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Eschatology: Rightly Dividing the Word is an introduction to prophecy in Scripture. The Bible—the Word of God—is God’s plan, and we need to know where we fit in it. This course will establish foundational principles of Bible interpretation that will guide how we understand and apply the Scriptures in general and Bible prophecy in particular.

This manual is designed to be used with the video Sessions. You will notice that some Lessons are covered in one video Session, while some Lessons are covered in two Sessions. The beginning and end of each video Session are clearly marked in this manual.

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RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD

INTRODUCTION Prophecy in Scripture

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The Holy Scriptures are not a systematic treatise on theology, history, science or any other topic. They are a **REVELATION from God of His Plan and Purpose in the Ages as to the earth and the human race.**

They were given to us piecemeal “at sundry times and in divers manners” (Hebrews 1).

Holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Spirit during a period of 1600 years, extending from B.C. 1492 to A.D. 100.

The Bible consists of 66 separate books; 39 in the Old Testament, and 27 in the New. These books were written by about 40 different authors. By kings, such as David and Solomon; statesmen, as Daniel and Nehemiah; priests, as Ezra; men learned in the wisdom of Egypt as Moses; men learned in Jewish law, as Paul. By a herdsman, Amos; a tax-gatherer, Matthew; fishermen, as Peter, James and John, who were “unlearned and ignorant” men; a physician, Luke; and such mighty “seers” as Isaiah, Ezekiel and Zechariah.

—Clarence Larkin, *Rightly Dividing the Word*

FOUNDATIONAL PRINCIPLE: Must Accept the Holy Scriptures as the Word of God.

Isa. 40:8 The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever.

Prophecy

A. Defined in Jewish Oral Law (Talmud, Mishnah)

1. “The link between the Creator and His creatures, by means of prophecy, is one of the foundations of the creation of the world.”

—Chazon Ish, *Faith & Trust*, ch. 6

2. Twice as many prophets arose among the Jews as there were Israelites who left Egypt. *Only such prophecy that was needed for later generations was written down.*

—Megillah 14a

3. The Sages taught in a *baraita*: Forty-eight prophets and seven prophetesses prophesied on behalf of the Jewish people.... The fifty-five prophets recorded in the Bible [the Tanach, Old Testament], although not the only prophets of the Jewish people, were the only ones recorded, due to their eternal messages

—Megillah 14a

4. God-breathed words became the Holy Scriptures.

2 Tim. 3:16 All scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

According to tradition, the Tanakh (Old Testament) was canonized by the Great Assembly, 120 sages that included Mordecai, Daniel, Ezra, Nehemiah, Haggai, Zechariah and Malachi. The Talmud (Sotah 48b) teaches: "When Haggai, Zechariah and Malachi died, the Holy Spirit departed from Israel." The prophetic age then came to an end. The canonization of the Tanakh designated which writings would be recognized as holy, inspired Scriptures.

Prophetic Second Peter

Brim Note: The entire Book of Second Peter is a prophetic letter written upon the occasion of his soon departure. He encourages believers who probably expected the soon return of the Lord, and who might be discouraged at the departure of Peter. He tells them that it will be a while, even that there would be false teachers and doctrines arising. Alluding to the eventual fulfilling of the promises, he reminds them that one year with the Lord is as a thousand.

Peter's Letters particularly call believers to look at the light of the Scriptures as revealed in the Old Testament Prophets. What we call the Old Testament was the only Scripture they had. Peter, as the Apostle to the Circumcision, wrote primarily to the Jewish believers in Jesus from among the Diaspora. Hence, they would know what he meant when He directed them to the Prophets.

2 Peter 1:16-21 KJV

¹⁶ For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power [*dunamis*] and coming [*parousia*] of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty.

¹⁷ For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

¹⁸ And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with him in the holy mount.

¹⁹ We have also a more sure word of prophecy (**prophētikos*); whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise.

²⁰ **In your hearts knowing this first, that **no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.**

²¹ For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake *as they were* moved by the Holy Ghost.

**Brim Note: I have taken the liberty to move the last phrase in verse 19 to verse 20. There is no punctuation in the original Scriptures—either in the Hebrew or the Greek. I heard an elderly Bible scholar, who did a respected Finnish translation of the Bible, explain that it should be so translated. As He has already arisen in our hearts—and it is only to the world that His arising as the Day Star is in the future.

“No prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.”

Must harmonize with the body of Scripture.

* Bullinger: the ... prophets = prophetic writings. Gr. *Graphē prophētikos*.

2 Peter 1:19-21 Amplified

¹⁹ And we have **the prophetic word firmer still**. You will do well to pay close attention to it as to a lamp shining in a dismal (squalid and dark) place, until the day breaks through [the gloom] and the Morning Star rises (comes into being) in your hearts.

²⁰ [Yet] first [you must] understand this, that no prophecy of Scripture is [a matter] of any personal *or* private *or* special interpretation (loosening, solving).

²¹ For no prophecy ever originated because some man willed it [to do so—it never came by human impulse], but men spoke from God who were borne along (moved and impelled) by the Holy Spirit.

Second Peter Chapter 3 particularly speaks prophetically of the fulfilling of “the promises of God.” [In another course we will study this prophetic book in detail.]

Notice what he calls their attention to at the beginning of this prophetically powerful chapter:

2 Peter 3:1-4 ESV

¹ This is now the second letter that I am writing to you, beloved. In both of them I am stirring up your sincere mind by way of reminder,
² **that you should remember the predictions of the holy prophets** and the commandment of the Lord and Savior through your apostles,
³ knowing this first of all, that scoffers will come in the last days with scoffing, following their own sinful desires.
⁴ They will say, “Where is the promise of his coming? For ever since the fathers fell asleep, all things are continuing as they were from the beginning of creation.”

T a N a KH (The Hebrew Bible)

Sometimes called “The Law and The Prophets”

Torah First Five Books of Moses
Called “The Law”

Nevi'im The Prophets

KHetuvim The Writings
Psalms, Proverbs, Job
Song of Songs
Ruth
Lamentations
Ecclesiastes
Esther
Ezra - Nehemiah
Chronicles
Daniel

B. Israel – Nation with the Prophetic Anointing

1. Romans 3:1,2

¹ What advantage then hath the Jew? or what profit is there of circumcision?

² Much every way: **chiefly, because that unto them were committed the oracles of God.**

2. Psalm 105:14,15

¹⁴ He suffered no man to do them wrong: yea, he reprov'd kings for their sakes;

¹⁵ Saying, Touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm.

Sarah: Genesis 12:17; 20:18

Rebekah: Genesis 26:11

Only the matriarchs were being affected. Yet the nation, who would speak and record the Word of God to the world, was in their wombs.

3. Jesus answered when asked what would be the sign of His [*parousia*](#) and of the end of the age: “Behold the fig tree....” (Matthew 24:1-3; Luke 21:29-32.)

Any serious study of Eschatology must include a study of Israel.
The fig tree in Luke 21.
And the nations of the prophetic earth.
The other trees.

4. Jesus chastised some religious people for not recognizing “the signs of the times” (Matthew 15:39 through 16:3).

The only way we can recognize them is to watch the fulfillment of the prophetic Scriptures.

C. God has chosen that His Holy written Word be more than one-half prophecy; some say, two-thirds.

Most have been fulfilled.

D. God’s Litmus Test for Being God: Telling the end from the beginning.

Isaiah 41:8,9,11,12, 22,23,26

E. By God’s Design: The Jews (Israel) and His fulfilled prophecies concerning that prophetic nation are the witnesses that He is God.

