah (the Southern Kingdom) as unto a bottle which is utterly destroyed – broken into many

pieces so that it can never be put together again. Ezekiel 37 shows that the Broken kingdom of Judah will merge with the House of Israel – the two kingdoms becoming one, and with one King reigning over them all. This was partially fulfilled in 1603 A.D. when James VI of Scotland became James I of the United Kingdom.

RESTORATION and RE-MARRIAGE

Hosea 2:19, 20, 23. "And I will betroth thee unto me forever; yea, I will betroth thee unto me in righteousness, and in judgment and in loving kindness, and in mercies. I will even betroth thee unto me in faithfulness, and thou shalt know the Lord. I will have mercy upon her that had not obtained mercy; and **I will say to them which were not my people, Thou art my people**; and **they shall say, Thou art my God.**" (Read 1 Peter 2:9, 10; Hosea 1:9, 10)

The Book of Hosea contains the most wonderful love story of all time. Hosea is abrupt, metaphorical and figurative, but he tells the story of God's Great Love for His adulterous Wife, repudiated, divorced, but ultimately to be purified and restored. The whole Book should be carefully read – it is divided into three parts: 1st. The dishonoured wife. 2nd. The sinful people. 3rd. the ultimate blessing and glory of Israel. When the writings of Hosea are read in the light of information in other parts of the Bible a marvellous revelation of God's Love is unveiled.

Also read the wonderful 54th chapter of Isaiah, "For the Lord hath called thee as a woman forsaken and grieved in spirit, and a wife of youth—..for a small moment have I forsaken thee; but with great mercies will I gather thee"

The New Testament ratifies and confirms all that the Old Testament teaches regarding the restoration and re-marriage of Israel. Read the Parable of the Ten Virgins in Matthew 25. Jesus is the Bridegroom – He comes to marry His Bride, the Nation.

Read also of the Marriage of the King's Son in Matthew 22. The King's Son is coming to marry His Bride.

Rev. 19:7, 8. "for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and **his wife** hath made herself ready."

The Israel Nation, cleansed, purified, washed as white as snow in the Blood of the Saviour, is the Bride of Christ. **The Church is His Body.** Eph. 1:22, 23.

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True religion is one and unchangeable. Its language is –

"*Nothing* in my hand I bring;
Simply to Thy Cross I cling."

False religion is one and unchangeable. It has many varieties; its one language is –

"*Something* in my hand I bring."

Men quarrel bitterly as to what that "something" is to be. They persecute, and burn, and destroy one another in the heat of their controversies about it.

– *Dr. E.W. Bullinger.*

Israel, Judah and the Jews

'The House of Israel' is not synonymous with the 'House of Judah'. The House of Judah and some of the Jews are *of* Israel, that is, descended from Jacob. The distinction we wish to emphasize is that while some Jews are Israelites, all Israelites are not necessarily Jews. In a similar way, all Scots are British, but all the British are not Scots. When the general blessings were apportioned at Jacob's death, the Messiah was promised, with the sovereignty, to Judah; but the 'multitude of nations' and the temporal grandeur of the birthright were given to Joseph. The House of Israel was to obtain these in the latter days, or the Christian era. Ten-tribed Israel was to be divorced under the Mosaic law and its identity temporarily lost to history,but known to God; it was to be recovenanted in Christ to enjoy the Israel birthright in the Isles of the Sea, to be His nation of evangelists in the world, and the inheritor of the Kingdom of God. The prophets display meticulous care in their address to the 'House of Israel', the 'House of Judah' and 'the inhabitants of Jerusalem' (the Jews). To apply to one 'House' a prophecy which refers to the other is clearly to misapply the message and confuse the issue. A careful regard of this distinction is prerequisite to the correct understanding of the prophetic Scriptures.

Prophecies Concerning

ISRAEL

Israel to have a change of name (Isa. 65:15).

Israel to be called by a new name (Isa. 62:2).

Israel to be called after Isaac (Gen. 21:12).

Israel to be blind to their identity (Rom. 11:25; Isa. 42:16-19).

Israel to be a multitudinous people (Gen. 13:16; 15:5).

Israel to become known as the righteous Nation that keepeth the truth (Isa. 60:21; 26:2).

Israel to become a Nation and a Company of Nations (Gen. 35:11).

Israel to make a new home in the Appointed Place—the Isles of the Sea (2 Sam. 7:10; Isa. 24:15; 49:1; Jer. 31:10).

Israel to be a Nation for ever (Jer. 31:35, 36).

Israel to have a perpetual monarchy (Jer. 33:17).

Israel to come under a new covenant (Jer. 31:31-34).

Israel to be called the sons of God (Hos. 1:10; Rom 8:14).

Israel was taken captive into Assyria by Shalmaneser, circa 721 B.C. (2 Kings 18:11, etc.).

Israel were to be immune from defeat in war (Isa. 54:17; Lev. 26:6-8).

THE JEWS

The Jews to be known by a change in physiognomy (Isa. 3:9).

The Jews have retained their old name unchanged.

The Jews' name to be a curse to them (Isa. 65:15).

The Jews still claim to be the chosen people.

The Jews to be bereft of children (Jer. 15:7).

The Jews to be a reproach and a proverb, a taunt and a curse (Jer. 24:9).

The Jews to be scattered in all the 'kingdoms of the earth for their hurt' (Jer. 24:9).

The Jews have been strangers in all lands (Jer. 15:4).

The Jewish Nation was broken in A.D. 70 (Dan. 9:24-27; Jer. 19:11).

The Jews have remained under the old law.

The Jews do not accept Jesus Christ as the Messiah.

Judah taken captive to Babylon by Nebuchadnezzar, circa 603 B.C. (2 Kings chs. 24 and 25).

The Jews are descended from the remnant of Judah which returned from captivity in the time of Ezra and Nehemiah.

The Jews have suffered endless persecution.

Israel had been removed from Palestine 700 years before the Crucifixion. When it occurred they were still absent, being at that time beyond the Euphrates, in their migration through Europe.

What We Believe

We Believe in God - the God of the Bible. (Exodus 3:4-14.)

We Believe in Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God. (John 1:14.)

We Believe in the Holy Spirit and His Mission. (John 14:26, Acts 2.)

We Believe in the atoning sacrifice of Jesus Christ on Calvary. (Matt. 26:28, Romans 5.)

We Believe in His ascension into Heaven. (Mark 16:19, Acts 1:9-11.)

We Believe in the bodily return of Christ (Acts 1:9-11) to take the throne of David (Isa. 9:7, Luke 1:32) and rule on this earth for a thousand years (Rev. 20:1-6); and that His Body, the Church, will be united with Him and reign with Him. (Eph. 5:24-33; Col. 1:24; 1 Cor. 15:50-58; 1 Thes. 4:14-18; Rev. 19:9).

We Believe John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

We Believe that personal salvation by faith in the atonement of Jesus Christ is necessary for all, Israelite, Jew and Gentile. (Rom. 3:22-25). Each one must be born again. (John 3:1-7). To confess Christ, who died that sinful men might live, is individually supreme above all else. (Matt 10:32-33, Rom. 10:9-13).

We Believe the whole Bible, both the Old and New Testaments; that it is the inerrant Word of God (II Peter 1:9-21). We believe its history, its covenants, its promises.

We Believe in its Gospel of Grace (Eph. 2:1-8), which is the Gospel of Salvation to all men.

We Believe in, and seek to make known, the Gospel of the Kingdom (Matt. 4:23, 24:14).

We Believe that the Bible contains God's Plan for the remedy of all human ills, and that this plan is being worked out through the Bible people called Israel. (II Sam. 7; Deut. 32:8).

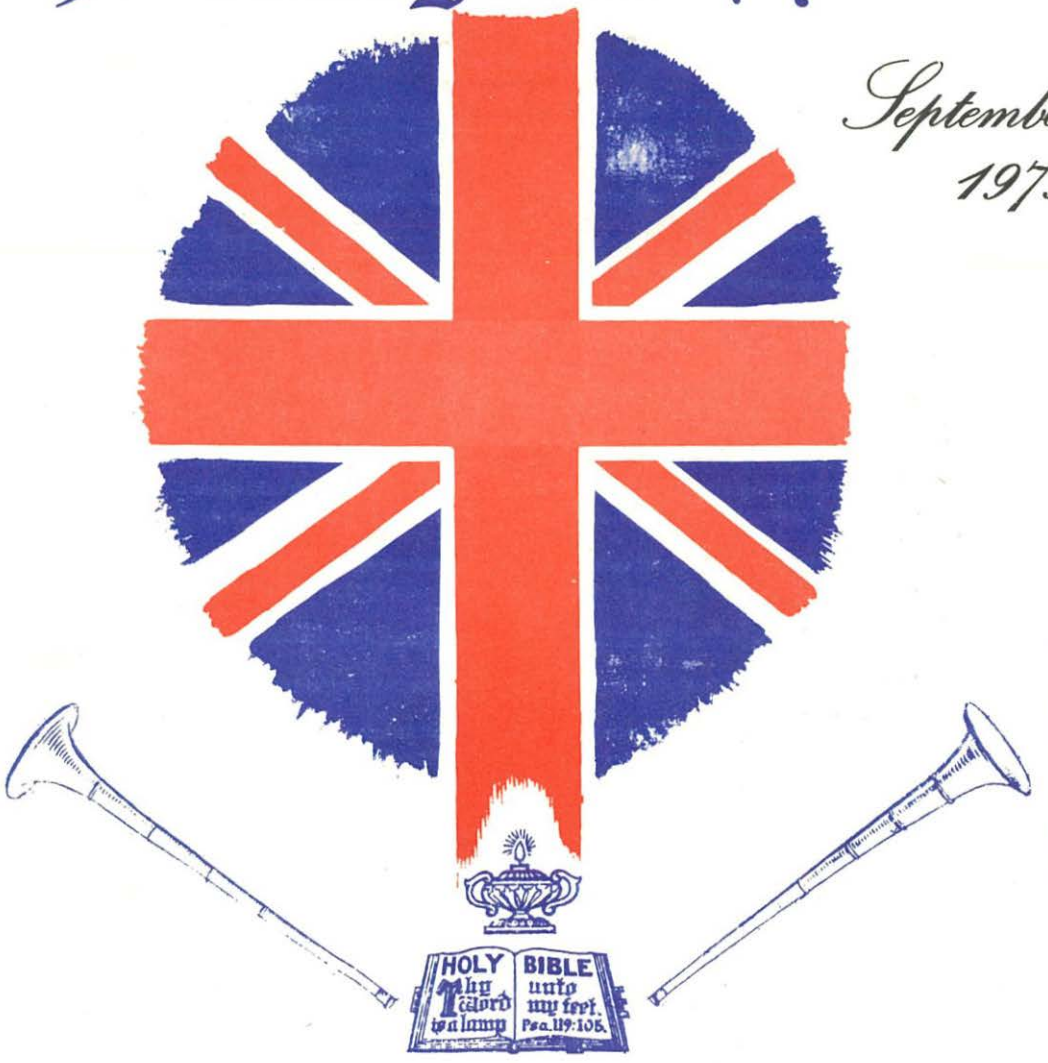
We Believe that this people Israel, consisting of twelve tribes (Exod. 28:21; Rev. 21:12), the descendents of the twelve sons of Jacob, were chosen of God to be His 'peculiar people' and 'servant nation' through whom all the other nations of the earth are to be blessed. (Exod. 19:5; Deut. 7:6-8; Isa. 41:8, 42:6; Gen. 22:16-18).

We Believe that the differentiation between 'Israel' and 'Judah' is clearly marked in the Scriptures. (See 1 Kings 12; Jer. 3:6-11; Ps. 114:1-2; Ezek. 37; Zech 11:7-14; 11 Chron. 10). They are not interchangeable terms. To understand this is to possess the key to Israel Truth. (Ps. 114:2; 1 Chron. 5:1-2).

We Believe the time has come when the 'lost' Israel "nation and company of nations" (Gen 35:11) has been found and positively identified. Only one race today answers in every detail to the Bible picture of Israel "in the latter days," and that is the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic — the British Commonwealth of white nations and the United States of America. They possess what Israel was to possess and are doing what Israel was to do. The identities of this race with Israel are so many and so pronounced that one who re-reads and studies his Bible in the light of this great truth will make discoveries that will cause him to give this subject most serious thought, especially in view of what is happening in literal ful-fillment of Bible prophecy in the world today. The nations are in turmoil. The power of the Holy People (Anglo-Saxon-Israel) is being broken (Dan. 12:7). The old Babylonian social order is being overthrown, and the world is being prepared for the Return of the Lord Jesus Christ, for His reign upon the Throne of His father David, and the glorious restoration of the Kingdom of God on earth. (Zech. 14:9; Luke 1:32-33).

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Marks of Israel

During the Christian dispensation lost Israel were to possess certain marks of identification

A great and mighty nation.	Gen. 12:2; 18:18; Deut. 4:7,8.
Named 'Great'.	Gen. 12:2.
The chief of the nations.	Gen. 27:29; Deut. 7:6; 15:6.
A maritime nation, having command of the seas.	Gen. 49:25; Num. 24:7; Deut. 33:13, 19; Psa. 89:25.
A company or commonwealth of nations.	Gen. 35:11; 48:19 Eph. 2:12.
A missionary nation.	Gen. 22:18; Isa. 43:21; 49:6; 66:19.
The custodian of God's Word.	Psa. 147:19, 20; Isa. 59:21.
A just nation.	Gen. 18:19; Lev. 19:15; Deut. 1:17; Zeph. 3:13.
God's instrument in destroying evil.	Jer. 51:20; Dan. 2:34,35.
An undefeated nation.	Isa. 54:17; Micah 5:8,9.
Blind to their identity.	Isa. 29:10-12; 42:16, 19, 20; Rom. 11:7, 8, 25.
Have an island home north and west of Palestine.	Isa. 49:1-3, 12; Jer. 3:18; 31:8.
Occupy islands and coastlands.	Isa. 24:15; 41:1, 5; 49:1-3; 51:5; Jer. 31:8, 10.
Possess the gate of his enemies.	Gen. 22:17, 24:60.
Have multitudinous seed.	Gen. 13:16; 15:5; 22:17; 24:60; 26:4, 24; 28:3, 14; 32:12.
Colonize and spread abroad.	Gen. 28:14; 49:22; Deut. 32:8; 33:17; Psa. 2:8; Isa. 26:15; 27:6; 54:2; Zech. 10:8, 9.
Lose first colony and then expand, demanding more living space.	Isa. 49:20.
Irrigate the deserts and build the waste places.	Isa. 35:1; 43:19, 20; 58:11, 12.
Possess the wealth of the earth.	Gen. 27:28; 49:25, 26; Deut. 33:13-16.
Possess the heritage of the heathen.	2 Sam. 22:44; Psa. 2:8; 111:6.
Receive strangers and refugees.	Lev. 19:33, 34; Isa. 11:10; 14:1; 55:5; 56:6-8;Zech. 8:22.
Set free slaves and prisoners.	Psa. 72:4; Isa. 42:7; 49:9; 58:6.
Have a descendant of King David reigning over them.	2 Sam. 7:13; 1 Chron. 22:10; 2 Chron. 13:5; Psa. 89:35-37; Jer. 33:17.
Lose all trace of their lineage.	Hos. 1:9, 10; Isa. 42:16; Rom. 11:25.
The power of the Holy People is to be broken.	Dan. 12:7; Deut. 32:29-36.

The British Commonwealth of Nations possesses every one of these marks — therefore they are lost Israel. The United States of America possesses some of them.

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From The President's Desk

Greetings Christian Friends,

In Luke's Gospel, chapter 21, and verse 27 we read,

"And then shall they see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory."

Undoubtedly, this should be the greatest hope of every Christian. Unfortunately, it is not. To many, it is no more than a church doctrine. With them, there is no sense of urgency, nor feeling nor thrill of expectation. All too many Christians today live and plan their lives very little differently to anyone else, with very little if any thought for the most shattering and staggering event still to occur in human history - THE RETURN OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST. They are quite happy to 'go to heaven when they die - whatever that happens to mean.

Yet they retain this attitude in the face of absolutely irrefutable evidence to the fact that this great day is very literally about to take place. Take for instance the verse I quoted above. It is actually quite a tremendous verse. It states the great fact that the Son of Man - the Lord Jesus Christ - IS coming. It gives us the manner of His coming - in a cloud with power and glory. It catagorically states that He will be SEEN. This is no secret hole-in-the-corner happening, or just some special feeling we will experience in our hearts. This is to be a truly magnificent display which will far outrank anything which the human race has ever experienced, and it will be SEEN. The Greek word "HORAŌ" from which our word "see" is translated in this passage means, "To perceive with the eyes. Used of bodily sight. It is never used without reference to the object which is looked at."

The big question though, is WHEN shall the Son of Man be seen? Our verse also gives us this information. We read, *"And THEN shall they see etc..."* Obviously the timing of this great event is relative to some other incident or circumstances, and when we read the two verses preceeding the one we have quoted, we read,

> *"And there shall be signs in the sun and in the moon, and in the stars. And upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring.*

Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth. For the powers of the heaven shall be shaken." Luke 21:25-26.

"And THEN shall they see the Son of Man coming etc...."

Now it doesn't require somebody of outstanding mental capacity to read the above verses and come to the conclusion that the very circumstances stated above are actually with us today. There are increasing signs and discoveries of new things in the heavens, and in regard to the stars that signal things that we can only imagine. Men's hearts ARE failing them. They ARE becoming fearful at the growing certainty of what is happening, and what they realise is about to happen, on this old earth of ours. The powers of heaven - atomic or nuclear power - has, and is being shaken.

But the interesting circumstance also quoted is the "distress of nations, with perplexity." If one were to ask the meaning of the word 'distress', the answer would almost certainly be 'anguish' or something similar. And the Greek word "STENOCHORIA" means just that. But this is NOT the Greek word used in this passage. The original word used - SUNOCHĒ - means, "A meeting, a joining, or a holding together." This, as you will recognise, is most significant in view of the all-out attempt to destroy national entity, especially that of the white Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples, and substitute a one-world nationalism. We are told that this 'meeting, joining, or holding together of nations will cause perplexity which will resemble the roaring of the sea and the waves. When we understand the literal meaning of the word 'perplexity', which in this instance means "To be at one's wit's end; at a loss how to proceed; without resources; not knowing what to do next,' the picture is complete.

It is at this point that we are told, *"And THEN shall they see the Son of Man coming ..."* The normal conclusion is that the return of the Lord will occur AFTER the circumstances just described have come to pass. This of course makes the timing of Christ's return rather nebulous and uncertain, because who can tell how long it will be before they come to fruition. Again, we must understand the meaning of the original Greek used. In this instance, it does NOT mean 'afterwards', or in a following sequence. It means "AT THAT TIME."

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Scriptural Fiction

By Rev. W.G. Finlay

It is indeed consistent with the word of prophecy which deals with the end of the age scene that men should transpose words and principles to conform to their own concepts. So complete is the metamorphosis, so insidious the mechanics, that men no longer shudder when 'good' is presented as 'evil' and 'evil' as 'good'. The working of a religious 'fifth column' has been so precise, the opiate administered so minutely, that no outcry is heard when policies and doctrines are advocated which are not only in complete contradiction to the Word of God, but are abhorrent to the average every-day man in the street.

Within the context of the end of the age scene and its fulfilment in the moral and religious structure today, it is thus not surprising to find the charge of 'fiction' levelled against the Scriptures, or any attempt to uphold the honour of God as recorded in His Word. Paul's words to Timothy in this respect are most pointed. "For a time is coming when men will not tolerate wholesome instruction, but, wanting to have their ears tickled, they will find a multitude of teachers to satisfy their own fancies, and will close their ears to the truth and will turn to fables" (II Tim. 4:3 Weymouth). Make no mistake about this. It is a fable to believe that God is fickle; it is a fable to believe that He is fallible; it is a fable to believe that He has no Plan; it is a fable to believe that His Promises have no bearing on His Plan. It is scriptural truth to advocate His Reality and it is incumbent on all who enjoy the fruits of salvation to uphold His Promises. To contend that God is faithful to His word of promise and to attempt to point to the fulfilment of this, cannot, by the widest stretch of imagination, unless this imagination is perverted by the apostasy of this time, be claimed as 'fiction'.

All are surely familiar with the current vogue of dividing the Scriptures into two sections not, as Old and New dispensations, but as an Old revelation of a God of vengeance bent on bloody retribution, and a New revelation of a God of unqualified love. Very few have stopped to reason why the Old Testament is discredited in such a manner and fewer still appear to consider how unfounded and antiscriptural such a practice is. Any sincere student, in the elementary phases of study, will immediately reject the modern contention that the Bible reflects two Gods, one of which must be discarded because of man's interpretation as to His revealed intention.

"God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, Hath in these last days spoken to us by his Son . . ." (Hebrews 1:1-2).

Here, if one is not completely mesmerised by the delusions of this time, is evidence which the sincere student will find and which gives the lie to any of the aforesaid modern contentions. If the God of the Old Testament is to be discarded as a God of vengeance, this Scripture creates more than a problem for it is

the same God Who, in the last days, speaks through His Son. It is a further scriptural fact that the Son "can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do: for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise" (John 5:19). Further to this and in the same Gospel, the Lord Jesus Christ, in His detailed Prayer to the Father said: "For I have given unto them the words which thou gavest me . . ." (John 17:8). It is more than evident that all that He both did and said was in complete accord with the overall Plan of the Father, for world rehabilitation (see John 10:22-39).

In Peter's second sermon recorded in Acts 3, one notes that his theme was the future fulfilment of the Covenants which had formerly been communicated 'in divers manners' by the prophets. The prophets, 'holy men of God who spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost' II Peter 1:21), were the media of communication of God in the Old Testament and The Son, the Lord Jesus Christ in the New Testament, enjoys, among many other titles, that of prophet in fulfilment of Deuteronomy 18:15,18,19. Consistent with the statement recorded in Hebrews 1:1-2, a prophet is one who spoke for God and is applicable in both Old and New Testament times. It is indeed unfortunate that men have lapsed into spiritual laziness and will not rightly divide the function of a prophet as defined by the Scriptures. In the context of Hebrews 1:1-2, it will be noted that emphasis is laid, not on the office of prophetically foretelling, but on that of speaking for God or being the means of communication from Him. Within this context, one notes that the 'prophet' is, throughout the Bible, called 'the man of God' (i.e., God's man), because he speaks for God. All such are God's spokesmen because they alone know what He wishes to be spoken. The Lord Jesus Christ was THE prophet because He spoke, as has been demonstrated previously, those things which were given Him to speak and He alone, is the 'faithful Witness' (Rev. 1:5).

At this stage, it would be profitable to consider some of the things which are propagated as 'fiction' today, namely, the utterances of God communicated via those 'men of God' in Old Testament times bearing in mind that the New Testament communications came from the same Source.

The first recorded communication had to do with the well-being of Adam in the Garden. Here he was warned against the consequences of transgression, and is an act which is surely inconsistent with the fiction of a God of vengeance. In spite of Adam's indulgence in transgression, the next communication was centred in the promise of restoration (Gen. 3:15) – again a truth divorced from the concept of a God of retribution. Judgment, not vengeance, was stayed for 120 years during which period, Noah preached repentance and warned against the coming judgment initially spoken by his great-grandfather Enoch (Jude 14). The confounding of languages in the post-flood era, as in all previous acts and communications, cannot be said to emanate from the modern concept of a blood-thirsty God.

With the call of Abraham (Acts 7:2 and Gen. 11 and 12), began a new series of com-

munications which detailed a Plan and explained its Purpose. The Purpose receives the greatest prominence, for each phase in the development of the Plan is invariably linked with the words: 'that in thee and in thy seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed'. The need for a Plan to alleviate the 'groaning of creation' is surely not fictional nor, as one considers the history of Anglo-Celto-Saxondom, can it be claimed that this is purely coincidental. All that follows the call of Abraham cannot be said to be a desire for vengeance, but an expression of active concern over the tragic conditions which had resulted from Satanic interference in human society.

Within the framework of the communications of God 'in times past' was the instruction "Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew 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; ..." Here, indeed, is a typical quotation – the beginning of a great unconditional covenant directed towards blessing the nations and families of the earth and dictated by the love of God and spoken in terms of unmistakable clarity. "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?" (Gen. 18:18-19), the answer to which comes back: "Surely the Lord will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets" (Amos 3:7). Nothing was hidden and the Plan of God is set out and associated with the national nucleus which stemmed from the loins of the covenanted patriarchs. It has probably escaped the notice of those who advocate the national message of the Bible as 'fictional', that nowhere in the eight Covenants of God is there any mention of the Church. The last five of these Covenants, the Abrahamic, the Mosaic, the Palestinian, the Davidic and the New Covenant, have all to do with a national nucleus and it is only by indulging in the modern practice of telling God what He meant to say, that men can substitute the Church for the nation. "Surely God will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets."

By reason of its mention in Hebrews 6, the Abrahamic Covenant should evoke a spirit of investigation and, in responding to this, one notes that as in no other theme or subject in the Bible, here the statement of God is sealed with an Oath. This fact is not fictional as it is attested to on two occasions, thus meeting with all scriptural requirements in establishing the truth of a matter (Heb. 6:13-14 and Gen. 22:15-18). The Abrahamic Covenant established in the natural progeny of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob cannot be discarded along with other philosophies of men for it was a communication from God as to His Intention and is as efficacious as any other communication, perhaps more so, because of its Oath-bound implications. It will be noted that Paul, a 'man of God' indeed, specifically refers to the Abrahamic Covenant when he states that in His First Advent, the Lord Jesus Christ came to 'confirm the promises made unto the fathers' (Romans 15:8) and, this being so, it is surely the sheerest of folly to dismiss the importance

of the Covenant as entirely irrelevant today. If Christ came to confirm it, it must have an important bearing on the nations and families of the earth.

None would wish to present the natural progeny of Israel as paragons of virtue for this is inconsistent with the recorded history of these people. During their occupation of the land of Canaan they failed, in all respects, to keep the Law of the Lord and, in consequence, experienced the punitive measures as laid down in Leviticus 26. God had forewarned against transgression of the Law just as in the case of Adam but Israel, like Adam, tasted the fruits of transgression in removal from the land of Promise into captivity. This event and time saw an acceleration in communications from God, for the prophets such as Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel and others were 'moved by the Holy Ghost' (II Peter 1:21) and related God's intention to restore, through redemption, the Israel people to their former status of God's witnesses (Isa. 43:12). The Old Testament closes its record with the communication through Malachi in which is seen guarantee of national continuity in the words: "For I am the Lord, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed" (Mal. 3:6). In view of what has been established previously in this article in respect of the Ministry of the Lord Jesus Christ (John 5:19) and in the light of the last communication of the Old Testament, it is God-dishonouring to claim that national matters which occupy so much attention in the Bible, are now redundant.

There is no need to set out what has been stated on so many occasions, namely, the words of the Lord Jesus Christ in respect of His Ministry. The following Scriptures should be re-read in this connection: Matthew 1:21; Matthew 10:5-6; Matthew 15:24. The epistles of James and Peter should be considered against the background of the unchangeable Nature of God and then an intelligent search made for the people to whom these were addressed. Look for these people in the light of the promises which God made and find them as history identifies them. The exercise will surprise many, not the least among whom are those who contend that the Church is Israel or, alternatively, that the Jews are the people of God. History identifies Anglo-Celto-Saxondom as the modern development of Israel and if this is 'fiction' it will surely suffice until some other people are revealed as bearing the God-honouring marks of Israel. If Anglo-Celto-Saxondom is not Israel, it is up to those who repudiate this to provide a national alternative for a nation Israel must be. God said that as long as the sun, moon and stars endured, the seed of Israel would be a *nation* before Him. Jesus said: "The kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a *nation* bringing forth the fruits thereof" (Matt. 21:43). Where, if Anglo-Celto-Saxondom is not Israel, is this nation?

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"AND YE ARE WITNESSES OF THESE THINGS"

By Otis B. Read, Jr., D.D.

The hearts of the disciples were filled with fear after their Lord's apparent failure to achieve His proclaimed goal. He had taught them what manner of men they must be in order to enter into His Kingdom and unfolded to them the conduct of Its society.

He had even offered to share positions of great authority and trust with those aspiring such honour who in this present life were willing to deny self and lay down their lives in service to others.

His miracles, His popularity among the masses and their desire to crown Him King fired the hearts of His chosen ones. It appeared to them that all their dreams – inspired by their Master's Own words – were on the verge of becoming reality, when His enemies seized Him and railroaded Him to Calvary!

What happened? Where had He failed? All hope was gone and they were lost without His encouraging Presence. They were a marked group of men. There were many who would remember their faces for they had walked at Jesus' side constantly in the hour of His greatest popularity. Would the enemies of their Master turn upon them and hunt them down like hated criminals, subjecting them to the same apparent fate?

Two of their number, en route to Emmaus, discouraged and bewildered by the events that had transpired in Jerusalem during the past few days, had been shocked into the realization that their Lord was indeed risen from the dead and invisible in their midst! He had fellowshipped with them incognito only to awaken their understanding into the realization that it was He. They had seen and talked with the One Who declared to the sister of Lazarus: *"I am the resurrection, and the life!"*

These two bore witness to the disciples how that Jesus had chided them: "O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken: Ought not Christ to have suffered these things (those things which had transpired in Jerusalem), and to enter into his glory (into the state He now appeared to them – the invisible, yet visible, LORD of glory – the glory He had with the Father before the world was)? And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself." (Luke 24:25-27).

Obviously, the Old Testament Scriptures are filled with the Presence of the invisible, yet visible, Christ. He is introduced and we become acquainted with Him as the manifestation of the Living God Who in due time was to be made manifest in flesh through the miracle of the virgin birth, in the Old Testament.

It is preposterous for us to think that we can understand why it behoved Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, without a good understanding of all that is written in the Psalms and the prophets concerning Him.

Faith comes to us through the hearing of God's Word and requires a certain amount

of understanding. Our present decadent society is a good example of New Testament Christianity as is taught in most churches. It is impossible to understand the New without first having a good understanding of the Old.

Organized religion, denominationalism, etc., have all been busy teaching the interpretation of men and have discouraged their disciples from studying the whole of God's Word, hence the obvious ignorance of the Message of the Scriptures which abounds on every hand. The famine of the hearing of God's Word, foretold by the prophet Amos (8:11) has become a literal reality.

WHY DID IT BEHOVE CHRIST TO SUFFER?

Our answer to such a question as this involves much. He Himself declared that His mission into this world was for the expressed purpose of "seeking and saving that which was lost." (Luke 19:10).

There should have been no doubt in the disciples' minds as to *who* these people might be. Not only were they lost in their sins, but they had lost their identity as a people and were likewise lost amongst the nations.

When the woman of Canaan came to Jesus seeking help for her daughter who was "vexed with a devil . . . he answered her not a word. And his disciples came and besought him, saying, Send her away; for she crieth after us. But he answered and said, I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel." (Matt. 15:24).

Because of this fact, it was only good sense that Jesus should have commanded his disciples, after having given them power "against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease", that they should not go "into the way of the Gentiles . . . into any city of the Samaritans . . . But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." (Matt. 10:1-6).

In all of our Lord's parables dealing with such things as the lost sheep, the lost coin, the lost (prodigal) son, etc., He was simply illustrating His and the Father's grave concern for the welfare of the "lost sheep of the house of Israel" that He had come into the world to "seek and to save."

The whole Bible Message deals primarily with these people. They are the people God was speaking to through His servants the prophets, when He said:

"But thou, Israel, art my servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, the seed of Abraham my friend . . . Thou art my servant; I have chosen thee, and not cast thee away. Fear thou not; for I am with thee: yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness . . ." (Isaiah 41:8-10).

"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. . ." (Isaiah 43:6).

Every student of the Old Testament Scriptures should be acquainted with God's intimate relationship with the seed of Abraham through Isaac and Jacob-Israel, of His Covenant Relationship to them and their indifference

to His Law and subsequent divorcement and punishment.

"Who gave Jacob for a spoil, and Israel to the robbers? did not the LORD, he against whom we have sinned? for they would not walk in his ways, neither were they obedient to his law. Therefore he hath poured upon him the fury of his anger . . . 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 . . . Ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, that I am God." (Isaiah 42:24-25; 43:1-12).

Because God had entered into Covenant Relationship with these people and sworn by an oath (Psalm 105:8-10, 42-45) that He would do certain well defined things for them, as His servant race, for all the other peoples of the earth, His faithfulness in and through them would establish His Omnipotence.

"Hearken unto me, O house of Jacob, and all the remnant of the house of Israel, which are borne by me from the belly, which are carried from the womb: and even to your old age I am he; and even to hoar hairs will I carry you: I have made, and I will bear; even I will carry, and will deliver you . . . . . ." (Isaiah 46:3-4).

These people were God's responsibility! By Divine intervention barren wombs had been filled and God had faithfully assumed the many responsibilities involved in taking care of all their needs. It was by Divine choice that these people were what they were, for they were God's instruments of servitude – *destined to become a blessing to all the other families of the Adamic creation.*

First, however, God's servant race must be disciplined and schooled and made ready. Jesus came to commence this task.

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Recommended Reading

DRAMA OF GOD'S PEOPLE $1-75
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WOMAN IN THE WILDERNESS $1-35
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Two Books By P.R.Creasey

Through Judgment to Righteousness

Part 2

By: F. W. Dowsett

As we have previously stated, the present trouble in the world today, and the judgment that is about to fall upon this system under which we live, has been caused by the fact that men and nations have followed Satan's way instead of following God's way of life. Satan has substituted counterfeit systems which we have blindly followed instead of following the perfect life of peace and righteousness which God has offered us. And the fact that our national leaders have been blind and indifferent to the fact of our identity as God's people Israel has left the majority of the people in complete ignorance of our great national heritage and responsibility under God Almighty. Why there should be such a feeling of antagonism to the fact that we, the Anglo-Saxon people are God's people Israel, is a source of continual amazement to me. One would think, to hear some people talk, that to belong to God's people was a curse instead of the blessing that it really is. Some time ago I received a letter from a correspondent, taking me very seriously to task, in which the writer stated very emphatically that it was impossible for an Israelite to be a Christian because God, according to him, had permanently cast away Israel. I was informed that despite the fact that I claimed to be a born-again believer in the Lord Jesus Christ, that I was certainly heading for a different place than he was. I must confess that this is in all probability a most fortunate thing for me. How can we comprehend such blindness to the love and faithfulness of God towards His people. Is the Bible just a collection of words without meaning? Can't God make up His mind? Are we going to follow blindly the whims and fancies of man, or are we going to accept the Word of God, and accept the fact that God knows exactly what He is doing, and means to accomplish His Divine purposes exactly as He has promised. If the Bible means something different to what it says, then what do we make of the words of Isaiah, 49:15-16 where we read,

> *" Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb. Yea, they may forget, YET WILL I NOT FORGET THEE. Behold, I have graven thee upon the palms of my hands. Thy walls are continually before me."*

What a difference it would make to our nation if we were to recognise this wonderful truth, that God has not forgotten us: that *" He watching over Israel, slumbers not nor sleeps."*

The whole trouble today is that we have forgotten. The basic cause of our national troubles today lies in the fact that we have spurned God in denying our relationship to Him as His People. I am going to quote from the 11th verse of the 30th chapter of Deuteronomy, and as you read, I want you to ask yourselves these questions.

First: Why on earth did God give us this injunction if He didn't mean it.

Secondly: Why have we been so desparately foolish to have ingnored the plain statements expressed therein. God addresses this commandment to us, the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic people, just as equally as He did to the people of Israel because we ARE this same people. God said, (Deut:30: 11-20.)

> *" For this commandment which I command thee this day, it is not hidden from thee, neither is it far off. It is not in heaven, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go up for us to heaven, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it and do it?*
> *Neither is it beyond the sea, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go over the sea for us, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it?*
> *But the word is very nigh unto thee, in thy mouth and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it.*
> *See, I have set before thee this day life and good, and death and evil;*
> *In that I command thee this day to love the Lord thy God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commandments and his statutes and his judgment, that thou mayest live and multipy, and the Lord thy God shall bless thee in the land whither thou goest to possess it.*
> *But if thine heart turn away, so that thou wilt not hear, but shalt be drawn away, and worship other gods and serve them:*
> *I denounce unto you this, that ye shall surely perish,*

and that ye shall not prolong your days upon the land, whither thou passest over Jordan to go to possess it. I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live:
That thou mayest love the Lord thy God, and that thou mayest obey his voice, and that thou mayest cleave unto him: for he is thy life, and the length of thy days: that thou mayest dwell in the land which the Lord sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob to give them."