Isaiah 43:1,5,6,8,9,10-12

Isaiah 44:6,7,8

F. Necessary spiritual weapon to the Army of the Lord

1. Jehovah of Hosts/Armies (*Yehoveh-Tsabbaoth*)
 - a. “Lord of all things at whose call all created forces must marshal themselves as if for war.”
—Baron, *Zechariah*, p.11
 - b. First Mention: Surprisingly, this militaristic title of God was not first recorded as used on the battlefield, but by a barren woman named Hannah.

1 Samuel 1:11 Names of God Bible

She made this vow, “***Yahweh Tsebaoth***, if you will look at my misery, remember me, and give me a boy, then I will give him to you for as long as he lives. A razor will never be used on his head.”

Note: She was also the first human to speak “His Anointed” (the Messiah).

1 Samuel 2:10 The Koren Tanakh

The adversaries of the LORD shall be broken in pieces; out of heaven shall He thunder upon them: the LORD shall judge the ends of the earth; and He shall give strength to His king, and exalt the horn of His anointed.

According to Targum Yonasan, Hannah prayed and sang not only as the mother of Samuel, but also as a prophetess, prophesying the King Messiah.

2. Attribute of the Army of the LORD

1 Chronicles 12:22

For at that time day by day there came to David to help him, until it was a great host, like the host of God.

1 Chronicles 12:32

And of the children of Issachar that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do...

3. Stability in the End of Days

Isaiah 33:6

And wisdom and knowledge shall be the stability of thy times and strength of salvation....

FOR CONSIDERATION

Jesus

Matt. 26:53-57

⁵³ Thinkest thou that I cannot now pray to my Father, and he shall presently give me more than twelve legions of angels?

⁵⁴ But **how then shall the scriptures be fulfilled**, that thus it must be?

⁵⁵ In that same hour said Jesus to the multitudes, **Are ye come out as against a thief with swords and staves for to take me? I sat daily with you teaching in the temple, and ye laid no hold on me.**

⁵⁶ But **all this was done, that the scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled.** Then all the disciples forsook him, and fled.

⁵⁷ ¶ And they that had laid hold on Jesus led *him* away to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders were assembled.

Book of Revelation

Rev. 10:7 But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, **the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.**

Comments

“Without the prophets we’d have little to tell us what God is up to and what to expect next.” —Pinchas Winston, *The End of Days*

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RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD

LESSON ONE

The Three Groups of People The Jews, the Nations, and the Church

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I. The Word Must Be Rightly Divided

Second Timothy 2:15

2 Tim. 2:15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

The Bible is “the Word of truth.”

But it must be rightly divided.

If it can be *rightly* divided, it can be *wrongly* divided.

Error (especially regarding the prophetic Scriptures) comes from a wrong division of the Word.

“Billye Brim’s Kitchen Revelation”

(See Chapter One in my minibook *How To Rightly Divide the Word*.)

II. The Three Groups of People: The Jews, the Nations, the Church

First Corinthians 10:31-32

1 Cor. 10:31 Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.

1 Cor. 10:32 Give none offence, neither to the Jews, nor to the *Gentiles, nor to the church of God: (KJV)

* 1672. Ἕλληνας **Hēllēn**, *hel'-lane*; from 1671; a Hellen (Grecian) or inhabitant of Hellas; by extension a Greek-speaking person, especially a non-Jew: — Gentile, Greek. (Greek, Strong’s Dictionary.)

[Brim Note: At the writing of the N.T. almost the entire Gentile (non-Jewish) world had been Hellenized. Hence, this word is used for the nations. The Greek word translated Gentiles or Greeks in the N.T. corresponds to the Hebrew word *goyim*. Its meaning is “the nations.”]

Hellenization or Hellenisation is the historical spread of ancient Greek culture, religion and, to a lesser extent, language, over foreign peoples conquered by Greeks or brought into their sphere of influence, particularly during the Hellenistic period following the campaigns of Alexander the Great in the fourth century BC. (Wikipedia)

1. "If you will remember this verse of Scripture, *it will keep your end-time doctrine straight.*

[Brim note: I heard this phrase in my kitchen as the Lord revealed to me 1 Corinthians 10:32.]

2. All the Bible is *for* the Church, but not all the Bible is *about* the Church.

The part of the Bible that is *to*, *for*, and *about* the Church is the New Testament Letters.

[Brim Note: In a letter to the Church, God instructs believers not to give offence to the Jews. This is why I question whether those who down through the centuries persecuted and killed Jews under the sign of the Cross were really born-again.]

III. The Word Must Be Rightly Divided

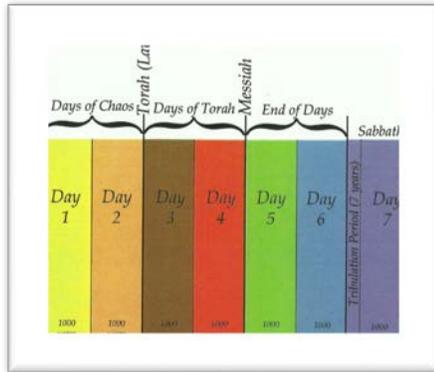
A. Second Timothy 2:15

B. Kenneth E. Hagin's first rules of Bible Interpretation

1. Read the Scripture in context.
2. Be sure it harmonizes with all God's Word on the matter.
3. Know who is speaking.
4. Know to whom a Scripture is speaking.
 - a. an individual
 - b. a group
 - (1) The Jews
 - (2) The Nations (Hebrew: *Goyim*)
 - (3) The Church

The N.T. reveals that God sees three groups of people.

A Scripture can speak to or about one or more of these groups. God's Word reveals His plans for these people groups.



Appendix 2: The Seven Days

C. Clarence Larkin,

Dispensational Truth, Rev. Clarence Larkin Est., Box 334, Glenside, PA 19038, U.S.A, pp4,5

“The Apostolic Church was Pre-Millennial, and for over 200 years no other view was entertained. The writings of the ‘Church Fathers’ abound in evidence of the fact. But about A.D.250, Origen, one of the Church Fathers, conceived the idea that the words of scripture were but the ‘husk’ in which was hid the ‘kernel’ of scripture truth. At once he began to ‘Allegorize’ and ‘Spiritualize’ the Scriptures, and thus founded that school of ‘Allegorizing’ and ‘Spiritualizing’ interpreters of Scripture, from which the Church and the Bible have suffered so much. The result was that the Church largely ceased to look for the Lord to return and set up an earthly kingdom.

“When Constantine became sole Emperor of Rome in AD 323, being favorable to Christianity, he united Church and State. A new difficulty now arose in the interpretation of scripture. If, as was at that time believed, Rome was to be the seat of Antichrist, the question arose, or rather was suspiciously whispered—‘*Is Constantine the Antichrist?*’ Such a notion was unpalatable to the Roman Emperor, and so a convenient explanation was discovered and adopted, that Antichrist was ‘Pagan Rome,’ and that the Millennium commenced when Constantine ascended the throne. This was given color by the great gifts and privileges bestowed on the Church by Constantine, and led to the claim that the Millennial blessings of the Old Testament had been transferred from the Jews to the Christian Church.

[Billye Brim note: This is what is known as Replacement Theology.]

“But the claim that the ‘Papal Church’ was the Antichrist would not down. When it was found impossible to expunge the Book of Revelation from the sacred canon, it was decided to lock up the Scriptures, and the Bible became a sealed book, and the gloom of night settled down upon all Christendom. The result was the ‘Dark Ages.’ But amid the gloom God was not without witnesses to the truth. The Paulicians, Albigeneses, Waldenses, and other sects, bore testimony to the Premillennial return of the Lord.....

“The sad thing is that this ‘false doctrine’ of Post-Millennialism is taught in our Bibles by the headings of the chapters in the Old Testament. For illustration the headings of chapters forty-three and four of Isaiah read—‘The Lord comforteth The Church with His promises,’ whereas the chapters are not addressed to the **Church** at all, but to **Jacob** and **Israel**, as we see by reading them. The ordinary reader overlooks the fact that the chapter headings of the Bible are put there by the publisher and should be omitted, as they are misleading....”

Source: *The Trail of Blood*

The First Council of Nicaea (A.D. 325) was the first **ecumenical council** of the Church.^[9] Most significantly, it resulted in the first uniform Christian **doctrine**, called the **Nicene Creed**.

The First Council of Nicaea was convened by **Emperor Constantine the Great** upon the recommendations of a synod led by **Hosius of Córdoba** in the **Eastertide** of 325.

Constantine had invited all 1,800 **bishops** of the Christian church within the Roman Empire (about 1,000 in the east and 800 in the west), but a smaller and unknown number attended. **Eusebius of Caesarea** counted more than 250,^[20] **Athanasius of Alexandria** counted 318,^[11] and **Eustathius of Antioch** estimated "about 270"^[21] (all three were present at the council).

D. Zechariah, David Baron, Kregal Publications, Grand Rapids, MI 49501

Foreword by Walter C. Kaiser, Jr., Academic Dean, and Professor of Semitic Languages and the Old Testament, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School

David Baron was born in Russia in 1855 and brought up in a strict, devout Jewish family. His education was under the rigorous tutelage of the Rabbinic training of the period...on a...search of the Scriptures...he found the Messiah to be the Lord Jesus Christ.

Baron launches right into commenting on Zechariah...He is also ever alert to those places where many in the Gentile Church have 'spiritualized' or even 'phantomized' Scripture when it refers to Jerusalem or Israel. The reader should avoid, warns Baron, substituting an unnatural and shadowy meaning for what is plain and obvious in the text.

E. The Numerical Bible: Hebrews to Revelation

F. W. Grant (page 273):

We must not merge Israel and the Church, or forget even the purposes of God as to the earth, in higher and heavenly ones. The true revelation to interpret prophecy can only be found therefore, not in self-imagined canons, but by having before one the great promises of God, remembering **how He challenges every thought of their (Israel's) undoing, especially with regard to Israel, His people (Jer. 31:35, 36)**, and that, even as to the new heaven and the new earth (Isa. 66:22). Thus, an interpretation of Revelation which practically, if not theoretically, leaves Israel out, cannot have the needed largeness, cannot give us the mind of God.

Anzacs Empires and Israel's Restoration (1798-1948), pp 19-20, Kelvin Crombie, Vocational Education & Training Publications, Osborne Park Western Australia 6916. Used copies available from various sellers. The condensed and revised version, titled *Anzacs and Israel: A Significant Connection*, is now available from major booksellers.

One group of reformers, the Puritans, desired to completely purify the church [Anglican] in Britain of all taints of Roman Catholicism. The Puritans, known for producing the Pilgrim Fathers who sailed to America also developed a keen interest in the Jewish people. This came about due to the Puritan desire to refute all Roman Catholic doctrines and positions. The standard Roman position concerning Israel was basically, that as the Jewish nation (represented by the leadership) had rejected Jesus as their King and Messiah, therefore Israel had forfeited all privileges as pertaining to God's chosen nation. All such unfulfilled promises and privileges recorded in the Bible henceforth were entrusted to the Gentile (Roman) Church, which became, in effect, the new or the spiritual Israel.

According to this theology there was to be no further restoration of Israel to her land, and no pre-eminent position for the Jewish 'church.' Israel according to the flesh, so this line of thinking ran, was under an eternal Divine curse.

This doctrine concerning Israel was challenged by certain Puritan scholars. They surmised, that if the Roman Church was erroneous in key doctrines, then such doctrines concerning Israel too were erroneous. Andrew Willett wrote a treatise in 1590 entirely devoted to this question of the *Calling of the Jews*. The term Israel, he argues, must be taken literally, as referring to the nation and people of Israel. He also wrote that before the return of Jesus Christ, the Jewish people would again be established in the Land of Israel.

...Sir Henry Finch...was a member of Parliament, a man acquainted with law and jurisprudence, and of high social and political standing. In his *The World's Great Restauration, or the Calling of the Jews, and (with them) of all the Nations...* published in 1621, Finch painted a picture of a restored Israel living in millennial glory, with the nations of the world paying homage to this restored Jewish nation.

Such a testimony produced interesting reactions, including King James I, who detested the idea of bowing down before the ruler of a Jewish kingdom. Finch and his publisher were summarily thrown into prison, and only released when they recanted of their 'treasonable' opinions.

It was Finch who laid down some clear guidelines for interpreting Scripture and in particular the prophecies in the Old Testament. He again emphasized that wherever the name Israel was mentioned, it did not mean anyone else but the people of Israel. The same he said concerning Jerusalem, Judah and *Zion. These terms do not apply to the 'spiritual Israel,' Jewish and Gentile believers in Jesus, but they apply to the original people or places so named. He too, wrote conclusively of a future return of Israel to her land as prophesied by Ezekiel, Hosea, Zephaniah, Isaiah, Daniel, and John.

*Brim Note: The term *Zion* has a number of applications in Scripture.

David's City (South and Down from the Temple Site on Mt Moriah)

The Temple and Mount Moriah

Earthly Jerusalem

Heavenly Jerusalem (Hebrews 12.)

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LESSON TWO The Nations

SESSION 3 BEGINS HERE

Review: The Three Groups of People:

1Cor. 10:32 Give none offence, neither to the Jews, nor to the Gentiles, nor to the church of God:

1. The Jews God's Chosen Covenant People
2. The Gentiles The Nations (*goyim*)
3. The Church The Body of Christ

In order of their appearance in Scripture:

The Nations (*goyim*), the Jews, the Church

In the TaNaKH (O.T.) ONLY TWO GROUPS

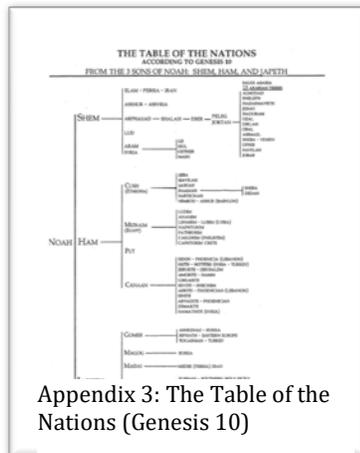
I. The Nations (Hebrew *Goyim*)

A. The Genesis Flood

A judgment Genesis 6:1-8

B. The Seventy Nations

Genesis 10



The *Talmudic* tradition is that there are seventy nations.

(See the Table of Nations.)

In this tradition:

14 nations are descended from Japheth,
30 from Ham, and
26 from Shem,
totaling 70.

Brim Note: The blessing of the nations is tied up in the blessing of Israel (Genesis 12:3).

Shem, Ham, and Japheth themselves are omitted as are the Philistines who are designated as a mixed race (verse 14).

The seventy bullocks sacrificed on Tabernacles were offered to atone for the seventy nations.

God wants all nations to rise to their greatest spiritual potential.