Now can you imagine anything so utterly foolish as the decision which we have made, because the fact must be faced that we have chosen death rather than life. We have chosen cursing instead of blessing. And we then have the colossal audacity to call ourselves intelligent beings. Just how much more blind can we become. Yet the amazing thing is that God foreknew our blindness and has used, and is still using it, firstly as a means of chastising and restoring us, and secondly as a means by which we can identity ourselves as His people. In the 42nd. chapter of Isaiah we read, beginning at the 16th. verse:

" And I will bring the blind by a way that they know 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.
They shall be turned back, they shall be greatly ashamed, that trust in graven images, that say to the molten images, Ye are our gods. Hear, ye deaf: and look, ye blind, that ye may see.
Who is blind, but my servant, or deaf, as my messenger that I sent? who is blind as he that is perfect, and blind as the Lord's servant?
Seeing many things, but thou observest not: opening the ears, but he heareth not.
The Lord is well pleased for his righteousness' sake: he will magnify the law, and make it honourable.
But this is a people robbed and spoiled: they cry all

of them snared in holes, and they are hid in prison houses: they are for a prey, and none delivereth: for a spoil and none saith, Restore.
Who among you will give ear to this? who will hearken and hear for the time to come?
Who gave Jacob for a spoil, and Israel to the robbers? did not the Lord, he against whom we have sinned? for they would not walk in his ways, neither were they obedient unto his law.
Therefore he hath poured upon him the fury of his anger, and the strength of battle: and it hath set him on fire round about, yet he knew not: and it burned him, yet he laid it not to heart."

" 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."

Now I don't know what you think of those words, but I defy anyone to challenge the accuracy of what you have just read in its application to the condition of our own nation today. Most certainly God knew exactly what He was talking about. And of equal certainty it proves our identity as these very same people, because beyond any shadow of a doubt, we are at present experiencing the condition of the blind leading the blind, just as God's Word says. Truly have we become a people robbed and spoiled, snared in holes and hid in prison houses, and yet we have no one else to blame but ourselves. To blame God, as so many people do, is the height of stupidity, because He gave us our own free choice, life or death, and we chose death.

But be assured that God has ordained a time limit on all this, and later on, I hope to show you how God will ultimately deliver His people. In the mean time remember that the injunction made to the nation applies just as equally to the individual. We as individuals must also chose life, and for us, irrespective of race or any other factor, the only source of life is the Lord Jesus Christ,who says,

" I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.
No man cometh unto the Father, BUT BY ME."

(To be continued.)

FROM THE PRESIDENTS DESK

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In other words, we are informed by the Spirit of God Himself, Who inspired Luke's writing, that the coming of the Son of Man in great power and glory would be SEEN, not AFTER the nominated events had occurred or had concluded, *BUT AT THE VERY SAME TIME WHEN THEY WERE HAPPENING*. We have been clearly told that our Lord Jesus Christ will return at the very same time when we are at our wit's end as to how to proceed because of the trouble caused by the meeting or joining together of the nations.

THIS IS NOT SOMETHING FOR WHICH WE LOOK TO THE FUTURE.

THIS IS NOW ! ! !

It is no wonder that God adds further knowledge for those who have "eyes to see, and ears to hear," when He says,

"And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads, for your redemption draweth nigh.
And He spake to them a parable.
Behold the fig tree, and all the trees.
When they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that summer is now nigh at hand,

SO LIKEWISE YE, WHEN YE SEE THESE THINGS COME TO PASS,

KNOW YE THAT THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS NIGH AT HAND."

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The Days of Reckoning

By Mrs. D. Price.

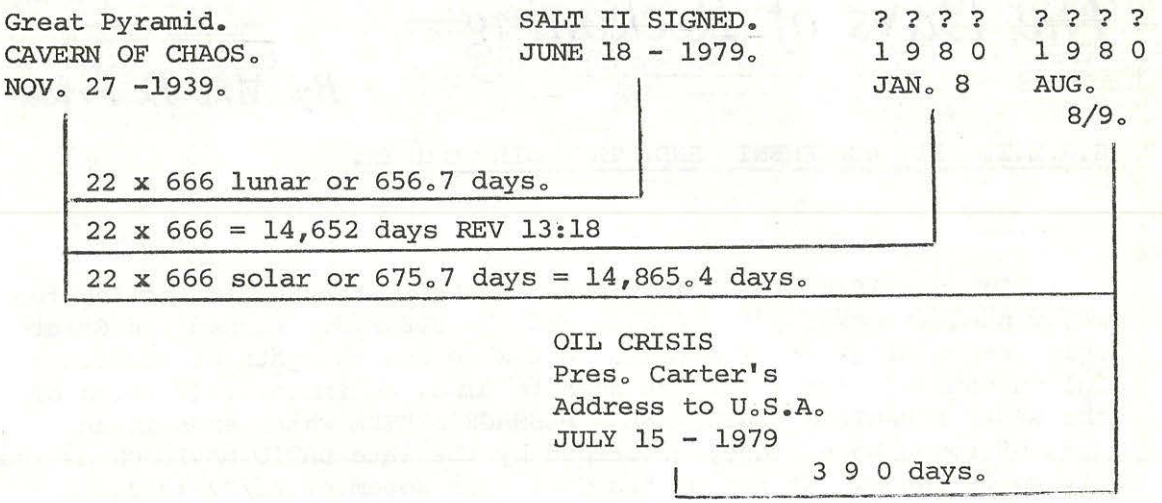
S.A.L.T. 11 AGREEMENT AND THE OIL CRISIS.

On June 18th. 1979, in Vienna, Austria, the leaders of the two major nuclear powers, the U.S.A. and the U.S.S.R., signed the Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty 11. But when our thoughts of the fearful outcome of atomic warfare come to mind, we immediately think of the GREAT PYRAMID'S SUBTERRANEAN PASSAGE SYSTEM which ends in an area of rough hewn stone, described by the late DAVID DAVIDSON as the CAVERN OF CHAOS. He dated this Cavern as November 21/27-1939.

Davidson wrote of the early phases of World War 11 in his booklet, " THE JUDGMENT OF THE NATIONS" in the Great Pyramid Prophecy pages 13, 23, 29, and 35, thus :-

" To counter Hitler's illegal methods of naval warfare, the Premier announced the British policy of reprisals on NOV. 21-1939, and the King signed the Reprisal Order on NOV. 27th,1939. Both dates were given by the Great Pyramid's prophecy as the beginning of the final phase of the ROUND-UP OF THE NATIONS."

CHAOS being the word to describe the 1979 world situation with its OIL CRISIS, out of curiosity I linked the SALT 11 Agreement and the OIL CRISIS in one chart and discovered a strong link on the lunar cycle of the evil number "6 6 6". And more so when extended to MEAN and SOLAR reckoning. Lunar always marks a lesser event, whereas SOLAR IS linked with major events.



To understand the significance of the time-cycle of 390 days in Ezekiel 4: 5 as a period of punishment upon the House of Israel for national sin, remember the First World War of 1914/1918 lasted 4x 390 days for Great Britian and 1½ x 390 days for the U.S.A. Now it appears linked with the coming economic crisis in the U.S.A. - and probably for us too.

O.P.E.C. RAISES THE PRICE OF CRUDE OIL.

JUNE 27-1979 was a bleak day for the nations of the world, particularly for the U.S.A., when the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (O.P.E.C.) raised the price of CRUDE OIL by three dollars a barrel. On that selfsame day Jimmy Carter had held Office as President of the U.S.A. for 8 8 8 days. 888 is the muner-ical value of the Greek form of the Name, J E S U S. Why this time-cycle should appear linked with a financial deal, and not the number 6 6 6, is a mystery to me.

Great Pyramid
Hall of Judgment
Entrance
SEPT. 16 - 1936.

Pope Celebrates Mass
in Poland
JUNE 3 - 1979.

4 x (1600 + 2300) days

POPE JOHN PAUL 1. VISITS POLAND.

In Revelation 14: 20, "1600" is linked with Divine Judgment, and in Daniel 8: 14, "2300" is associated with the act of the CLEANSING OF THE SANCTUARY.

The celebration of the special Mass was also 230 days from the election of Pope John Paul on October 16th,1978. 2 3 0 is is one-tenth of 2300 mentioned in the previous paragraph.

Senator Jackson
Predicts Kennedy to
Stand for President
JUNE 25 - 1979.

New U.S. President
to be sworn in.
JAN 20 - 1981.

575 days or
one quarter of 2300.
Daniel 8:14.

On June 25th,1979 the U.S.A. Press published the prediction of Senator Jackson that Senator Edward Kennedy would enter the U.S. Presidential race next year.

As one recalls the fate which has befallen every U.S. President elected in each 20-year period since 1860, one wonders at the rush for the job!

DFP. June 26,1979.

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Scripture Cameos

By Kenneth C. Bayman

7. *The Inhabited Universe.*

> *"For by him (Christ) God created everything in heaven and on earth, the seen and the unseen things, including spiritual powers, lords, rulers and authorities."*

Colossians 1:15,16 Today's English version.

In our last article we saw that the natural man is freed only by death from the influence of those spirit powers described in the Moffat translation of Colossians 2:8,20, etc. as "the Elemental spirits of the world". We saw also that the believer in Christ is freed through having "died with Christ", as taught by the Apostle Paul in chapter 6 of his letter to the Romans.

The fact that death is the only way of escape from the influence of these unseen powers is dramatically emphasised by a translation of Colossians 2:15 in Today's English Version of the New Testament. This passage reads: "And on that cross Christ freed himself from the power of the spiritual rulers and authorities; he made a public spectacle of them". Thus it is made clear that even the Son of God in the days of His flesh was subject to the unceasing interference and temptations exerted against mankind by these "spiritual rulers and authorities", so that even in His case, death was the way to freedom from that all-pervading influence.

By rising again, Our Lord triumphed over these unseen powers and demonstrated His power over them.

In a previous article we noted the tremendously wide scope of Christ's work as the great Reconciler. We saw with surprise a fundamental truth which has been glinting like a gem from the deeper strata of the Word of God, namely, that Christ's work of redemption has a *universal* aspect.

We are acquainted with the *individual* aspect of the "gospel" or good news of a Divinely-provided way of salvation for 'whosoever will". We have particularly concerned ourselves with the *racial or national aspect*, i.e., that "God has not rejected his people, whom he chose from the beginning" (Romans 11:2, T.E.V.) But have we ever thought that beings in the heavens, i.e., in space, seen and unseen, are in any way affected by God's great plan – "the secret plan he had already decided to complete by means of Christ"?

And what is this plan, this "secret" plan?

The answer is given in the same passage: "God's plan, which he will complete when the time is right, is to bring all creation together, everything in heaven and on earth, with Christ as head" (Eph. 1:9,10, T.E.V.)

In the passage from the letter to the Colossians, quoted at the head of this article, we learn that it was by Christ that God created the inhabitants of the universe. Thus it follows that by Christ God moves to restore them to the Divine order of government. The same truth is taught by the Apostle Paul in Colossians 1:15–20. "God created the whole universe through him (Christ) and for him. He existed before all things, and in union with him all things have their proper place . . . Through the Son, then, God decided to bring the whole universe back to Himself. God made peace through His Son's death on the cross, and so brought back to Himself all things, both on earth and in heaven."

The expression "all things" in the above passage must be read, however, in a relative rather than in an absolute sense, for other passages in the same letters make it clear that there is a powerful assemblage of living beings, operating both on the earth and in space, which is in opposition to the plan of God.

We find a reference to them in Ephesians 2:2: "At that time you followed the world's evil way; you obeyed the ruler of the spiritual powers in space, the spirit who now controls the people who disobey God." Thus we find that the *ruler* of the "spiritual powers in space" *also controls the people who disobey God.* What a significant discovery! Then the warning in Ephesians 6:12: "For we are not fighting against human beings, but against the wicked spiritual forces in the heavenly world, the rulers, authorities, and cosmic powers of this dark age."

In Philippians 2:10, the inhabitants of the universe are divided into three categories: "all beings in heaven, and on the earth, and in the world below." We should note that the reconciling work of God's Son on the cross, as mentioned in Colossians 1:20, is effective in only *two* of those categories, i.e., "all things, both on earth and in heaven." The expression "all things" is thus limited by definition, those in "the world below" being excluded.

What and where is this "world below"? Does it mean beneath the surface of our earth, within the interior of this planet?

At first sight, this would appear to be the meaning. Looked at through the eyes of material science, however, such a possibility would be dismissed out of hand. Yet there are many references, some enigmatical, others plain and clear, to this underworld in the Scriptures. This matter requires special consideration as a subject for study in its own right. It is sufficient at this stage for us to see that although the beings in the "underworld" spoken of in Philippians 2:10 "will fall on their knees, and all will openly proclaim that Jesus Christ is the Lord, to the glory of God the Father", yet they will not share in the reconciliation effected by the Lord Jesus Christ.

Those in the heavens (i.e., space) who are in a state of rebellion against God will also not share in the great reconciliation.

For them, the final destruction is reserved – the "lake of fire" which is the symbolical description of the means used for the disposal of the "old order" (which we have referred to in previous articles as the Luciferian Order) at the end of the age.

The Book of Revelation deals with this disposal in chapters 19 and 20. It is a subject deserving of special study in a future article.

Orthodoxy, both "scientific" and "religious", refuses to accept the suggestion that other orders of life exist elsewhere than on earth. This is one of the few areas of thought in which science and religion find themselves in general agreement. For example, a French scientist wrote as recently as 1960: "I want to make it clear that if I am sure there cannot be human-like beings on Venus, it is not really because what we know about Venus (which I agree is little enough) shows it to be different from earth, but above all because of what is known about biological evolution. This shows infinite variety on earth, but nevertheless accords strictly with biochemical laws which are valid for the whole universe. These laws teach that man is the product of a vast number of chromosome mutations extending over three billion years; that each of these mutations is the product of chance like a lottery number and to suppose that elsewhere (on Venus or any other place) beings resembling men are to be found means billions of dice throws have been identical – which is infinitely improbable, indeed impossible." (1)

This is typical of the view of scientists on the question of life in other worlds in space. Strangely enough, one of America's leading Christian magazines recently published an article dealing with the subject of "alien life", and the article appealed to "science" for proof that there is no life elsewhere in space. That article claimed that only our earth is inhabitated – that of all the myriads of heavenly spheres, ours is the only one with inhabitants. And what is stranger still, the writer of that article claims that "the Bible has told us all along that there is no alien life on other planets." (2)

Then, after appealing to science to back up this claim, the article goes on to say that many scientists speculate on the possibility of life in the universe and biologists seem to think that life would arise wherever conditions were able to support it. "The process of natural selection, so they say, would come to operate and control the evolution of life on each planet."

Thus the French scientific writer quoted above says there can be no alien life similar to that on earth because evolution depends entirely on chance and the same chances cannot happen twice. And the American religious writer says there can be no alien life anywhere else in the universe because biologists claim that such life depends on evolution, and as the theory of evolution is false, there can be no such life.

As a result of the secular bias to modern scientific opinion, various writers have ex-

pressed the view that any discovery of alien life in the universe will invalidate the Christian claims based on the Bible. Unfortunately, this palpably wrong viewpoint is supported by Christian writers who blindly claim that there is no other life in the universe and state that the Bible teaches this. As might be expected, Russian scientists and writers have been foremost in expressing the view that alien life will be discovered one of these days, and will herald the end of Christian belief based on the Bible.

These views spring from ignorance as to just what the Bible does teach; ignorance that is excusable, perhaps, in avowed atheists and agnostics, but inexcusable in Christians.

The entire Bible, rightly understood, is the record of the interplay of forces and emotions generated by beings from the heavens on the one hand, and inhabitants of the earth on the other. Nor are these "inhabitants of the earth" all human. Strangely enough, there is an order of *unseen beings* on earth which belong to the earth and which, although actually weak and pitiful (Galatians 4:9 T.E.V.) exercises on unregenerate humanity an influence out of all proportion to their real power.

It is these "ruling spirits of the universe" (T.E.V.) or "Elemental spirits of the world" (Moffat) about which the Apostle Paul warns Christians in his letter to the Galatians (chapter 4:3,8,9). These unseen influences were deified as gods; they were able to inspire those sensitive to them; thus there was the god (or goddess) of poetry, of art, of drama, of music, and so on. What is the origin of genius, of exceptional skill? Is it not the "Elemental spirit" imparting ability of an exceptional nature to a human being who happens to have been born with a sensitivity which enables him to be receptive?

Then there are the "unclean spirits" which Our Lord and His disciples cast out of those human beings who were possessed by them.

Then again there are "neutral spirits" such as that referred to in II Chron. 18:18-21. The probable origin and functions of these various orders of spirit-beings is an aspect of this tremendous subject which requires special consideration on another occasion.

Besides the unseen spirit-beings, there are various orders of beings which possess bodies (material but of a different nature from the earthy bodies of human beings). These are grouped under the one general name of "angels", which simply means "messengers". Traditionally, they are depicted as winged beings, but as on many of their recorded appearances in Scripture they were mistaken for ordinary men of earth, there is no justification for regarding them as "winged". Our airmen are given "wings" when they fly aircraft, but the wings are symbolic of their ability to fly. Likewise, the "wings" attributed to "angels" may be regarded as indicative of their ability to "fly", i.e., to come from the heavens (space) and depart into the heavens. The "fiery chariot" in which Elijah departed into the heavens is an example of a vehicle being used.

The "horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha" (see the story related in II Kings 6:15-17) furnish a similar example. In other cases no vehicles were used (Judges 13:8-20).

There are celestial "princes" whose power and authority appear to be superior to those possessed by "angels", but even these princes are at times referred to as "angels". Then there are references to "evil angels". There are cherubim, of whom Lucifer (who subsequently became Satan, or The Adversary) was one.

According to Colossians 1:15,16 (quoted at the head of this article) there are "lords, rulers and authorities". Now these "lords" must have someone or something to be lords of; these "rulers" must obviously have the rule *over* something, or someone; the "authorities" must exercise their authority over someone or something. Lest it be claimed that these are references purely to *earthly* "lords, rulers and authorities", we may refer to Colossians 2:10 where it is plainly stated (Today's English Version): "He (Christ) is supreme over every *spiritual* ruler and authority." Ephesians 1:21 confirms this: "Christ rules there above all heavenly rulers, authorities, powers, and lords; he is above all titles of power in this world and in the next."

This puts the matter beyond all argument: in the heavens, i.e., in space, there are rulers (ruling over whom?); authorities (exercising just what kind of authority?); powers (possessing power over what?); lords (in relation to what lesser beings?).

This was the clear belief of the servants of God in Old Testament times. In Nehemiah 9:6, for example, we read how the Levites ascribed praise to God on the grounds that He had made "heaven, the heaven of heavens, and all their host . . . the host of heaven worships thee."

Thus "host of heaven" is here not the stars, but living beings. This theme is found also in Psalm 148:2, "Praise ye him, all his angels: praise ye him, all his hosts."

Isaiah 24:21 (Moffat) clearly shows the presence of created beings in the heavens: "And then shall the Eternal punish the hosts of the high heavens above, and kings on earth below." Just as we know the earth is a sphere hung in space in a mesh of unseen gravitational threads, to form a temporary home for man, so we may be sure that there are other spheres in the heavens, which are the homes of other orders of being – "the hosts of the high heavens above."

Our Lord specifically said: "In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you." Modern language versions render this: "There are many rooms in my Father's house." What is the Father's house but the illimitable universe? What are the "rooms" or "dwelling-places" but other heavenly spheres, other planets poised in space?

We may take personal comfort, if we believe these things, from Our Lord's following words: "I go to prepare a place for you."

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TIDINGS OUT OF THE EAST

By: Rev. J. A. B. Haggart

The meteor-like rise to power by RUSSIA in the past 60 years has unlocked many of the mysteries of prophecy in the Bible, especially as this phenomena applies to our times. Chapters 38 and 39 of Ezekiel suddenly come into sharp focus as we observe the forming of a huge Russian army on her southern borders, seemingly preparing for an invasion of PALESTINE in the South and the oil-rich Arabian countries. We observe country after country in Africa being taken over by the Marxists, using Cuba and East German forces as a foil for her imperialistic advances. It should be obvious that Russia's plan to conquer ALL of Africa is proceeding swiftly and certainly toward her desired goal. ETHIOPIA is listed as one of the nations that would join in Russia's advances in a pincer-like movement from the South to capture the oil fields of Arabia. Little Yemen, described by Ezekiel 38:13 as "Sheba", is now asking the question posed 2500 years ago by the prophet, "Art thou come to take a spoil?" The loss of YEMEN and Ethiopia will close the net surrounding Jerusalem and the Israeli State. Indeed, capture of these sensitive areas will close off the passage of the huge oil tankers to Europe and the free world, for these vessels cannot pass through the Suez Canal because of their size. They are compelled to pass around the Cape of Good Hope enroute to Europe and the Americas. With the capture of the coastlands of Africa Russia would control the flow of oil from the Middle East. Not only this, but they would have seized the mines of Africa, producing minerals so essential to the Free World's industries.

It is now quite obvious what is the objective of the Soviets. The question is: when will they unhook their armies and unleash them upon the nations to the south of them? When Soviet Russia moves into the Middle East the stage will be set for the fulfillment of the Bible's predictions that will bring the present age to its close.

We get the key by turning to the prophet, Daniel, who also describes the descent of Russia "IN FURY" toward the Holy

Land. Although Russia may not be ready to start her invasion, there are happenings "in the East" which may prematurely unleash the hordes from the North upon the Middle East. On 12 August 1978 Japan and China signed a "peace and friendship treaty" which, for the first time, links China's 900 million people and her vast, untapped resources with the unparalleled technological and marketing skills of Japan.

Shortly thereafter we learn of the departure of Hua Kuo-feng, China's Communist Party Chairman and Prime Minister, on a historic tour of Europe. In his visit to Bucharest he was extremely friendly with these people and boldly denounced Russia's policies, right in the back yard of Russia's maverick countries of Yugoslavia and Roumania. During this tour he also swung south to visit oil-rich Iran, another of Russia's wary neighbours.

Russia's plans have been suddenly thrown into disarray. Suddenly, CHINA has burst upon the world scene as an ally of JAPAN. Both of these nations are in the EAST. Here for the first time in history we see the emergence of an enemy of Russia who intends to contest Soviet Russia's bid for WORLD DOMINATION.

We find in this new Oriental alliance, hitherto unimagined, a hard-rock reality which threatens the carefully laid plans of the men in the Kremlin. The progress of their scheme to take over the entire world has been uninterrupted to the present time, but the prophet, Daniel, recounts events in the future which would reward our attention with some answers as to Russia's present dilemma. "BUT TIDINGS OUT OF THE EAST AND OUT OF THE NORTH SHALL TROUBLE HIM (GOG or RUSSIA): therefore he shall go forth WITH GREAT FURY to DESTROY and UTTERLY MAKE AWAY MAN." (Dan. 11:44) - Ferrar Fenton translates the passage: "When reports from the East and the North will disturb him and he will proceed with great fury to destroy and devote many and pitch his palatial tent between the seas, on the Glorious Holy Hill - then go to his reaping - and NONE CAN SAVE HIM." It is quite obvious that from the reports that Russia gets from "the East and the North" will infuriate them to the point that they will begin their invasion of Palestine. This event was planned for them long

before they became a nation. WHO are these powers to the EAST and the NORTH?

To the East of Russia lies CHINA AND JAPAN. These nations have for centuries been enemies to each other. SUDDENLY, on 12 August 1978 they sign a PEACE PACT. This was a highly significant event which sent the leaders in the Kremlin into a tizzy. Here is a threat to their plans for power! China is already a threat to Russia's conquest of Africa and elsewhere. Then, exactly two months later the Soviets get the "report" of Premier Begin and President Sadat meeting, together with President Carter at Camp David, near Washington D.C. The talks began precisely on 12 October 1978! Here was the President of Egypt sitting down with the Premier of the Israeli State to form a Peace Accord. At this writing no accord has been reached, but this does not matter. What's important is that these two countries, both of them important in the general scheme of world conquest, have suddenly become friendly to each other. Thus, first the report out of the East (China and Japan) shakes the Kremlin and staggers their minds, to be followed two months later by a report out of the north (the U.S.A.) that Egypt and the Israeli State plan to sign a peace Accord! The well laid plans of Gog begin to falter. Judging from the turn of events in Africa recently, their plan is to encircle Jerusalem from all sides and then, finally, draw the noose. Reports from the East were startling enough, but the reports from the North (over the North Pole) will undoubtedly cause them to push up their schedule for entering the Holy Land. "Therefore, he will go forth with full fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many," the prophet has said. This aspect of prophecy is also given by Paul when he wrote to Thessalonica, "For when they say (talk about) Peace and Safety; then SUDDEN DESTRUCTION cometh upon them." This sudden destruction will fall upon the whole of the Middle East, but the FINAL battle will be fought on the plains of Esdraelon, namely, ARMAGEDDON. Ezekiel wrote about it over 2500 years ago, but as we enter 1979 it could happen soon; in fact, it could have happened before these words are read. There is to be a vast invasion of Palestine, led by a nation to the Israeli's "uttermost north." That nation is Russia and

the time would appear to be, from all indications in both the Bible and current events, IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE.

A look at the Bible shows one thing. Curiously, Egypt is not mentioned among the antagonists. Had something happen to Israel's perennial enemy before the conflict? YES, she will have withdrawn from any alliance with Russia and, rather than being an ally will have become an antagonist. All the other allies of Russia will descend with her in a wicked conspiracy to take over all of Africa and the Middle East; but they will be thwarted, according to Scripture.

The United States and the Commonwealth of Nations of the world (especially Canada, which is included in prophecy of the "tidings out of the north") will not be destroyed by furious assault of the Russian Bear toward the south. England and the European company of nations will escape the onslaught also. The Marxist plans for world conquest now call for the conquest of Africa and the storming of the Middle East. They are not ready for the full world conquest at this time. Canada and the United States, Australia and New Zealand, and even South Africa will escape the fury to be unleashed soon by Russia. Certainly, Russia covets the wealth and high living standards of these Israel nations, as indicated in Ezekiel 38:1-13. These are the lands of "unwalled villages" which the Communists would like to "take as a prey." but the Lord God of Israel plainly states that He will not allow it. Verse 14 reads: "Therefore, son of man, prophecy and say unto Gog (Russia); in that day when my people Israel dwelleth safely, shalt thou not know it?" In other words, DON'T YOU KNOW THAT MY PEOPLE ISRAEL WILL CONTINUE TO LIVE IN PEACE AND SAFETY, DESPITE YOUR EVIL PLANS? DON'T YOU KNOW THAT THEY ARE ALL UNDER MY SPECIAL PROTECTION? The true Israel nations will remain safe. While the Soviets may covet these nations and all of their wealth, they should realise that we are under the careful protection of the Most High God. IF THEY DON'T KNOW IT, THEY SHOULD!

In the coming invasion of Palestine the Soviets will be too concentrated on this phase of world conquest to be involved in anything else; but in the plains of Esdraelon all the nations will meet and the final struggle will take place.

"And he gathered them (the kings of the earth and the whole world) together into a place called in Hebrew tongue, Armageddon." (Rev. 16:16). All the Israel nations will be involved with their planes and missiles, but Scripture plainly describes this as the LAST war to be fought on earth. PRAISE GOD!

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Crisis upon crisis seems to be the order of the day. Speaking about the transitional period between the old and new world orders, our Lord Jesus Christ indicated that the days of the generation living at that time would be marked by certain 'signs of the times'. They were to be concerned with "wars and rumours of wars", "nation rising against nation and kingdom against kingdom". There were to be famines and pestilences and earthquakes in divers places". "With all these things the birthpangs of the new age begin (Matt. 24:8 N.E.B.). "For there shall be great tribulation such as was not since the beginning of the world . . . and except those days be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened."

THE SITUATION ABROAD

Abroad we find "distress of nations on a globe-wide scale: America and Vietnam, Nigeria and Biafra, Russia and China, the colour problem, international finance, nuclear armaments, to mention only a few.

Biblically, the key situation is the Middle East and here we find a situation which is speedily conforming to the pattern predicted by the prophets for these days. The entry of the Russian Fleet in force into the Mediterranean and their domination of Egypt and the Arab States, give stark reality to the fulfilment of the infallible prophetic Word spoken thousands of years ago. These truly unique 'signs', among others, were not seen by previous generations. The predicted onslaught by Russia and her satellites is not only feasible but, according to the Word, inevitable. The reviewer cannot escape the feeling of imminence.

THE SITUATION AT HOME

We are told that when our Lord "saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad as sheep having no shepherd". It is sad to say that our people are like sheep going astray, "having no shepherd". An over-statement? Where is there a voice among our leaders, spiritual or temporal, that is giving a true and effective lead to our nation? Is righteous government and godliness overruling evil, chaos and moral decay?

Politically, there is a craven fear of national responsibility and leadership in the world affairs. Consequently there is, at least on the part of our leaders, an obsession to quit by absorbing Britain in Europe. Bewitched by the vision of a "United States of Europe", they gloss over the fact that in the event of actual membership, each member country, including Britain, will lose national identity and sovereignty. This kind of leading points to nothing less than treason.

In order to woo Europe our leaders are prepared to humble our nation to the very dust in the vain hope of impressing the lords of Europe who themselves despise and hate us. Yet, like Israel of old, we bespoil ourselves in a one-sided unrelenting courtship across the Channel. We copy Europe in every conceivable way by planning an expensive switch to decimal currency and metric measures, by seeking to impose on our people a Continental Sunday, by adopting as near as possible Continental time, by seeking to integrate our defence measures with those of Europe and at the same time disregarding the safety and welfare of our Commonwealth. We seek to share aero design and other technical know-how with Europe in projects which cannot prosper and will result only in depriving ourselves of our own home defence. Well did the Prophet Jeremiah write: "And when thou (Israel) art spoiled, what wilt thou do? Though thou clothest thyself with crimson (copying the nations around), thy lovers will despise thee, they will seek thy life" (Jer. 4:30).

Infatuation with Europe has presented the world with the spectacle of a Britain turning her back on her own kith and kin in the Commonwealth who, when Britain was in her gravest hour of danger, willingly gave the flower of their youth in her defence. Here, in our own family of nations, we have proved loyalty and time-tested friendship, shaken, it is true, by our present attitude to the Commonwealth. Here we share alike nature, culture and language. Could such flirtation with Europe be more despicable? It is beyond our comprehension. One must conclude that our leaders, both secular and spiritual, are in the grip of some spell by which they follow the will-o'-the-wisp Lie.

THE SPIRITUAL SITUATION

When godly kings ruled over Israel of old, the people grew in spiritual stature. The nation prospered and was in peace. When, however, they had kings who "did that which was evil in the eyes of the Lord", spiritual and moral decay set in bringing disaster upon disaster. By these standards our nation rises or falls respectively. Our leaders bear the gravest responsibility, first of all to God and then to the people – not that our people are without responsibility. They get more or less what they elect.

Our politicians and lords spiritual legislate in favour of homosexuals. They make abortion legally permissive and now they seek to make divorce easier. They fly in the very face of God and flout His perfect Law. Our Bishops seek to water down the magnificent presentation of Scriptural truth which is set forth in the Book of Common Prayer. Their object is to make it more acceptable to other churches, particularly the Roman Catholic Church, in spite of its teaching and practice of the 'sacrifice of the Mass', which itself denies that our sins are wholly done away with by Christ on the Cross. Such are the effects which are being made in order to foster a false ecumenical movement which betrays our Bible–Protestant Faith in order to flirt with Rome.

Can we wonder at the morass of trouble at home? This – We have forsaken the Lord our God. We have turned from His blessed Word and transgressed against His revealed Law, supposing them to be irrelevant to present needs and standards. Materially, at least for a season, we have imagined we have "never had it so good". We fail to recognise how transitory it all is and the lost condition and need of the spiritual part of our make-up. So we live and so the country deteriorates. There is but one answer to our dilemma – it is the Gospel.

THE PRODIGAL SON

Our Lord's parable of the prodigal son is very true to life in these prophetic days. Intoxicated by the good things around him, he was unaware of their fleeting nature. The inevitable crash came and what he doted on just faded away. He tasted judgment in depth but this was in itself remedial. It brought him face to face with reality, disillusioned, he knew he had to return home and make full confession. In this attitude of heart he was welcomed home and re-instated there.

In the present trend of affairs it would seem that Britain must reach the end of her tether. Will she then turn again to the Lord her God? We believe she will.

The great need of the hour is a spiritual revival which will be wholly initiated by God. It is here where the true spiritual 'remnant' comes in. The need of the hour demands dedication and prayer. Judgment begins at the House of God.

Encouraging reports come to hand of people all over the land who are deeply concerned about the moral and spiritual condition of our people. They stem from various denominations and gather together in groups to study the Bible and to engage in prayer revival. The Lord is pouring out His Holy Spirit upon them in pentecostal revelation and power. This could be the beginning of great things.

Utopia is man's fond dream of a coming perfect world state. It is much sought after but always illusive. The Bible speaks of the certainty of such a world state being set up, but not by man. This will be the Kingdom of God on earth and it will be the work of the Lord Jesus Christ. His second coming to earth for this purpose is the culmination of all Divine prophecy and His coming is as certain as the dawn. To this end He has taught His children to pray: "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done ON EARTH, as it is in heaven".

"For unto us a child is born: unto us a Son is given and the government shall be upon His shoulder: and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the mighty God, The everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace. 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 the Lord of Hosts will perform this" (Isa. 9:6-7).

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A Continuing PEOPLE

By U.N. Owen

In dealing with matters of Bible revelation, notwithstanding the out and out criticism as to its efficacy as the basis of faith, one finds an incredible confusion obtaining in respect of two major terms, 'Israel' and 'Judah'. A brief look at the Bible story will provide a useful background to the introduction of these two terms.

Abraham was called to the service of God and, upon his initial obedience to the call, was endowed with promises which involved his natural posterity developing into a mighty national nucleus with the express purpose of being a blessing. Abraham's first son by Hagar the handmaid, was rejected by God (Gen. 19–21) in terms of His Purpose while, at the same time, God confirmed that Sarah would bear the covenanted seed whose name would be called Isaac. In due time, Isaac was born and offered to and accepted by God as His own (chapter 22). Apart from Ishmael and Isaac, Abraham had six other sons by Keturah (Gen. 25:1-2) all of whom, like Ishmael, were excluded from His Covenant Purposes. Isaac married Rebekah who bore him the twins, Esau and Jacob, the former of whom was rejected by God prior to birth (Gen. 25:23). Jacob, whose name was changed to 'Israel' (Gen. 32:28), fathered 12 sons and one daughter who became known collectively as the 'children of Israel'. From this point in time, the progeny of Jacob are called 'Israel', the 'children of Israel' or the 'sons of Jacob' or simply 'Jacob'.

Of these twelve sons, two are singled out for specific duties – Judah for the role of kingly administration and Joseph for that of spear-heading the Plan of God in Israel (I Chron. 5:1-2). Apart from the story of Joseph in Egypt and his marriage to Asenath, the daughter of the priest of On, the birth of his two sons and pre-eminence given to the younger, Ephraim, very little is recorded of tribal distinctions in the family of Jacob in the land of the Pharaoh. Tribal reorganisation takes place when Moses led the children of Israel towards the land of promise with each tribe carrying its banner or ensign to distinguish it from the others. The ensign of Judah was the lion while that of Ephraim, the son of Joseph, was the head of a calf set against the background of gold. Although no official division had taken place among the children of Israel, the tribe of Ephraim appears to have taken leadership, being given a section of the Holy land which placed it in the very centre of the nation. In Joshua 18:1 one reads that the tabernacle 'was set up in Ephraim at Shiloh', an act which greatly increased the influence of that tribe among the others.

When the children of Israel collectively

rejected the Theocracy and the Lord provided the Davidic line to rule on His Throne over the nation, the tribe of Ephraim, in general, refused to submit to David's authority. While there was a certain element which acknowledged the sovereignty of the house of David over them, a greater proportion of the tribe remained aloof and lived in a state of rebellion against the throne. It should not be thought that the House of David treated this matter lightly, for David, in order to placate the tribe, had his personal ruler in Ephraim while Solomon, his son, had his commissariat officer among that tribe (I Chron. 27:20 and I Kings 4:8). Rehoboam, the son of Solomon, deemed it necessary to hold his inauguration ceremony within the borders of Ephraim (I Kings 12:1) – so powerful was the influence of this tribe among the children of Israel.

While going to these lengths to foster better relations between the House of David and the tribe of Ephraim, this king acted most foolishly when he rejected the demands for the alleviation of the excessive taxation imposed by Solomon on the ten tribes who comprised the section of Israel living to the north and very much under the influence of the tribe of Ephraim. The tribe of Ephraim led the revolt against the House of David and Jereboam, an Ephraimite, became the first king of the northern section which had unilaterally declared its independence from the Davidic line of the tribe of Judah.

While prior to this event, a distinction is made between Judah and Ephraim, from this point the differences are emphasised. The tribes of Benjamin and Judah which remained faithful to the House of David are called 'Judah' while the ten tribes are referred to as 'Israel'. This principle obtains generally and one is able to note by reference to the context, when the Lord is speaking collectively to the whole family. An interesting experiment is to take a red and a blue pencil and mark the Scriptures where the two sections are contrasted and where the names cannot be considered as synonymous. A few illustrations for this experiment follow: II Kings 23:27; I Chron. 28:4; II Chron. 13:15; Isa. 7:1-8; Jer. 3:8, 17; Ezek. 23:4; Dan. 9:7; Hos. 1:11; 4:15; 5:9,10; Amos 1:1; Micah 1:5; Zech. 8:13.

During the period subsequent to the division of the family of Jacob into two unequal sections, one notes the appearance of the word 'Jew' for the first time and significantly, the people thus defined, are found in opposition to Israel and their Syrian allies (II Kings 16:5-6). Elath, the city occupied by the 'Jews', was situated in the region of the Gulf of Aqabah, a territory dominated and occupied by Edomites. It is significant that the Scripture does not speak of Jews at Jerusalem at this time but refers to inhabitants of that city under the patrynomic name of 'Judah' and, in view of the use of the name 'Jew' in association with the dwellers at Elath, one can come to no other conclusion that even 'Judah' is not synonymous with 'Jew'.

This fallacy is exploded when one considers subsequent revelation. Hosea, the prophet who wrote after the first Assyrian invasion of the northern ten-tribed kingdom,

continued his message through the troublous times when Israel showed a deepening apostasy. While throughout his writing, one may see the division in Israel, his overall message is directed to the time when the whole family would be redeemed from the consequences of its then obvious transgressions.

It should be noted that Hosea, after declaring the self-inflicted state of 'Lo-ammi' and 'Lo-ruhamah' – not my people and not having obtained mercy – points to the time when 'the number of the children of Israel (note it is not just one section or kingdom but all the children of Israel) shall be as the sand of the sea . . . and it shall come to pass, that in the place where it was said unto them, Ye are the sons of the living God' (Hosea 1:10). By comparing this with the statement in John 1:12, one notes that the status of being the 'sons of the living God' is dependent upon relationship with Christ. This immediately precludes the Jew who today is in opposition to the Lord and will not accept His Sonship nor His Redemptive Grace on Calvary. Peter, in his first epistle, cites Hosea's prophecy and, as one notes the addresses of his epistle, the whole story of Israel in continuity outside of world Jewry, falls into place. He writes to the "strangers scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia etc. . . . Elect according to the foreknowledge of God . . ." These 'strangers' were not an unidentified heterogeneous people but a specific nation, for he continues to apply the descriptive words of Moses (Ex. 19:5-6) to them (II Peter 2:9) and cites Hosea's words as being fulfilled in *them*. Unless words have ceased to have meaning, Peter was writing to Israel collectively for he made no mention of being a 'part of Israel'. This view is borne out by James' epistle wherein he wrote to 'the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad' (James 1:1).

While many are persuaded that Peter was writing to and of the Church in this instance, one finds it most difficult to equate the Church with the terms used. A Church cannot be a 'holy nation' nor can it possibly claim to be 'a chosen race (generation)'. It will be equally fallacious to claim that the Jews are referred to here, for in the 25th verse a status is mentioned which precludes the Jews. "For ye *were* as sheep going astray; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls." A brief return to Ezekiel 34 will assure the reader that these 'sheep' are again equated with Israel who were permitted by their 'shepherds' to go astray until the Lord would seek them out (Ezekiel 34:11). By way of identifying these 'sheep', the Lord states: "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. And ye my flock, the flock of my pasture, are men, and I am your God, saith the Lord God" (verses 30-31).

Although centuries have elapsed since the time of Peter's writing, among which people has his statement been fulfilled? Where are these people who have returned to the 'Shepherd' and 'Bishop'? Certainly not the Jews who continue to reject the Christ of God.

They are found in Anglo-Celto-Saxondom in whose national history one may see the promises of God fulfilled in miniature, which fact inculcates faith and hope of better things to come. Make no mistake about this. Israel, under another name, continues just as the Lord said it would until that great day when, under Christ, it shall come into its own as true servants of the Lord and worthy 'sons of the living God'.

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IN MEMORIAM

It is with the deepest regret that we report the passing of three of our members. Mrs. Hazel Burgess passed away in July after a long illness. And now in the same week (week-ending 24th August), we have lost both Mr. Bert Spillet and Mr. Ern Glover. These three brethren have been associated with the Federation for many years, and have served both us, and the Lord they dearly loved, most faithfully.

We extend our deepest and sincere sympathy to their loved ones, and look forward to the great day when we will all be re-united at the return of our Lord Jesus Christ.

British-Israel Bible Lesson

Chapter 12

GOD REJECTED AS KING

For about 400 years God was the acknowledged King of His Kingdom of Israel people. He was the only King the Nation had. Then in the days of Samuel, due in part to corrupt judges (1 Sam. 8:3-5) all the elders of Israel demanded a human King, "That we also may be like all the nations; and that our king may judge us, and go out before us, and fight our battles." (1 Sam. 8:20, but read the whole chapter). God said to Samuel, "They have not rejected thee, but **they have rejected me, that I should not reign over them.**" (1 Sam. 8:7)

God was rejected as the King of His own Kingdom; the Theocracy was repudiated by the people, and Saul, a Benjamite, was chosen who was approved by the people, "And all the people shouted, and said, God save the King." (Read 1 Sam. chapters 9, 10, 11, 12). Later, Saul was rejected by God, "Because thou (Saul hast rejected the word of the Lord, he hath also rejected thee from being king over Israel." (1 Sam. 15:23, 26, 28; 16:1)

THE DAVIDIC COVENANT

Even though the people had openly rebelled against God and had rejected Him as their King, God did not abdicate. He is still the King of Israel. He appointed a human as His Governor General, and the Governor General is the Personal Representative of the King. David and his descendants were chosen for this High Honour. (see 1 Chron. 29:22 where Solomon was "anointed unto the Lord to be **chief governor**"). All kings of David's Line since that time, regardless of character, have been God's Chief Governor, or Governor General, ruling, under God, over God's Kingdom on earth. All British Monarchs rule "By the Grace of God" as is acknowledged on all our coins and official documents.

The Covenant which God made with David is, like the one made with Abraham, totally gracious and absolutely **UNCONDITIONAL.** The Covenant is found in 2nd Samuel 7:4-17. See also 1 Chron. 17:4-15.

The declared Purpose of Almighty God, sworn to on His own Oath, secures:

1. A Davidic House, or Family – Forever.
2. A Davidic Throne – Forever. 2 Sam. 7:16.
3. A Davidic Kingdom (Israel) – Forever.

The perpetuity of the Davidic Line of Monarchs is guaranteed by God despite anything David's descendants might do. Punishment would be inflicted on individual members of the Royal Family for disobedience to God's Laws (2 Samuel 7:14) but the Covenant is to stand forever; cannot be abrogated or cancelled. (see also Psalm 89:20-37). The Royal House, Throne, and Kingdom are to endure for ever. This Covenant does not change or alter the Abrahamic Covenant in any way. It confirms and enlarges it.

Many of the Kings of David's Line were not faithful, therefore chastisement fell; first in the Division of the Kingdom under Rehoboam; and later by the captivities of the Ten Tribed Nation and the greater part of the Kingdom of Judah; and finally by the balance of Judah being taken to Babylon. The last King of David's Line to reign in Jerusalem was Zedekiah. (2 Kings 25:1-7)

Since that time only one King of the Davidic Family has been crowned at Jerusalem, and He was given a Crown of Thorns. But the Davidic Covenant confirmed to David by the Oath of Jehovah, and renewed to Mary by the Angel Gabriel, is immutable, (Psalm 89:30-37), and the Lord God will yet give to that "Thorn-Crowned One", "The Throne of His father David". Isa. 9:7; Luke 1:31-33; Acts 2:29, 30.

The "Throne of David" is a phrase just as definite and just as literal as the "Throne of the Caesars" and as little admits of "spiritualizing". According to God's Promise "The House of David" must provide a descendant to reign from that Throne over the Kingdom of Israel in perpetuity. (Jeremiah 33:14-26)

The Davidic Covenant has caused perhaps more "spiritualizing" of the Scriptures than any other. The subject of David's Everlasting Throne has been twisted, turned upside down, and garbled to such an extent as to make the plain, easily understandable words of Almighty God mean something absolutely the opposite of what God really says, and of what His Words mean. Many people seem to have a very hazy idea as to the Honour of God. Some are lazily willing to accept it without demonstration. These people might be shocked at the very idea of His sworn pledges being brought into question: but these same people do not know what God has promised, nor do they ever examine the fulfilment of His Promises, and yet God Himself invites us to prove Him faithful.

Because they have not taken the trouble to really READ the promises and look for their fulfilment in history, many people declare that God did not really mean what He said, and that the Throne of David is a spiritual something not actually physical and material, and which was transported to Heaven when our Lord ascended, and that He has been reigning from it in Heaven since. They tell us that Israel lost all the promises of blessing and the Throne of David because they disobeyed God; and that we are not to look for any literal fulfilment of the promises, but that the "Church" has been substituted for Israel.

All this is, of course, in direct contradiction of what God actually said, because we find in this promise, attested and sworn to by Almighty God Himself, that He will establish a Davidic Family whose seed or descendants would reign from a Throne established on this earth; over a Kingdom called Israel on this earth, for ever. Surely no one will contend that David sat on "nothing" – a "Spiritual Throne". Therefore, there must be on this earth today a direct descendant of David, reigning from the Throne of David over the Kingdom which the God of Heaven established on the earth. If this is not so, then words have no meaning, and we have nothing in the Bible upon which we can place any faith either for this life or any future one.

We believe God meant exactly what He said. Quite evidently David thought so too, because when he received this wonderful promise he was overcome with emotion and went and sat before the Lord and poured out his whole heart and soul in praise and adoration. (2 Sam. 7:18-29)

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Israel, Judah and the Jews

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Prophecies Concerning

ISRAEL

Israel to have a change of name (Isa. 65:15).

Israel to be called by a new name (Isa. 62:2).

Israel to be called after Isaac (Gen. 21:12).

Israel to be blind to their identity (Rom. 11:25; Isa. 42:16-19).
Israel to be a multitudinous people (Gen. 13:16; 15:5).
Israel to become known as the righteous Nation that keepeth the truth (Isa. 60:21; 26:2).
Israel to become a Nation and a Company of Nations (Gen. 35:11).
Israel to make a new home in the Appointed Place—the Isles of the Sea (2 Sam. 7:10; Isa. 24:15; 49:1; Jer. 31:10).
Israel to be a Nation for ever (Jer. 31:35, 36).

Israel to have a perpetual monarchy (Jer. 33:17).
Israel to come under a new covenant (Jer. 31:31-34).
Israel to be called the sons of God (Hos. 1:10; Rom 8:14).
Israel was taken captive into Assyria by Shalmaneser, circa 721 B.C. (2 Kings 18:11, etc.).
Israel were to be immune from defeat in war (Isa. 54:17; Lev. 26:6-8).

THE JEWS

The Jews to be known by a change in physiognomy (Isa. 3:9).
The Jews have retained their old name unchanged.
The Jews' name to be a curse to them (Isa. 65:15).
The Jews still claim to be the chosen people.

The Jews to be bereft of children (Jer. 15:7).

The Jews to be a reproach and a proverb, a taunt and a curse (Jer. 24:9).
The Jews to be scattered in all the 'kingdoms of the earth for their hurt' (Jer. 24:9).
The Jews have been strangers in all lands (Jer. 15:4).

The Jewish Nation was broken in A.D. 70 (Dan. 9:24-27; Jer. 19:11).
The Jews have remained under the old law.
The Jews do not accept Jesus Christ as the Messiah.
Judah taken captive to Babylon by Nebuchadnezzar, circa 603 B.C. (2 Kings chs. 24 and 25).

The Jews are descended from the remnant of Judah which returned from captivity in the time of Ezra and Nehemiah.
The Jews have suffered endless persecution.

Israel had been removed from Palestine 700 years before the Crucifixion. When it occurred they were still absent, being at that time beyond the Euphrates, in their migration through Europe.

What We Believe

We Believe in God - the God of the Bible. (Exodus 3:4-14.)

We Believe in Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God. (John 1:14.)

We Believe in the Holy Spirit and His Mission. (John 14:26, Acts 2.)

We Believe in the atoning sacrifice of Jesus Christ on Calvary. (Matt. 26:28, Romans 5.)

We Believe in His ascension into Heaven. (Mark 16:19, Acts 1:9-11.)

We Believe in the bodily return of Christ (Acts 1:9-11) to take the throne of David (Isa. 9:7. Luke 1:32) and rule on this earth for a thousand years (Rev. 20:1-6); and that His Body, the Church, will be united with Him and reign with Him. (Eph. 5:24-33; Col. 1:24; 1 Cor. 15:50-58; 1 Thes. 4:14-18; Rev. 19:9).

We Believe John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

We Believe that personal salvation by faith in the atonement of Jesus Christ is necessary for all, Israelite, Jew and Gentile. (Rom. 3:22-25). Each one must be born again. (John 3:1-7). To confess Christ, who died that sinful men might live, is individually supreme above all else. (Matt 10:32-33. Rom. 10:9-13).

We Believe the whole Bible, both the Old and New Testaments; that it is the inerrant Word of God (II Peter 1:9-21). We believe its history, its covenants, its promises.

We Believe in its Gospel of Grace (Eph. 2:1-8), which is the Gospel of Salvation to all men.

We Believe in, and seek to make known, the Gospel of the Kingdom (Matt. 4:23, 24:14).

We Believe that the Bible contains God's Plan for the remedy of all human ills, and that this plan is being worked out through the Bible people called Israel. (II Sam. 7; Deut. 32:8).

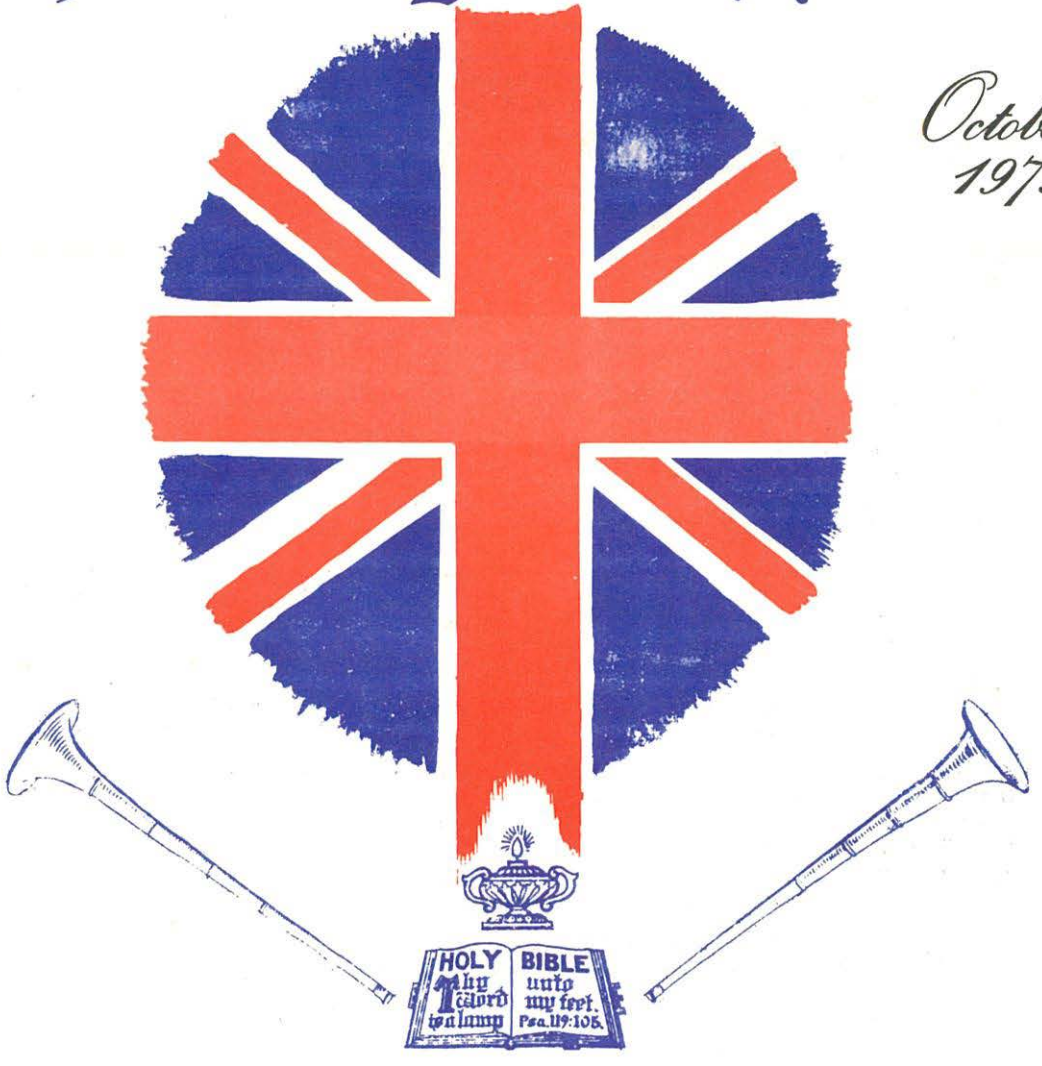
We Believe that this people Israel, consisting of twelve tribes (Exod. 28:21; Rev. 21:12), the descendents of the twelve sons of Jacob, were chosen of God to be His 'peculiar people' and 'servant nation' through whom all the other nations of the earth are to be blessed. (Exod. 19:5; Deut. 7:6-8; Isa. 41:8, 42:6; Gen. 22:16-18).

We Believe that the differentiation between 'Israel' and 'Judah' is clearly marked in the Scriptures. (See 1 Kings 12; Jer. 3:6-11; Ps. 114:1-2; Ezek. 37; Zech 11:7-14; II Chron. 10). They are not interchangeable terms. To understand this is to possess the key to Israel Truth. (Ps. 114:2; 1 Chron. 5:1-2).

We Believe the time has come when the 'lost' Israel "nation and company of nations" (Gen 35:11) has been found and positively identified. Only one race today answers in every detail to the Bible picture of Israel "in the latter days," and that is the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic — the British Commonwealth of white nations and the United States of America They possess what Israel was to possess and are doing what Israel was to do. The identities of this race with Israel are so many and so pronounced that one who re-reads and studies his Bible in the light of this great truth will make discoveries that will cause him to give this subject most serious thought, especially in view of what is happening in literal ful-fillment of Bible prophecy in the world today. The nations are in turmoil. The power of the Holy People (Anglo-Saxon-Israel) is being broken (Dan. 12:7). The old Babylonian social order is being overthrown, and the world is being prepared for the Return of the Lord Jesus Christ, for His reign upon the Throne of His father David, and the glorious restoration of the Kingdom of God on earth. (Zech. 14:9; Luke 1:32-33).

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Marks of Israel

During the Christian dispensation lost Israel were to possess certain marks of identification

A great and mighty nation.	Gen. 12:2; 18:18; Deut. 4:7,8.
Named 'Great'.	Gen. 12:2.
The chief of the nations.	Gen. 27:29; Deut. 7:6; 15:6.
A maritime nation, having command of the seas.	Gen. 49:25; Num. 24:7; Deut. 33:13, 19; Psa. 89:25.
A company or commonwealth of nations.	Gen. 35:11; 48:19 Eph. 2:12.
A missionary nation.	Gen. 22:18; Isa. 43:21; 49:6; 66:19.
The custodian of God's Word.	Psa. 147:19, 20; Isa. 59:21.
A just nation.	Gen. 18:19; Lev. 19:15; Deut. 1:17; Zeph. 3:13.
God's instrument in destroying evil.	Jer. 51:20; Dan. 2:34,35.
An undefeated nation.	Isa. 54:17; Micah 5:8,9.
Blind to their identity.	Isa. 29:10-12; 42:16, 19, 20; Rom. 11:7, 8, 25.
Have an island home north and west of Palestine.	Isa. 49:1-3, 12; Jer. 3:18; 31:8.
Occupy islands and coastlands.	Isa. 24:15; 41:1, 5; 49:1-3; 51:5; Jer. 31:8, 10.
Possess the gate of his enemies.	Gen. 22:17, 24:60.
Have multitudinous seed.	Gen. 13:16; 15:5; 22:17; 24:60; 26:4, 24; 28:3, 14; 32:12.
Colonize and spread abroad.	Gen. 28:14; 49:22; Deut. 32:8; 33:17; Psa. 2:8; Isa. 26:15; 27:6; 54:2; Zech. 10:8, 9.
Lose first colony and then expand, demanding more living space.	Isa. 49:20.
Irrigate the deserts and build the waste places.	Isa. 35:1; 43:19, 20; 58:11, 12.
Possess the wealth of the earth.	Gen. 27:28; 49:25, 26; Deut. 33:13-16.
Possess the heritage of the heathen.	2 Sam. 22:44; Psa. 2:8; 111:6.
Receive strangers and refugees.	Lev. 19:33, 34; Isa. 11:10; 14:1; 55:5; 56:6-8;Zech. 8:22.
Set free slaves and prisoners.	Psa. 72:4; Isa. 42:7; 49:9; 58:6.
Have a descendant of King David reigning over them.	2 Sam. 7:13; 1 Chron. 22:10; 2 Chron. 13:5; Psa. 89:35-37; Jer. 33:17.
Lose all trace of their lineage.	Hos. 1:9, 10; Isa. 42:16, Rom. 11:25.
The power of the Holy People is to be broken.	Dan. 12:7; Deut. 32:29-36.

The British Commonwealth of Nations possesses every one of these marks — therefore they are lost Israel. The United States of America possesses some of them.

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From The President's Desk

Greetings Christian Friends,

The recent murder of Lord Mountbatten has both shocked and saddened all of us. We can well ask what the world is coming to, when even the British Monarchy comes under such direct attack, and threats of more attacks, from the God-less and anti-God element which has become so evident today.

The rise of this lawless element in all spheres of our national life is most disconcerting, and even frightening. But what is even more disturbing is the obvious lack of ability by those in power to prevent, or even kerb, this wave of anarchy which is destroying the soul of our nation. At the time of writing, I have just seen the T.V. coverage of the riot in Newcastle where two police cars were overturned and set alight. This was described as the worst incident of rioting in our history.

Is this really happening in our fair land of Australia? Are these things really happening to our most sacred institutions? What has happened to bring a once proud and reasonably God-fearing people down to the level of animals? Search as you will, you will not find the answer with governments or politicians. You will not find it with psychologists or do-goods. Sadly, you wont even find the answer with a great many theologians. The only source from which we can obtain an answer is God's Word, the Bible. Let us make no mistake here. The Bible is NOT just a religious book, full of pious platitudes and myths, as so many of its so called teachers would have us believe. It is Not a book about a God where love is so great that He'll forgive anything you do as long as your intentions are good.

If there is one subject that can be claimed to be pre-eminent throughout the entire Bible, it is OBEDIENCE. Every curse, every illness, every evil, has been the direct result of being DIS-OBEDIENT. On the other hand, every blessing, every good thing, every happiness, every promise of righteousness for both now and the future, has been, and will be, the direct result of OBEDIENCE. The greatest act of love in mankind's history, the sacrifice of the Son of God, our Lord Jesus Christ, was brought about by our DISOBEDIENCE. And the greatest gift of that love, eternal life, is

only available to us by OBEDIENCE.

But obedience to what? Obviously to the Word of God, which has been clearly expressed and defined through His Law. Christ said, *" If ye love me, keep my commandments."* What commandments? Obviously those which He Himself gave from the time of the formation of Adam and Eve. Through the prophet Samuel, God said, *" Hath the Lord as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, AS IN OBEYING THE VOICE OF THE LORD. Behold, to OBEY is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams. For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry."*

1 Samuel 15: 22-23.

How very up-to-date. Modern theology teaches us that the Law of God has been done away. I personally know one minister of a leading denomination who preaches from his pulpit that anyone who believes in the Law of God is a heretic. What uther blasphemy! God's word is quite plain. We have obedience, or we have rebellion. And rebellion and the rebellious is what we have. The apostle Peter described the situation with uncannny accuracy when speaking of the conditions which would prevail immediately prior to the return of our Lord Jesus Christ. He tells us of the false prophets and false teachers *" by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of."* He tells us of those who *"despise Governments ... who are not afraid to speak evil of dignitaries ... who speak evil of things they understand not."* He refers to them as *" spots and blemishes."* Read 11 Peter chapter 2.

We need more than ever to realise the full significance of our Lord's warning contained in His parable of the Wheat and the Tares. We are told four things about the Tares. 1/ They are in the Kingdom of God. 2/ They are the children of Satan. 3/ They are so like the literal children of the Kingdom that they cannot be distinguished from them. 4/ They will finally be destroyed.

It is these *" children of Satan"* in our midst who are the rebels, whose whole desire is the destruction of God's People. They are the *" wolves in sheeps clothing" (See Rev.13:11)* who are deceiving us. These are the ones whom the Lord Jesus Christ will destroy with the brightness of His Glory when He returns in the very near future.

Then will that glorious promise of Isaiah be fulfulled.

" For when thy judgements are in the earth,
the inhabitants of the world will learn
righteousness."

Isaiah 26:9.

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Unanswered Questions

BY W. G. Finlay

By way of introduction to the theme of unanswered questions, attention is drawn to the fact that (1), the questions are never posed and (2), they do not fall within the category of what man considers as relevant to his religious comprehension of the Deity. Irrespective of what man thinks or teaches, the absolute in Truth is found recorded by the prophet Isaiah in which the Lord God Almighty said: "My word . . . shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it" (Isa. 55:8-11). The great apostle Paul, in his epistle to Timothy, adds the following: "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable . . ." (II Tim. 3:16) and notwithstanding the fact that the only Scripture in existence at that time was the Old Testament Scriptures, men very grudgingly admit these when it suits them.

It is within the framework of the 'Scriptures' as Paul understood them that many questions remain unasked and unanswered. The first of these concerns the integrity of the Words spoken by God. "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" (Jer. 31:35-36). This 'seed of Israel' is most specific and is not confused with the *spiritual* 'seed of Abraham' through faith. The wording should be noted again and it will be found that Abraham is not mentioned – only Jacob whose name was changed to Israel. Where then, is the 'seed of Israel' whose *national continuity* is assured by the continued existence of the sun, moon and stars? The Church is not a nation nor do the Jews who, in the main, stem from Esau together with a considerable inter-mixture of other races, meet the national requirements of Israel. Where is the modern development of the 'seed of Israel'? Why is there such an ominous silence in respect of the national message in the Bible? Scattered throughout the former Commonwealth and within Anglo-Celto-Saxondom and the Scandinavian countries, there are groups of people who, in upholding the veracity of the words spoken by God, point to their own groups of nations as fulfilling, albeit in embryo, the God-prescribed function of Israel. While there are many who hold that such a teaching is 'wishful thinking', it should be noted that at least an attempt is made to 'let God be true' in contrast to the general attitude of dismissal by modern teachers of the salient facts associated with the Honour of God and found recorded in His Promises.

When God formed the Israel nation (Isa. 43:1-3), it will be noted that He committed the

whole nation to the function of world blessing and while the two families of Judah and Joseph are singled out as sectional leaders (royal line and birthright line), the twelve tribes were collectively committed to the prodigious task of 'shewing forth my praise' (Isa. 43:21). How pitifully inadequate this small family must have looked when it arrived in the land of the Pharaoh but Egypt, according to the ancient historians, was the land which provided the incentive to seek new horizons and establish greater civilisations. For instance, it was from Egypt that the Grecian civilisation derived its origin being brought to that land, according to Strabo, by Danaus who commanded that all should be called Danaans. Confirming this, Hecateus of Abdera, a Greek historian of the third century B.C., records that there had been an expulsion of 'aliens' from Egypt and that some of these, under the leadership of Danaus and Cadmus, migrated to Greece although the greater part of these followed Moses. Unless one is prepared to question the integrity of the early historians, one must ask who Danaus was and accept the historical answer that he was the son of Bela. Is it far-fetched to suggest that this Danaus was none other than Dan the Israelite the son of Bilah? The eponym Dan is found to be the root-name applied to some of the most famous sections of the ancient Greeks and their leaders. The derivatives of this name include Danaus, Danae, Danaans, Danoi, Danaoi and Danaids.

Questions regarding the various tribes in Egypt are seldom, if ever, asked, not the least of which is that relating to the twins of the royal Judah line. From later Biblical information, one becomes conversant with the Pharez line which develops from this twin through Esrom, Aminadab, Nashon, Salmon, Boaz, Obed, Jesse to David and from him to Zedekiah the last reigning monarch of Judah's line in Palestine. But what of the Zarah line, the twin to Pharez? Both twins accompanied their father Judah into Egypt but only Pharez came out with the Exodus. What happened to Zarah? This question is never asked and yet there is a wealth of information on the subject from Irish legends. The following genealogical table is available. Zarah was the father to Ethan from whom the following are descended. Mahol, Calcol, Gadhol, Easru, Sru, Heber Scot, Boamhain, Ayhaimhain, Tait, Aghenoin, Lamh Fionn, Heber, Adhnoin, Feabla Glas, Neanuail, Nuaghadh, Alloid, Earchada, Deaghatha, Bratha, Breogan, Bille, Gallam and Eochaidh. In the parallel genealogical line provided in Genesis, Exodus, Chronicles and Kings, one notes that from Judah to Zedekiah there are twenty-six generations – the same number as is recorded in the Zarah family line.

A question never asked as the Biblical record ends with Zedekiah, is, what happened to the daughters of the king? It is a scriptural fact that Zedekiah had two daughters (Jer. 41:10) and equally factual is the closure so far as Biblical history is concerned, of Jeremiah's commission in the land of Egypt. In Jeremiah 43:7 he is depicted as coming to Tahpanhes with a company among which was 'the king's daughters' (Jer. 43:6). If this was the end of Jeremiah and the king's daughters, then there is something very amiss in the record for Jeremiah had a commission to 'root

out, and to pull down, and to destroy, and to throw down, to build and to plant' (Jer. 1:10). Having accomplished the destructive part of his mission, the 'building and planting' still remained unfulfilled. Moreover, the daughters of the king cannot be written off for, while all the princes had been killed (II Kings 25:7), the Israel law of inheritance demanded that the daughter inherit (Num. 27:8) and, in consequence of this, the king's daughters should be the subject of much enquiry. To summarily leave them in Egypt with Jeremiah will not suffice. What happened to them? What happened to Jeremiah?

The various Israel Identity Movements contend that Irish legend continues the story presenting Jeremiah as arriving in Ireland together with an 'eastern princess' who married Eochaidh, the Heremon, thus joining the two lines of Pharez and Zarah in Ireland. Jeremiah's tomb is still to be seen in Ireland as is the burial place of the eastern princess at Tarah's Hill. A fanciful theory? Let opponents to it then provide an answer to the many unsolved questions involved in the story of the Royal line of Judah.

While on the subject of Egypt, very few teachers venture a suggestion as to the meaning of Isaiah 52:4 wherein is recorded: "For thus saith the Lord God, My people went down aforetime into Egypt to sojourn there; and the Assyrian oppressed them without cause." How could the 'Assyrian' oppress Israel in Egypt? Much of the evidence which confirms the whole Bible story is lost when modern teachers refuse to consider anything which has to do with the Old Testament. That the oppression of Israel in Egypt is historical and not allegorical is borne out by archaeological discoveries, not the least of which has to do with the Pharaoh of the Exodus.

"Now there arose up a new king over Egypt, which knew not Joseph" (Ex. 1:8). Stephen, before the Sanhedrin, uses the phrase 'another king arose, which knew not Joseph' (Acts 7:18). In an analysis of the Greek and Hebrew words here, one notes that a 'king of a different dynasty arose' who afflicted Israel. The mummy of this very Pharaoh is to be seen in the Museum at Bulak and his name was Rameses the Oppressor. His features are entirely different from those who preceded him and those who have examined the mummy do not hesitate to pronounce him as *Assyrian*. His son, Meneptah, was the Pharaoh of the Exodus, but the oppressor of Israel was undoubtedly an Assyrian indicating the accuracy of the historical record of the Bible.

From Egypt to Palestine, the Scripture poses many questions all of which remain unanswered by the teachers of today. Why, for instance, is no comment made of Moses' declaration that Israel would not prolong their days in the land of Promise (Deut. 4:26)? Why is no comment made on the new land, the 'appointed place' (II Sam. 7:10)? What happened to that prodigious number of the tribe of Simeon who appear to have been 'lost' between the first and second numbering of the tribes. Some 37,000 of this tribe just vanish but no one appears to seek an answer to it. Historically these Simeonites formed the Celt-Iberian migration which moved westward from the Levant and settled in Brittany, Belgium, Wales,

Devonshire, part of Cumberland and part of Cornwall. These people are sometimes called the Simonii in classical atlases. Significant is the fact that these people left the Middle East scene after the Law of the Lord had been given and that the principles of this Law are found within Druidism is surely a pointer of great interest.

The division of the twelve tribes into two separate kingdoms in the time of Rehoboam (I Kings 11:11-13 and 12:16-19) is well known to diligent students of the Scripture but many of the same students fail to pursue the matter further than the captivities of these two kingdoms. Instead of asking questions relative to the future of the two families of Israel and Judah, men are content to wallow in the God-dishonouring theory that He had now dispensed with their services. This theory is not new. In the days of Jeremiah the same thought was expressed but which was answered by the Lord in the following words: "Considerest 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. Thus saith the Lord; If my covenant be not with day and night, and if I have not appointed the ordinances of heaven and earth; then will I cast away the seed of Jacob, and David my servant, so that I will not take any of his seed to be rulers over the seed of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob . . ." (Jer. 33: 24:26).

An unasked question today is: What happened to that prodigious number of people who took part in the grand finale of Israel in the land of Canaan? Apart from the fact of the unfulfilled promises of God, one cannot simply lose hundreds of thousands of people without some trace of their continuity. Exact figures are not available but one may compute the lowest figure of captives removed into Assyria and Babylon by considering the figures which are available. In Leviticus 26:21-22 it is stated that transgression of the Law would result in a decrease in population, ". . . and make you few in number; and your highways shall be desolate." In 1017 B.C., the tribe of Judah comprised "470,000 valiant men that drew the sword" which did not take into account the population of Benjamin or Levi (I Chron. 21:5). The wasting process engendered because of Law transgression must have been considerable and when Sennacherib, the Assyrian king, had removed the kingdom of Israel, i.e., the ten-tribed northern kingdom, he laid siege to the cities of Judah and removed "200,150 men of Judah" into the Assyrian captivity. Remembering that Judah was only one-twelfth of all Israel, it must be agreed that the Assyrian captivity must have accommodated a prodigious number of people. What happened to them?

The history of those who were not taken captive by the Assyrians, is well known in that they were taken captive by the newly arisen Babylonian empire which endured for the prescribed period of 70 years (Jer. 25:11). 42,360 returned from this captivity (Ezra 2:64) and it is a matter of simple mathematics to realise how minute this remnant was. If 200,150 was the number of captives taken from

the tribe of Judah which, as has been stated above, constituted one-twelfth of all Israel, what proportion does 42,360 represent in terms of the whole? What happened to that vast proportion of the family of Jacob? James wrote his epistle to the twelve tribes in dispersion in the year A.D. 60 while the Jews were engaged in seditions in Jerusalem while Peter, some five years later, wrote to the same dispersed people reminding them of the promises which God had made to their forefathers through both Moses and Hosea (I Peter 2:9-10; Ex. 19:5-6 and Hos. 1:7-10).

Throughout the Ministry of the Lord Jesus Christ questions are posed which are answered in a manner which violates human intelligence and which are only accepted by the spiritually blind. Where is the nation to which the kingdom was given? (Matt. 21:43). Where are the lost sheep of the house of Israel to whom the Lord Himself stated, He was sent (Matt. 15:24 Weymouth). These and a hundred and one other questions are not answered by apologies found within the escapism of spiritualisation.

Those who uphold and teach the continuity of Israel in Anglo-Saxondom have come to their conclusions in seeking the answers to the unanswered questions of Scripture. Let those who contend that Israel Identity in Anglo-Saxondom is 'wishful thinking' produce a Bible-based answer to the questions posed in this article and if the national message of the Bible is not true, then let them show where it was changed and by whom.