C. The Line of Japheth (14 Nations)

1. Genesis 9:27 (NIV)

“May God extend Japheth’s territory.”

i.e., May God extend Japheth’s boundaries, and may he inherit many lands (B’chor Shor).

2. Genesis 10:5 (The Koren Tanakh)

“By these were the isles of the nations divided in their lands.”

The NASB translates this verse: “From these the coastlands of the nations were separated into their lands.” The word translated “isles” refers to the coastlands of area that could be reached by sea from Judea. That would include islands and coastal areas of the Mediterranean, namely Europe and Asia Minor.

D. The Line of Ham(30 Nations)

Genesis 10:6-20

Mitzraim = Egypt

Zidon = Capital of ancient Phoenicia. (Lebanon)

Fact to remember!!! Genesis 10:10.

According to the *Midrash*, Shinar and Babylon are synonymous.

E. The Line of Shem (26 Nations)

Genesis 21-25

Brim Note: Eber (son of Salah, son of Arphaxad, son of Shem) is the father of the Hebrews. His name has to do with crossing over to the other side. Eber can be pronounced e-ver. Hence: Evrit, the name of the Hebrew language.

Verse 22

Elam—Mentioned often in Scripture. (Present-day Iran)

Elam is often associated with Shushan and Media.

Asshur—the Assyrians

Arpachshad—the Chaldeans.

Abraham was later born in one of their principal cities, Ur.

Aram—the Arameans.

Aramea was northeast of Eretz Yisrael, approximately Syria.

The capital city of Aramea was Damascus.

II. The Nations Rebel Against God

A. God's Will

Genesis 9:1

And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth.

B. Rebellion Genesis 11:1-9

1. The year is 1996, 340 years after the Flood.

(Seder Olam Rabbah 1:1)

2. Shinar and Babylon are synonymous terms.

(Genesis 10:10)

3. Nimrod led rebellion

Genesis 10:8-12 NASB

⁸ Now Cush became the father of Nimrod; he became a mighty one on the earth. ⁹ He was a mighty hunter before the Lord; therefore it is said, "Like Nimrod a mighty hunter before the Lord." ¹⁰ The beginning of his kingdom was Babel and Erech and Accad and Calneh, in the land of Shinar. ¹¹ From that land he went forth into Assyria, and built Nineveh and Rehoboth-Ir and Calah, ¹² and Resen between Nineveh and Calah; that is the great city.

Commenting on this passage, the sage Rashi says Nimrod was "mighty in causing the whole world to rebel against the Holy One, blessed be He, by the plan he devised for the generation that witnessed the separation of the races to build the Tower of Babel." Rashi further interprets "mighty hunter" figuratively. "He ensnared the minds of people by his words, misleading them to rebel against the Omnipresent."

4. God confused language

Genesis 11:8-9 NASB

⁸So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of the whole earth; and they stopped building the city. ⁹Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of the whole earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of the whole earth.

The sage Radak, in his commentary on Genesis, discusses the scattering of the people after their languages were confused at Babel.

G'd did not scatter the people by physically depositing them in different parts of the earth. By mixing up their languages, the people themselves started moving away from one another, in accordance with their ability to understand one another. Seeing that they were unable to communicate with one another coherently, their building project had to be aborted at any rate. The dispersal process was gradual, as methods of transportation were severely limited. People moved predominantly north from Mesopotamia, rather than to the desert regions in the southern Arabian peninsula.... From there G'd had set in motion their dispersal and the division into 70 languages.

C. This was the beginning of “The Babylonian System” in the earth.

Kenneth Copeland defined the Babylonian System as:

Man trying to meet his own needs without God.

God loves the Nations; He loves the *goyim*.

Jeremiah 30:3-4

³For, lo, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will bring again the captivity of my people Israel and Judah, saith the Lord: and I will cause them to return to the land that I gave to their fathers, and they shall possess it.

⁴And these are the words that the Lord spake concerning Israel and concerning Judah.

Jeremiah prophecies before the Babylonian captivity, writing mainly at the palace and the temple.

Before they are even taken into captivity, Jeremiah prophecies about their return.

Jeremiah 30:16,20,22,24

¹⁶ Therefore all they that devour thee shall be devoured; and all thine adversaries, every one of them, shall go into captivity; and they that spoil thee shall be a spoil, and all that prey upon thee will I give for a prey.

²⁰ Their children also shall be as aforetime, and their congregation shall be established before me, and I will punish all that oppress them.

²² And ye shall be my people, and I will be your God.

²⁴ The fierce anger of the Lord shall not return, until he hath done it, and until he have performed the intents of his heart: in the latter days ye shall consider it.

Jeremiah 31:10,17

¹⁰ Hear the word of the Lord, **O ye nations**, and declare it in the isles afar off, and say, He that scattered Israel will gather him, and keep him, as a shepherd doth his flock.

¹⁷ And there is hope in thine end, saith the Lord, that thy children shall come again to their own border.

Nations will be judged for how they treat Israel in the Diaspora.

Israel has a call to reveal God to the nations.

Matthew 25:31-40

(Judgment of nations as nations after Tribulation)

³¹ When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory:

³² 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:

³³ And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left.

³⁴ Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:

³⁵ For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in:

³⁶ Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me.

³⁷ Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink?

³⁸ When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee?

³⁹ Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee?

⁴⁰ And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you,

Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.

Micah 5:2-3

² 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.

³ Therefore will he give them up, until the time that she which travaileth hath brought forth: then the remnant of his brethren shall return unto the children of Israel.

Matthew 25:41-46

⁴⁰ And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.

⁴¹ Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:

⁴² For I was an hungred, and ye gave me no meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me no drink:

⁴³ I was a stranger, and ye took me not in: naked, and ye clothed me not: sick, and in prison, and ye visited me not.

⁴⁴ Then shall they also answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee?

⁴⁵ Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me.

⁴⁶ And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

This will happen after the Tribulation and before the Millennium.

The sheep nations will go into the Millennium.

Zechariah 14:4,9,16

⁴ And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south.

⁹ And the Lord shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one Lord, and his name one.

¹⁶ And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles.

¹⁷ And it shall be, that whoso will not come up of all the families of the earth unto Jerusalem to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, even upon them shall be no rain.

¹⁸ And if the family of Egypt go not up, and come not, that have no rain; there shall be the plague, wherewith the Lord will smite the heathen that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.

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LESSON THREE

The Jews

The Choosing • The Blessing • The Promised Land

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Give none offence, neither to the Jews, nor to the Gentiles (nations), nor to the church of God:

1 Corinthians 10:32

Introduction

God's Dealings with Israel are a key to unlocking Bible prophecy. We can tell where we are on the timeline by knowing what God is doing with this prophetic nation during our lifetime.

God's Dealings with Israel

1. The Choosing
2. The Blessing
3. The Bringing into the Land
4. The Scattering
5. The Ingathering
6. The Restoration
7. The Redemption

I. Israel — The Separated Nation

Leviticus 20:24, 26

²⁴ But I have said unto you, Ye shall inherit their land, and I will give it unto you to possess it, a land that floweth with milk and honey: I am the LORD your God, which have **separated** you from other people. (Hebrew: אֲנִי ה' = ha'amim = the peoples.)

²⁶ And ye shall be **holy** unto me: for **I the LORD am holy**, and have severed you from other people (Hebrew: אֲנִי ה' = ha'amim = the peoples), that ye should be mine.

Israel is a nation, but different from all the other nations.

II. From the Line of Shem

Genesis 11:10-32

¹⁰ These *are* the generations of Shem: Shem *was* an hundred years old, and begat Arphaxad two years after the flood:

¹¹ And Shem lived after he begat Arphaxad five hundred years, and begat sons and daughters.

¹² ...Arphaxad ... begat Salah...:

¹⁴ And Salah ... begat Eber:..

¹⁶ And Eber ... begat Peleg...:

¹⁸ And Peleg lived thirty years, and begat Reu:..

²⁰ And Reu ... begat Serug:

²² And Serug ... begat Nahor:...

²⁴ And Nahor ... begat Terah:

²⁶ And Terah ... Abram, Nahor, and Haran.

Review

The Nations (Genesis 10)

The Rebellion: The Tower of Babel, Genesis 11

The Omniscient (All-Knowing) God, knew this would happen.

He had a plan...

III. Abraham — The Choosing, The Blessing, The Promised Land

Genesis 12:1-4

¹ Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee

² 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:

³ And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

⁴So Abram departed, as the LORD had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram was seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran.

The First Promise God made to Abraham is for The Land

Hence: The Promised Land

A. Abraham's Altars



Appendix 4:
Abraham in the
Mountains of Israel

1. Alon Moreh — Genesis:12:6,7
KJV — Plain of Moreh
Hebrew: *Alon* (Oak) of *Moreh*
2. Bethel — Genesis 12:8
3. Hebron — Genesis 13:14-18
4. All in the mountains of Israel
All on what the world calls *The West Bank*

B. Abraham – The First Jew

The Abrahamic Covenants

[Brim Note: The N.T. says God made “covenants” (plural) with Israel.]

Rom. 9:4 Who are Israelites; to whom *pertaineth* the adoption, and the glory, and **the covenants**, and **the** giving of the law, and the service *of God*, and the promises.

Genesis 17:1-12

¹ And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I *am* the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect.

² And I will make my covenant between me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly.

³ And Abram fell on his face: and God talked with him, saying,

⁴ As for me, behold, my covenant *is* with thee, and thou shalt be a father of many nations.

⁵ Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee.



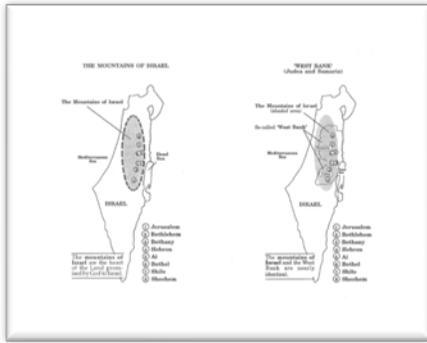
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Map of Israel

⁶ And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, and I will make nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee.

⁷ ¶ And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations **for an everlasting covenant**, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee.

⁸ And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.

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Appendix 6: The Mountains of Israel / West Bank

⁹ And God said unto Abraham, Thou shalt keep my covenant therefore, thou, and thy seed after thee in their generations.

¹⁰ This *is* my covenant, which ye shall keep, between me and you and thy seed after thee; Every man child among you shall be circumcised.

¹¹ And ye shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of the covenant betwixt me and you.

¹² And he that is eight days old shall

be circumcised among you, every man child in your generations, he that is born in the house, or bought with money of any stranger, which *is* not of thy seed.

B. Covenant Between the Pieces for Greater Israel



Appendix 7: Greater Israel's Borders (that they will have during the Millennium)

Genesis 15

A covenant requires blood and words.

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C. Everlasting Covenant for the Land

Genesis 17:7,8

⁷ And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations **for an everlasting covenant**, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee.

⁸ And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God.

Psalm 105:8-12

⁸ He hath remembered his covenant for ever, the word *which* he commanded to a thousand generations.

⁹ Which *covenant* he made with Abraham, and his oath unto Isaac;

¹⁰ And confirmed the same unto Jacob for a law, **and to Israel for an everlasting covenant**:

¹¹ Saying, Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan, the lot of your inheritance:

¹² When they were *but* a few men in number; yea, very few, and strangers in it.

One reason for a judgment of the earth in the end of days is that “they broke the everlasting covenant.”

Isaiah 24:1,4-6

Judgment on the earth because—

They have transgressed the laws,
They have changed the (God’s) ordinance, and
They have broken the everlasting covenant.

D. Covenant Established through Isaac

1. Genesis 17:19-21

¹⁹ And God said, Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son indeed; and thou shalt call his name Isaac: and I will establish my covenant with him for an everlasting covenant, *and* with his seed after him.

²⁰ And as for Ishmael, I have heard thee: Behold, I have blessed him, and will make him fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly; twelve princes shall he beget, and I will make him a great nation.

²¹ But my covenant will I establish with Isaac, which Sarah shall bear unto thee at this set time in the next year.

2. Genesis 22 (The Offering Up of Isaac)

Ha MaKom (Mount Moriah)

Genesis 22:13-18

¹³ And Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind *him* a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son.

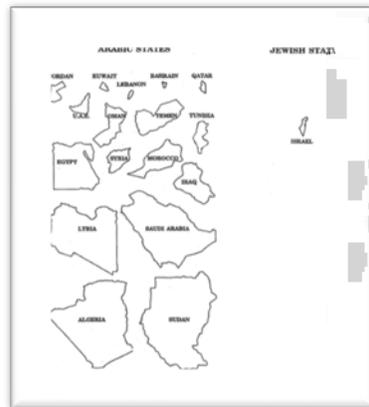
¹⁴ And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovah-jireh: as it is said *to* this day, In the mount of the LORD it shall be seen.

¹⁵ ¶ And the angel of the LORD called unto Abraham out of heaven the second time,

¹⁶ And said, By myself have I sworn, saith the LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only *son*:

¹⁷ That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which *is* upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies;

¹⁸ And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.



Appendix 8: Israel in Comparison

3. Genesis 25:1-6

Abraham had other sons.

Ishmael (Hagar)

Six sons through Keturah

The sages say that Keturah and Hagar are the same person.

E. Covenant Established through Jacob

1. Isaac blesses Jacob

Gen. 28:1 ¶ And Isaac called Jacob, and blessed him...

Gen. 28:3 And God Almighty bless thee, and make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, that thou mayest be a multitude of people;

Gen. 28:4 And give thee the blessing of Abraham, to thee, and to thy seed with thee; that thou mayest inherit the land wherein thou art a stranger, which God gave unto Abraham.

2. Jehovah promises Land to Jacob (Genesis 28:10-18)

Gen. 28:10 And Jacob went out from Beer-sheba, and went toward Haran.

Gen. 28:11 And he lighted upon a certain place, and tarried there all night, because the sun was set; and he took of the stones of that place, and put *them for* his pillows, and lay down in that place to sleep.

Gen. 28:12 And he dreamed, and behold a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and behold the angels of God ascending and descending on it.

Gen. 28:13 And, behold, the LORD stood above it, and said, I *am* the LORD God of Abraham thy father, and the God of Isaac: the land whereon thou liest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed;

Gen. 28:14 And thy seed shall be as the dust of the earth, and thou shalt spread abroad to the west, and to the east, and to the north, and to the south: and in thee and in thy seed shall all the families of the earth be blessed.

Gen. 28:15 And, behold, I *am* with thee, and will keep thee in all *places* whither thou goest, and will bring thee again into this land; for I will not leave thee, until I have done *that* which I have spoken to thee of.

Gen. 28:16 And Jacob awaked out of his sleep, and he said, Surely the LORD is in this place; and I knew *it* not.