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GABRIEL SPEAKS TO OUR DAY

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In order to understand what is happening in our world today we must necessarily recognize the work of two of God's archangels: Gabriel and Michael. As the nations of the world approach the third crescendo of global war, it were well for the nations of modern Israel i.e., Britain, the United States and all peoples of Anglo-Saxon origins, to study and give heed to the word of God. Through the Archangel Gabriel, God gave words of prophecy concerning His people Israel and the attempt of their arch-enemy to destroy them in the final confrontation of the ages. Speaking through Zechariah God revealed *"Then shall the Lord go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle."* Announcing the coming of the Lord in battle will be the Archangel Michael. His work will coincide with that of the Lord, when He comes forth to do battle for the saving of His elect. This final conflict is described by the prophets of God in some detail. As we see this conflict approaching, let us look at the words of Daniel and Ezekial to see where we stand.

In Daniel 11 we find a parallel prophecy to that of Ezekial 38. The political leaders of Great Britain and the United States might do well to study them and know what is at hand. These leaders are now wondering if Russia is going to take advantage of the present disorder in Iran (described by Ezekial as Persia.) The Archangel Gabriel gives the answer in one terse statement, *"He (Gog, or Russia) shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many."* Had the leaders of the NATO countries read and understood these passages, they would have been ready for such an occurance. The United States might have had second thoughts about selling her latest and most advanced planes to Iran, planes only second to her own in maneuverability and power. Soviet Russia disclaims any such plan as an advance upon Iran. But we see in Iran today the same tactics used by the Marxists in Angolia, Lybia, Ethiopia, Somaliland and South Yemen. All of these nations, including East Germany, are named by God through Ezekial in a "confidential report" issued 2500 years before it happened. By this official

report we know that Iran will succumb to Russia, just as God has said she would. Soviet Russia is depicted as making a surprise invasion upon the Middle East. According to Scripture *"Egypt shall not escape. But he (Gog, or Russia) shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over the precious things of Egypt."* One wonders if, by token, the gold and silver artifacts taken from King Tut's tomb in Egypt are not meant by this passage. These articles are being exhibited throughout England and the United States at the present time and are bringing to Egypt millions and millions of pounds and dollars, a bonus she never expected. Libya and Ethiopia are included as two victims of Russia's attack, both of these countries already taken into the Soviet camp. Yes, had the leaders of the NATO powers known their Bibles they would know the time table of events in the future, just as they know now the events of the Bible which are now a part of modern history! Had they paid attention to the Archangel Gabriel's words, as did Mary the mother of Jesus, they would not have been surprised at what has happened. And they might be better prepared today for what lies just ahead! A greater reverence for the veracity of Gabriel might be gained by them should they give their attention to Daniel 9, wherein the birth, the baptism and the crucifixion of Jesus was foretold over five hundred years before hand. In this same chapter they would also find a foreshadowing of the coming of this same Jesus in power and glory to take over the reins of government, *" on earth, as it is in heaven."* It is then that the full message of Gabriel to Mary will come to pass, an announcement that went beyond the birth of the Son of God at Bethlehem. He told her *" behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS."* And then he added information which must have awed her, indeed. He described an event still future to us in our time. *" He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: and he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end."* (Luke 2: 31-33) Mary, in her time on earth, was never to see this accomplished in full. But she kept all these things in her heart, pondering them. Christians of every generation have pondered these things in their hearts, wondering how and when they might be brought about. But now, in this generation, are all of these things possible of fulfillment.

The words of the Lord as given to us in the Bible, through Gabriel, are at the point of completed fulfillment. Those who honor the word of God and believe what He says as truth can look up, with great joy, knowing that the climax of the ages is now at hand.

What can be expected in the immediate future? Will the invasion of Palestine begin soon? It can be seen that nothing can stop this invasion now. It is right on schedule. It will bring untold suffering and death in the Middle East. The last verse of Daniel 11 describes the occupation of Jerusalem by Soviet forces, *"And he (Gog) shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him."* Gabriel, speaking through Daniel assures us that Russia (known then only enigmatically as Gog) will make a lightening-fast assault upon Jerusalem and the whole of the Middle East will fall to her quickly and en masse. We can look for this to happen soon. The use of paratroops and tanks will make this conquest fast, with devastating results. Having gained military control of all of north Africa and the whole of the Middle East, the Soviets will then be planning an invasion of Europe, England and the United States. They will think to "take a spoil, and to take a pray" on ten-tribed Israel. The Amalek-Edom forces, which have plagued Israel since the time of their escape from Egypt in 1453 B.C., will think of extending their success and move in for the kill. Until that time the nations of Israel have lived safely and at peace in distant lands, described as *" those who are at rest, that dwell safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars or gates."* These nations are not only Britain and the Israel nations of Europe, but Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Rhodesia and the United States of America.

It is at this point that the prophetic warnings of Gabriel leaves off and the might of Michael intervenes, as Scripture avers. The protection of Israel is guaranteed by the very words of the Lord, *" Thus saith the Lord God; In that day when my people of Israel dwelleth safely shalt thou (Gog) not know it?* The answer is obvious. No, the Russians will not know it. In atheistic ignorance they will not know the love of God for His people. But they will learn quickly of the power of Michael, the Protecting angel of Israel. *" It shall come to pass at the same time when Gog shall*

come against the land of Israel (Palestine) saith the Lord, that my fury shall come up in my face. For in my jealousy and in the fire of my wrath have I spoken. Surely in that day there shall be a great shaking (an earth-quake) in the land of Israel (Palestine)," Read about this big earthquake in Zechariah 14. God will use His supernatural power to stop the intended attack upon His people, Israel. They will continue to live in safety. They will welcome their Lord who is soon to set up His Kingdom on the earth, as it is in heaven.

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By: F. W. Dowsett

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The world to-day is in exactly this position. I have already outlined for you previously how, over many centuries, the world has gradually succombed to the counterfeit systems that Satan has substituted in place of God's perfect way of life. This evil, Satanic plan has brought mankind to the very brink of disaster and self-annihiliation, but fortunately for us, God has, in His Love and Wisdom, placed a time limit on Satan's activities. We could very well apply the statement contained in Matt. 24:22 where we read,

> *" Except those days should be shortened,*
> *there should no flesh be saved: but for*
> *the elect's sake those days shall be shortened."*

And so we find that the evil systems under which we have existed for so long have reached the end of their tether, until now God is demolishing them in order to make way for the righteousness and peace of His Kingdom here on earth. When we realise this, we can understand the reason behind the trouble in the world today. Without any shadow of doubt, people today are at their wits end in their endeavour to escape the inevitable crisis that they know is so imminent. They see the destruction: They sense the gloom and foreboding that seems to pervade the very air we breath, but because they have followed blind leaders they have not been taught

to look at the right blueprints, as it were. They have not turned to the Bible, God's blueprint of the ages and of His Divine plan for this earth, in which God has recorded a perfect picture, not only of present conditions, but also of what has caused these conditions, and what is more important, their end and what is to follow.

One of the main reasons for our own national predicament today has been the failure of our leaders and our people generally to recognise our God- given heritage as God's people Israel. Because of this, we have grossly disobeyed the explicit commandments that God gave to us. As a nation, we have followed the Statutes of Omri instead of the Law of God. Nowhere is this more apparent than in our national relationship with the other nations of the World.

People today seem to be so wrapped up with the idea of the brotherhood of man, an idea by the way which they quite evidently would rather believe than practice, that they have completely blinded themselves to what God has to say on the matter. As a matter of fact, they have deliberately cast God out of all their reckonings, and as we read in the book of Isaiah, they have made a covenant with death and with hell. It is interesting to read in Isaiah 28: 15-18. God's judgment upon those who have resorted to the tactics. We read:

> *" Because ye have said, We have made a covenant with death, and with hell are we at agreement; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, it shall not come unto us; for we have made lies our refuge, and under falsehood have we hid ourselves;*
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> *Therefore thus saith the Lord God, Behold I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation, he that believeth shall not make haste.*
>
> *Judgement 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 over-*

flow 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.

God expressly charged His people Israel, as recorded in Deut. 7: 2 that they were not to make covenants with the other nations, because He knew what we are now finding out to our cost, that once we made covenants with other nations, we would be tied down and committed to a policy which could eventually have disastrous affects upon us. And the reason for this is simply that the heathen, or non-Christian nations of the world are not actuated by the same principles that we are. Consequently, in any alliance we make with them, we must always step down to their level, because it has been made quite evident that they are either incapable or else totally unwilling to step up to ours. I don't wish to sound a note of false national pride when I say that, but it must be quite evident to any thinking person that the Christian civilization, as adhered to by the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples of the world, is far superior to the civilization experienced by the non-Christian nations, despite the bragging and the pipe-dreams of communism.

This covenant-making practice has become most prominent during this century. After the first World War we formed the League of Nations, which was supposed to implement agreement between the nations so as to guarantee peace on the earth. It is striking that over the door of this assembly was inscribed the words..."*Peace and Safety*"... How much peace and safety it brought us is well known. But as if one lesson wasn't enough, as soon as the second war was over, we formed another league, this time calling it the United Nations, and through this godless organisation the people have been cheated and misled into thinking that peace could be achieved by the vain efforts of man instead of through a national repentance and turning to God. Let me assure you that this organisation and its supporters are soundly condemned by God in His Word. He likens it to a wall which is daubed or plastered with untempered mortar, and God's judgment upon it is very clearly expressed in Ezekiel 13. where we

read, verses 1-14:

" *And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, Son of man, prophesy against the prophets of Israel that prophesy, and say thou unto them that prophesy, out of their own hearts, Hear ye the word of the Lord: Thus saith the Lord God, Woe unto the foolish prophets, that follow their own spirit, and have seen nothing; O Israel, thy prophets are like the foxes in the deserts. Ye have not gone up into the gaps, neither made up the hedge for the house of Israel to stand in the battle in the day of the Lord.*

They have seen vanity and lying divination, saying The Lord saith; and the Lord hath not sent them: and they have made others to hope that they would confirm the word. Have ye not seen a vain vision, and have ye spoken a lying divination, whereas ye say, The Lord saith it, albeit I have not spoken. Therefore thus saith the Lord God; Because ye have spoken vanity, and seen lies, therefore, behold, I am against you, saith the Lord God. And mine hand shall be upon the prophets that see vanity, and that divine lies; they shall not be in the assembly of my people, neither shall they be written in the writing of the house of Israel, neither shall they enter into the land of Israel, and ye shall know that I am the Lord God. Because, even because they have seduced my people, saying, Peace; and there was no peace, and one built up a wall, and lo, other daubed it with untempered mortar.
Say unto them which daub it with untempered mortar, that it shall fall; there shall be an overflowing shower; and ye, O great hailstones, shall fall; and a stormy wind shall rend it.
Lo, when the wall is fallen, shall it not be said unto you, Where is the daubing wherewith ye have

daubed it? Therefore thus saith the Lord God; I will even rend it with a stormy wind in my fury; and there shall be an overflowing shower in mine anger, and great hailstones in my fury to consume it. So will I break down the wall that ye have daubed with untempered mortar, and bring it down to the ground, so that the foundation thereof shall be discovered, and it shall fall, and ye shall be consumed in the midst thereof, and ye shall know that I am the Lord.

So we find that God is indeed in the process of breaking down and demolishing this evil system under which we live. These organisations and agreements in which we have placed our trust are on the very brink of annihilation at the hands of God, and because of the confusion and fear that will come upon our people when their man made idols come crashing down around their ears, we will be forced to take the only path left to us, the path that we should have taken all along. We will be forced to realise that our only hope and salvation lies in the Great God of Israel, and that in Him alone can we put our trust.

(To be continued.)

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Virtually the whole of this research is devoted to adorning the sacred Word with ever more and more scholastic splits and splinters of meaning, implication and inference got by forcing the old and basic languages in which the Scriptures were first recorded into shades and subtleties of meaning far beyond anything these old languages could reasonably be deemed to possess. We very respectfully suggest that scholarship has for long and by far over-reached itself. It delivers a total product that is diffused, confused and self-contradictory. It is the graveyard of REAL belief.

OUR WORK IS DIFFERENT. IT IS ALTOGETHER SIMPLER. Our aim is to take the words of the Bible, to put them back into the mouths of the people who uttered them, to take them back in time and circumstance to the day and place of their utterance, to review afresh their simple and primary meanings; to find if we can what they meant then, in that day, as they stand in their context; and to build from that the story the Bible REALLY tells, as distinct from the MANGLED story it is now supposed to tell after its theological editings.

To do this is not easy. It is necessary first to read the Bible, a thing few people do. To be reasonably successful one must read it in the ordinary way, with the mind cleared of preconceptions. Our minds are usually CHOKED with preconceptions: to sweep them out is hard indeed. It is further necessary to see the Bible people as ordinary human beings, living the ordinary life, and speaking about common things in the common idiom of their day.

UNTIL the daub and smear of MYTHOLOGICAL UNREALITY is wiped clean from its pages, and DAVID and SOLOMON, PETER and PAUL are no longer seen as mere TYPES around whose wraiths our flimsy muslin moralities may be draped, but as people of blood and bone and human passions, no headway can be made. To illustrate: to whatever purpose the Most High finally turned the matter, he who would see the affair of David and Bathsheba as anything but a DISGRACEFUL one, brings a dishonest mind to the subject. We have some quite forthright things to say: they will make no appeal to DISHONEST minds.

FACING THE LIE IN GENESIS.

We as a group have faced the great LIE in Genesis. There, in plain statement, Gen. 15-18, the seed and descendents of ABRAHAM are promised UNCONDITIONALLY by the Lord as their inheritance the land between the great river, THE RIVER OF EGYPT - the Nile - and the EUPHRATES. They were promised much more than this. And the covenant embodying the promises was an EVERLASTING one (Gen. 13-15).

THEY NEVER GOT THAT LAND. They held a small fraction of it - PALESTINE - from circa 1450 B.C. until Nebuchadnezzar cleared out the remnant of them circa 585 B.C. Instead of the glory of the Lord's promises, they ended, ABJECT AND MISERABLE, IN CAPTIVITY, some in ASSYRIA, some in BABYLON, and were FINALLY DISPERSED.

The Bible is thus built on a POLITICAL LIE, on the sure promise of the Most High most flagrantly broken. Or is it? CLEARLY THE LIE HAS TO BE FACED. We have examined the explanations, theories and suppositions -- the apologia of theology. None gives satisfaction. None makes sense or substance. The piece of land given to Abraham was not a small-holding; it stretched across half the Middle East. And, as Christianity has the story, the only true sense that could have been made of the matter would have been for the Lord to have fulfilled His word. Those thousands of square miles cannot be blurred out in excuses, and there were no conditions, no loopholes for excuses, in the Covenant.

In the Christian's hands, then, either the Bible fails completely in political veracity at verse eighteen of chapter

fifteen in the Book of Genesis or he continues to accept it over a political lie at the very outset by the Lord he claims

No further progress can be made in the matter. CHRISTIANITY has lost the nation involved - ISRAEL. Even if the Lord were minded to make good His word, there is, ostensibly, no race, no chosen seed of Abraham, with which to people that vast territory. The nation, Israel, they contend, IS LOST. So in order to patch this awkward crack in the Bible facade, Christianity must consign the promises to that bucket for broken promises: it vests, or assumes to vest, these specifically national promises in a multi-coloured, multi-racial, POLYGLOT CHURCH. Was there ever so specious a manoeuvre? It is an affront to the simple, direct meanings of common words. It is an offence against the common sense of anybody who happens to bring a modicum of common sense to the matter.

NATIONAL KEY.

But is the nation, ISRAEL, lost? Does Holy Writ fail on an initial lie? Has the church used any really sincere effort to get to the truth of the matter?

We have examined the evidence. First of all, there was between the contracting parties to the Covenant, the Lord of the one part, and Abraham, Isaac and Jacob - ISRAEL - of the other part, a clear understanding that fulfilment was far off, at a period referred to as the LAST or LATTER DAYS (Gen.49:1). That understanding was clear in the minds of Moses and the prophets (e.g. Deut. 4-30/31, 8-16, Isa. 2-2, 46-10, Hosea 3-5, Amos 9-11 and 15, Micah 4-1, Joel 2-27/28 with Acts 2-17, Matt. 24-34/35, 1 Peter 1-5 and 20, Acts 1-6. Mary, mother of the Saviour, clearly and unquestioningly understood the same (Luke 1-46/55). And the writer of the Epistle to the Hebrews still wrote in full expectation of the future fulfilment of this great, cardinal Covenant, politically, the very backbone of Holy Writ.

In the minds of these, our mentors in the matter, there is no hint of either tardiness or failure by the Lord. There is no doubt or question. They lived in full expectation that Israel would get the land between the Nile and the Euphrates, AND MUCH ELSE, at the time the Lord indicated - IN THE LATTER

DAYS.

But the theologically inadmissible, the continuance of the nation, is implicit in their every word. NO REAL SENSE CAN BE MADE OF THE BIBLE WITHOUT THE NATION: ISRAEL.

The evidence is good, however, that the tribes of which the Israel nation was composed were hidden but NEVER LOST, and that they exist today in the Celto-Saxon races, fulfilling their destiny, and in blindness making their mistakes, as set out in Scripture. We accept that evidence. In our view, the case is proved on evidence that is far better than has hanged many a man in the fairest and most mature lawcourts in the world, the British.

We put it that way because the Lord's case suffers much from frothy overstatement, and we have no wish to overstate. Then there is that zealot in opposition who always demands proof positive. He himself - often a babbler - can only prove most IMPOSITIVELY that he is the son of his own father, since there is only his flimsy word for it that he is positively and factually the individual covered by his own birth certificate. Will these people please save time and postage by not asking us to prove positively that ABRAHAM ever was or that he ever had a son called ISAAC; and if we have young people interested enough to read these pages, may we point out the rather fatuous and quite harmful immaturity of these vaunters of supposedly hard heads? It needs far greater humility of mind, and much more patience than these people usually possess, to find the truths couched in the simple Bible word.

We want our position to be stated fairly. We are not dogmatists. In our judgment, the evidence for the identity of the Celto-Saxon races of today with Israel of old is good and reasonable. We accept it as good and reasonable, and are very willing to discuss it reasonably. The information has long been available to the church, and by it the Celto-Saxon section of that multi-coloured, multi-racial, polyglot organisation could have emerged from its theological contradictions long ago. But this is not an appeal to the blind, nor is the identity of Celto-Saxondom the subject of these studies.

THAT OTHER STORY.

We write particularly to those who possess this knowledge, who accept the identity of Israel with the Anglo-Saxon races. Once possessed of it, if they are to shoulder the inevitable responsibilities that the possession of knowledge always brings; and if they are to escape the clash and conflict of mind from truth, half truth and untruth in any attempt to adjust the information into any background of modern theology; it needs to be realised that, with Israel identified and in place, the Bible tells an entirely different story.

And the subject of these studies is that other story.

We write about PRIMARY things; it is the primary things that have been lost. The Bible is primarily a history book. It tells the story of ONE NATION only, and that in two ways. It proceeds in direct narrative up to its day, and continues in prophetic narrative from then onwards. And the nation is ISRAEL. The story of Israel is the story of the fulfilling of one over-riding covenant - the others being incidental to it - the Covenant made by the Lord of the one part, and by Abraham of the other part.

IT HAS NO MESSAGE TO ALIENS, and there is NO PROMISE TO ALIENS EXCEPT THROUGH ISRAEL.

INTERLUDE ON PAUL.

If that should cause a brow to pucker, and beget a hasty - and perhaps over-confident - desire to confound us, may we, just for the moment, stay the impulse? Obviously, Paul will be in mind. If Paul's Epistles to the supposed Gentiles be taken, and their content studied, it will be seen that he addresses them in language, and offers them terms and blessings that are the very embodiment of the Abrahamic Covenant. Paul was a Benjaminite. He knew the prophets, he knew the Law. He had no right whatever to proffer to ALIENS what was the heritage of his own people, and he, an intellectual giant, KNEW IT. If these had been the terms of his approach to ALIENS, Gentiles, whatever that word may mean - HE WOULD HAVE BEEN COMPLETELY FALSE TO HIS APOSTLESHIP. He was NOT false to it. His letters were addressed to ISRAELITES, who were scattered in

large numbers along the north Mediterranean littoral, through Spain, and as far west as the ISLES OF THE WEST of prophecy - THE BRITISH ISLES.

PRUNING THE LINE.

And as to that Kingdom, Paul preached it; the Saviour preached nothing else; and Abraham sought it. So do we. We find the process of selection for it beginning in Genesis, chapter two. The ONLY reason for believing that Genesis chapter two is a repetition of Genesis chapter one is that somebody got entangled in the idea that ADAM WAS THE FIRST MAN. The Bible does not say so if it is left to tell its own tale. It tells in Gen. 1 of creations by the Elohim. In Gen. 2 it tells of a SPECIAL creation by the El of JHWH of the man, Adam, and later of his wife, Eve. Adam was the father of the WHITE races. The Bible, a curiously meticulous book, carefully takes its genealogies BACK TO ADAM: obviously, therefore, they could have gone back somewhere else, but pains were taken to establish that the chosen seed came from the INBREATHED WHITE FATHER.

The early chapters of Genesis tell of ADAMITE inter-marriages with the COLOURED peoples of the EARLIER CREATIONS (Gen.6:1-4). But Noah, a righteous man, was PERFECT IN HIS GENERATIONS - there was no half-caste blood in his line. When the flood came, a flood that wiped out only the ADAMIC civilization, Noah and his family were saved. SO BEGAN THE PRUNING OF THE LINE.

Ham, the son of Noah, had a grandson, Nimrod, the hunter, who, according to Gen. 10:8-10, began to be mighty in the earth. Paganism takes up the tale of Nimrod. He pushed back the heavens. In other words, he so cleverly distorted the story of the heavenlies that he weaned the world of Chaldea to an intelligent form of paganism which pushed off from men the intimate rule of the heavenly beings, gave them freedom to transgress on easy terms, in which Nimrod himself became the diety, and his own reincarnation as saviour; and his wife, Semiramis, became THE QUEEN OF HEAVEN. (Judges 2:13; Jeremiah 44:17-25).

We habitually pay so little attention to paganism that we have no truly sympathetic appreciation of the SUBTLE appeal of it to Israel, nor have we any true idea where it lurks in our midst. Even at this late date, followers of the cult of Nimrod

and Semiramis far outnumber those of protestant Christianity. And some branches of protestant Christianity are heavily tainted with it.

OUT OF THIS CAME ABRAHAM, who left his father's house, who was NOT a pagan, but a MELCHIZEDEKAN (Gen. 14:17-20), and who became the FRIEND OF THE LORD. When he was old, and his wife, Sarah, was long past childbearing; when Abraham was at the peak of intimacy with the Lord, and Ur of the Chaldees was well behind him, a CHILD WAS BORN TO THEM. He was named Isaac or Tsac - LAUGHTER. Ishmael, Abraham's son by the coloured woman, Hagar, was banished from the line, and Isaac, the son in the WHITE line, was made HEIR TO THE COVENANT. SO THE PRUNING WENT ON.

In his early manhood, Isaac was sacrificed to the Lord. Abraham's sacrificial knife was stayed, and a he-goat was found nearby (Gen. 22:13). This act of obedience was counted as fulfilment of Abraham's side of the Covenant (Gen. 22:15-18). It is most important to realise that ONLY the Lord's side of the Covenant is outstanding.

Isaac was made a sacrifice; only by the provision of a scape-goat did he continue to live. His life thereafter was the Lord's. The Lord claims Israel as His people. In deed and in fact, every soul born in Israel had his beginnings and begettings in this man, the sacrifice, the man whose life the Lord took for His own. By no word does He ever relinquish His claim to Isaac's progeny, the embryo sons of God (1 John 3:1): and by no word is the Israelite ever released from the responsibility and BURDEN of his IDENTITY. There is no escape. The Father's Word on the matter is: THOUGH THEY DIG INTO HELL, THENCE SHALL MY HAND TAKE THEM; THOUGH THEY CLIMB UP TO HEAVEN, THENCE WILL I BRING THEM DOWN (Amos 9:2).

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RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF

By Otis B. Read, Jr., D.D.

There are two doctrines of election set forth in God's Word. Failure to distinguish between them has led to all manner of confusion and division. It is our intention in this article to set them before the honest student of the Scriptures as they are presented to us therein.

THE ELECTION OF A RACE

In the Old Testament we are taught the doctrine of the election of a race of people – the posterity of Abraham through the divinely chosen line of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob-Israel. These people are spoken of nationally as *the children of Israel*, Jacob-Israel's posterity through the 12 sons whom he fathered by 4 different mothers.

It was Almighty God Who surnamed Jacob-Israel. "And he said unto him, What is thy name? And he said, Jacob. And he said, thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: for as a prince hast thou power with God and with men, and hast prevailed" (Gen. 32:38; 35:10).

After God had delivered these people from their Egyptian bondage, He propositioned them and entered into a national covenant with them. "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 . . And all the people answered together and said, All that the LORD hath spoken we will do" (Ex. 19:5-8).

Moses later reminded these people: "YE are the children of the LORD your God . . For thou art an holy people unto the LORD thy God, and the LORD hath chosen thee to be a peculiar people unto himself, above all nations that are upon the earth" (Deut. 14:1-2).

Speaking through the prophet, the LORD said: ". . 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 honourable, 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; yea, I have made him . . Ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen . . ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, that I am God" (Isa. 43:1-12).

It was Almighty God Who elected these people, the seed of Abraham, His friend, to be His chosen people, His witnesses. "This people have I formed for myself; they shall shew forth my praise" (Isa. 43:21). They were God's children, His sons, "a peculiar people unto himself, above all nations that are upon the earth."

Peter, centuries later, after God in Christ had reconciled the world to Himself, wrote to these people during their migration westward into their 'appointed place' as "the strangers scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father. ." (I Peter 1:1-2).

They were elected, called, chosen of God to be His Servant Race They are also referred to as "the armies of the living God" (Ex. 7:4; I Sam. 17:26; Jer. 51:19-20).

THE ELECTION BY GRACE

God's whole Programme for all of His creation revolves around His people Israel. It was out of the midst of these people, the tribe of Judah and the House of David in particular that He raised up Jesus of Nazareth. The Messiah, The Lord's Anointed, the Redeemer of Israel and the Saviour of the Adamic creation.

Almighty God organised His children, the Israelites, into His "kingdom of priests, and an holy nation" and gave to them His Perfect Law, consisting of Commandments, Statutes and Judgments, as their National Constitution. "He sheweth his word unto Jacob, his statutes and his judgments unto Israel. He hath not dealt so with any nation: and as for his judgments, they have not known them. Praise ye the LORD" (Psa. 147:19-20). "Moses commanded us a law, even the inheritance of the congregation of Jacob" (Deut. 33:4).

God's Kingdom was established here upon earth at mount Sinai as a Theocracy with God ruling as King. The children of Israel constituted the citizens of His Kingdom and their remaining as such was dependent upon their personal obedience to His Law. God ruled over His Kingdom through the Judges whom He raised up and upon whom He placed His Spirit. It was the mixed multitude in their midst that turned the people's hearts away from God. The laxity of their national leaders to uphold God's Law and the indifference of the priesthood prepared the way for the introduction of idolatry and its devastating results.

It wasn't long before Israel's enemies recognised their national deterioration and they invaded the kingdom and carried its helpless citizens into captivity. A bare remnant returned from the Babylonian captivity in time to prepare the way for the coming of Jesus Christ, Israel's Redeemer, at the time of His first advent. "He came unto his own, and his

own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God" (John 1:11-13).

Those who received Jesus Christ were a special elected group who were not born of blood, or the will of the flesh, or of man, but were born of God's Spirit. They received Him because it was God Who drew them to Him. "No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him . . no man can come unto me, except it were given unto him of my Father" (John 6:44,65).

On the eve of His crucifixion, Jesus prayed: "Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee: As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him" (John 17:1-2). You see, beloved, Jesus Christ gives eternal life to those whom the Father gives to Him: "to as many as thou hast given him." Here again, the election is up to God the Father and not the individual's choice.

St. Paul wrote the Ephesians: "According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world . . Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will . . That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him: In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will, etc." (Eph. 1:1-12).

This simply means that Almighty God made His selective choice before the foundations of the world, predestinating that we in due time would be adopted through Jesus Christ as His children, according to His Own good pleasure and in keeping with His Own will. We were elected by His grace into this honoured and most responsible relationship.

St. Paul likewise wrote the Romans that "we know all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose. For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son . . Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called . . If God be for us, who can be against us?" (Romans 8:28-39).

It was the 'mixed multitude' (Numbers 11:4) amongst the children of Israel that opposed God's Will, disturbed and discouraged the people and became a great problem to Moses in times of testing. It is a similar 'mixed multitude' in the church today that has destroyed its effectiveness and liberalized it to the point where the Holy Spirit is no longer active.

This 'mixed multitude' for the most have been brought into the church by zealous men who ignored the teaching of God's Word and sought 'converts' by worldly methods. By be-

coming men-pleasers, they gathered about themselves disciples totally void of God's Spirit, men and women which were born of blood, of the will of the flesh, of the will of man, but not of God.

The apostle Jude wrote: "Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints . ." We would call your attention to the fact that there is a world of difference between "the common salvation" and "the faith which was once delivered unto the saints". We would also have you note that "the saints" here referred to are the children of Israel and not the members of the Body of Christ (Psalm 148:14).

Continuing in Jude, we read: "For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ" (Jude 3:4).

These 'certain men' were long ago ordained of God for their mission. Like Korah, Dathan, and Abiram (Numbers 16) these men are dividing the people who profess and pretend to be God's children and exposing them for what they truly are.

"For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God . . The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together. For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God" (Romans 8:14-19).

Whether we are willing to recognise or not, we were "chosen in him before the foundation of the world . . predestinated unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ . . according to the good pleasure of his will".

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The Bible & Modern Thought

by Kenneth C. Bayman

"Ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil." – Satan's promise to man, as recorded in Genesis 3:5.

"Ye shall know them by their fruits . . . every good tree bringeth forth good fruit, but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit." – Christ's warning to man; (Matthew 7:16-17).

In these days of noisy propaganda, there are so many voices clamouring for our attention that one is apt to become confused. The mechanics of confusion are simple enough – we find them clearly described in Acts 19:32: "Some therefore cried one thing, and some another: for the assembly was confused; and the more part knew not wherefore they were come together."

The incident thus described was the uproar fomented by the silversmiths of the temple of Diana at Ephesus: their motive was to stir up the populace against Paul the Apostle and his party who were preaching the gospel of Christ. The silversmiths well knew that the continued preaching of the faith which was said to be "turning the world upside down" would be the destruction of their trade and thus their source of wealth.

The wheel of history has turned full circle and we are now living in another age when a counterfeit gospel is "turning the world upside down." Thus communism in its many facets is increasingly strangling what we are pleased to call "western civilisation." The self-described "enlightened atheists" who delight to write to the newspapers for the purpose of attacking and denigrating Christianity are becoming bolder – and more foolish.

"The fool hath said in his heart: 'There is no God'", writes the Psalmist (Psalm 14:1). The voice of the atheist is therefore the voice of the fool, and we do well to remember this when writers and speakers of this type attempt to propagate their views.

It is unfortunately true that much of what we call "higher education" is secular in nature and outlook. To entrust more knowledge to people who have no Christian training or background is merely (as one writer has remarked) to turn out a race of clever devils.

This truth has perhaps never been more clearly illustrated than in an article which appeared in the March 1966 issue of the "Reader's Digest". This article is an appalling hotch-potch of "modern knowledge" which adds up to what we described in our previous article as "the ultimate blasphemy whereby sinful man places himself in the place of the Creator and seeks to usurp the prerogatives of God Himself".

"Ye shall be as gods", promised Satan in the Garden of Eden, "knowing good and evil". If it is indeed god-like to know good and evil, then it were better for the human race that no such tragic ambition had ever entered the realm of human thought. Having achieved the "knowledge of good and evil"

(which was chosen by our first parents in preference to unceasing life) the individual human being has received with it death and dissolution – for a rapid end to the possibilities of "the knowledge of good and evil" in an individual is clearly essential. No member of the human race (or, for that matter, any created entity that we could envisage) could be trusted with any part of God's creation if endowed with such knowledge plus unending life. The possibility of universal anarchy would be too great. It would seem that only the Deity is able to possess the knowledge of good and evil without being evil; i.e. the Deity is constantly aware of the eternal *potential* of evil, but in the Divine counsels it remains but a potential with no objective existence. Evil is given objective existence by any created being who (having been given free-will by the Creator) is capable of exercising a free choice. Hence the necessity of our first parents having to exercise a choice. Although given guidance in the form of a clear and simple command, Adam and Eve chose to ignore it and thus brought potential evil into existence as actual evil. Thus they received in full measure "the knowledge of good and evil".

In the article published in the "Reader's Digest", referred to above, the author lays clear claim to the Satanic promise, "ye shall be as gods". The article bears the title: *Will Man Control His Own Evolution?*

In our previous article, we wrote: "Darwin's theory was the signal for the release of all those latent mental forces which were directed towards the predicted deviation from normal morality".

Darwin's theory, whilst having no validity in terms of past history (being purely a working hypothesis and not observed fact) has nevertheless influenced modern history to a very large degree. All those elements in modern political and social science which make for trouble and evil have stemmed from it. Communism sprang from it in the sense that communism would long ago have died like many another social dogma if it had not been for the spirit and direction given to it by the evolution theory. The theory proclaimed that Man would continue to evolve and that only the "fittest" elements would survive for this purpose. As to the definition of the word "fittest", it was generally accepted that "physical fitness" was meant, this term including mental and other factors which made for general physical fitness. "The race is not always to the swift, nor the battle to the strong" is not a proverb acceptable to the theory of evolution. Thus the Prussian militarists tried to put the "survival of the fittest" theory to the test of military strength. Hitler did the same; they both failed, but militant communism applied the theory in a wider and more thorough-going way, wrapped up in a political philosophy capable of world-wide application.

As "world-revolution" is clearly the aim of the Arch-enemy it is obvious that communism is a tool devised by him to this end. As one human agent fails, he works out his plans through another. There is a Dynasty of Evil which will last as long as Satan remains free to operate on earth. Individual evil dies with the individual. But dynastic evil carries on. As one evil individual dies, his work is taken up by another under the general supervision of the unseen hosts of evil.

Paul the Apostle (Ephesians 6:12) reminds

us in graphic language that "we wrestle not against flesh and blood," i.e., the struggle we wage against evil is not primarily directed against our fellow-members of the human race although we may become accustomed to thinking in secular terms, "but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in heavenly places". The "principalities", "powers", "rulers" referred to are *not* earthly authorities, we must emphasise, but belong to various orders of an unearthly or "heavenly" nature. It must not be thought that the term "heavenly" in this connection means that these authorities are *good*. On the contrary, the context of the passage quoted clearly shows that they are members of an evil hierarchy, having their plane of existence in the "heavens", i.e., in the region we call "space". This aspect of our subject merits treatment in separate articles, and we propose to deal with it accordingly on a later occasion.

For our present purpose, it is sufficient to realise that the theory of evolution is part of the means devised by these evil powers for destroying the knowledge of God among mankind. The primary effect of the world-wide dissemination of the theory of evolution and its general acceptance in educational institutions has been the shaping of the thoughts of mankind, and particularly the better-educated section.

The theory of evolution has been aptly described as one-tenth bad science and nine-tenths bad philosophy. That it is indeed a philosophy, albeit a bad one, is clearly shown by the way it is being used by communism to support its official "no god" line.

The article in the "Reader's Digest" to which we have referred above, is a shocking example of the lengths to which the philosophy of evolution will drive the thoughts of mankind. In its sub-title, the "Reader's Digest" claims: "Momentous scientific advances may soon give us godlike powers to tamper with the essential nature of man." It then asks the question: "But have we the wisdom to use them?"

A few quotations from the article will reveal the depths of foul darkness to which the human mind can sink under the influence of paganised education founded on pagan philosophy. "As a consequence of current research, discovery and achievement in a number of scientific fields," begins the article, "no idea about future transformations in the lives of men seems too wild to contemplate. In sober scientific circles today there is hardly a subject more commonly discussed than man's control of his own heredity and evolution. And the discussions seldom leave much doubt that man will acquire this control. It is a matter of *when*, not if. All of which means that brain-cracking complexities – legal, social, ethical, moral, philosophical, religious – are soon to be thrust upon us."

As to what the writer of the article had in mind when writing this opening paragraph, here are a few samples:

"Dr. Hafez (an experimental biologist at America's Washington State University) speculates that, only ten or fifteen years hence, it could be possible for a housewife to walk into a new kind of store, look down a row of packets not unlike flower-seed packages, and pick her baby by label. Each packet would contain a frozen, one-day old embryo, and the label would tell the shopper what colour hair and eyes to expect, as well as the probable

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As if this were not bad enough, the writer goes one further: "Some scientists have already grown embryos in glass test tubes, though their embryos lived only a few days. If none of the technical obstacles turn out to be insurmountable, someone is going to bring forth an entirely grown-in-glass baby."

And again: "Of all the variations that might be played upon the theme of human procreation, the ultimate will be the production of beings whose specifications can be drawn up in advance. This could come about, scientists predict, through the manipulation of the genetic material itself . . . When that time comes, man's powers will be truly godlike. Beyond getting rid of diseases and defects, there is the prospect that we may actually be able to improve human beings – making them more intelligent, more talented, more virtuous – by manipulating genetic material. No one would argue that man could not stand some improvement, but having the actual power to do so presents some sticky choices. Whom will we appoint to play God for us? What scientist, statesman, artist, judge, poet, theologian, philosopher, teacher – of what nation, race or creed – will we trust to decide which characteristics are desirable and which are not?"

On this particular aspect of the subject the writer of the "Reader's Digest" article concludes: "We are. then, entering an era where children may be born of geographically separated or even long-dead parents, where virgin births may become relatively common, where women may give birth to other women's children, where romance and genetics may be separated, where some few favoured men may father thousands of babies, where a permit may be required in order to have a baby. Can the traditional family – already a shaky institution – survive in the midst of all this? If not, what will we substitute for it?"

Not content with thus envisaging Man as his own creator, the writer of this appalling article even suggests the possibility of an artificial resurrection of the dead. "There is a movement afoot," he writes, "urging that bodies of the dead be quick-frozen and kept in storage against the day when they can be revived and made whole again by the medical art and science of the future."

Note the use of that New Testament term: "made whole".

Note also the reference to the family as "a shaky institution".

Note further the repeated reference in the above quotations to "godlike powers". It was Satan – the Adversary, the Evil One – who held out the promise to the first parents of the human race: "Ye shall be as gods". And here, at the end of historical time, we find Man in his foolish pride attempting to claim the fulfilment of that promise.

The powers of evil, operating through communism, through modern journalism, through modern commerce, through divorce and other forms of sexual laxity, through teen-age follies, are making an all-out effort to destroy the stability and Christian character of what the above-quoted writer calls "the traditional family". And no wonder – for the human family was founded by God for rearing succeeding

generations "in the nurture and admonition of the Lord". If family life breaks down completely, dissolution of our vaunted civilisation will be only a matter of time – *a very short time.*

Is it not significant that the very last verse of the Old Testament is a warning against this very possibility? "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".*

Let us look at the final paragraphs of the "Reader's Digest" article, which was condensed from Life Magazine and thus has had an extraordinarily wide circulation. "What human values are we eager to hang on to? Without answers to such questions we remain helpless to use scientific advance as it should be used – as a tool to serve human values."

While secular wisdom of this evil sort is "without answers", the Divine Wisdom gives us the answer: "Thou art worthy, O LORD, to receive glory and honour and power: for Thou hast created all things, and for Thy pleasure they are and were created." (Rev. 4:11).

"The time ahead is wild and uncharted", goes on the writer of the "Reader's Digest" article. "No one has been there, so there are no experts."

How wrong he is! In Revelation 11:17 we are told that the LORD God Almighty "is and was and is to come". That is to say, God is in "the time ahead" equally as He is in the "present time". *He has been there.*

Concluding this distasteful catalogue of human pride and presumption, the writer in the "Reader's Digest" can offer little comfort to his readers. "We can guarantee that good will be done", he ends tritely, "only by seeing to it ourselves".

In a confused and evil world, just *what* can we "guarantee"? And what "good" is there in what he has been writing about? And just how can the people unfortunate enough to live under such maniacal conditions "see to it themselves"?

Such are the evil fruits of the theory of evolution.

If this is the best that Man's boasted wisdom can give us, we turn with relief to the Word of God, where we learn that: *The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge.* (Proverbs 1:7).

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WHAT IS YOUR OBJECTIVE ?

By Carlton S. Hester

Most Christian Churches and religious students take the New Testament writings as the *Foundation* upon which to build the Faith; whereas, in very truth, it is the 'Protective Roof of the Structure' which has its Foundations solidly rooted in the Old Testament.

The Churches stress the advantages which lie before us – the New Testament – and ignore the PLAN which God set out for us to follow – the Old Testament. In other words, the objective placed before us by the all too numerous denominations in this Christian era is to 'Preserve our Soul from destruction' in the Life-hereafter. For each one of us it is, no doubt, of vital importance, but are we *right in thinking* that God made man for this purpose, to strive after 'Salvation' for himself? Surely, Christ did not live a life of perfection with such a thought paramount and we, who profess to be His followers, must raise our sights higher. Christ taught the 'Gospel of the Kingdom', His death upon the Cross gave us the 'Gospel of Salvation; the former *told us what to do*; the latter *opened the way* for those who had Faith and obeyed. Why, then, is our line of thought guided into the ways of 'Self-interest' ?

To find our answer we must look back in history and we find that when Christianity was introduced into Rome the 'National existence was pagan and Caesar, the Dictator. Without altering the 'National Status', in fact to conform with it, a Hierarchy was set up under a Pope – circa 197 A.D. – to dictate the thinking of the people as they attached their teachings of Christ to their pagan ways, pagan laws. God's Laws were never considered by the Governing Bodies of Rome, the New Testament was given precedence over the Old Testament, and taking the 'National Covenants and Promises' made by God with Israel into their own Hierarchy set-up, elevating that which they found untenable into the hereafter, the Roman form of Christianity came into being *based upon self-preservation of one's own soul.*

The break away from this 'Roman Hierarchy', at the time of the Reformation in 1517 A.D., gave freedom of thought to the people, but left the 'National Set-up' where the Hierarchy had placed it, namely, with the denomination that came into being at that time and all newly formed denominations have, ever since, retained this idea, thus claiming for themselves the 'Place of Israel' and, like the Hierarchy, consigned the 'National Parts' found untenable to the hereafter. In no case has it been suggested that the 'National Way of Life be altered' to conform with Christ's teaching of the 'Kingdom Gospel' where 'Thy Will be done, on Earth'. Thus the Freedom gained has produced the many squabbling, dis-united forms of Churchianity which now attempt to guide our thinking.

Today, selfishness in the material world has gained ground; the 'Love of Money' which Christ said is the 'Root of all Evil' governs the National life of the democracies and the Devil, making use of Communism as an opposing National Force, is setting the two evils against one another with the object of

destroying 'God's Created'. To dispose of Communism we *must set our own house in order*. This can only be done by unity and co-operation within the Church and within the State, both knowing the Truth and the latter willing to act upon it. We *'cannot serve two masters'* flirting with the Devil in our actions and expect our minds to be God-like.

We cannot follow the 'traditions of men' and expect the path of life to be filled with peace and good will. We cannot listen to the 'Babel' of men and hear what God has to say. We cannot be doing two opposing things at the same time and know the peace of God that passeth all understanding. Our objective, therefore, in these days of trial and stress must 'be still and know that I am God'. God has His Purpose for Church and State but this cannot function until both are prepared to acknowledge Him and their place within His Hands for world rehabilitation.

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Chapter 13

REFERENCES TO THE DAVIDIC COVENANT

We will now look up some of the references in the Bible to the Davidic Covenant in order to be very sure that David had understood God's words correctly; and that our own understanding of them is right. To save time and space the list of references is given all at once, but be sure to read them in the Bible for better understanding. Once again it should be emphasized that in connection with Biblical references we generally give only the "key" verse in these Chapters. To understand the Bible Story, the context should be read as well as the text.

I will set up thy seed after thee ..... 2 Sam. 7:12
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There shall not fail thee a man to sit on the throne ..... Jer. 33:17; 1 Kings 9:5
Everlasting Covenant – sure mercies of David ..... Isaiah 55:3
My servant David, a Prince for ever ..... Ezekiel 37:25
I have sworn unto David my servant ..... Psalm 89:3
Build thy throne to all generations ..... Psalm 89:4
My covenant shall stand fast with him ..... Psalm 89:28
His throne as the days of heaven ..... Psalm 89:29
My covenant will I not break ..... Psalm 89:34
I have sworn – I will not lie unto David ..... Psalm 89:35
His seed forever – throne as the sun ..... Psalm 89:36
Throne established as the moon for ever ..... Psalm 89:37
According as I have covenanted with David ..... 2 Chron. 7:18
Then may my covenant with David be broken ..... Jer. 33:20-26
Throne of the Kingdom of the Lord ..... 1 Chron. 28:5
Solomon sat on the Throne of the Lord ..... 1 Chron. 29:23
Solomon anointed as Chief Governor ..... 1 Chron. 29:22
Upon the Throne of David and Kingdom ..... Isaiah 9:7
Throne of the House of Israel ..... Jer. 33:17
Throne of His father David ..... Luke 1:32, 33
David's House and Kingdom "are mine" ..... 1 Chron. 17:14
Lord hath sworn unto David ..... Psalm 132:11
Sceptre not to depart from Judah till Shiloh come ..... Gen. 49:10

The words in the above verses are clear and understandable. Only one reasonable conclusion can be drawn – that David's Throne, Family, and Kingdom are to endure as long as the sun, moon, and stars – for ever. Therefore the Throne and Kingdom must be on earth today with a Monarch of David's Line reigning from it. If this is not so, then words have no meaning.

There emerges from this study the fact that the Israel Kingdom is "God's Kingdom" – that the Kingdom is on earth – that the Throne upon which David and Solomon sat is "The Throne of the Lord" – and that this Throne of the Lord is on this earth. (1 Chron. 28:5; 29:23; 17:14) This Throne of the Lord on earth is not to be confused with the Throne in Heaven. David's Throne is the Throne which the Lord established on the earth in His Kingdom.

These are not promises that in any sense require, or lend themselves to a spiritual fulfilment. Reduced to their simplest terms, these promises to David are God's pledge that from David's time onward for ever there shall not cease to be a Kingdom of Israel reigned over by a lineal descendant of David. This is the only honest and reasonable way of understanding them.

END OF KINGDOM AND THRONE IN PALESTINE

So, if God's Word be true–and it is; then what happened to this "Everlasting Throne and Kingdom of David".?

We know that for about 70 years David's House reigned over the re-united Kingdom of all the 12 tribes of Israel. (see 1 Chron. 29:27; 2 Chron. 9:30; 2 Samuel 5:4, 5). Then came the revolution as recorded in 1 Kings 12 when the Ten Tribes set up their own Kingdom making Jeroboam of the Tribe of Ephraim the King over "All Israel". (1 Kings 12:20) The official name of this Northern Kingdom was "The House of Israel" but none of their kings were of David's Family – most of them were military opportunists and adventurers of various unrelated families. None of them came within the scope of the Davidic Covenant but they did bring Israel to ruin, captivity, and eventual migration.

For nearly 400 years longer, David's Line wielded the sceptre over the smaller and declining House of Judah which was composed of only two tribes and part of Levi. The Bible history of Davidic Kings closes in utter desolation; and by that time the Ten Tribed Kingdom of Israel and the greater portion of Judah had been in captivity in Assyria for about 130 years, and were in process of becoming lost to human recognition.

What was left of the Southern Kingdom after the Assyrians had deported a very large percentage of them, fell into a condition of defeat and captivity under the power of Babylon, and her kings of David's Line were the sport and puppets of the conqueror; until at last came the final tragedy when the last King of Judah, the last King of David's Line to reign in Jerusalem, perished with his sons. (2 Kings 25:6, 7; Ezek. 12:13)

Here then we are faced with a real problem. Has God's Oath to David failed? Can the sworn word of Almighty God sink into nothingness? No. For "the gifts and callings of God are without repentance". "What He hath promised He will also perform." But if God's Word be true, then we must follow David's Throne in secular history because our Bible account of it ended when Zedekiah was killed. (see 2 Kings 25; 2 Chron. 36:17-20; Jer. 39:8-10 for final siege and destruction of Jerusalem.)

David would never lack a "man" to sit upon the Throne. The word "man" is, of course used in its generic sense, meaning "man", "woman", "child" depending on how and where the word is used. (Jer. 33:17, 1 Kings 9:5).

Our next Chapter will deal with the "Appointed Place" of 2 Sam. 7:10 and try to follow the everlasting Throne in secular history.

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Israel, Judah and the Jews

'The House of Israel' is not synonymous with the 'House of Judah'. The House of Judah and some of the Jews are *of* Israel, that is, descended from Jacob. The distinction we wish to emphasize is that while some Jews are Israelites, all Israelites are not necessarily Jews. In a similar way, all Scots are British, but all the British are not Scots. When the general blessings were apportioned at Jacob's death, the Messiah was promised, with the sovereignty, to Judah; but the 'multitude of nations' and the temporal grandeur of the birthright were given to Joseph. The House of Israel was to obtain these in the latter days, or the Christian era. Ten-tribed Israel was to be divorced under the Mosaic law and its identity temporarily lost to history,but known to God; it was to be recovenanted in Christ to enjoy the Israel birthright in the Isles of the Sea, to be His nation of evangelists in the world, and the inheritor of the Kingdom of God. The prophets display meticulous care in their address to the 'House of Israel', the 'House of Judah' and 'the inhabitants of Jerusalem' (the Jews). To apply to one 'House' a prophecy which refers to the other is clearly to misapply the message and confuse the issue. A careful regard of this distinction is prerequisite to the correct understanding of the prophetic Scriptures.

Prophecies Concerning

ISRAEL

Israel to have a change of name (Isa. 65:15).

Israel to be called by a new name (Isa. 62:2).

Israel to be called after Isaac (Gen. 21:12).

Israel to be blind to their identity (Rom. 11:25; Isa. 42:16-19).
Israel to be a multitudinous people (Gen. 13:16; 15:5).
Israel to become known as the righteous Nation that keepeth the truth (Isa. 60:21; 26:2).
Israel to become a Nation and a Company of Nations (Gen. 35:11).
Israel to make a new home in the Appointed Place—the Isles of the Sea (2 Sam. 7:10; Isa. 24:15; 49:1; Jer. 31:10).
Israel to be a Nation for ever (Jer. 31:35, 36).

Israel to have a perpetual monarchy (Jer. 33:17).
Israel to come under a new covenant (Jer. 31:31-34).
Israel to be called the sons of God (Hos. 1:10; Rom 8:14).
Israel was taken captive into Assyria by Shalmaneser, circa 721 B.C. (2 Kings 18:11, etc.).
Israel were to be immune from defeat in war (Isa. 54:17; Lev. 26:6-8).

THE JEWS

The Jews to be known by a change in physiognomy (Isa. 3:9).
The Jews have retained their old name unchanged.
The Jews' name to be a curse to them (Isa. 65:15).
The Jews still claim to be the chosen people.

The Jews to be bereft of children (Jer. 15:7).

The Jews to be a reproach and a proverb, a taunt and a curse (Jer. 24:9).
The Jews to be scattered in all the 'kingdoms of the earth for their hurt' (Jer. 24:9).
The Jews have been strangers in all lands (Jer. 15:4).

The Jewish Nation was broken in A.D. 70 (Dan. 9:24-27; Jer. 19:11).
The Jews have remained under the old law.
The Jews do not accept Jesus Christ as the Messiah.
Judah taken captive to Babylon by Nebuchadnezzar, circa 603 B.C. (2 Kings chs. 24 and 25).

The Jews are descended from the remnant of Judah which returned from captivity in the time of Ezra and Nehemiah.
The Jews have suffered endless persecution.

Israel had been removed from Palestine 700 years before the Crucifixion. When it occurred they were still absent, being at that time beyond the Euphrates, in their migration through Europe.

What We Believe

We Believe in God - the God of the Bible. (Exodus 3:4-14.)

We Believe in Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God. (John 1:14.)

We Believe in the Holy Spirit and His Mission. (John 14:26, Acts 2.)

We Believe in the atoning sacrifice of Jesus Christ on Calvary. (Matt. 26:28, Romans 5.)

We Believe in His ascension into Heaven. (Mark 16:19, Acts 1:9-11.)

We Believe in the bodily return of Christ (Acts 1:9-11) to take the throne of David (Isa. 9:7, Luke 1:32) and rule on this earth for a thousand years (Rev. 20:1-6); and that His Body, the Church, will be united with Him and reign with Him. (Eph. 5:24-33; Col. 1:24; 1 Cor. 15:50-58; 1 Thes. 4:14-18; Rev. 19:9).

We Believe John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

We Believe that personal salvation by faith in the atonement of Jesus Christ is necessary for all, Israelite, Jew and Gentile. (Rom. 3:22-25). Each one must be born again. (John 3:1-7). To confess Christ, who died that sinful men might live, is individually supreme above all else. (Matt 10:32-33, Rom. 10:9-13).

We Believe the whole Bible, both the Old and New Testaments; that it is the inerrant Word of God (11 Peter 1:9-21). We believe its history, its covenants, its promises.

We Believe in its Gospel of Grace (Eph. 2:1-8), which is the Gospel of Salvation to all men.

We Believe in, and seek to make known, the Gospel of the Kingdom (Matt. 4:23, 24:14).

We Believe that the Bible contains God's Plan for the remedy of all human ills, and that this plan is being worked out through the Bible people called Israel. (11 Sam. 7; Deut. 32:8).

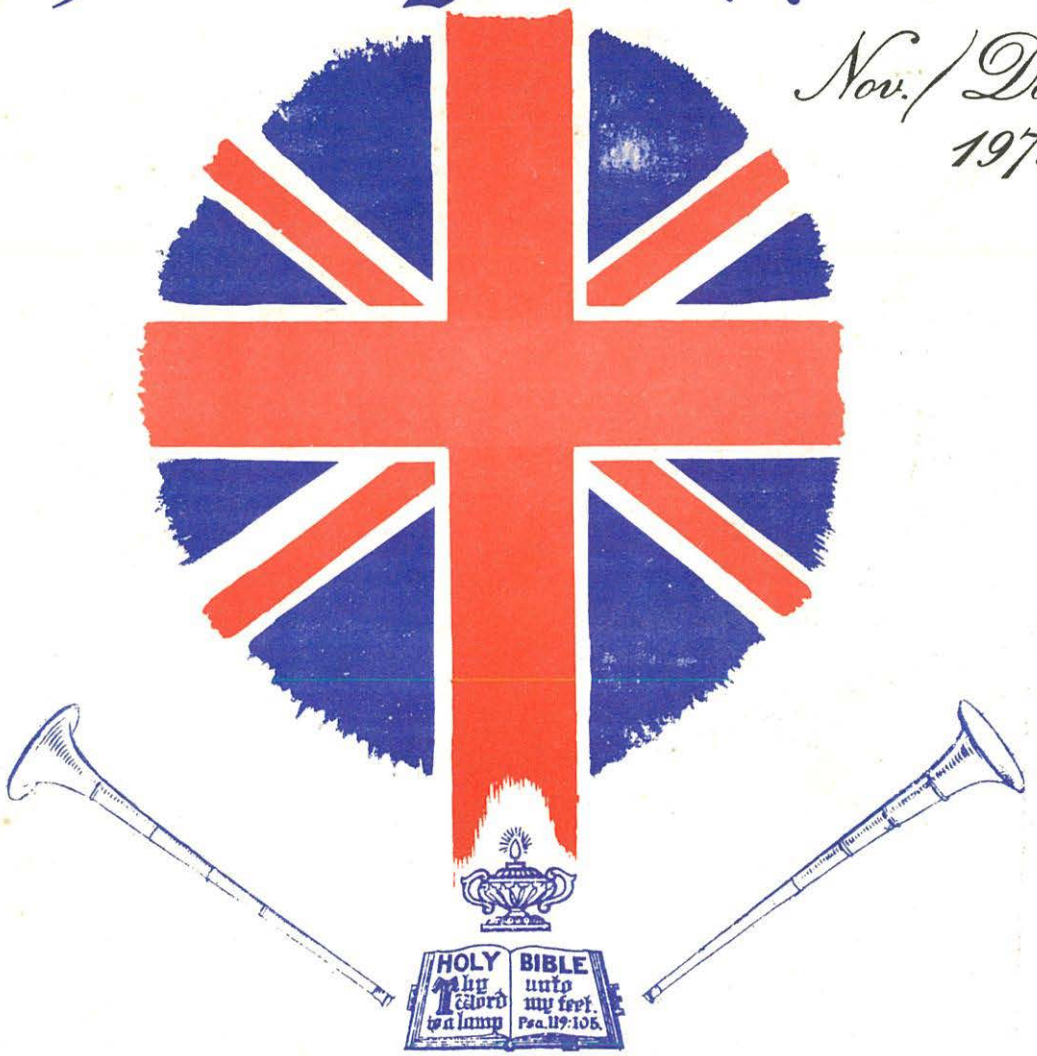
We Believe that this people Israel, consisting of twelve tribes (Exod. 28:21; Rev. 21:12), the descendents of the twelve sons of Jacob, were chosen of God to be His 'peculiar people' and 'servant nation' through whom all the other nations of the earth are to be blessed. (Exod. 19:5; Deut. 7:6-8; Isa. 41:8, 42:6; Gen. 22:16-18).

We Believe that the differentiation between 'Israel' and 'Judah' is clearly marked in the Scriptures. (See 1 Kings 12; Jer. 3:6-11; Ps. 114:1-2; Ezek. 37; Zech 11:7-14; 11 Chron. 10). They are not interchangeable terms. To understand this is to possess the key to Israel Truth. (Ps. 114:2; 1 Chron. 5:1-2).

We Believe the time has come when the 'lost' Israel "nation and company of nations" (Gen 35:11) has been found and positively identified. Only one race today answers in every detail to the Bible picture of Israel "in the latter days," and that is the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic — the British Commonwealth of white nations and the United States of America They possess what Israel was to possess and are doing what Israel was to do. The identities of this race with Israel are so many and so pronounced that one who re-reads and studies his Bible in the light of this great truth will make discoveries that will cause him to give this subject most serious thought, especially in view of what is happening in literal ful-fillment of Bible prophecy in the world today. The nations are in turmoil. The power of the Holy People (Anglo-Saxon-Israel) is being broken (Dan. 12:7). The old Babylonian social order is being overthrown, and the world is being prepared for the Return of the Lord Jesus Christ, for His reign upon the Throne of His father David, and the glorious restoration of the Kingdom of God on earth. (Zech. 14:9; Luke 1:32-33).

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Marks of Israel

During the Christian dispensation lost Israel were to possess certain marks of identification

A great and mighty nation.	Gen. 12:2; 18:18; Deut. 4:7,8.
Named 'Great'.	Gen. 12:2.
The chief of the nations.	Gen. 27:29; Deut. 7:6; 15:6.
A maritime nation, having command of the seas.	Gen. 49:25; Num. 24:7; Deut. 33:13, 19; Psa. 89:25.
A company or commonwealth of nations.	Gen. 35:11; 48:19 Eph. 2:12.
A missionary nation.	Gen. 22:18; Isa. 43:21; 49:6; 66:19.
The custodian of God's Word.	Psa. 147:19, 20; Isa. 59:21.
A just nation.	Gen. 18:19; Lev. 19:15; Deut. 1:17; Zeph. 3:13.
God's instrument in destroying evil.	Jer. 51:20; Dan. 2:34,35.
An undefeated nation.	Isa. 54:17; Micah 5:8,9.
Blind to their identity.	Isa. 29:10-12; 42:16, 19, 20; Rom. 11:7, 8, 25.
Have an island home north and west of Palestine.	Isa. 49:1-3, 12; Jer. 3:18; 31:8.
Occupy islands and coastlands.	Isa. 24:15; 41:1, 5; 49:1-3; 51:5; Jer. 31:8, 10.
Possess the gate of his enemies.	Gen. 22:17, 24:60.
Have multitudinous seed.	Gen. 13:16; 15:5; 22:17; 24:60; 26:4, 24; 28:3, 14; 32:12.
Colonize and spread abroad.	Gen. 28:14; 49:22; Deut. 32:8; 33:17; Psa. 2:8; Isa. 26:15; 27:6; 54:2; Zech. 10:8, 9.
Lose first colony and then expand, demanding more living space.	Isa. 49:20.
Irrigate the deserts and build the waste places.	Isa. 35:1; 43:19, 20; 58:11, 12.
Possess the wealth of the earth.	Gen. 27:28; 49:25, 26; Deut. 33:13-16.
Possess the heritage of the heathen.	2 Sam. 22:44; Psa. 2:8; 111:6.
Receive strangers and refugees.	Lev. 19:33, 34; Isa. 11:10; 14:1; 55:5; 56:6-8;Zech. 8:22.
Set free slaves and prisoners.	Psa. 72:4; Isa. 42:7; 49:9; 58:6.
Have a descendant of King David reigning over them.	2 Sam. 7:13; 1 Chron. 22:10; 2 Chron. 13:5; Psa. 89:35-37; Jer. 33:17.
Lose all trace of their lineage.	Hos. 1:9 10; Isa. 42:16, Rom. 11:25.
The power of the Holy People is to be broken.	Dan. 12:7; Deut. 32:29-36.

The British Commonwealth of Nations possesses every one of these marks — therefore they are lost Israel. The United States of America possesses some of them.

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From The President's Desk

Greetings Christian Friends,

As we draw to the end of this year of 1979, those of us who are watching the " signs of the times " have a lot to consider. As I write this editorial, it is mid November, with only six weeks of the year remaining. Of course a lot can happen in six weeks, so who knows what may have transpired even by the time this is being read.

But despite what may yet happen, it cannot be denied that we have been, and still are, experiencing events of major import in respect to the prophetic Word of God as it applies to the end of the age, and the return of our Lord Jesus Christ. There will obviously be those whose interest will wane, or in whose mind doubts will arise, simply because events may not have developed to the extent which they thought, or have been led to believe, would have happened. Such people are being most unfair to themselves, because they fail to appreciate several most important factors. Firstly, those who attempt to apply prophecy to future times and events are dealing with a most complex situation by virture of the very complex nature of our present society. What is more, these same people, despite their obvious sincerity, are only human, and thus subject to human error. Secondly, ALL prophecy is given by God in the context of His people Israel. Try as you may, you can search the Bible from one end to the other, and you will not find any reference to any other nation in the entire world outside of their contact with the nation of Israel. It stands to reason then, that if this nation of Israel is incorrectly identified,and if prophecy is incorrectly applied, then the resulting conclusions will also be incorrect. Thirdly, we must understand the proper intent of prophecy - the purpose for which it was given. Two basic reasons or purposes come immediately to mind. (a) Prophecy is " as a light shining in a dark place." The best illustration of this is to walk into a completely darkened house one night, and then turn on the light. This is exactly the effect which an understanding of prophecy

has on the events happening around us. And (b), prophecy is not intended to be a form of fortune telling. It was never intended to be some form of crystal ball. Our Lord Jesus Christ set out correct principle quite clearly when He said."

> *" Look at the fig tree and indeed at all the trees. As soon as they put out their leaves, you can see for yourselves that summer is at hand. So whenever you see all this happen, be sure the Reign of God is at hand."*
>
> *Luke 21:29-31 (MOFFAT)*

The understanding of prophecy therefore allows us to read the milestones of events as we pass them, and thus to recognise how close we are to our destination. In this context, it should always be remembered that whilst everything happens in complete conformity with God's timetable, and at the exact time already known to God, that this may not necessarily be the timetable of our human reckoning. We make no allowances for the unforeseen. God already knows about them, and has made all the necessary adjustments. So that when we pass a milestone which informs us that we are 60 Kilometres from our destination, we estimate that on the basis of our journey to date, we will arrive there in one hour. But suddenly we turn a corner and find the road is closed by an accident, or repairs. Then later on we have a puncture. So we arrive at our destination in two hours instead of the one we had anticipated. The destination is still the same distance away, and most importantly it is <u>still there.</u> The only variable factor is our lack of knowledge of, and failure to make all proper allowances for, all the circumstances of which God is already aware. Thus we must exercise great, and ever-increasing patience, in the pursuit of our faith.

The present situation in Iran (Persia); the ominous and continuously worsening position of our economic position; the tremendous increase in natural disasters; the intensifying attack on our Anglo - Saxon civilization and Christian Heritage; the increasing denigration of God and His Word; all these things are outstanding " signs of the times." They all speak of the imminent return of our Lord Jesus Christ, the end of this evil

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CONFUSION AD NAUSEUM

By Rev. W.G. Finlay

The tremendous confusion which marks the current exposition of the Word of God is added to when scriptural terms and plainly declared facts suffer the interpretation of men who are not satisfied that God meant what He said, but insist on speaking for God by adding to the Divine Revelation. These 'seekers after deeper meanings' have thus added chaos to confusion and are responsible for the current slump in interest in the Bible. The practice of contending that the Bible is allegorical and that the events recorded there are merely allusions to some great and mystical spiritual truth is another faith-destroying mechanism which can be traced back to the author of confusion – Satan himself who, at the very outset, posed the question: 'Hath God said..?'

In this age of 'increased knowledge' (Dan. 12:4), protestations of the integrity of God and His Word must be made on the basis of historical fact and the escapist solution of spiritualisation falls on deaf ears with the resultant consequence of diminishing faith (II Thess. 2:3). The cure for the current malady within Christianity does not lie in ecumenical movements but in a return to the 'faith once delivered' (Jude 3) which is the only assured remedy for these times. Excuses such as the claim that these times are vastly different from Biblical times is simply ludicrous for one has but to read the epistle of Jude to note that the current structure of human society is merely a reflection of the circumstances which obtained when he was constrained to write and contend for the 'faith once delivered unto the saints'. It will be noted that the insidious infiltration of 'ungodly men' perverted the Word of God and denied the Lord Jesus Christ in Jude's day – the same situation is all too evident in this day and age. Jude makes reference to Sodom and Gomorrah and fleshly lusts – is there any need that this situation be enlarged as obtaining today? Jude comments on the 'way of Cain', the 'error of Balaam' and the 'gainsaying of Core' as obtaining in his day, and it requires little mental exercise to note these phrases blazon the apostasy of these times.

The 'way of Cain' is the rejection of Divine revelation and the acceptance of 'religion' according to the reasoning of man. The 'error of Balaam' is unbelief in the Covenants of God, for Balaam, supposing Israel to be evil because of transgression, thought God would curse them and cast them off. This doctrine is the basis of the modern contention that the Christian Church has supplanted the Israel nation who, because of suffering the punitive measures of the Law of the Lord, were taken into Assyrian and Babylonian captivities. Such contention, in common with Balaam, does not take into account the Redemption promised and accomplished on Calvary. The 'gainsaying of Core' is the rejection of the authority of Moses and the intrusion of unauthorised persons into the priestly office.

The authority of Moses, apart from being the God-appointed leader of Israel, was centred in the Law, for Moses had no authority outside of the Law of the Lord. Remembering that Moses was the human vehicle used by God to communicate His Law to His people, the Law of the Lord, which is perfect, is repudiated and rejected today as a thing of no worth.

As must be obvious, the above facts lead one into the subject of prophetic fulfilment and within this subject, tragically neglected today, one finds a mighty weapon to wield in defence of the Christian faith. It is most remarkable that men will accept and acclaim fulfilled predictions of modern men and women and yet reject completely out of hand, the historically proved veracity of this Biblical subject. This is but another instance of the confusion of mind which obtains in this day and age. A further instance is found in the current Irish scene where Roman Catholics and Protestants are locked in conflict over an issue which indicates a pernicious hand at work in conflict with the Word of God. To fully appreciate this, it is necessary to approach the Word of God with the same faith which Jude recommends and to follow historical happenings believing that God is true to His Word of Promise.

It is a Biblical fact that the Israel nation of God went into captivity from 721 to 580 B.C. and whereas the greater section, i.e., five-sixths of the nation, could not return because of the 'bill of divorcement' (Jer. 3:8), a remnant of the remnant returned in 536 B.C. under a mandate from God for a specific period of seventy prophetic weeks (Dan. 9:24). This history of this remnant is a tragic one for, deprived of national sovereignty and buffeted by the winds of change which saw Persia, Greece and Rome hold dominion, suffering the infiltration of Esau-Edom and being subject to Edomite administration at the time of the First Advent (Herod was an Edomite, as was Annas the high priest), it is not surprising that the mandate was limited to 490 literal years. In A.D. 70 the mandate ended and the history of Roman occupation in Palestine wrote the epitaph to the seventy weeks nation. *But what of the Israel nation?* The 'seventy weeks nation' was a remnant of Israel – a remnant which was polluted by Esau – but could not be called the whole Israel people. What became of them? Many, today, would contend that their destiny is irrelevant, little realising that the Honour of God as bound up in His Covenants is at stake.

It will be noted that through Hosea, the prophet, the Lord intimated a 'raising up' of the nation. The same feature is noted in Ezekiel 37. In Hosea 6:2, it is stated that on the 'third day he will raise us up, and we shall live in his sight.' Chronological prophecy is admittedly difficult but in this instance the period of 'day' can only refer to the period mentioned by Peter: "But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day" (II Peter 3:8). Recalling that the calendar suffered many revisions, particularly at the dawn of the Christian dispensation, wherein days, weeks and months were simply scrubbed out at the whim of the

Emperor of Rome, one is loath to pinpoint the exact date of the beginning of the 'third day'. However, *the period* is identified when a people emerged on the stage of world history through a *religious revolution.* This period was the Reformation when the modern development of Israel in the Anglo-Celto-Saxon and Kindred peoples, threw off the yoke of pseudo Christianity in Romanism and came into the light of the 'sight' of God now radiating through the pages of His opened Word. This event had its beginning – it should be noted that the Reformation was a process and not a sudden event – with John Wycliffe in the thirteenth century, just 2,000 years after Israel had vanished into the Assyrian captivity. In the third day, it was promised that the Lord would raise up Israel.

Those busily engaged in the ecumenical movement, particularly those pressing for re-amalgamation with Rome, are playing down the heroic story of the Reformation heroes, but true Protestants, true sons of Jacob-Israel, will never let their story die for it is a story activated by the Holy Spirit upholding the Word of Promise recorded by Hosea.

It was the spiritual revolution and political and spiritual freedom from Rome following the Parliamentary recognition of the Reformation which made the British Empire – it was the same historical fact which created sovereign nations in the Israel kindred nations in Europe. Truth, whether Biblical, historical or current is vigorously opposed by the enemy of Truth and the act of the re-formation of Israel in rejecting and discarding pseudo-Christianity as found in Rome was, and still is, contested by the enemies of spiritual freedom.

In his bogus claim to be the 'vicar of Christ', the Pope has usurped the position of heir to the Throne of David. The very process of the election of a Pope belies this claim, for the Davidic House was to have continuity within that family (II Sam. 7:16 and Psalm 89:20-37). None will claim that every member of that family was a paragon of virtue but it is claimed that God is faithful and that the Davidic House and Throne is still in existence and the object of Roman attack. This was so in the days of Elizabeth I when the Pope granted absolution to any who would assassinate the Queen. There is on record the history of a pseudo-Englishman, Humphrey Ely, who sought absolution, and in the London Public Records Office was found the Pope's letter dated December 12th, 1580, in reply to the request. The following is an extract of the reply:

"Since that guilty woman of England rules over two such noble Kingdoms of Christendom, and is the cause of so much injury to the Catholic faith, and loss of so many million souls, there is no doubt that whosoever sends her out of the world with the pius intention of doing God service, not only does not sin but gains merit, especially having regard to the sentence pronounced against her by Pius 5th of holy memory . . . ."

The history of England subsequent to 1580, when Campion was hanged as a traitor, is one continuous record of attempts to under-

mine British sovereignty through all means possible. In view of these continuous attempts, the Act of Settlement was drawn up to safeguard the kingdom and the throne from Roman influence. This great Act lays down that:–

"Every person that shall hold communion with the See or Church of Rome shall be excluded and forever incapable to possess the Crown and Government of this Realm and Dominions . . . ."

Every British Sovereign down to Edward VII adhered to the Act of Settlement, but in 1903 King Edward departed from all precedents and broke the Act of Settlement by visiting and holding consultation with Pope Leo XIII at the Vatican. He committed the very offence that James II committed, i.e., he dispensed with and broke the Statute Laws of Great Britain and, in point of Law, forfeited his right to the Crown. *This is what the Act says.*

In 1910 and on the Coronation of King George V, further evidence is noted of the insidious attempts by Rome to subvert the Davidic House further. The King's Accession Declaration was changed and, set out hereunder for comparison, is the old oath of 1689 together with the new oath of 1910

THE KING'S ACCESSION DECLARATION, A.D. 1689.

THE OLD OATH.

"I, A. B., do solemnly and sincerely in the presence of God profess, testify and declare, that I do believe (1) that in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper there is not any TRANSUBSTANTIATION of the elements of bread and wine into the body and blood of Christ, at or after the consecration thereof by any person whatsoever; (2) and that the invocation or adoration of the Virgin Mary or any other saint, and the sacrifice of the Mass, as they are now used in the Church of Rome are superstitious and idolatrous; (3) and I do solemnly in the presence of God profess, testify and declare, that I do make this Declaration and every part thereof in the plain and ordinary sense of the words read unto me, as they are commonly understood by English Protestants, without any evasion, equivocation, or mental reservation whatsoever, and without any dispensation already granted me for this purpose by the Pope or any other authority or person whatsoever, or without any hope of any such dispensation from any person or authority whatsoever, or without thinking that I am or can be acquitted before God or man, or absolved of this Declaration or any part thereof, although the Pope or any other person or persons, or power whatsoever, should dispense with or annul the same, or declare that it was null or void from the beginning." *Act of Settlement*, Art. 12, 13.