Gen. 28:17 And he was afraid, and said, How dreadful *is* this place! this *is* none other but the house of God, and this *is* the gate of heaven.

Gen. 28:18 And Jacob rose up early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put *for* his pillows, and set it up *for* a pillar, and poured oil upon the top of it.

This is The Place (הַמִּקְדָּשׁ), Mount Moriah.

Here we find the stone on which Abraham was prepared to offer Isaac as a sacrifice. The Jews call this stone *Evan Hashetiah* (אֶבֶן הַשֵּׁטִיָּה), which means “Foundation Stone.”

They believe this is the connection point between Heavenly Jerusalem and Earthly Jerusalem.

F. Jerusalem

Ezekiel 48:30-35 (Heavenly Jerusalem)

The name of that city is *Jehovah Shammah*, “the LORD is there.”

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Ezekiel 47:21

In the Millennium, the Jews will have their tribal lands.

Acts 17:16-26 (Paul at Athens)

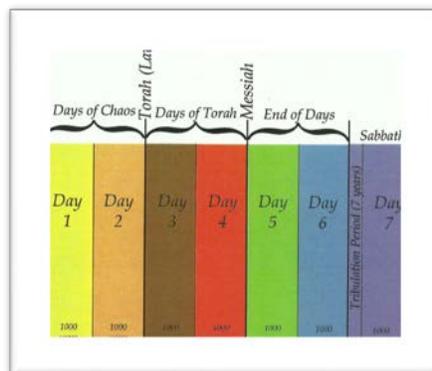
²⁴ God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands;

²⁵ Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things;

²⁶ And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation.

Acts 17:26 (Amplified Classic)

²⁶ And He made from one [common origin, one source, one blood] all nations of men to settle on the face of the earth, having definitely determined [their] allotted periods of time and the fixed boundaries of their habitation (their settlements, lands, and abodes).



Appendix 2: The Seven Days

Ezekiel 48:1-29

God is not finished with the Jews.

This describes the Millennial borders of the tribes of Israel.

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LESSON THREE-A The Jews and Their Call

For the gifts and calling of God are without repentance.

—Romans 11:29

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Review

The Rebellion and fall of the Nations

Genesis 11

The Call of Abraham (Genesis 12)

God's Call on Abraham's Seed is to Reveal God to the Nations.

I. PLAN "A"

A. To place them in The Promised Land and bless them there for all Nations to see.

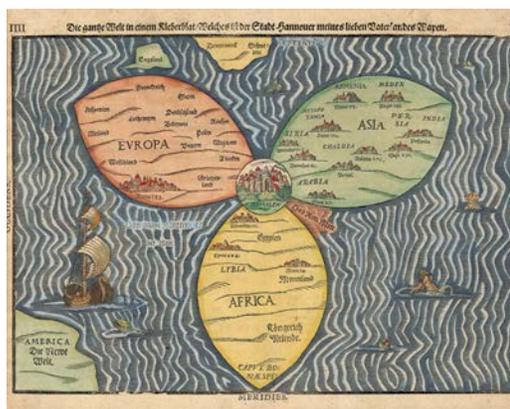
The position of the Land from the beginning:

Appointed Center for His Governmental Dealings with the Nations

Deut. 32:8 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.

Deut. 32:9 For the LORD'S portion is his people; Jacob is the lot of his inheritance.

Deut. 32:10 He found him in a desert land, and in the waste howling wilderness; he led him about, he instructed him, he kept him as the apple of his eye.



Appendix 9: World Map by Heinrich Bünting

B. The Blessings in The Land

Deuteronomy 28:1-14. God wants to reach the Nations through Israel.

Key Verse: Verse 10 (the Call)

Deut. 28:10 And **all people of the earth shall see** that thou art called by the name of the LORD; and they shall be afraid of thee.

II. PLAN “B”

A. The Scattering (Diaspora)

Deuteronomy 28:15-64

Key Verse: Verse 64

Deut. 28:64 And the LORD shall scatter thee among all people, from the one end of the earth even unto the other.

B. And the Ingathering

Deuteronomy 30:1-9

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Isaiah 11:11-12

Isa. 11:11 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea.

Isa. 11:12 And he shall set up an *ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.

* **H 5251** עִנָּי nêç, nace from [5264](#); a flag; also a sail; by implication, a flagstaff; generally a signal; figuratively, a token—banner, pole, sail, (en-)sign, standard. (Strong’s)

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Isa. 11:12 ¶ He will raise a signal for the nations and will assemble the banished of Israel, and gather the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.

Isaiah 43:1-7

God tells Israel they will go through these things, but He will be with them.

Isaiah 43:8-9

Addressing the Nations. They could see, but they are blind.

Isaiah 43:10-12

My people. My chosen. The Jews are the witnesses to the Nations that He is God.



Appendix 5:
Topographic
Map of Israel

Isaiah 43:20

Isaiah 62:6-7

Jeremiah 30:1-11, 20,22

The nations who stand against Israel will be cursed.

Jeremiah 31:4-6,17-20

Ephraim was the ringleader of the rebellion that divided the kingdom. Here God speaks of his yearning for Ephraim's return to Him.

Ezekiel 36: The Mountains of Israel

Ezekiel 37: Dry Bones

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LESSON 4 The Ekklēsia

The Church, The Assembly, The Body of Christ

Become offenceless, both to Jews and Greeks, and to the assembly of God.

—1 Corinthians 10:32, Young's Literal Translation

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Introduction

I chose the Young's Literal Translation of 1 Corinthians 10:32 because it shows the literal meaning of the Greek word *ekklēsia*, which is usually translated "church" in the King James Version. The following note from The Companion Bible makes the meaning of *ekklēsia* plain.

The Companion Bible, Appendix 186¹

CHURCH (Gr. EKKLĒSIA)

The Greek word *ekklēsia* means *assembly*, or a gathering of *called-out ones*.¹

E. W. Bullinger, author of the notes in The Companion Bible, further states that Paul's usage of *ekklēsia* speaks of **a new body consisting of called-out ones from both the Jews and the Gentiles.**

Romans 9:1-5

Paul intercedes for the Jews as Moses did.

Romans 11:1,25-32

God will deal with Israel as a nation. They are His inheritance.

Israel as a nation was separated from the foundational nations to be God's inheritance as a nation from the nations. **The Body of Christ is God's inheritance composed of individuals out of every kindred and tribe and nation.**

Israel in the Plan of God, David Baron²

...while Israel as a nation is and remains God's portion from among the nations of the earth [Deut. 32:9], the Church of Christ, made up of

individuals out of all nations and kindreds and peoples and tongues, is His special inheritance from among men.

It is for a fuller comprehension of this mystery on the part of believers that the Apostle prays in the first chapter to the Ephesians: "...that you may know what is the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints."

Acts 15:14 Simeon hath declared how God at the first did visit the Gentiles, to take out of them a people for his name.

I believe that the Lord has planned for the Body of Christ to see His great purpose for the *ekklēsia* as a body. And for that reason, I have introduced this third group as a body first, before we examine the truths regarding the individual members of this glorious inheritance of the Father's.

The Holy Scriptures are not a systematic treatise on theology, history, science or any other topic. They are a **REVELATION** from God of His **Plan and Purpose in the Ages as to the earth and the human race.**

—Clarence Larkin, *Rightly Dividing the Word*

I. God's Plans: God's Mysteries

God's plans are often identified as His mysteries. The English word "mystery" in the New Testament is a transliteration of the Greek *mustēriōn* (μυστήριον), which means "a sacred secret."