THE KING'S ACCESSION DECLARATION 1910.

THE NEW OATH.

Act of 1 George V. cap. 29, 1910.

"I do solemnly and in the presence of God profess, testify and declare that I am a faithful Protestant, and that I will, accordingly to the true intent of the enactments which secure Protestant succession to the Throne

of my Realm, uphold and maintain the said enactments to the best of my powers according to law."

THE KING'S CORONATION OATH.

At the Coronation in Westminster Abbey, June 22nd, 1911, the Archbishop of Canterbury asked the King (in ratification of the above declaration): "Will you to the utmost of your power maintain the Laws of God, the true profession of the Gospel, and the Protestant Reformed Religion established by Law?" to which the King replied: "All this I promise to do."

The Accession Declaration was altered in 1910 because King George V. refused to take the old Oath.

In 1923, King George and Queen Mary visited the Pope in the Vatican thus again breaking the Act of Settlement. In 1927–28 the Archbishops of Canterbury and York with 42 Bishops tried to force a new Romanised Prayer Book – which had the doctrine of transubstantiation cunningly concealed within its covers – through Parliament. A traitorous act which, with one blow, would have destroyed the Protestant Accession Declaration and Coronation Oath. This attempt was foiled but with the Series Two experiment one is very dubious that the perpetrators have ceased their labours.

The Roman faith certainly appeals to superstition and many are convinced that bleeding statues, weeping statues and undying flowers are proofs of the veracity of the claims of Rome. Here again is confusion. Why not accept the historical event of June 29th, 1930. Archbishop Lang of Canterbury, who, after the rejection by Parliament of the Romanised Prayer Book, sent it back to Parliament almost unaltered only to have it more decisively rejected than before, permitted an open-air High Mass at Stamford Bridge on June 29th, 1930. This was to be a great occasion of demonstration of alliance with Rome with 20 Church of England Bishops, 200 Monks and Nuns and 15,000 Anglo-Catholics. The Life Guards' Band was engaged to sound the trumpets at the elevation of the Host. Everything went wrong. A petition to the King cancelled the band's appearance as well as the Bishop of London. During the service before the great Romish Altar, with candles 10 feet high, and at the critical moment when the Anglo-Catholic Bishop of Nassau was hoisting the cup above his head pretending that the wine had been turned into the literal Blood of Christ, all six of the great candles came crashing down upon the altar. This occasion, it should be noted, was the first public repudiation of the Reformation by Church of England clergymen and fitting, indeed, was the collapse of those Romish symbols. How did it happen? Let the reader form his or her own opinion.

This event took place almost forty years ago but still the attack is on. Members of the

Royal family continue to break the Act of Settlement with impunity and none appears perturbed by this. In Ireland, political expediency or ideology (?) in Britain upholds the Roman claims and any resistance to Roman incursions are condemned

This story should be read within the framework of Paul's second epistle to the Thessalonians and the reality of Scripture, particularly the prophetic Scripture, must strike home. Jude's message, too, must strike home for, in the midst of a generation wilting under the assault by the powers of darkness through various human media, the Israel nation of God is perched precariously on the brink of the abyss of destruction. Now is the time to contend for the faith once delivered unto the saints – now is the time to cast out the nauseous opiate of the 'way of Cain' – now is the time for Israel to reach out and find, not a temporary relief in alliance with men, but a permanent peace in her right relationship with her Maker and her God.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

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system by which we have become enslaved, and the beginning of the glorious age of the Kingdom of God on earth.

The same Lord Jesus Christ, who came to redeem His people at this season 1979 years ago, is about to return to glorify them, that we may enter into our glorious inheritance as the SONS OF GOD.

This Christmas, as we praise God for His past faithfulness and mercy, as we praise Him for the Son which was given, let us look forward to the return of Him upon whose shoulders will rest the government of righteousness and peace.



CHRISTIAN LIFE

By J. Fletcher

Human Beings are under the influence of two spiritual powers, the forces of good and evil.

The good is represented by God and evil by Satan.

To guide us towards living good lives God gave us the Ten Commandments. Ex. 20: 1-17, Deut. 5: 6-21, Lev. 19: 3,4,18. Mat. 22: 37-39, Mark 12: 30,31. Jesus Christ also taught us how to live during his mission on Earth as recorded in the four Gospels. The letters of St. Paul describe also how Christians should live.

Non Christians, are influenced by examples set by their parents, relatives, and by association with acquaintances and friends. These influences may be for good or evil depending on the conduct of those persons they live or associate with.

The more we conduct our lives in accordance with the teachings of the Bible the more we come under the influence of God and less under the influence of Satan.

By Prayer and Bible reading and regular Church attendance we can strengthen our resistance to the forces of evil and prepare ourselves to understand more the word of God as recorded in the Bible.

It is an advantage to compare selected texts from different versions of the Bible in order to get a better understanding of the message conveyed therewith and often to read a few verses before and after the verse quoted.

Many years ago I read a quotation. " The lives of good men are ordered by the Lord." There are several verses of similar significance in Proverbs two of which are Pro. 15: 9,26. Also in Romans 8: 28.

> *" All things work together for good to those who love God."*

See also Heb. 12: 6 and Jas. 4: 7,10.

There are two Gospels, the Gospel of Salvation which the Churches preach and the Gospel of the Kingdom which is referred to by our Lord in the Gospels and revealed in Prophecy.

Certain passages in the Bible are recommended for Bible study to prepare us to accept Christ as our Saviour. Some of the principal passages are John 3: 16. John 14: 1-3. Acts 16: 31 Rom. 6: 23,Rom.8: 37-39. Rom. 10: 9-13. Rom. 13: 8-10. 1 Cor. 13:2 Cor.11:14. Eph. 6:10-18. Heb. 11: 1-3,6. Heb.12: 1, Jas. 2: 8,14,17,20,24,26. 1 John 1:9.

Those who have tried to live in accordance with the teaching of the Bible and those who have asked God for forgiveness of past sins and have accepted Christ as their Saviour and have found favour with God are chosen by Him as His Christians.

When we accept Christ as our Saviour the Holy Spirit dwells within us and we are "born again" and henceforth we are able to understand better the passages we read in the Bible and to feel the presence of the Lord in our lives.
Read John 3:3. John 14:26. Rom. 5:5, 2Tim. 1:14. 1 Pet. 1:3,23. Also Mat. 13: 23. Mark 4: 15-20. Luke 8:15.

In my case it was a slow process over a long period. I know a young person in which everything happened in a short period of time.

Upon accepting Christ as our Saviour it is profitable to proceed with the study of the Gospel of the Kingdom. This is a very big subject and includes a study of Bible Prophecy which culminates in the Return of our Lord Jesus Christ. Such an important subject requires seperate discussion. All that can be written herewith is a list of some of the principal Bible references.
Mat. 13:37-49. Mat. 24:30,31. Mark 13:26,27. 1 Thess. 4:14-17.

The most important event in our lives is to accept Christ as our Saviour and we are not able to do this without preparation and the help of God.



Wanted: A Courageous Priesthood

Tremendous pressure is today being brought to bear upon the clergy by minority groups who champion acts of civil disobedience. We are all well acquainted with the role that has been played by certain religious leaders in the various areas of the integration movement as well as that of the pacifists and their kind.

The leaders of the minority movements recognize the fact that if the tide of public opinion is to be turned into a favourable current, those who influence the thinking of the masses must first be enlisted in their cause.

We do not hesitate to state that there is good and evil on both sides of the issues that are today dividing us as a people – a fact that is an accomplishment in itself of the objectives of the minority of minorities which seeks to bring about the end of Anglo-Saxon-Israel, as you and I know it, by any means.

It is not our intention at this time to discuss the righteousness or unrighteousness of the arguments being presented by both sides. What we propose to deal with is the obvious attitude of the clergy in regard to the plainly stated commandments of God's Word.

Let us state first of all that those who have been called of God to preach and teach His Word are indeed "*the messengers of the Lord of hosts.*" Such a title certainly does not include those who of their own choice have chosen the ministry as a profession, and who depend upon their Seminary diploma and clerical garb for their authority. Blind indeed are those in the church who fail to recognize these glorified social workers, religious diplomats, imposters in black who make light of the Truth of God's Word and live by the tradition and ritual of man.

Here is the denouncement of the Scriptures upon all who pose as spiritual leaders and are failing in their Divinely ordained responsibilities and obligations. "*For the priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth: for he is the messenger of the Lord of hosts. But ye are departed out of the way; ye have caused many to stumble at the law; ye have corrupted the covenant of Levi, saith the Lord of hosts. Therefore have I also made you contemptible and base before all the people, according as ye have not kept my ways, but have been partial in the law*" (Malachi 2:7-9).

Being a member of God's chosen priesthood, I refuse to sit back and allow the obvious actions and attitudes of others, of whom the prophet here speaks, bring reproach upon me and this ministry. Those of you who sit under this ministry know well our faithfulness to the Truth of the Scriptures and our zeal for God's Law.

The whole message of the Lord as

brought to us by Malachi is a denouncement upon a hypocritical priesthood and I recommend that the reader take the time to open his Bible and read it in its entirety.

Because *"ye are departed out of the way; ye have caused many to stumble at the law; ye have corrupted the covenant of Levi . . ."* the Lord condemns the priesthood.

THE COVENANT OF LEVI

It is important that we understand what *'the covenant of Levi'* is all about. In this same portion of Scripture the Lord said to the priesthood: *"If ye will not hear, and if ye will not lay it to heart, to give glory unto my name, saith the Lord of hosts, I will even send a curse upon you, and I will curse your blessings: yea, I have cursed them already, because ye do not lay it to heart. Behold, I will corrupt your seed, and spread dung upon your faces, even the dung of your solemn feasts; and one shall take you away with it. And ye shall know that I have sent this commandment unto you, that my covenant might be with Levi, saith the Lord of hosts. My covenant was with him of life and peace; and I gave them to him for the fear wherewith he feared me, and was afraid before my name. The law of truth was in his mouth, and iniquity was not found in his lips: he walked with me in peace and equity, and did turn many away from iniquity"* (Malachi 2:2-6).

If we turn back in our Bible to Numbers, chapter twenty-five, and acquaint ourselves with the record, we discover that the children of Israel temporarily abode in *"Shittim, and the people began to commit whoredom with the daughters of Moab. And they called the people unto the sacrifices of their gods: and the people did eat, and bowed down to their gods, etc."* The Midianite women seduced the men of Israel and the Lord commanded Moses to slay all the men who were guilty. *"And Moses said unto the judges of Israel, slay ye every one his men that were joined unto Baal-peor."*

The execution of the guilty parties was a commandment of God. These sexual orgies had to be stopped. Participation was a direct act of rebellion against Almighty God and the established law governing the society. Those who chose to rebel knew full well the consequences before participating.

"And, behold, one of the children of Israel came and brought unto his brethren a Midianitish woman in the sight of Moses, and in the sight of all the congregation of the children of Israel, who were weeping before the door of the tabernacle of the congregation"

Here was a genuine act of civil disobedience. Whoever this Israelite was that brought the Midianite woman into camp, he certainly, by such an act, let his feelings be known and made no bones about his defiance of the law. Heretofore such acts as this had provoked God's anger and brought a plague upon the whole nation so that both the innocent and the guilty suffered alike. The cause of the plague was known, but the lusts of certain Israelite men were championed by the liberals and the whole society was infected with its results. Almighty God was being forsaken and Baal-peor was taking His revered

place in the nation. The authorities were standing back, fearful to uphold the law lest the rebellious minority who lusted for the Midianite women be offended.

Here is the stand taken by a certain member of the priesthood which brought into being the covenant of Levi.

"And when Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest, saw it, he rose up from among the congregation and took a javelin in his hand; And he went after the man of Israel into the tent, and thrust both of them through, the man of Israel, and the woman through her belly. So the plague was stayed from the children of Israel. And those that died in the plague were twenty and four thousand."

You wouldn't find that particular priest taking part in any demonstration that constituted an act of civil or Divine disobedience! He wouldn't have sat back, either, and played it cool by lending his 'moral support' to a cause that contradicted righteousness.

The Lord was pleased with Phinehas' display of courage and willingness to champion righteousness. He told Moses that Phinehas' zeal on God's behalf had stayed the plague *"that I consumed not the children of Israel in my jealousy. Wherefore say, Behold, I give unto him my covenant of peace: and he shall have it, and his seed after him, even the covenant of an everlasting priesthood; BECAUSE HE WAS ZEALOUS FOR HIS GOD, and made an atonement for the children of Israel."* (Numbers 25:1-13).

Centuries later, speaking through the prophet Malachi, the Lord says: *"the law of truth was in his mouth and iniquity was not found in his lips: he walked with me in peace and equity, and did turn many away from iniquity."* (Malachi 2:6).

The spiritual leaders of our nation, in this generation, seem to be too busy publishing their books and building their institutions and empires for personal gain to step into Phinehas' shoes. They are void of the courage necessary to stand up against the current of this age and turn the tide of increasing liberalism. Forgetting that they are *"the messengers of the Lord of hosts"* they seem to be more concerned with personal security and prestige in this world's system than standing in favour with God.

God's Word declares: *"Therefore have I also made you contemptible and base before all people, according as ye have not kept my ways, but have been partial in the law."* (Mal. 2:9). Every member of the priesthood with enough manliness to distinguish him from the neuter gender should rebel at the manner in which he and the priesthood is represented and portrayed on the screen and in the comic strip. The image he has established of himself should compel him to take violent action and clarify his personal character.

The priesthood has indeed "been partial in the Law." God's Law is embraced in the Commandments given to the individual; the Statutes which make application of those Commandments to every phase of the society and the Judgments which render the Divinely ordained correction upon the guilty.

The priesthood has opposed God's Judgments to be meted out upon the murderer, it has backed away from His Judgments upon those guilty of adultery, sodomy, fornication, homo-sexuality, etc., and sought to make such acceptable in our society.

The priesthood on one hand opposes capital punishment for such crimes as murder, kidnapping, rape, etc., holding up on the other hand God's Law concerning the giving of Tithes while refusing to marry the innocent victim of divorce.

Not one in ten professing and practising members of the priesthood understands what God's Word teaches concerning His Law and His Grace.

The apparent confusion, unbelief and lack of dedication of the priesthood is obvious in the Spiritual condition of our nation and in the lives of those who constitute our wealthy religious organizations. We are sick and apparently blind to the cause of our sickness.

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The Bible —

How To Read It.

By C. Frushard Waddington

How readest thou? Do you think it is merely a collection of myth and fable, largely inaccurate and unreliable; or do you read it as if it were full of hidden meaning and cryptic utterances? Do you think it does not always mean what it says and needs an interpreter to show the hidden meaning?

The Bible, dealing only with the Old Testament here, consists of a number of books and documents recorded by different writers during a period ranging from about 5,000 B.C. to 500 B.C. or possibly a little later. More than three-quarters of the documents are just historical records of people and events; the rest includes drama, songs of praise, poetry and genealogies, etc., and records of visions granted to various prophets.

As regards the accuracy of the text of the Old Testament, it is to be noted that there are in existence over 200,000 M/SS of books or parts of books, copies of the original documents or extracts from them. Most of these are in the British Museum, and the late Sir Frederick Kenyon who was a Director and Principal Librarian of the British Museum for many years, has written the most authoritative book *Our Bible and the Ancient Manuscripts* dealing with the origin of our Bible.

In a shorter work entitled *The Story of Our Bible*, he writes (page 133): "It cannot be too strongly asserted that in substance the text of the Bible is certain . . . such passages (as are in doubt) are an *infinitesimal* portion of the whole and may be disregarded. The Christian can take the whole Bible in his hand and say without fear or hesitation that he holds in it the true Word of God, handed down without essential loss from generation to generation throughout the centuries."

"The Hebrew text of the Old Testament which is in the unique position of having vastly more early documents to verify the text, than the New Testament or any other book, can be accepted as essentially reliable; such small variations as do occur do not affect any material point or doctrine."

As Kenyon remarks on p.244–245 in *Our Bible and the Ancient Manuscripts*, the discoveries of the last 50 years (Archaeological and MSS.) have established, with a wealth of evidence which no other work of ancient literature can even approach, the substantial authenticity and integrity of the text of the Bible as we now possess it.

The question then arises – Is our English translation a true one?

Hebrew Foundation of the English Language

Throughout our recorded history in these Islands there have been many authors, states-

men and scholars, who have drawn attention to the likenesses between the old Anglo-Saxon, the Welsh, the English and the Hebrew language and mode of thought. It needs a whole book to deal adequately with this matter, but here we can quote just a few authorities to illustrate the point, which is this –

> It is of the greatest importance to understand that when reading our English Bible we are reading not merely a translation but a *perfect reproduction of the original Hebrew thought and intention.* Consequently it is not necessary to look for any meaning below the surface, apart from the symbolic visions in Revelations, etc; it should be read as we read any other English book, to mean exactly what it says, to mean what we should ordinarily gather from the English used. (This applies to the New Testament also). It is the contrary method which has led to the great confusion of 'interpretation' and ideas so prevalent today, to the many sects, and to the consequent prevalence of agnosticism. The Bible does not need interpreting! Any more than does any other English book. A vision or a parable are always stated as such, and an explanation usually given.

This perfect reproduction of the original sense of the Hebrew will be seen to follow naturally from the facts referred to by the undermentioned authors.

The Rev. Jacob Tomlin, M.A., in his 'Forty Eight Languages Analysed and Compared'.

"About one fourth of the words in our Saxon tongue bear an affinity with the Hebrew in a primary or a secondary degree. Not only in words does this close affinity exist between our original mother-tongue and the Hebrew but in the arrangement of ideas and the simple structure of sentences it has also a near agreement."

William Tyndale – the great Hebrew scholar who translated the Pentateuch into English cir 1524 A.D. emphasised its close resemblance to the Hebrew tongue – "The properties of the Hebrew tongue agreeth a thousand times more with the English than with the Latin. The manner of speaking is both one, so that in a thousand places thou needest not but to translate it into English word for word." (Obedience of a Christian Man, 1528.)

Canon Samuel Lysons, M.A., F.S.A., in his great work, 'Our British Ancestors', has compiled a list of nearly 5,000 words, and place names, giving corresponding Hebrew, Chaldee or Syriac origins, and states, p.497, that "His object is to show that the whole foundation of the English Language as we now have it is Hebrew or Chaldee." And on p.18, he remarks that he is "rather inclined to attribute to the British Celts a Semitic origin".

F. Ramsbottom, in 'The Covenant People' Vol. 22, p.165, writing on the affinity in respect of the grammatical structure and idiomatic texture between the English and Hebrew, said – "The fact is that the British language is *idiomatically* Hebraic . . . we think in Hebrew."

Joseph Addison – famous scholar and poet, (No. 405 of the Spectator), wrote:- "The Hebrew idiom runs into the English tongue with a particular grace and beauty."

Dr. Tucker – (in the Foreign Debt of English

Literature) wrote:- "The English thought and mind are partly made of Hebrew thought and ideals."

Prof. John, Earl of Oxford – in his 'Anglo-Saxon Literature', p.120, states:- "The rhetorical character of Anglo-Saxon poetries, which is most prominent in a certain repetition of epithet or phrase, . . . distinctively resembles the parallelism of Hebrew poetry."

Principal George Adam Smith – in an address at Aberdeen on the Tercentenary of the Authorised Version of the Bible, March 13, 1911, – "He did not know of any two languages which presented more points of resemblance to each other than the Hebrew of the Old Testament writers and the English of our translators. To translate Hebrew into Greek, or even into Latin, was to run its thought and music into moulds far less adapted for them than the moulds into which they ran when they translated Hebrew into English. With our English Bible we really enjoyed more of the poetry, the music and the fragrance of the Hebrew Scriptures than did the Hellenistic Jews of Alexandria or the early mediaeval Latins."

Dr. H. Hensley Henson, Bishop of Durham – in his book 'The English Bible', wrote on p.2:- "Linguistic scholars have discovered a certain congruity between the Hebrew and English languages which constitutes the latter to be an incomparably efficient instrument for reproducing the former."

George Eliot – in her 'Theophrastus Such' makes one of her characters say:- "The passionate love of the English for Hebrew writings can only be accounted for by intellectual affinity."

Prof. J. Courtenay James, M.A., B.D., Ph.D., – in his 'Hebrew and English, some Likenesses Psychic and Linguistic'. on p.40, writes:-

"There is a close affinity between the English and Hebrew processes of thought, and illustrations of this affinity may be found in the Old English, Welsh and Gaelic forms of thought expression." He confirms by many illustrations the statements of the above quoted writers, and says – "The Hebrew language, including its poetry, can be translated into English with wonderful accuracy. There is nothing in all literature to surpass, or even equal, the Authorised rendering of the great poetical passages of Isaiah, the Book of Job, and many of the Psalms."

This book by Prof. Courtenay James is the best book (pub. 1940) we know of dealing with this subject.

Many other writers have observed the resemblances in syntax and idiom of the English to the Hebrew, and *Rev. D. Simon Evans*, M.A., B.D., has written on 'The Similarities between the Welsh and the Hebrew Languages" which has been quoted extensively in *'Bible Research'*, published by the 'National Message' Ld, 1946. (This latter volume is one of the most informative compilations extant, being full of the results of modern research and discovery, and fully documented. A most valuable acquisition to any library.)

Every schoolboy knows the difficulty experienced in translating Latin, or German (which is based on Latin), or Greek, into good English, entailing considerable re-arrangement

of the words and phrases in order to obtain a respectable English sentence which gives the correct meaning. This difficulty does not obtain when translating Hebrew into English, as Tyndale and others have noted. Dr. Margoliouth, for instance, stated that one may take a Hebrew sentence, write under it the corresponding English words and we have a perfectly understandable English sentence. By way of illustration of the point, here is a translation of a Latin paragraph, taken from Caesars 'Gallic War', (Lib.4.33) a passage dealing with the method of fighting with their chariots that the early Britons had devised – translated word for word as written –

> "This kind this is out of chariots of a battle; firstly through all parts they drive around, and darts they throw, and by itself by the fright of the horses and by the noise of the wheels the ranks generally they greatly disturb, and when themselves among of the cavalry the squadron they insinuated out of the chariots they leap down and by the foot they fight".

Though the meaning is fairly clear quite a lot of re-arranging and paraphrasing is required to present the matter in good English. But if we now look at a word for word translation of, e.g., the 23rd Psalm, (a psalm every one knows, or should know) a vastly different picture is presented. The 'Interlineary Hebrew and English Psalter', (pub. Bagster & Sons), gives the following word for word translation:-

> "Jehovah is my shepherd. Not I shall want. In pastures of tender herbs He will lay me down; by the waters of rest He will guide me. My soul He will restore; He will lead me in the paths of righteousness, because of His Name. Though when I shall walk in the valley of the shadow of death, not I will fear evil; for Thou art with me, Thy rod and Thy staff they shall comfort me. Thou wilt set in order before me a table in the presence of my oppressors. Thou hast made fat with oil my head, my cup is overflowing. Surely goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of Jehovah to length of days."

While various translators have polished up a word or phrase here and there, yet essentially it remains unaltered, the above literal translation gives the meaning perfectly. It was a stroke of pure genius, to substitute "still waters" for the literal "waters of rest". How beautiful the phrase sounds, "He leadeth me beside the still waters". Who does not conjure up some scene of pastoral loveliness beside a quiet stream or lake? But scenic beauty was not what the Psalmist had in mind. He knew, as a shepherd, that sheep will *not* drink from *running* water, so he guides them to the "still waters" (some pool or lagoon in the river) where they can drink freely, in ease and safety, of the water of life.

There are, of course, a small minority of Hebrew texts which are more difficult to translate than the above, (due to being corrupt, or to our ignorance) but as a whole translators have had an easy task in turning the Hebrew Scriptures into English, more especially as there are such a large number of Hebrew words

or roots in the English language, as *Canon Lyson* and others have noted. Consequently, we repeat, the Scriptures should be read as we read any other English book, meaning just what it says. The late *Dr. J.C. Ryle*, Bishop of Liverpool – one of the ablest Evangelical Bishops who have ever sat on the Episcopal Bench – wrote very scathingly, in 'Coming Events and Present Duties', of those who "interpret the Scriptures to mean anything but the plain meaning of the text. I protest against the habit of allegorising plain sayings of the Word of God. . . In reading the words which He addressed to His ancient people never lose sight of *the primary meaning* of the text.". . . "The furthest from the *literal* understanding of the text will usually be the worst."

With reference to the deep knowledge of sheep shown by the Psalmist above, the interested reader may like to know of a remarkably beautiful and instructive commentary on the Psalm by a famous Basque shepherd, *Ferando d'Alfonso*, a full account of which is given in 'Bible Research', already referred to, illustrating the various statements in the Psalm from the ancient shepherd's view-point. King David was, of course, a shepherd and displays a deeply fascinating knowledge of shepherd's lore in his poem, which might be entitled 'The musings of a sheep'.

Incidentally, in regard to Caesar's account of British chariot manoeuvres, it is very informative to note that Caesar complained that the British had *better* chariots than he had!!! Consider the implications of the complaint, those of you who may still be imbued with the fundamentally wrong idea that the Britons were uncultured, half-naked savages; no greater lie has ever been taught in our schools, except perhaps the higher critical fancies. The Romans were very good engineers, made very good weapons of war, etc., but the British engineers were quite their equal, and Caesar says better! And this implies an advanced civilisation, industry, metallurgy, engineering, etc. They minted their own coinage, (samples may be seen in the British Museum) and this betokens extensive commerce.

John Pym Yeatman (Barrister-at-Law) – in his book 'Early British History', writes on p.9. on the high state of culture of the early Britons, and says:-

> "Centuries before the Romans gained a foothold in this country the inhabitants were a polished and intellectual people, with a system of Jurisprudence of their own, superior even to the Laws of Rome."

He also states that the Romans acknowledged this, and on p.104 remarks about the untrue statements the Romans put out to cover their own misdeeds (a game at which the Germans and Russians and others of modern times are adepts):-

> "The stories of the atrocities of the Druids were mere inventions of the Romans to cover their own cruelties, and to excuse them. The religion of a people who were so mild and merciful that they would not even imprison their debtors, as did the Romans, could not be bloody."

With regard to the 'canard' that our early forefathers were naked savages, wearing woad and little else, that we were taught at school, – it is a complete misrepresentation of fact, but is unfortunately still current belief, and very difficult to eradicate. Caesar and other writers of that period give it the lie, showing that the compilers of our early history books were (and are) very ill-informed. When Nelson's Jack Tars went into action they *stripped* to the waist, displaying torsos and arms plentifully tattoed and decorated, just as the early Britons did. A long-standing custom in our history, and very prevalent also in the circles in which Tommy Atkins moves. But if you are looking for trouble just call them 'uncultured savages'. The Romans *knew* better, but had a habit of running down other people. Have a look at a standing witness, in London, the Statue to Queen Boadicea in her chariot. The real savages and barbarians were the Romans themselves, for example, they brutally scourged Queen Boadicea and outraged her two daughters. Read the story of her reign, it is an immortal one. When the Romans eventually defeated her she committed suicide rather than fall again into their hands!

For further information see 'The Painted Savages of England', by the *Rev. Alban Heath* M.A.; 'The Common Law', by the *Rev. Pascoe Goard;* 'Celt, Druid and Culdee', by *I. Hill Elder;* and 'Early Britain', by *Jacquetta Hawkes*, a well known archaeologist, who records many evidences of the culture of those early days recently dug up in Britain. See also 'Prehistoric London', by *E.O. Gordon*, who writes on p.147 :-

"It is generally thought that the Britons of this period were savages, clothed in skins. Quite the contrary was the case, as we learn from *Strabo*, a contemporary of King Cunobeline, (the Cymbeline of Shakespeare) who has left us a most vivid description of the dress of the Britons at this period which removes the false impression that the inhabitants of our island were a race of semi-civilised barbarians as regards their personal appearance and weapons."

Strabo – writes of our forbears the early Britons, whom the Roman invaders found such a tough proposition, as follows:-

"He came, not clad in skins like a Scythian, but with a bow in his hand, a quiver hanging on his shoulders, a plaid wrapped about his body, a gilded belt encircling his loins, and trousers reaching from the waist down to the soles of his feet. He was easy in his address; agreeable in his conversation; active in his despatch and secret in his management of great affairs; quick in judging of present accuracies, and ready to take his part in any sudden emergency; provident withal in guarding against futurity; diligent in the quest of wisdom; fond of friendship; trusting very little to fortune, yet having the entire confidence of others and trusted with everything for his prudence. He spoke Greek with a fluency that you would have thought he had been bred in the Lyceum and conversed all his life with the Academy of Athens."

In view of this tribute to the high state

of civilisation and culture in Britain in Caesar's time, which is confirmed by Tacitus and other Latin writers, and by Caesar himself, it is very difficult to understand how the compilers of our early English histories came to write such inaccurate rubbish about the Britons being barbarians and painted savages. If they were ignorant of the records of the Latin authors what is the value of the rest of their effusions? Such as the false story that *Augustine* "brought Christianity to this country". In fact he was met, on his arrival in Britain, by a deputation of Bishops from all parts of England and Wales! This was at Cirencester, and they refused to acknowledge the supremacy of Augustine. But the question arises – why did these historians ignore these and other facts when writing our school books? Was it pure ignorance?

In conclusion let me repeat again that the Bible should be read just as we read our newspaper or any other English book, to mean just what it says in the ordinary sense of the English text, for our translation is a perfect representation of the Hebrew thought and intention.

Read thus, it will be found that the Bible is a harmonious whole – one consistent theme and plan, one connected story from beginning to end.

In view of the many writers and the long period involved, the continuity and harmony of theme of the various prophetic statements regarding the future history of the two Houses of Israel and Judah and the Coming of a Saviour centuries before the events, is remarkable, and can only be accounted for by the operation of the Spirit of God guiding them, but, as Kipling was wont to say – that is another story.

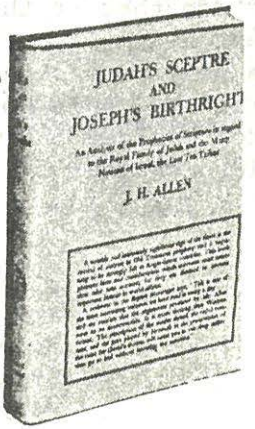
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By: F. W. Dowsett

ONE ONLY has to look at our daily newspapers to realise that world events are accelerating at an unprecendented rate. Hardly a day goes by but there appears news of some new startling development in international affairs. The Bible foretold these circumstances, for we read in Daniel 12:4.

> *" But thou O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end. Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased "*

Now nobody can possibly deny that knowledge has been greatly increased and that people are running to and fro in these days in which we are living. The increase in knowledge and the rate of transport that we have today has never been surpassed in the history of mankind. But the point that we must not overlook is that these things were to happen in the time of the end, and so we are faced with the conclusion that we today are living in this very time. To shut one's eyes to the fact does not alter the position in any way. Anyone who does this and refuses to face the reality of the times in which we live and the momentous events which are about to break upon this world are only deluding themselves. Too many people today have adopted the attitude that if they ignore these troubles that they will then automatically go away. I'm afraid that these people are in for a very rude shock. God has decreed judgment, and judgment there will be. Any who may doubt this or prefer to ignore it may like to consider the words contained in the Apocrypha found in the 16th chapter of the 2nd book of Esdras where we read:

> *" A fire has been sent upon you, and who is there to put it out. The sword has been sent upon you, and who is there to turn it aside. Misfortunes have been sent upon you, and who is there to drive them away. Can one drive off a hungry lion in the forest, or put out a fire in the stubble when it has once begun to burn. Can one turn back an arrow*

shot by a strong archer. If the Lord God sends misfortunes, who can turn them back. When fire goes out from His wrath, who is there to put it out. When He lightens, who will not fear. When He thunders, who will not shudder. When the Lord threatens who will not be utterly destroyed at His presence. For His right arm that bends the bow is strong. His arrows that He shoots are sharp: they will not miss when they begin to be shot to the ends of the earth. Behold, disasters are shot forth, and they will not return until they come upon the earth. A fire is lighted and will not be put out, until it consumes the foundations of the earth. Just as an arrow shot forth by a strong archer does not come back, so the disasters which shall be shot at the earth will not turn back. Alas for me! Who shall deliver me in those days."

This is the question that people all over the world are starting to ask. "Who shall deliver us". It is quite obvious that the efforts of man are quite inadequate for the situation that confronts us, not only as individuals, but also as a nation. Don't be misled for an instant by the vain hopes expressed for summit conferences and peace talks, both of which are heartily condemned by God Almighty. It is high time that we took notice of what God has to say, because He instructs us quite clearly, not only regarding our individual relationship with each other but also our national relationship with other nations. In 2 Cor. 6: 14-18 we read,

" *Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers, for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?*

And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living

God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean things; and I will receive you,

And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty."

The prophet Daniel has much to say regarding the days in which we now live. But he points not only to the judgment, but he also answers the question which I previously quoted, namely, *" Who shall deliver us."* In Daniel 12:1 we read,

" And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince that 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."

Here then is the answer. Those who will be delivered will be those whose names are found written in the Book. And who are the ones whose names will be written, and what book will contain those names? We learn from God's Word that the book is no other than the Lamb's Book of Life, and that those names are recorded therein are those who have accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as their own personal Saviour. That is why Christ instructed us in Luke 21: 35,

" Watch therefore and pray always that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man".

So we find that it will be no other than the Lord Jesus Christ who will deliver us. Individually, this will be accomplished at the First Resurrection, when those who have overcome will be changed in the twinkling of an eye and caught up in the air to meet the Lord on His return to this earth. Nationally,

we, God's Israel people will be delivered when Christ actually returns to this earth. When, as we read in Zech.14:4

" His feet shall stand upon the Mount of Olives which is before Jerusalem."

But what is to immediately preceed this final deliverance? God has not left us in darkness regarding this. He tell us in Daniel 12:10

" The wicked shall do wickedly, and none of the wicked shall understand, but the wise shall understand".

Let me assure you friends that if our Socialist-minded pro-Russian leaders were to read God's Word and understand what God has declared about them they would quickly change their minds in regard to their plans for world domination and the annihilation of Anglo-Saxon race and the Christian Faith of which we are nationally the bulwark. But their eyes are blinded by their own wickedness and so they shall, as we just read, continue to do wickedly, and none of the wicked shall understand. I wonder how many people realise the irony of the communists' position. Satan is leading them down the garden path with all sorts of promises of world domination and greatness, using them in an effort to destroy God's Anglo-Israel people, but all the time has conveniently forgotten to let them in on the ' Top Secret', that their reward for attempting to destroy God's people will be their own annihilation. And make no mistake about it, this is exactly what God has promised regarding our enemies in the coming conflict. Surely a knowledge of God's Word that gives us such an assurance of God's faithfulness and protection can not be brushed aside and ignored. In these days of so much confusion of thought, especially in regard to the meaning of God's Word, it is imperative that we correctly understand what God has recorded for us in the Bible. When we realise that we the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic people are God's people Israel, then we are brought face to face with the amazing and comforting conclusion that all the promises of protection and deliverance that God makes in the Bible are directed, not to some other nation, but to us. Isn't it about time that we not

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Mine Offering.

By Barry Hunt

"Therefore wait ye upon me, saith the LORD . . for mine determination is to gather the nations . . to pour upon them mine indignation. For then will I turn to the people a pure language, that they may all call upon the name of the LORD to serve him with one consent. From beyond the rivers of Ethiopia my suppliants, even the daughter of my dispersed, shall bring mine offering. In those days thou shalt not be ashamed for all thy doings wherein thou hast transgressed against me."

For some years now thinking Christians have been well aware of the significance of the third chapter of the prophecies of Zephaniah, from which the above verses have been condensed. We have recognised the timing revealed by the words "for my determination is to gather the nations to pour upon them mine indignation". We are satisfied that we have fixed the locality of the lands which are "beyond the rivers of Ethiopia". We are convinced as to the identity of the people referred to as "my suppliants, even the daughter of my dispersed" and "the remnant of Israel". We know beyond a shadow of doubt that this passage of Scripture was addressed to the White, Christian rearguard who would be living in Southern Africa at our particular period of history. In short, we know that through this passage of Scripture God is speaking directly to US.

We have seized gratefully upon the words of comfort and assurance which these verses contain, but we have been strangely reluctant to admit and to act upon the knowledge that the operative clause of these closing verses of Zephaniah is contained in those vital words "shall bring mine offering". This persisting reluctance is indeed strange when we consider that we have already had tangible proof that Rhodesia's initial effort, weak and uncertain as it admittedly was, to bring God His offering was immediately rewarded by the unmistakable manifestations of the blessings of strength, security and joy which these verses tell us will be our lot when we do eventually bring God the offering He is waiting for. For nearly three years Rhodesia stood proud and confident in the knowledge that she no longer had need to feel ashamed for all her doings over the past fifteen years wherein she had transgressed against God by acquiescing so supinely while the One-Worlders worked so effectively to have the stranger and the heathen rule over her against the express commandment of God.

Before we proceed any further, it might be as well to note that the clause is mandatory – "SHALL bring mine offering". The extent and the severity of the tribulation we still have to undergo depends entirely upon our willingness to undertake this task which, because it

is God-imposed, will inevitably bring the whole of the heathen world against Southern Africa with ever-increasing ferocity. Until we decide to do it properly the world will continue to hammer us with devastating effect. WHEN we decide to do it properly, God will protect Southern Africa from the blows just as He was shielding Rhodesia until a few short months ago.

And what is this "mine offering" which Christians from Southern Africa eventually must bring to the Lord our God? There has been much speculation on this point, but there seems little room for doubt when the Scriptures abound in a wealth of references to what is pleasant and acceptable to God. It is usual to prove a knotty theological problem by quoting, preferably out of context, a carefully selected text and then interpreting that text in such a way as to ensure that it conforms with the thesis. I prefer to take four references virtually at random and let them speak for themselves. All I do ask is that you read these texts in their full context. They leave little doubt on what so many Christians like to pretend is a vexed question because of the uncomfortable duties which immediately become apparent if one accepts the truth.

The first reference is from Malachi. This is a good one to start with because if you will be good enough to follow the reference in its full context you will see that a few verses further on Malachi has some very pertinent things to say about the law of tithing. As I shall endeavour to show, our attitude towards God's Laws in general has a direct bearing on this question of "mine offering" and the predicament in which Western Christian civilisation now finds itself.

What Malachi has to say about tithing seems to fit so many Christians so well today. Either we ignore completely the law on tithing, or we do not tithe properly. If we do make any effort to tithe we feel that we are obliged to pay our tithes to the churches, even though our principal criticism against all the churches is that church leaders are in the very forefront of those who are smashing beyond recognition the faith once delivered to the saints. Furthermore, we know that these tithes eventually make their way to bodies like the World Council of Churches, who not only maintain that 90% of your Bible (including the law on tithing!) must be thrown into the dustbin, but are also Communist-controlled. Talk about paying lip-service to God while making quite sure that you keep in with Baal! Only a few months ago the World Council of Churches sponsored its own Mission to Moscow – a mission of so-called Christians who went trotting obediently off to Moscow to strike a bargain with the atheists who have vowed that Christianity is their greatest enemy and must be smashed. Well, jolly good luck to them. He who sups with the devil needs a long spoon.

But this is largely beside the point. It is up to each individual to satisfy himself that his tithe is, in fact, being properly used to the glory of God's Holy Name. If we cannot be bothered to ensure that they are being properly used or, what is worse, if we entrust our tithe to those whom we actually know are going to

mis-use them, then we only have ourselves to blame when we start to reap where we have sown. On the question of an offering which is acceptable to God Malachi has this to say in Chapter 3, "But who may abide the day of his coming, and who shall stand at his appearing? . . . for he shall purify them and purge them as gold . . . that they may offer unto the Lord an offering of RIGHTEOUSNESS. And then shall the offering be pleasant unto the Lord as it was in the days of old."

In Romans 14 we read, "For the Kingdom of God is not meat and drink, but RIGHTEOUSNESS and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. For he that in these things serveth Christ is acceptable to God . . . ."

And this comes from Ephesians, Chapter 5, "Let no man deceive you with vain words for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience . . . for the fruit of the spirit is in all goodness and RIGHTEOUSNESS and truth proving what is acceptable unto the Lord."

And in case you are still not satisfied here is a contribution from I Peter 2, "Ye also as lively stones are built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ, who in his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we being dead to sin should live unto RIGHTEOUSNESS."

There are numerous other references on the same lines, but you will notice that in the four I have quoted, one from the Old Testament and three from the New, the stress is that the offering which is pleasant and acceptable to God is an offering of RIGHTEOUSNESS. Any dictionary will tell you that righteousness in its true and original meaning is "observance of the Divine Law". Note that well please. Not man's law, not the moral law as interpreted by some advocate of the New Morality, but the DIVINE law which was the basis of the Common Law of this country before man got to work on it with his statutory law. This, then, is the offering that we, "my suppliants from beyond the rivers of Ethiopia" should be bringing unto the Lord our God at this very moment in history.

And what are we, in fact, doing about it? Nothing, just nothing at all. Rhodesia did start to do something about it once, and the fact that she promptly experienced a minor boom in the face of unprecedented vindictiveness from the predominantly heathen world should have been sufficient to assure her that she was on the right lines. Even the most ardent supporter must now concede as axiomatic that anything likely to find approval in the eyes of the God of the Christian Bible is sufficient to reduce the rest of the world to a state of apoplectic fury. Rhodesia's tentative effort to bring God His offering was not allowed to last long. The minor boom is receding to a nostalgic memory of what might have been, while the mounting hatred of the heathen world remains a very real and grim reminder of what is to come unless Rhodesia has the courage to return to the task. In the meantime she once again stands almost naked and defenceless.

But how lucky we Christians really are! The glorious good news of the whole of the Bible is that we have a God Who will never

tire in His love and His mercy. It is never too late, however indolent or uncaring we may have been, however black the record against us. In Psalm 107 we read of those who actually "rebelled against the word of God and condemned the counsel of the Most High. Therefore he brought down their hearts and they fell down and there was none to help . . . Then they cried aloud unto the Lord in their trouble and he saved them out of their distresses and brake their bands in sunder." I am not sure that we have actually gone as far as that. We have not positively rebelled against God, or I hope we have not. Nor have we, openly at any rate, condemned the counsel of the Most High. But I do suggest that we have ignored that counsel to the point of open rebellion. There is no doubt that we are in very real trouble and it is high time we started crying out for help.

If we believe that the third chapter of Zephaniah is addressed to us (and if we believe the Bible to be the Word of God we must know full well that it is addressed to us) then shouldn't we be doing something positive about bringing God His offering? He is obviously waiting for us to bring Him His offering and by refusing to bring it we are rebelling against God, are we not? Just ask Harold Wilson – he will tell you all about rebellions. By refusing to bring Wilson and his masters their offering of "one man, one vote, once only" Rhodesia is said to have rebelled against Wilson. How much more, then, are we rebelling against God by refusing to bring Him His offering?

In 1965 Rhodesia perpetrated what the stunned One-Worlders have since convinced the faint-hearted was that "incredible act of folly" – the Unilateral Declaration of Independence. Rhodesians have been persuaded to forget that their Government was forced to take that step to avoid what our prudish Victorian grandparents would euphemistically have called a fate worse than death, but which our modern writers would not hesitate to describe in all its brutality and horror for the victim – and White Christian Rhodesians were under no illusion as to who the victim was to be. Christians from one end of the world to the other thrilled to hear the Prime Minister broadcasting to the world Rhodesia's open acknowledgement of the sovereignty of God, and his proud but undeniable boast that Rhodesia had struck a blow for Christianity. The response was immediate and it was terrific. Friends of Rhodesia rallied to her aid with such enthusiasm that for some unknown reason her Government went out of its way to discourage them. We saw Christians from all over the world, whether they had heard of British-Israel or not, brought to their feet in the excitement of watching Rhodesia, this land from beyond the rivers of Ethiopia, taking its first faltering steps, literally staggering under the unaccustomed burden of God's offering. We believed then, and the immediate results have since convinced us, that at that moment in her history Rhodesia was walking straight into the welcoming arms of God, Who has waited so long now for just one section of His people, however small and insignificant that section might be in the eyes of the world, to start the mighty army of Christian Israel on its long march back to the camp of the Lord God of

Israel, from where we can safely thumb our noses at the forces of hell which are ranged against us.

But – something went wrong. Rhodesia never reached that camp. She was ambushed somewhere along the way, and those forces of hell are now closing in for what they are confident is to be the kill. WHY? Why has the Lord our God Whose faithfulness we have never doubted for a moment allowed this to happen to us? Any thinking Christian in Rhodesia believes that he can tell you why. For the simple reason that this country suddenly stopped chasing after the Kingdom of God and, on its own admission, now stands afraid and trembling under the baleful glare of world opinion. If, as their leaders told them a few months ago, Rhodesians believe that they must bow to the atheistic opinion of this world instead of trying to bow, however clumsily, to the clearly expressed opinions of God, then we Christians in Rhodesia can do no more than start singing that old song "So long, it's been good to know you"

It is an incontestable historical fact that when Rhodesia was acting in conformity with the Will of God, or when sincere Christians throughout the world genuinely believed that to be the case, then the rest of the world could only sit back in amazement watching that country experiencing a minor boom. No weapon that was formed against her could prosper, whether in the shape of brainwashing, cajolements, sanctions, terrorist incursions, threats of armed invasion or what have you. The country went from strength to strength. But as soon as her leaders started to shift the emphasis from God to so-called world opinion then all the doubts and troubles and dangers which had been lying in wait for just such a moment as this started to flood back over the country.

And the tragedy is that so many Rhodesians knew in their heart of hearts that that is exactly what would happen, and throughout all those joyous days of 1965 and 1966 they tried to steel themselves for the disappointment they knew was coming. They knew that all this had happened so many times before in the history of their race.

Again, it is an incontestable historical fact that when the angel of Revelation came down with the open Book in his hand and presented that Book to the people of England in the 16th Century, there was that tremendous resurgence of faith which brought England back to the God of our Bible. Tiny England promptly made her own U.D.I. against the yoke of the unscriptural Church of Rome and in the face of apparently overwhelming opposition was suddenly transformed into the greatest power for good that this world has ever seen. And England remained the greatest power for good that this world has ever seen for just so long as she continued to acknowledge the sovereignty of God, and for not one moment longer. Surely we cannot afford to ignore the fact that England ceased to be any power at all from the moment she chose to be ruled by an atheistic, Communist-inspired government? We are the only people who talk about Communists. The Russians do not call themselves Communist. They, quite correctly, call themselves the United Soviet SOCIALIST Republics. The

British Labour Government calls itself, quite correctly, the British SOCIALIST Government. Lord Strachey, a Cabinet Minister in the first Labour Government after the war, gave the members of his party some very sound advice, and I quote, "It is apparent that Britain is not yet ready for Communism, so for the time being we should call it SOCIALISM". That is why I say that the moment Britain chose to be ruled by a Communist-inspired government which has as one of its stated party principles the total rejection of the God of our Bible and the substitution of the god of man's mind, Britain ceased to be the greatest power for good this world has ever seen and promptly reverted to that tinpot nation on a small island we are all watching with such amazed disbelief today.

Dare we ignore the historical fact that Israel became irresistible when she put all her trust in the God of Israel and entered Canaan under Joshua, but 700 years later came to the very brink of disaster when she went a-whoring after Baal under Ahab and Jezebel? Dare we ignore the historical fact that Israel reached her highest peak when she returned to the God of Israel under David and Solomon, but started on the downward path which this time did end in total defeat and deportation from the very moment when Solomon took unto himself strange wives and went a-whoring after their strange gods? Dare we ignore the historical fact that England, whom we identify as "lost" Israel, rose to unprecedented heights of glory as soon as she returned to that same God of Israel, the God of our Bible, after the Reformation, but crashed to ignominy and the openly-expressed contempt of the whole heathen world the moment she took unto herself a government which has rejected the God of our Bible and gone a-whoring after the Communist god of man's mind? Dare we ignore the historical fact that Rhodesia, whom we identify as part of "lost" Israel, prospered in the face of snarling world hostility when she openly acknowledged the sovereignty of that same God of Israel, the God of our Bible, and boasted about fighting for Christianity, but found herself once more being forced back against the wall from the moment her leaders forgot the God of our Bible and went a-whoring after the god of atheistic World Opinion? These questions are not prompted by the blind religious faith of a weak intellect. They are based on the secular history every schoolboy knows.

And what is this god of World Opinion before which Rhodesia and the rest of the Western world grovels so abjectly? It is quite impossible to define accurately, for the simple reason that there is, in fact, no such thing as world opinion. The closest one can hope to get is to define world opinion as the latest rantings of a dictator from the Afro-Asian bloc who lives in daily dread of being roasted alive and eaten in a public square by the millions he holds in voiceless subjection by force and terror. There are cases on record where two or more such dictators have agreed to bury the hatchet in a well marked grave while they rant jointly. The fact that each of these dictators will be saying something quite different tomorrow and will probably be at each other's throats before the week is out is incidental, provided always that the enormity of White Christianity's crimes against mankind remains the theme. And just who measures world opi-

nion is difficult to say. The only constant factor must be that on no account may any Protestant Christian nation be allowed to share in the formulation or assessment of World Opinion. For some strange reason, though, the Pope and General de Gaulle are among the anointed spokesmen and assessors of World Opinion. Or is the reason really so strange? The only privilege enjoyed by the other Western nations is to make instant obeisance to the current clatter of a Kenyatta or a Nasser or such parts thereof as the world press sees fit to publish to those nations.

Rhodesia's history from 1965 to the end of 1967, when she was openly acknowledging her allegiance to God and boasting about her Christian heritage, speaks more eloquently than any words. But look at Rhodesia today. The rapid strides forward are no longer evident. At best she has been halted in her tracks, if she is not slowly drifting back. As a prominent visitor from South Africa expressed it to me, "Rhodesia seems to have lost her sense of purpose." Gone, forever it seems, are the days when Rhodesians clustered round their radios knowing that they would hear their Prime Minister assure them that there was nothing to worry about as Rhodesia was fighting to remain on God's side. No more, it seems, will Rhodesians thrill to the unexpected experience of hearing a Parliamentary candidate during a radio broadcast openly praying over the air for God's help and guidance in the task he was asking the listening voters to entrust to him. God, and the need to acknowledge Him and to conform to His Laws, are forgotten in the interminable wrangles over constitutions, blocking thirds, second safeguards, flags and all the other urgent problems which have to be solved in such a way as to satisfy insatiable world opinion. Why Rhodesians have allowed themselves to be blinded by these stratagems of Satan after the experience of the past three years is impossible to assess. Truly has Rhodesia lost its sense of purpose – and well does the average citizen know that fact, without being aware of the reason. And these are stratagems of Satan, designed to attract and hold the minds and eyes of Rhodesians away from their God – and Christian Israel should know by now that if she cannot see her God, then she just cannot see anything.

We do not suggest for one moment that all this is being done wittingly by Rhodesian leaders to bring about the downfall of Rhodesia, which will be inevitable if it continues. Quite the contrary. But we do say quite categorically that unless the Rhodesian Government regains sight of the fact that its only hope of success is to ensure that its thoughts and words and actions conform as closely as possible to the Will and the Laws of God, then Satan will, indeed, be able to use them as the architects of their own destruction.

Speaking through the prophet Isaiah, God shows us what is His, and should therefore be our, contempt for world opinion when He says, "Hearken unto ME, ye that know righteousness, the people in whose hearts is my law; fear NOT ye the reproach of men and neither be ye afraid of their revilings". And yet, Rhodesians have recently been told by their leaders that if they do not take heed of

the world opinion which is ranged so implacably against them, then they will be crazy. Their own history proves to thinking Christians in Rhodesia that if their government hearkens unto atheistic world opinion instead of hearkening unto their God, then they must be stark, staring, suicidal maniacs.

Rhodesia, in common with the rest of Christian Israel, has had her constitution on her statute books for the past 3,500 years – ever since her forefathers unanimously voted "All that the Lord hath spoken we will do". And, in common with the rest of her kinsfolk throughout the world, the only matter in which she is being entirely consistent is the way in which she breaks every single clause of that constitution. God has told us quite clearly what the consequences will be if we choose to act unconstitutionally – not because He is a tyrant Who gets angry if we do not do what He tells us, but because if we choose to break His Holy Laws we cannot avoid setting into operation the inevitable laws of cause and effect. We know that if we choose to jump over the precipice we break our necks because we have chosen to violate God's law of gravity. We know that He created this law of gravity not, as His critics like to tell us, because He delights at the sight of broken bodies at the foot of precipices, but to keep the whole of His universe in perfect equilibrium. We know that defiance of the law of gravity means instant destruction, and yet we dare to take a chance by flying in the face of other equally well-known laws because the inevitable consequences are not so immediately spectacular. While I think of it, Joel predicts that a section of the Israel people living at the end of the Christian Dispensation would experience a serious shortage of "oil" because of their refusal to obey the laws which God gave them at Sinai. Those of you who have a concordance should check on the meaning of that word 'oil'. It means the oil that was used for lighting, heating and cooking. It means industrial oil, or petrol and lubricants. Rhodesia is the only country which has suffered from a shortage of such oil throughout the whole of the Christian Dispensation, except in times of war. It seems that there may be a direct connection between the mandatory sanctions imposed by men and the voluntary transgression of the laws of God. It would not be the first time God has used evil men to bring the lesson home to His wayward people.

Am I seriously suggesting that Protestant Christian countries should, in this modern day and age, try to revert to the antiquated "Jewish" laws of the Bible? Yes. That is exactly what I am suggesting. Why should this be such a ludicrous suggestion in the eyes of Christians, as it obviously is? Are we Christian or are we not? As soon as Satan puts forward some new-fangled idea for world misgovernment we all grab at it with both hands, only to find ourselves in an even worse mess than we were before. The New Testament on which Christians profess to base the whole of their lives makes it perfectly clear, our theologians notwithstanding, that Christ did not come to destroy or set aside the law as detailed in the Old The Ordinances, yes – but not one jot nor tittle would in any way pass from the LAW until ALL was fulfilled. Not

even the most confirmed spiritualiser of the Scriptures has dared to suggest that all has yet been fulfilled. Furthermore, anyone who breaks the least of these laws, or teaches men to break them, he shall be least in the Kingdom of God. It should be simple enough for the Christian to choose whom to believe, Christ Whom we have just quoted or our theologians.

But the first sneer will come from our fellow-Christians – and they will be in eager company. The Christian's sneer will only be outmatched by that of the One-Worlder. The Christian's sneer will be the result of his shameful ignorance. The One-Worlder's will be prompted by the horrified certainty that the suggestion, if adopted, would mean the end of him and his fast-maturing plans for world enenslavement. The Christian, true to the teachings of his church, will not have bothered much about the Old Testament and most certainly will not have made even a cursory study of the Laws of the Lord. One-Worlders, on the other hand, have studied the Old Testament as closely as they have studied Marx's Communist Manifesto, because they have long realised that the easiest way to achieve their stated goal of smashing Christianity which stands in their way is to infiltrate the Christian Churches and, working from within, smash the Old Testament which is the essential foundation of the New. The technique is childishly simple, and its success is now painfully apparent for all to see. However carefully we fertilize the soil and nurture the foliage, when the cut-worm severs the tap-root the plant withers and dies. Expunge the Old Testament, and the New becomes a meaningless collection of sanctimonious twaddle from which anyone with any intelligence at all must turn away in sickened disgust. No wonder Christianity is a dying force in the world today!

Our present mess is due purely and simply to the fact that our churches and our governments have got so far away from the perfect Law of the Lord as set out in the Old Testament which Christ was forever quoting that both are now totally incapable of organising a children's Sunday School picnic, let alone the highly complex spiritual and temporal administration of a nation of grown-up people. God, if He so wished, is quite capable of doing things His way without the aid of any church or nation, but any church or nation which attempts to run its affairs without the direct aid of God is doomed from the outset. Israel proved twice in what is called the Mosaic Dispensation, and England and Rhodesia have proved twice in the Christian Dispensation, that trying, however ineptly, to follow God's Laws as detailed in our Bible is crowned with instant success, while turning our backs on those laws leads to certain disaster. It is not a matter of faith. It is simply a matter of making an assessment of cold, historical fact. I repeat, even if Christians are too stupid to grasp these facts, the atheistic architects of World Government and their disciples show us quite clearly from their own writings that they are not.

This is not the product of a fevered brain which has cracked under the relentless pressure of sanctions or the crushing sense of guilt engendered by the feeling of ostracism

from the warm fellowship of the world brotherhood of men (or whatever the current jargon may be). It is nothing more nor less than the pleasant and acceptable offering of RIGHTEOUSNESS that we SHALL, whether we like it or not, bring to God from beyond the rivers of Ethiopia. Incidentally, ultimately we are all going to live under God's "archaic" constitution whether we vote for it now or not, so we might just as well start getting ourselves acquainted with it as soon as possible.

As this Journal has mentioned before, if every reader would begin to live the faith he professes, there would be a revolution of such magnitude that the rest of the world would just have to sit up and take notice. But do we really believe that? Or do we, in our heart of hearts, agree with world opinion that God has allowed clever, modern man to out-strip Him in ideas and methods and results? No wonder God is sorrowfully holding back, watching Rhodesia find out the hard way just what it really means when a nation thinks it is clever enough to go it alone, in the true sense of that phrase.

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THE SOCIAL GOSPEL

By D. Burnett

Mr. David Burnett of Burwood has drawn our attention to a letter written to the "GLEBE " Newspaper by the Rev. Jeff McKinnon claiming that:-

1. The Bible does not advocate RACIAL DISCRIMINATION;
2. The Bible teaches that God . . . loves men and women of ALL NATIONS (without qualification and in contradistinction to Bible quotations quoted hereunder;)
3. (He implies) GOD FAILED when ISRAEL FAILED and thereby required CHRIST'S coming.

Mr. Burnett points out in his letter to us that the Rev. McKinnon's message is clearly that of HUMANISM OF THE SOCIAL GOSPEL - SATAN'S COUNTERFEIT TO AN UNBELIEVING WORLD!

Following is Mr. Burnett's letter in reply to the Rev. McKinnon:-

"Jeff McKinnon's letter reads like any writer of the Social Gospel or process theology, which God warns us against in 2 Tim. 4:3 in that the people would turn to teachers with itching ears, because they "shall be turned into FABLES."

2 Tim. 3:16 assures us at the hand of PAUL that "all (O.T.) Scripture is given by INSPIRATION of God and is profitable for reproof." Paul was instructed of Christ Himself.(Gal.1:11-12).

Rev. McKinnon's epistle IGNORES the context of the whole chapters of Ezra 9 and 10 where the Israel nation (NOT today's JEWS, who did not come into terminology till after the captivity) is warned of "the FILTHINESS of the people of the lands with their ABOMINATIONS . . with their UNCLEANNESS . . therefore, GIVE NOT YOUR DAUGHTERS UNTO THEIR SONS . . NEITHER THEIR DAUGHTERS UNTO YOUR SONS." WHY? That your land may be left "an inheritance to your children for ever." That is, so that STRANGERS will not dispossess your children of their RIGHTFUL INHERITANCE and so that DISEASE will not spread among you. (Today we see Vietnamese bringing into our country INCURABLE

V.D. strains; they are also taking precedence at an STC factory.)

Numbers 31:16 reiterates that FOREIGN women fornicated with Israel's MALES and gave them serious diseases. (The Hittites ceased as a nation after a mighty plague was spread among that nation by EGYPTIAN prisoners of war)!

Deut. 7:3-4 warns against any marriages with foreign women "BECAUSE THEY WILL TURN AWAY THY SON FROM FOLLOWING ME." To forstall this, God issued the "terrible edict" in Deut. 7:16, "Thou shalt consume ALL the people . . neither shalt thou serve their gods; for THAT will be a snare unto thee." (We see attempts to build up foreign races in Britain and Australia!)

Indeed, Deut. 22:9-11 warns Israel "thou shall not sow thy vineyard with divers seeds - lest the fruit be defiled." Even at this time, Mendelian laws were understood; mongrelisation was to be avoided. Lev. 19:19 repeats this warning, extending it: "Thou shalt not let thy cattle gender with a diversekind (nor) sow thy field with mingled seed."

BECAUSE mongrelisation was impurity in the nation which God had set out to sift genetically and purify spiritually, he forbade "bastards" (any person of mixed breed) from entering the "congregation of the Lord, even to his TENTH GENERATION"! (Deut. 23:2).

Lev. 20:23 repeats the exhortation that Israel must "not walk in the manners of the nation that I cast out before you for they committed all these things." (The chapter tells you the things were fornication of every kind among humans and animals). Verse 24 stresses: "I have separated you from OTHER people."

Joshua 23:12-13 warns Israel that if they intermarry with the remnant of these nations "KNOW FOR A CERTAINTY" that God will no more drive out these nations from before you, but they shall be snares and traps unto you and a scourge in your sides and thorns in your eyes "until ye perish from off this good land."

Jeff McKinnon, in reverse, says "we will perish from off this good land <u>if we don't let strangers take over our land</u>!"

In the sense of bastardisation, the 7th Commandment also forbids ADULTERATION of the seed of races as God forbids bastardisation of stock and crop seeds.

It is understandable, then, that Christ condemned soundly

the "doctrine of BALAAM". (Ref. 2:14 - See Numbers 31:16-21-24). Dr. C. I. Schofield says, "the doctrine of Balaam was his teaching Balak to corrupt the people who could not be cursed by tempting them to marry women of Moab, defile their separation and abandon their pilgrim character."

In Ps. 105-15, Lam. 4:20, Hab. 3:13, God speaks of his Israel as his "anointed" - i.e., "set apart."

Briefly, the foregoing can be called the Election of Race; in Gal. 3:29, this election of race is NOT cast aside as McKinnon implies, but is extended to the Election of Grace so that "if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed and heirs according to the promise," (given to Abraham and his elect Israel); through faith are we Abraham's heirs and become part of "the elect of God" (Col. 3:12).

Ref. McKinnon's reference then to Col. 3:11 etc where we are told there is "neither Greek nor Jew" simply means in the spiritual sense by adoption as Abraham's heirs; RACISM IS STILL NOT ANNULLED; We STILL in the New Testament are warned sternly against fraternisation with unbelievers: "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers." (2 Cor. 6:14). Recall, too, Rev. 2:14.

Space requirements prevent a fuller reply to Rev. McKinnon's Social Gospel message, but it is clear that God does NOT "love men and women of ALL nations" for many are a snare to His anointed, either racially or spiritually. Christ did not come to earth to die for ALL men "when Israel failed" for we are told in Gen. 3:15 long before Israel existed that God had (s)elected a Saviour. Romans 11:25 gives us a secret: "I would not that ye be ignorant of this MYSTERY . . that BLINDNESS IN PART has happened to Israel UNTIL the fulness of the gentiles (nations) be come in and so ALL Israel shall be saved." Paul cannot refer to the Jews for they KNOW their identity; Israel does NOT know their identity and WILL NOT KNOW their identity until a future date when God opens their eyes; so they remain hidden among the nations TO THIS DAY!

My quotations from the New Testament are as God-breathed as those of the Old Testament, as shown above. So, I have established an unbroken Divine thread guaranteeing that the Old Testament racism not only was required by God on genetic and spiritual grounds, but is continued to present-day Israel, THOUGH

BLIND TO HER IDENTITY. The Old Testament election of race is carried through to the New Testament as the election of Grace whereunder individuals by personal salvation are granted by adoption by God as children of Abraham. It is this truth that mocks McKinnon's implication that Christ came to earth because God failed with Israel as an anointed people. Agnostics can remain assured that God and Israel did NOT "fail"; that Israel is still being genetically and spiritually sifted and that "racism" is still required of the Israelite whether of blood or of adoption.

THROUGH JUDGMENT TO RIGHTEOUSNESS

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only read the 100th. Psalm as part of our prayers, but believed exactly what is recorded therein.

> *" Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come before His presence with singing. Know ye that the Lord, He is God. It is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves. WE ARE HIS PEOPLE, AND THE SHEEP OF HIS PASTURE. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise. Be thankful unto Him, and bless His name. For the Lord is good. His mercy is everlasting, and His truth endureth to all generations."*

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By Kenneth C. Bayman

"The LORD said: '. . . I will proceed to do a marvellous work among this People, even a wonder: for the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the understanding of their prudent men shall be hid." (Isaiah 2:14).

". . . they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie." (II Thessalonians 20:10-11).

Frequent references to the theory of evolution have appeared in the present series of articles. This dangerous lie concerning the origin of humankind has permeated the very thought-fabric of modern civilised man. It has shaped the times in which we live, to an extent second only to Christianity itself. Indeed, there are propagandists who are ready to claim that the philosophical speculations of evolution theorists have superseded the teachings of Christianity.

The controversy between the Bible and the protagonists of the evolution theory has by no means subsided, as compared with the arguments and counter-arguments which raged in the early years of the present century, or the latter years of the last century. The dispute has merely taken on a different, and more clearly definable form. An increased factual knowledge has affected the thinking of a wider circle of intelligent people: thus there is today – for the first time since the evolution theory appeared in the middle of last century – an opportunity for laymen to utilise factual knowledge for the purpose of critically examining the basis of evolution theory.

The fallacy that "evolution" is a proved fact of science is so widely held that all contrary evidence – even that admitted by evolutionists themselves – receives little or no publicity. Evolution has become the Great Orthodoxy of the phenomenal 20th century. Those who would question its dogmas are no less heretics than the martyrs of early Protestantism who perished at the stake for their beliefs.

Even in a country like South Africa, where the governing political party espouses a belief in the authority and reliability of the Holy Scriptures, and the Sovereignty of Almighty God is acknowledged in the Constitution, the opportunities for propagating anti-evolutionary views are very limited. Many intellectuals who pay lip-service to conventional Christian faith accept "evolution" in a vague kind of way in the attempt to "keep up with the moderns." They are not interested in a militant Christian faith actively seeking to expose the hollow sham masquerading as "science" in our schools and universities. And, on the other hand, the ordinary people are not interested either in accepting or rejecting the concept of "evolution" as an explanation for the existence of living species and of man himself. With the gradual lessening of the church's hold on the masses, it has become a matter of indifference to

most people as to whether they came to exist through evolution or creation. They have a hazy idea that evolution is only a method of creation, anyway.

What the average intelligent person fails to realise is that the very things he cherishes most – all those things which are part and parcel of that civilised way of living known as "Christian" and "western" culture – *are being threatened by the consequences of the evolution theory.*

The evil harvest of consequences is being reaped in increasing measure by the whole of our western civilisation. Therefore it is of the utmost importance that the facts now available – *facts*, as contrasted with *opinions* – be widely spread so that the devilish deception of evolution be understood for what it is: a quasi-science and not true knowledge.

Already the orderliness and stability of western civilisation are tottering because of the "white-anting" going on at its Christian foundations. And let us make no mistake: the edifice of our civilisation was built on the foundations of Christian morality and not on the shifting sands of atheistic materialism.

Among the evil fruits of the evolution theory is the notion that writings as old as the Holy Scriptures have no relevance for "modern" days. This illogical reasoning does not stop there, however; it goes on to claim that "new" principles, "new" standards, must replace the old. Thus, standards of conduct which have their roots in eternal truth are brought into question, as if they were merely whims of fashion. "Old-fashioned" is the epithet flung at those who endeavour to maintain Christian standards in private and public life. It is an epithet aimed chiefly at youth: the cult of the teenager is one aspect of the same movement. It is becoming more and more apparent that the unseen powers of evil are shifting their emphasis from the mature masses to the youthful masses. This can have only one meaning: they have an intense desire to hasten the process of demolition which is breaking up Christian civilisation. One thinks of the warning in Revelation 12:12: "Woe to the inhabiters of the earth . . . for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that *he hath but a short time.*"

It is highly significant that without exception, attacks on the Christian faith and the kind of life which it advocates, emanate from adversaries who base their attacks *on the theory of evolution.*

What possible explanation can there be for this strange phenomenon? Why should those who live in and enjoy the benefits of Protestant Christian civilisation do their level best to destroy the very basis on which their orderly and prosperous communities are founded? Professor G. Macready Price, a leading geologist of the U.S.A. and author of a number of standard text-books on the subject, has given us one answer to this question: "All thinkers have to reckon with this strange bent of the human mind to convince itself of the needlessness of God."

Of course, behind this "strange bent of the human mind" is *the fact of sin.* It is because man is a sinner *and he knows it,* that he tries to convince himself that there is no God; and to account for the presence of an orderly universe without a Personal God, he

has recourse to the theory of evolution.

In reality, the theory is nothing but a dishonest attempt to foist on humanity as "science" something which is not knowledge but a mere hotch-potch of opinions.

As might be expected from such a source, the fruits of this evil teaching have been evil in all respects. Whether concerning individuals or nations, this is true.

Haeckel, one of Darwin's disciples, wrote a book with the title "Evolution of Man." Typical of the lack of scientific basis are the following brief extracts from Chapter XIX of that book:

"The special indication of stem-forms in detail will *always be more or less incomplete and hypothetical.*"

"The evidence on which we build is *imperfect and always will be imperfect.*"

"The first of our documents, paelontology (evidence of fossils) *is exceedingly incomplete.*"

"The second source of evidence, ontogeny (evolution of individual organisms) *is not less incomplete.*

"The recapitulation of phylogeny by ontogeny is . . . *never wholly complete.*"

"Finally, the third and most valuable source of evidence, comparative anatomy, *is also, unfortunately, very imperfect.*"

"We must grant, however, that in the whole stem history of vertebrates, the long stretch from the Gastraedes and Platodes up to the oldest Chordonia remains *by far the most obscure section.*"

A candid critic writes indignantly: "For such a man to call himself scientific is a travesty of the truth."

But the disciple was no better than his master, for in the two major books of Darwin on evolution which gave rise to the modern form of the theory, uncertain and doubtful expressions similar to the ones quoted above occur more than 800 times.

And the fruit of such uncertain speculations?

Because Haeckel was convinced that evolution was true, and because the evidence available was incomplete, he *forged evidence to fit in with the theory of evolution.* Here is his own admission: "To put an end to this unsavoury dispute, I begin at once with the contrite confession that a small number of embryo diagrams are really forgeries in Dr. Brass's sense. I should feel utterly condemned and annihilated by the admission, were it not that *hundreds of the best observers and biologists lie under the same charge.* The great majority of all morphological, anatomical, histological and embryological diagrams are not true to nature, but are more or less doctored, schematized and reconstructed." (*Muncher Allgemeine Zeitung*, January, 1909.)

Compare the above statement with the following claim by an out-and-out evolutionist, Prof. (later Sir) Julian Huxley: "Science insists on continual verification by testing against facts, because the bitter experience of history is that without constant testing man's imagination and logical faculty run away with him and in the long run make a fool of him." Where was the *testing against facts* in the case of Haeckel? And, before

him, in the case of Darwin?

Sir Julian Huxley visited South Africa a few years ago and his visit was made the occasion to launch a succession of attacks against Christianity and all that it stands for, in the English-language press of this country. Needless to say, when he wrote the above-quoted words, he was using them against the conservative Christian viewpoint, but he stands condemned by his own words, for from the entirely hypothetical basis of evolution he has chosen to attack the facts of Christianity.

Just for good measure, and to show that Haeckel's is not an isolated case of fraud and deception in the annals of evolution, we may cite the case of the "Piltdown man", one of the so-called "missing links" and as such a pillar of evolution theory and the subject of a mass of literature by learned pundits. This mass of quasi-scientific nonsense became so much waste-paper when the British Museum issued an official statement that the bone fragments which formed the "Piltdown man" were fakes. According to *The Piltdown Forgery* by J.S. Weiner (1955) the jaw bone was a fake, having been artificially coloured to resemble the skull cap. It was found to be the jaw of a modern ape that died at the age of ten. The whole scientific world was fooled by this disgraceful hoax for forty years. And how many of the other so-called "missing links" were concocted in a similar way? The joke of the whole thing is that when the solemn experts of the day originally tried to put the various pieces together, they argued furiously in official scientific (perhaps we should write: "scientific") journals as to the correct reconstruction. One "scientist" (it would be grossly inaccurate to write the word without the quotation marks) made the brain capacity 1070 cubic centimetres. Another ardent evolutionist, Sir Arthur Keith, fitted the pieces together in a way that made the brain capacity of the skull 1500 c.c. (equal to the cranial capacity of modern man.)

The tragedy of this affair is that for forty years, museums staged exhibits in which the Piltdown man was shown (complete with a companion) as evidence of "evolution": how many thousands were led astray by this travesty of science? And artists in so-called "scientific" journals pictured this entirely imaginary creature as though it were real and actual. And all it was based on were five little pieces of bone, found spaced widely apart over a period of many months!

Another howler committed by the so-called scientists on the same occasion was their estimate that "Piltdown Man" had lived in Britain between 100,000 and 150,000 years ago!

This clearly shows just how much these so-called "scientific estimates" of the antiquity of man are worth.