The Old Testament reveals only the first two of the three groups: the Jews and the Nations (the Gentiles). The third group was hidden — a hidden mystery — only to be revealed through the Apostle Paul.

In the New Testament, several plans of God are identified as mysteries. The following are some of them:

- The mysteries of the kingdom of God
Mark 4:11
Luke 8:10
- The mystery of Israel
Romans 11:25-29
- The mystery of iniquity
2 Thessalonians 2:6
- The mystery of the catching away (rapture) of the body of Christ
1 Corinthians 15:51

Interestingly, we are told that when we pray in tongues, we are praying about these mysteries, these plans of God.

1 Cor. 14:2 For he that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God: for no man understandeth him; howbeit in the spirit he speaketh **mysteries**.

II. The Mystery of the Church

The greatest mystery revealed in the New Testament is the mystery of the *ekklēsia* (assembly, church). This assembly, the “body of Christ to be,” was kept hidden throughout the Old Testament. It is referred to as “the hidden mystery.”

Rom. 16:25 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**,

Rom. 16:26 But now is made manifest, 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.

1 Cor. 2:7 But we speak the wisdom of God in a **mystery**, even **the hidden wisdom**, which God ordained before the world unto our glory.

Eph. 3:9 And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the **mystery**, which from the beginning of the world **hath been hid** in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ.

Col. 1:26 Even the **mystery which hath been hid** from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints:

Col. 1:27 To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this **mystery** among the Gentiles; **which is Christ in you, the hope of glory**.

- The Mystery of the Assembly, the Body of Christ, was hidden during the Old Testament.
- It was hidden in the four Gospels.
 - One cannot live the overcoming life just living in the four Gospels.
- It was not revealed until it was revealed to the Apostle Paul.
- The revelation came to him during a period of over at least 7 years.

It is called “The Pauline Revelation.”

Galatians 1:11 through 2:2

1:11 But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man.

¹² For I neither received it of man, neither was **I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ.**

¹³ For ye have heard of my conversation in time past in the Jews' religion, how that beyond measure I persecuted the church of God, and wasted it:

¹⁴ And profited in the Jews' religion above many my equals in mine own nation, being more exceedingly zealous of the traditions of my fathers.

¹⁵ But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called me by his grace,

¹⁶ To reveal his Son in me, that I might preach him among the heathen; **immediately I conferred not with flesh and blood:**

¹⁷ Neither went I up to Jerusalem to them which were apostles before me; but **I went into Arabia**, and returned again unto Damascus.

¹⁸ **Then after three years** I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and abode with him **fifteen days.**

¹⁹ But other of the apostles saw I none, save James the Lord's brother.

²⁰ Now the things which I write unto you, behold, before God, I lie not.

²¹ **Afterwards I came into the regions of Syria and Cilicia;**

²² And was unknown by face unto the churches of Judaea which were in Christ:

²³ But they had heard only, That he which persecuted us in times past now preacheth the faith which once he destroyed.

²⁴ And they glorified God in me.

2:1 **Then fourteen years after I went up again to Jerusalem** with Barnabas, and took Titus with *me* also.

² And I went up by revelation, and communicated unto them that gospel which I preach among the Gentiles, but privately to them which were of reputation, lest by any means I should run, or had run, in vain.

Unknown time in Arabia

3 years in Damascus

+14 days in Jerusalem

+14 years in the regions of Syria and Cilicia

17 years and 15 days, plus unknown time in Arabia.

This revelation was new to the other apostles.

Peter said:

2 Peter 3:15 And account *that* the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you;

2 Peter 3:16 As also in all *his* epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction.

What Paul received was the revelation of the hidden mystery of the Body of Christ.

The following verses speak of a plan that was in the mind of God from before the world. But a mystery that He kept hidden in Him.

Rom. 16:25 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,

Rom. 16:26 But now is made manifest....

1 Cor. 2:7 But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory.

Eph. 3:3 How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words,

Eph. 3:4 Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ)

Eph. 3:5 Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;

Eph. 3:6 That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel:

Eph. 3:9 And to make all *men* see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:

Col. 1:26 *Even* the **mystery** which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints:

Col. 1:27 To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this **mystery** among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:

III. God's Inheritance in the Ekklēsia

This mystery is so wonderful that it is one of the three things about which God wants us to pray to receive a spirit of wisdom and revelation. The prayer

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in Ephesians 1:17 through 2:6 is an anointed one which we can pray every day. It asks for a “spirit of wisdom and revelation” concerning three things.

I personalize it and pray it something like this:

God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of Glory,

Give unto me the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him.

May the eyes of my understanding, the eyes of my heart be enlightened that I may know:

1. what is the hope of His calling,
2. what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and
3. what is the exceeding greatness of His power to usward who believe....

God gave us this prayer because He wants to give us the revelation He gave Paul. This is so we can take part in working with Him that He designed this God-inside-man body to fulfill. And so that we can fulfill His “purpose of the ages.” More about that later. Now we will look at the individual members of this august body.

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RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD

LESSON 4A (A CONTINUATION)

The Ekklēsia

The Church, The Assembly, The Body of Christ

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Introduction

All the Bible is to the church; all the Bible is for the church; but not all the Bible is about the church. The part of the Bible that is *to*, *for*, and *about* the church is The New Testament Letters.

The Revelation of the *ekklēsia*, the assembly, the Body of Christ, aka the church.

Any Jew, any Gentile may believe in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Thereafter they will not be in the first two groups of peoples that God sees.

For there is neither Jew nor Gentile in the Body of Christ.

Galatians 3:26-29

²⁶ For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.

²⁷ For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

²⁸ There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.

²⁹ And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Any Jew, Any Gentile (Goy) who believes in his heart that God raised Jesus from the dead and confesses Jesus as Lord with his mouth experiences a new birth and becomes "a new creation in Him."
(Romans 10:9,10)

I. The individual members are "a brand-new species" that never before existed.

New Creations.

2 Corinthians 5:17

KJV Therefore if any man *be* in Christ, *he is* a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

Coneybeare Whoever, then is in Christ, is a new creation; his old being has passed away, and behold, all has become new.

Phillips For if a man is in Christ he becomes a new person altogether—the past is finished and gone, everything has become fresh and new.

A. The believer experiences a spiritual new birth.

1 Thessalonians 5:23

Man is a spirit, he has a soul, and he lives in a body. It is the spirit of man that is born again. It is the spirit of man that is made new.

1 Peter 2:2

A new believer is like a newborn baby.

Romans 12:1-2

A new believer should begin thinking like God thinks.

Renew your mind with the Word of God. It will tell you what to do with your body.

B. He is “born from above.”

John 3:3-7

³ Jesus answered and said unto him, **Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.**

⁴ Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother’s womb, and be born?

⁵ Jesus answered, **Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.**

⁶ **That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.**

⁷ **Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.**

John 3:3-7 Young’s Literal Translation

³ Jesus answered and said to him, ‘Verily, verily, I say to thee, If any one may not be born from above, he is not able to see the reign of God;’

⁴ Nicodemus saith unto him, ‘How is a man able to be born, being old? is he able into the womb of his mother a second time to enter, and to be born?’

⁵ Jesus answered, ‘Verily, verily, I say to thee, If any one may not be born of water, and the Spirit, he is not able to enter into the reign of God;

⁶ that which hath been born of the flesh is flesh, and that which hath been born of the Spirit is spirit.

⁷ 'Thou mayest not wonder that I said to thee, It behoveth you to be born from above;

C. The Believer's birthplace is Heavenly Jerusalem

Gal. 4:26 But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all.