When the Natural History Museum at South Kensington, London, staged an exhibit of the imaginary "Piltdown Man" some years before the exposure of the fraud, the guide-book of that Museum contained a passage that read: "It has long been the aim of students of fossils to discover the links that are missing in this hypothetical *(note this)* chain connecting man with the early forest mammals. . ." The Museum guide-book was at least honest in describing the whole idea of man's descent from animals as "hypothetical". (Hypothesis is simply another word for "guess".)

In the same section of the Museum was

another imaginary "missing link", of equally dubious *bona fides*. It rejoiced in the name of *Pithecanthropus Erectus*. The same guide-book candidly admitted: "The remains in this case are so fragmentary that they admit of more than one interpretation". And no wonder, for the background story to the "finding" of this alleged "missing link" makes it obvious to all but the deluded pseudo-scientist that here again deception was being practised. A skull bone of an ape was found in Java in 1891. Later, and some distance away, an apparently human thigh-bone was found. The discoverer claimed that these two bits of old bone formed part of a single skeleton (despite the lack of supporting evidence in the circumstances of the discoveries). He kept the bones under lock and key for thirty years. Then he admitted that two other skulls of apparently human type had been found in the same place, and perhaps the leg bone belonged to one of them. He also changed his mind about the piece of skull bone originally found and felt that it was, after all, only the skull of a giant gibbon (a type of ape).

Strangely enough, although the Germans as a nation fought two world wars on the philosophical basis of Darwin's and Nietzsche's "superman" theory, it has been the German scientists who have rebelled most strongly against the nonsense which Darwinism in its various forms has injected into science. For example, Dr. J.H.F. Kohlbrugge remarked: ". . . the number of the great unknowns grows so large that our actual knowledge becomes a small point, upon which a hypothetical pyramid is built with its basis in the air!" And Wasmann in his "Modern Biology and the Theory of Evolution" (translated from the German) says: "It is nothing short of an outrage upon truth to represent scanty remains, the origin of which is so uncertain as that of the Pithecanthropus, as absolute proof of the descent of man from the beasts, in order thus to deceive the general public". Could language be plainer?

Contrast this honesty with the dishonesty exhibited by J A.S. Watson who in his book "Evolution", published in 1915, wrote of this same alleged "discovery": "It may be said, with practical certainty, however, that this ape-man was of the size of a smallish man, and that he was accustomed to walk and stand in the characteristically human erect attitude".

The wishful thinking of evolutionists evidently leads them to a complete disregard of ordinary morality.

In South Africa, Dr. Broom discovered some skulls in some caves, and they in turn were hailed with delight as the missing link (at last!) and, of course, were given a high-sounding "scientific" title: "Plesianthropus". They resembled the skulls of apes rather than of men, in both size and shape, but a lot of learned nonsense was written around the world to persuade everyone that they were half ape and half man. However, this same Dr. Broom had accepted the "Piltdown man" jaw fragment as *not* being that of a chimpanzee or ape, whereas when the fraud was discovered it was conclusively shown that it was in fact the jaw of a modern ape which died at the age of ten. So Dr. Broom's far-fetched and unfounded claims for his own particular bits of bone can be discounted.

In any case, both Darwin and his disciples insisted that if the theory of evolution were factual, there should be "innumerable transitional forms" and Darwin asked: "why

do we not find them embedded in countless numbers in the crust of the earth?" (The obvious answer, "because they never existed, to start with", appears to have eluded Darwin!) His follower, Dr. Russel Wallace, was less ambitious. He asked for only a score of such missing links, and wrote: "their non-discovery is now one of the strongest proofs of the imperfection of the geological record". (World of Life, p. 247.)

This is an astonishing escape technique for one claiming to be a scientist. Here he is saying, in effect: "There is something wrong with the rocks, because they do not disclose the twenty missing links I expected to find". And if the unobliging (and unbiased) record of the rocks could not show twenty intermediate forms, could they be expected to show the "innumerable transitional forms" which Darwin expected to find? And Darwin himself showed up the illogical nature of the whole evolution theory when he wrote: "He who rejects this view of the imperfection of the geological record will rightly reject the whole theory". Obviously!

Thus even the one who was described as "the father of the evolution theory" was forced to admit that, on a basis of plain logic, the whole theory should be rejected.

In our next article we shall consider one further and (if anything) even more ridiculous "missing link" story, and note the disastrous effect of this "flight from reason" on the mental attitudes and political history of civilised man, and in particular the modern development of the Anglo-Saxon peoples.

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"ISRAEL"

To the average person who might see this name printed, the appreciation of its meaning today will be centred either on the Jews or the political State in Palestine created in 1948. That this meaning of the term is incorrect scripturally will never enter into the imagination, and it is no wild speculation to contend that this error is largely responsible for the attitude of so many to the Bible as a whole. Human nature, being what it is, does not take kindly to a text book which, in the main, concerns people other than themselves and, in consequence, the Bible with its continued reference to "Israel" is thus pushed aside as of little importance materially, to any but the Jews. That non-Israelites are grafted in through faith does not serve to stimulate interest and the priceless Gift of God in His Word lies unheeded among other literature which clutters up bookshelves.

The purpose of this article is to examine the word "Israel" as it is used in the Bible, remembering that it is not an assumed name, i.e., one formulated and applied by man, but one deliberately and specifically bestowed by God on the covenanted progeny of the patriarchs. That the Jews have laid claim to the name and humanity in general has given them that title will be seen as a situation at variance with that which God has revealed in His Word.

The first appearance of the name 'Israel' is found in Genesis 32:28 where Jacob, the grandson of Abraham through Isaac, is given the name by God. Search as one may, at this stage the Bible knows nothing about a people called Jews. It should be stated here that there is no malice in this statement, but merely a record of scriptural facts. Jacob-Israel had twelve sons and one daughter who were, in truth, "the children of Israel". The twelve sons became patriarchs and their collective progeny was known as "the tribes of Israel". In general, one may summarise the names by which the literal progeny of the covenanted patriarchs are called in the Bible as follows: "children or tribes of Israel"; "Jacob"; "Israel"; "House of Israel"; "House of Jacob"; "Hebrews" (Gen. 49:28; 50:25; Ex. 16:31; Psa. 114:1).

Throughout this period, that is, from the call of Abraham in Genesis 11 to the establishment of the kingdom under David in Palestine, and in which period the whole purpose of God in creating the Israel nation is recorded, no mention is made of the people in terms other than those already mentioned – there is certainly no mention of the word "Jew". If the Jews were the people involved and if they were the nucleus of God's Purpose, why is no mention made of them and why the ominous silence in respect of the Jews at this time?

In the 10th century B.C. and after the death of Solomon, the twelve tribes divided into two unequal portions with ten tribes unit-

ing under Jereboam, the Ephraimite, while the tribe of Judah together with some Levites and the tribe of Benjamin formed the minority section of the now divided family. The majority section of the children of Israel, indeed five-sixths of the total of the progeny of Jacob, formed an independent kingdom in the north, with Samaria as capital, while the remaining one-sixth retained Jerusalem as its capital in the south. Two temporal kingdoms were thus established with each having the right to call themselves the "children of Israel". In Isaiah 8:14 it will be noted that the prophet confirms this and speaks of 'both the houses of Israel' thus indicating that, even though separated and differing in policy, they were still entitled to the family name of Israel.

The chroniclers of that early history, in order to avoid confusion called the northern kingdom by the name "the house of Israel" and the southern kingdom "the house of Judah". After the northern kingdom had been removed from the land and placed in the Assyrian captivity and with the kingdom of Judah the surviving remnant of Israel in the land, it was natural that they would call them simply "Israel". It will be noted that during those momentous times, immediately prior to the Assyrian captivity of the northern kingdom, that the name "Jew" makes its first appearance in the Scriptures and it would be advantageous to note the context in which it appears. The northern kingdom, in a military alliance with the king of Syria, was engaged in one of its period conflicts with the southern kingdom of Judah. Samaria was still the capital of the northern kingdom and Jerusalem that of Judah. In an independent action, the king of Syria swept down to the land of Edom and it is within this context that the name "Jew" first makes its appearance: "At that time Rezin king of Syria recovered Elath to Syria and drave the Jews from Elath" (II Kings 16:6). If the house of Israel of the northern kingdom were Jews, why are they not so called and why the distinct reference to Jews living in Elath, an Edomite city?

By 580 B.C. the land of Palestine was almost devoid of Israelites, with the kingdom of Judah having fallen to the Babylonian invasion of that time and removed into Babylonian captivity. After seventy years, that empire crumbled and under the edict of Cyrus, the Medo-Persian king, those who wished to return to Jerusalem to rebuild the city and Temple could do so and while 42,360 persons of Israelitish descent availed themselves of this opportunity, together with some 7,000 'foreigners', the remainder of that captivity were dispersed from Ethiopia through Egypt and southern Asia as far as India in the east (Est. 3:8; 8:15-17; 9:1-3).

In the post captivity period one finds the record of the people in the books of Ezra and Nehemiah where once again the name "Jew" appears. In these records the returned remnant, together with the foreigners, are collectively called "Jews", "Judah", the "house of Judah" as well as "Israel". There can be no doubt that the named remnant were entitled to the name "Israel", but those 'foreigners' are a different matter. However, the status of this people was most unusual for while a na-

tional entity did develop comprising Syrians, Edomites and Israelites, it never exercised sovereignty over its own affairs and had a mandate to exist in this situation for a period of 490 years only (Dan. 9:24-27). It is most significant that during the First Advent of the Lord Jesus Christ, He sent His disciples to 'the lost sheep of the house of Israel' (Matt. 10:6) who were not in Palestine at that time. At a later stage He spoke to the Jews and told them that He was going to a place where they could not come and they immediately concluded that He was going to Israel in dispersion among the nations where they could not go (John 7:33-36). Here they were referring to the age-long antagonism between Israel and Edom or Esau. That Esau in Edom was prevalent and dominant in Jerusalem at that time is confirmed in John 8 where the Lord offered the Jews the truth which would make them free. To this offer they revealed their true identity for their retort was that they were the seed of Abraham (which is true in a biological sense for the patriarch had other offspring than the covenanted Isaac whose one son Esau, too, lost the birthright). They further revealed themselves when they claimed that they had never been in bondage to any man, which fact was not refuted by the Lord. However, "Israel" had been in bondage on two occasions, one of which was commemorated weekly in the sabbath observance (Deut. 5:14-15), and the other a mere 400 years previously. None will claim that there was no Israelite in Palestine at the time of the First Advent but none may equally deny that Edom was certainly there and these people laid claim to the title and name of "Israel".

Few today concern themselves about 'the lost sheep of the house of Israel' to whom the Lord first sent His disciples, nor do they take cognizance of the vast majority of Israel who were the "dispersed among the nations". Where did they go and what became of them? What of the promises which God swore on Oath to fulfil in these people? The Jew has not and cannot fulfil that which was not given to him and one should not be surprised at not finding the marks of Israel in these people – the marks belong to Israel and no one else.

History is an unbiased witness of fact. Look at history which is not biased by either political or religious dictates and search for the outworking of the Plan of God so clearly detailed in His Covenant with Abraham, and the truth of history will come as a mighty blow. Here the individual within the Anglo-Celto-Saxon and Kindred peoples will find themselves and, in re-discovering their identity, cease the rejection of the Word of Life and embrace a responsibility based on sincere repentance and acceptance of the call of God. Quite contrary to the popular misconception of "Israel" the chosen nation as found in the Jews, one finds an intimate projection of oneself into the prodigious endeavour of providing hope to all the families and nations of the earth which is centred in the establishment of God's Kingdom on this planet.

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THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM

Part 11. (Independent Research Associates).

Continuing momentarily with Isaac as we left him in the last study, the NATIONAL and the PERSONAL import of his role is seldom understood. In him the thin line of SELECTION for the Kingdom was severed in everything short of the deed of SACRIFICE, and preserved only by an act of redemption by the Lord.

A PECULIAR PEOPLE.

The circumstance is peculiar. A sacrifice is an offering. OWNERSHIP IN IT PASSES. Ownership in ISAAC passed. Abraham lost title of ownership in his son - IT PASSED TO THE MOST HIGH. In this peculiar way, the Lord established in Himself complete possession of Isaac, and, INEVITABLY, of those who descended from him. They were the ONLY people in whom the Lord took DIRECT ownership. They became peculiarly HIS PEOPLE, and above all nations that are upon the earth. (Deut. 14:2; 7:6; Titus 2:14; 1 Peter 2:9). They became, with the peculiar completeness of direct ownership and possession - and no other race had its beginnings in so peculiar a circumstance - HIS SAINTS, HIS SET-APART ONES. (Ps. 148:14; Dan. 7:18, 27; Jude 3; Rom. 1:7; 1 Cor. 1:2; Eph. 1:1).

THAT established the state and status of every Israelite, THEN and NOW, and whether he quite likes the idea or not, HE IS THE LORD'S BECAUSE THE LORD OWNS HIM. He has no way of opting out of his forefather, Abraham's deed, and emphatically none of moulding the circumstance to fit any modern sectarian pattern. IT IS NOT THEOLOGICALLY MALLEABLE.

THE BOND IS ADAMANT. If he tries to evade it, or to use the knowledge of the identity of Israel with the British race merely as a SENSATIONAL tit-bit in the service of some sect, or cult, he becomes as peculiarly STUPID as many of his forbears. For if he will trace the history of his race, he will find that they were ever seeking means of becoming ordinary, pagan and unpeculiar among the races of their day. They even earned the contempt of the Philistines in this sorry

game. But they were never allowed to secede from the bond. The Lord's claim was never waived (Isa. 43:21) and the flail of His correction was never withdrawn, (Jer. 30:11).

If true discipline of mind and heart be in him, the Israelite will realise that, once he possesses the knowledge of the founding conditions of his race, he does well to keep peculiarly apart from the vaporous niceties of modern cults and theological premises. He has no business with them. Instead, he is better on his knees praying that the Kingdom, of which he is so peculiarly a citizen, may come, and in getting to grips with the fundamentals of it. Indeed, if there is enough light in him, he will see that the Lord offers him no options. THAT CITIZENSHIP TRANSCENDS ALL ELSE.

SAINT.

In case there is ambiguity, may we glance at the word 'saint'? A saint is one who is 'set apart'; Biblically, it is that and NOTHING ELSE. And the only people ever set apart were Israel. The idea that a saint is a person, who, in the opinion of his fellows, has achieved a satisfactorily high degree of piety and virtue - and has been dead long enough for his human failings to have been forgotten - IS PAGAN. And then to represent him wearing a halo is to badge him with the mark of the sun god. The halo, A PAGAN SYMBOL, is the circle, the sign of the sun god, the exclusive property of NIMROD and SEMIRAMIS, and should be expunged from everything Israelitish. TO SEE THE SAVIOUR SO BADGED IS HEINOUS.

THE WHITE LINE.

But when Isaac needed a wife (Gen. 24) a story unfolded that was of pure romance on a high plane. A founder-mother of Israel was being chosen, and the rigid condition made by Abraham was that his son by SARAH should NOT marry a coloured woman. Instead, one of the white line from his own kith and kin in Mesopotamia must be found. To attempt an embellishment of it would mar the story's simple grandeur; but whether Bethuel and Laban already knew of the Abrahamic Covenant or heard of it newly from Abraham's servant, it is notable (verse 60) that their parting blessing - that important act - was made to a prospective mother of the Covenant. There is

no doubt as to the conditions upon which they let their daughter go to Isaac. And these Mesopotamians, pure-blooded aristocrate of the line, THE WHITE LINE, knew what they were about. Their sense of values was timeless. They could correctly appraise the high calling.

Twins were born to Isaac and Rebekah: ESAU and JACOB. And the pruning went on. Esau was excluded from the line; he married coloured women; (Gen. 26:34-35) (Gen.36:1-3). May we gently deplore the spinning of that tenuous web of morals from his liking for lentil stew (Gen.25:27-34)? The plain fact emerges that he was deficient in a true sense of values, notably RACIAL values, and that the Lord foreknew his inferiority (Gen. 25:23); A VESSEL OF DISHONOUR (Rom. 9:10-21).

JACOB, the SUPPLANTER, supplanted him by two acts of what seems completely unnecessary sharp practice, and had to run for his life. He made his way to Haran, to his mother's brother, LABAN, mentioned earlier; and there he served seven years for Rachel, only to be cheated and wedded to Leah, the elder sister with the sore eyes (Gen.29). So he served another seven years for Rachel. But whatever may have been the charm of the one, and the lack of it in the other, BOTH were of the same WHITE stock. The Covenant line was kept pure.

NATION AND COMPANY OF NATIONS.

The Covenant was made with ONE MAN - ABRAHAM (Genesis 12 etc.). In the next generation, it was confirmed to ONE MAN - ISAAC (Gen. 26:3-5). In the third generation, it was confirmed to ONE MAN - JACOB (Gen. 28:13-15). Every side shoot was pruned off. But in Jacob's children, the close pruning ceased; each became the head of a tribe named in him, and of these tribes the KINGDOM OF GOD was formed.

The Lord, the Most High, by the deliberate and quite peculiar means described, formed His Kingdom on earth --- ISRAEL. HE FORMED NO OTHER KINGDOM. The idea that the Kingdom of God is WITHIN us, within men's hearts --- this multi-racial theological mirage - is an idea bred in vap-

our and founded on IGNORANCE. Even with Israel lost and the theologians doing their best to stop the gap, this stupid postulate is one that any bright lad of twelve, left to himself, would scorn. It has no single attribute of a kingdom.

By the ford Jabok, Jacob the Supplanter, was exalted in status. His name was changed to Israel - Ruling with God (Gen. 32:27-28). So he reached fulness of status as a founder-father of the Kingdom, and the nation was named in him: THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL. They continued to be so named throughout the Old Testament days. But that was not to be perpetually so, for in Gen. 21:12 the statement is that in ISAAC shall thy seed be called, IN THE SACRIFICE, the founder-father the Lord took into His own possession. There is a peculiar rightness in this. And, in the last or LATTER days, the Children of Israel re-appeared in Europe named in Isaac or TSAAC: The SONS OF TSAAC, or, in its modern spelling, THE SAXONS.

Of the twelve sons of Israel, the two by the loved wife, Rachel, were JOSEPH and BENJAMIN. Benjamin's name, the Son of my Right Hand, would hardly commend him to his brothers; but Joseph was made heir, and to mark that favoured status - and in a younger son - he was given the coat of many colours. His brothers sold him into slavery in Egypt. The coat and his dreams were no doubt exasperating, and, short of murder, that way of getting rid of him seemed good.

We suggest that the Bible story of his rise to power in Egypt (Gen. 39 onwards) is perhaps a little understated. According to secular records, such was his status that his heraldic badge, the engel or BULL, became an object of worship in Egypt. It became the emblem of his tribe in Israel. It was also, unhappily, the first object of PAGAN WORSHIP in a long career of backsliding in Israel. For when Moses came down the mountain (Ex. 32:1-6), he found the people doing as the Egyptians did: they were WORSHIPPING THE ENGEL OR BULL. Much later, of course --- AGAIN IN THE LATTER DAYS - that familiar figure, JOHN BULL, was ENGEL-ISH - THE MAN OF THE BULL - or ENGLISH. So the

Sons of Isaac, the Saxons, were named in the bull or engel of Joseph (Deut. 33:17; Ezek. 1:10). The Lord's peculiar people were made to carry their PECULIAR marks.

But Israel - erstwhile Jacob - set the basis of the Kingdom as he lay on his death-bed and blessed his sons. It is well to look at the details. In spite of all theological vapourings, the Kingdom of God on earth has all along had all the attributes of a kingdom: A SUCCESSION OF KINGS; ARMIES; NATIONAL INSTITUTIONS; POPULATIONS --- THE GOVERNMENT AND THE GOVERNED - and that SUPREMELY necessary thing, ITS NATIONAL LAW. Without these things there could be no kingdom.

In confirming the Covenant to Jacob, the terms were amplified (Gen. 35:11-12): there was to be of him a nation and a company of nations. In this, from any ordinary Christian angle, we meet the second great lie in Genesis: for from that day to this, the ONLY company of nations that answers the requirement is the British Commonwealth of Nations, and the United States of America. Without Israel, and without the great MODERN Israel Commonwealth, the Bible story would again FOUNDER ON A LIE.

THEOLOGY LEAVES THIS GREAT COMMONWEALTH ALONE. The idea that this also exists in the hearts and minds of men would indeed be a leathery morsel for mental digestion.

THE NATION BEGAN TO BE FORMED IN EGYPT. The Lord said so in Genesis 46:3.

THE DISPOSITIONS OF JACOB.

Coming now to the LAST days of Jacob, (Gen. 47:27 to 50:26) we find him taking oath of Joseph that his bones shall be taken out of Egypt and buried with those of his fathers on Covenant terrain. In Gen. 48, two particularly interesting things happened. Joseph, his father's heir, was entitled to a double portion of his father's estate. In order to bestow this, his two sons, Manasseh and Ephraim, were raised by their grandfather, Jacob, to the status of sons. As Reuben and Simeon were sons, they were to be sons, and NOT grandsons. A tribe was named after each. There were actually TWO tribes of Joseph, and THIRTEEN tribes in

Israel.

Then, in blessing the two lads, Jacob DELIBERATELY crossed his hands so that his right or dexter hand fell on the younger son, EPHRAIM. Again, heirship was diverted from an elder to a younger son. MANASSEH should be a great people. But the multitude or fulness or company of nations was to spring from the line of Joseph by his younger son, EPHRAIM. SO THE BIRTHRIGHT WENT TO EPHRAIM. (1 Chron. 5:1-2).

In the next chapter Jacob blessed his sons. Blessings are always important: THESE BECOME TRIBAL CHARTERS. And the vitally important thing to note is that they were not for that day or time. THEY WERE FOR THE LAST DAYS. There is no ambiguity about that term. In all cases, a post-crucifixion period is indicated.

Two are especially interesting. To Judah was given the sceptre (Gen. 49:10; 1 Chron. 28:4) - KINGSHIP. The birthright had passed to Ephraim. But the seed of Joseph, thus Ephraim and Manasseh, were given the blessings of everything from the deeps and the everlasting hills to those of the heavens above--ABOUNDING MATERIAL PROSPERITY. These tribes were to be pre-eminent, and so their history proves.

Then Jacob - Israel - passed to his fathers, and was buried with them in the cave in the Field of Machpelah, on covenant ground, mourned by his children, and honoured with the solemn splendour and homage of the court of Pharoah.

EXODUS.

But the basis of the kingdom was set, and its building into a nation took four centuries of time in Egypt. Israel went into Egypt some 70 souls. A census taken after the Exodus registered 603,550 men of MILITARY AGE (Numbers 1:46). If to that figure be added a like number of women of similar age, and roughly a like number of children and older people, it will be seen that a reasonable estimate of the Israel migration from Egypt was a movement of some TWO MILLION PEOPLE. It was one of the biggest MASS migrations in recorded history.

The Days of Reckoning

By Mrs. D. Price.

THE IRANIAN U.S.A. EMBASSY CRISIS.

"HERE IS WISDOM. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is SIX HUNDRED THREE SCORE AND SIX." (Rev. 13:18).

At the time of writing, the fate of 60 American hostages held captive in the Teheran U.S. Embassy is still in the balance, despite pleas from the Arab Palestinian Liberation Organisation and the United Nations Organisation in New York.

One can hardly classify this terrorist act as a lesser event, yet it is on a LUNAR (or lesser) cycle in Divine Time Measures.

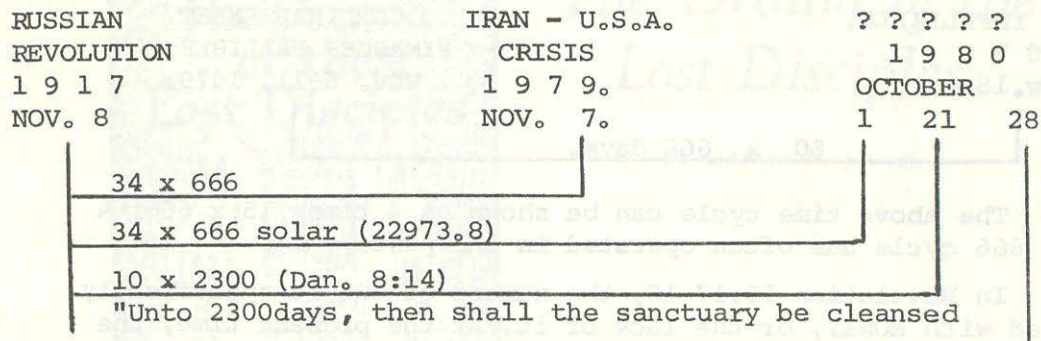
For your interest, the chart has been extended to "MEAN" and "SOLAR" time so that we may watch these future dates of JUNE 21st. 1980, FEB. 8/9 1981 and APRIL 17/18 1982. Also SEPT/ OCT. 1980. Over the years it has been observed that important events are often linked with GREAT PYRAMID DATES.

In the next article more will be written about other cycles connected with the above mentioned dates. By the way, 666 days on a LUNAR scale = 656.7 days, and on SOLAR = 675.7 days.

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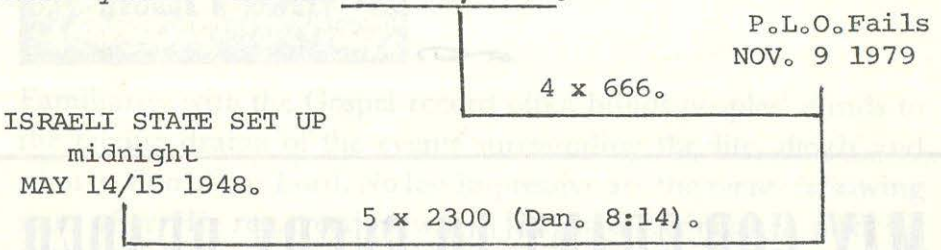
RUSSIA - IRAN - U. S. A. - CHINA.

Is there a link between the hidden hand of Russia and the storming of the U.S. Teheran Embassy, to the embarrassment of the U.S. Government?



666 days from the official recognition by the U.S.A. Gov't of the HUA regime in CHINA will end on Oct. 28 1980!!

The P.L.O. intervention in the Iran - U.S. crisis was rebuffed on Nov. 9, 1979, a date which had an important link with the Great Pyramid date of JULY 23, 1972.



"2300" indicates great changes, and this could result through the resignation of their Foreign Minister, General Dayan and policies of his successor.

THE VATICAN $18 m. DEFICIT IN INCOME.

For the first time since last century, a special meeting of the College of Cardinals of the Roman Catholic Church is in sess-

that the promise must apply to the rest of the people of David's Kingdom; therefore the term ISRAEL in Nathan's prophecy cannot mean the Jews. (As a matter of fact there were not any Jews on the earth at that time – even the word itself had not been as yet coined.)

Isaiah 11:11,12 and Ezekiel 37 plainly refer to a future gathering of both Houses when God shall SET HIS HAND **THE SECOND TIME** to recover His people. The first gathering of Israel must therefore be to the Appointed Place. Where, then, is the Appointed Place? A study of some of the prophets should reveal it.

Hosea tells us it will be a "wilderness". This does not mean an arid waste or sandy desert, but any great uncultivated or unpossessed land. Read carefully Hosea chapters 1 and 2, where we learn that God will ALLURE Israel and speak comfortingly unto her, and betroth her unto Him for ever. This occurs after the migrations; evidently when they had been gathered into a place of safety. Jeremiah 31:1, 2 is evidently referring to the same place.

Ezekiel 42:33-37 closely resembles the luring into the wilderness as prophesied by Hosea and Jeremiah; the place of blessing and restoration.

Isaiah 42:10-12 connects the wilderness with "Isles" and "Islands" after first foretelling the First Advent of our Lord. See also Isa. 41:1 and Isa. 11:11; Isa. 24:14-16; Isa. 42:10, Isa. 49:1 tells us that these Islands are "afar off", and that the inhabitants are Israel. The 12th verse tells us the Islands are **NORTH** and **WEST** of Palestine. (There is no single word in Hebrew expressing the term North-west – no compounds in Hebrew) See also Isa. 59:18; 60:9; Jeremiah 31:10; Rev. 12:6, 14; Numbers 23:9; Deut. 33:28.

Revelation informs us that the "Appointed Place" is a "place prepared of God" in the wilderness where Israel, the woman, would be safe and nourished.

So, surely it is evident that Israel after the Assyrian captivity would migrate and move into a "place prepared of God"; "afar off"; "at the uttermost parts of the earth"; "a wilderness"; "north-west of Palestine"; and "sing a new song unto the Lord"; evidently meaning the Christianizing of the Nation after the Redemption wrought on Calvary Cross.

Surely the foregoing describes the Appointed Place of the Davidic Covenant where Israel would be planted and move no more; and where they would be safe from their enemies; living alone and not reckoned among the nations until their age of punishment should expire. Numbers 23:9.

The Bible prophesied it, and History has shown that a race of people under various tribal names found a haven in the Isles of the Sea North-West of Palestine; where they have been safe from invasion by their enemies.

"Let the people renew their strength". In the days of David there must have been a population of Israelites of at least 10,000,000 because the total military strength of the Nation was 1,100,000 (see I Chron. 21:5; 2 Sam. 24:9) There appears to be a difference between the total military strength, and the actual number of men set in array).

This great strength was dissipated in the captivities and migrations till the people became "few in number" (Lev. 26:22). In the days of Queen Elizabeth 1, (16th century) there were only about 4½ millions of Anglo-Saxon peoples on the earth. Then they began to "renew their strength" and to "multiply as the stars of the sky"; until today there are roughly 175,000,000 of them. The people did surely "renew their strength" in the Appointed Place.

"Safe from their enemies". The Isles of the Sea have been indeed a haven of safety. Palestine degenerated into the world's worst battleground – more battles were fought there than in any part of the world. When General Allenby delivered Jerusalem in 1917 it was the 23rd time in the history of the City that it had changed hands.

After the Israel tribes arrived in the Isles; and they had no great difficulty in crossing the Channel; no enemy of the Israel people has ever been able to invade. Think of Philip of Spain and his "invincible armada", Napoleon and his "Grand Army"; the Kaiser ;and Hitler. They all tried – but none could invade the Appointed Place – and yet when we wanted to cross the Channel to invade Europe, we did it. Yes, the Appointed Place has indeed been a place where the Israel people have been safe from their enemies – but not immune to punishment. (see Jer. 30:11 and 46:28; also Isaiah 54:17)

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Israel, Judah and the Jews

'The House of Israel' is not synonymous with the 'House of Judah'. The House of Judah and some of the Jews are *of* Israel, that is, descended from Jacob. The distinction we wish to emphasize is that while some Jews are Israelites, all Israelites are not necessarily Jews. In a similar way, all Scots are British, but all the British are not Scots. When the general blessings were apportioned at Jacob's death, the Messiah was promised, with the sovereignty, to Judah; but the 'multitude of nations' and the temporal grandeur of the birthright were given to Joseph. The House of Israel was to obtain these in the latter days, or the Christian era. Ten-tribed Israel was to be divorced under the Mosaic law and its identity temporarily lost to history,but known to God; it was to be recovenanted in Christ to enjoy the Israel birthright in the Isles of the Sea, to be His nation of evangelists in the world, and the inheritor of the Kingdom of God. The prophets display meticulous care in their address to the 'House of Israel', the 'House of Judah' and 'the inhabitants of Jerusalem' (the Jews). To apply to one 'House' a prophecy which refers to the other is clearly to misapply the message and confuse the issue. A careful regard of this distinction is prerequisite to the correct understanding of the prophetic Scriptures.

Prophecies Concerning

ISRAEL

Israel to have a change of name (Isa. 65:15).

Israel to be called by a new name (Isa. 62:2).

Israel to be called after Isaac (Gen. 21:12).

Israel to be blind to their identity (Rom. 11:25; Isa. 42:16-19).
Israel to be a multitudinous people (Gen. 13:16; 15:5).
Israel to become known as the righteous Nation that keepeth the truth (Isa. 60:21; 26:2).
Israel to become a Nation and a Company of Nations (Gen. 35:11).
Israel to make a new home in the Appointed Place—the Isles of the Sea (2 Sam. 7:10; Isa. 24:15; 49:1; Jer. 31:10).
Israel to be a Nation for ever (Jer. 31:35, 36).

Israel to have a perpetual monarchy (Jer. 33:17).
Israel to come under a new covenant (Jer. 31:31-34).
Israel to be called the sons of God (Hos. 1:10; Rom 8:14).
Israel was taken captive into Assyria by Shalmaneser, circa 721 B.C. (2 Kings 18:11, etc.).
Israel were to be immune from defeat in war (Isa. 54:17; Lev. 26:6-8).

THE JEWS

The Jews to be known by a change in physiognomy (Isa. 3:9).
The Jews have retained their old name unchanged.
The Jews' name to be a curse to them (Isa. 65:15).
The Jews still claim to be the chosen people.

The Jews to be bereft of children (Jer. 15:7).

The Jews to be a reproach and a proverb, a taunt and a curse (Jer. 24:9).
The Jews to be scattered in all the 'kingdoms of the earth for their hurt' (Jer. 24:9).
The Jews have been strangers in all lands (Jer. 15:4).

The Jewish Nation was broken in A.D. 70 (Dan. 9:24-27; Jer. 19:11).
The Jews have remained under the old law.
The Jews do not accept Jesus Christ as the Messiah.
Judah taken captive to Babylon by Nebuchadnezzar, circa 603 B.C. (2 Kings chs. 24 and 25).

The Jews are descended from the remnant of Judah which returned from captivity in the time of Ezra and Nehemiah.
The Jews have suffered endless persecution.

Israel had been removed from Palestine 700 years before the Crucifixion. When it occurred they were still absent, being at that time beyond the Euphrates, in their migration through Europe.

What We Believe

We Believe in God - the God of the Bible. (Exodus 3:4-14.)

We Believe in Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God. (John 1:14.)

We Believe in the Holy Spirit and His Mission. (John 14:26, Acts 2.)

We Believe in the atoning sacrifice of Jesus Christ on Calvary. (Matt. 26:28, Romans 5.)

We Believe in His ascension into Heaven. (Mark 16:19, Acts 1:9-11.)

We Believe in the bodily return of Christ (Acts 1:9-11) to take the throne of David (Isa. 9:7, Luke 1:32) and rule on this earth for a thousand years (Rev. 20:1-6); and that His Body, the Church, will be united with Him and reign with Him. (Eph. 5:24-33; Col. 1:24; 1 Cor. 15:50-58; 1 Thes. 4:14-18; Rev. 19:9).

We Believe John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

We Believe that personal salvation by faith in the atonement of Jesus Christ is necessary for all, Israelite, Jew and Gentile. (Rom. 3:22-25). Each one must be born again. (John 3:1-7). To confess Christ, who died that sinful men might live, is individually supreme above all else. (Matt 10:32-33, Rom. 10:9-13).

We Believe the whole Bible, both the Old and New Testaments; that it is the inerrant Word of God (11 Peter 1:9-21). We believe its history, its covenants, its promises.

We Believe in its Gospel of Grace (Eph. 2:1-8), which is the Gospel of Salvation to all men.

We Believe in, and seek to make known, the Gospel of the Kingdom (Matt. 4:23, 24:14).

We Believe that the Bible contains God's Plan for the remedy of all human ills, and that this plan is being worked out through the Bible people called Israel. (11 Sam. 7; Deut. 32:8).

We Believe that this people Israel, consisting of twelve tribes (Exod. 28:21; Rev. 21:12), the descendents of the twelve sons of Jacob, were chosen of God to be His 'peculiar people' and 'servant nation' through whom all the other nations of the earth are to be blessed. (Exod. 19:5; Deut. 7:6-8; Isa. 41:8, 42:6; Gen. 22:16-18).

We Believe that the differentiation between 'Israel' and 'Judah' is clearly marked in the Scriptures. (See 1 Kings 12; Jer. 3:6-11; Ps. 114:1-2; Ezek. 37; Zech 11:7-14; 11 Chron. 10). They are not interchangeable terms. To understand this is to possess the key to Israel Truth. (Ps. 114:2; 1 Chron. 5:1-2).

We Believe the time has come when the 'lost' Israel "nation and company of nations" (Gen 35:11) has been found and positively identified. Only one race today answers in every detail to the Bible picture of Israel "in the latter days," and that is the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic — the British Commonwealth of white nations and the United States of America They possess what Israel was to possess and are doing what Israel was to do. The identities of this race with Israel are so many and so pronounced that one who re-reads and studies his Bible in the light of this great truth will make discoveries that will cause him to give this subject most serious thought, especially in view of what is happening in literal ful-fillment of Bible prophecy in the world today. The nations are in turmoil. The power of the Holy People (Anglo-Saxon-Israel) is being broken (Dan. 12:7). The old Babylonian social order is being overthrown, and the world is being prepared for the Return of the Lord Jesus Christ, for His reign upon the Throne of His father David, and the glorious restoration of the Kingdom of God on earth. (Zech. 14:9; Luke 1:32-33).