D. The Believer is at his new birth, a citizen from Heaven.

Philippians 3:20-21 KJV

²⁰ For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:

²¹ Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

E. The believer is a citizen of heaven assigned to an ambassadorship in the earth.

2 Cor. 5:20 Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech *you* by us: we pray *you* in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.

The believer/ambassador can live by the Law of the Spirit of Life which has set him free from the law of sin and death.

Romans 8:1-2

¹ There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

² For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

2 Corinthians 3:5-8,15-18

¹⁸ But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

John 13:30-35

Jesus begins to speak "new creation" realities to the disciples. There will be only one law: love. They were used to 613 laws.

John 14:12

¹² Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.

John 16:12

¹² I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.

You're not going to get everything you need in Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. You're not ready for it yet. That's why the rest of the New Testament was written. Much revelation about who we are in Christ came through Paul.

John 14:16-18, 26

God will send the Holy Spirit in Jesus' name to be our Comforter and our Teacher.

John 15:26

The Holy Spirit, the Comforter, will proceed from the Father and will testify of Jesus Christ.

John 16:13-15

The Holy Spirit will guide you into all truth. "My Guide Inside."

The Holy Spirit speaks what He hears.

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All the Bible is *to* the Church. All the Bible is *for* the Church. But *not* all the Bible is *about* the Church. Some of the Bible is about other people.

Some think they need to insert themselves into every Scripture. For the Church to find out about their future, they must look at the New Testament Letters.

II. Jesus and the earthly Kingdom

Jesus presented the laws of the earthly kingdom.

John 13:34-35

³⁴ A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.

³⁵ By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

John 16:12

¹² I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.

Matthew 26:26-30

²⁶ And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body.

²⁷ And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it;

²⁸ For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

²⁹ But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.

³⁰ And when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives.

They would have sung Psalm 118, one of the Hallel Psalms that would have been sung during Passover.

Psalm 118:22-24

²² The stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner.

²³ This is the Lord's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes.

²⁴ This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

The “stone which the builder refused” was singing this Psalm.

John 13:34-35

³⁴ A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.

³⁵ By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

You are to abide by one law: the Law of Love.

John 14:16-17

¹⁶ And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;

¹⁷ Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

Jesus would soon leave, but He was not going to leave them comfortless.

Comforter = παράκλητος (paraklētōs) = advocate, legal assistant, one who comes alongside

John 14:26

²⁶ But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

John 15:26

²⁶ But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me.

John 16:13

¹³ Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

The Holy Spirit speaks.

He speaks what He hears.

John 20

Jesus came back to get His body.

Mary Magdalene had a conversation with Him.

Jesus had yet to go to heaven and offer His blood.

John 20:22 And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost.

These were the first to be born again.

Jesus walked among them for 40 days.

Acts 1:2-8

In verse 6, the disciples asked if Jesus would now restore the kingdom to Israel. It just wasn't for them "to know the times or the seasons."

He told them that they would receive power when the Holy Spirit came upon them.

The Holy Spirit would come on the Day of Pentecost,

The word "Pentecost" is derived from πεντηκοστή, the Greek translation of שבועות (Shavuot), the Feast of Weeks. It celebrates the anniversary of Moses receiving the Torah on Mount Sinai seven weeks after the Passover and Exodus from Egypt. It also celebrated the wheat harvest in Israel.

Acts 2:1-5

¹ And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

² And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

³ And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

⁴ And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

⁵ And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven.

They got born of the Spirit back in John 20. Now they were filled with the Spirit.

III. Three Baptisms

Hebrews 6:1-2

¹ Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God,

² Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment.

A. At Salvation

1 Cor. 12:13 For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.

Baptizer: Holy Spirit

Element into which baptized: the Body of Christ

Eph. 4:5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism.

Gal 3:26 For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.

Gal. 3:27 For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

These passages refer to the baptism in which you are baptized into the Body of Christ.

B. Baptism in the Holy Spirit

Acts 1:5 For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.

Baptizer: Jesus Christ

Element into which baptized: the Holy Spirit

C. Water Baptism

Acts 2:41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls.

Acts 2:42 And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

Baptizer: Another believer

Element into which baptized: Water

Acts 8:26-39 (Philip and the Ethiopian eunuch)

³⁶ And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?

³⁷ And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.

³⁸ And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.

It appears that Philip had spoken of water baptism while he was sharing the gospel with the Ethiopian eunuch.

Hebrews 6:4-6

⁴ For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost,

⁵ And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come,

⁶ If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance;

seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame.

You are not going to lose your salvation every time you sin.

IV. The Temple of the Holy Spirit

1 Corinthians 3:9-16

Our works will go with us to the Judgment Seat of Christ. Our “wood, hay, and stubble” will go up in smoke. Our “gold, silver, and precious stones” will remain.

1 Cor. 3:16 Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?

1 Corinthians 6:13-20

¹³ Meats for the belly, and the belly for meats: but God shall destroy both it and them. Now the body is not for fornication, but for the Lord; and the Lord for the body.

¹⁴ And God hath both raised up the Lord, and will also raise up us by his own power.

¹⁵ Know ye not that your bodies are the members of Christ? shall I then take the members of Christ, and make them the members of an harlot? God forbid.

¹⁶ What? know ye not that he which is joined to an harlot is one body? for two, saith he, shall be one flesh.

¹⁷ But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit.

¹⁸ Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body.

¹⁹ What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?

²⁰ For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

Your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit (verse 19).

2 Corinthians 6:14-16

¹⁴ Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?

¹⁵ And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

¹⁶ 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.

Ephesians 2:20-22

²⁰ And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets,
Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone;

²¹ In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy
temple in the Lord:

²² In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God
through the Spirit.

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LESSON 5 The Ekklēsia

The Church, The Assembly, The Body of Christ

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I. Ephesians

A. The Book of Ephesians is filled with God's purpose for the Church and for all Creation.

Eph. 1:1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, to the saints which are at Ephesus, and to the faithful in Christ Jesus.

Eph. 1:1 Amplified PAUL, AN apostle (special messenger) of Christ Jesus (the Messiah), by the divine will (the purpose and the choice of God) to the saints (the consecrated, set-apart ones).

Ephesians 1:3-7

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:

⁴ According as he hath chosen us in him before **the foundation of the world**, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love.

⁵ Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,

⁶ To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.

⁷ In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace



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Eph. 1:3 ¶ Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly *places* in Christ,

Eph. 1:4 just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and blameless *before Him. In love

Eph. 1:5 He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will.

*2714. **κατενώπιον katēnōpiōn**, *kat-en-o'-pee-on*; from 2596 and 1799; directly in front of: — before (the presence of), in the sight of. (Strong's)

He made us to be directly in front of him, before His face.

Read John 14:1-4

I go to prepare a place for you in My Father's House.

Jesus was leaving to "go to the Father."

John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, **I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.**

He said, as is recorded in John 14:12 and 28, "I go unto My Father."

John 16:28 **I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again, I leave the world, and go to the Father.**

John 16:29 His disciples said unto him, Lo, now speakest thou plainly, and speakest no proverb.

The place (ha'makom) for the third group of peoples (the Church) is "before the Father."

The other two groups, in the revelation that our Bible covers, do not "go to the Father."

The place of the Jews and the sheep nations during the Millennium is on the earth.

B. Read verses 2:11-18

There is now one new man – The Body of Christ

C. Ephesians 1 through 3 — doctrine and theology

Who you are in Him.

D. Ephesians 4 — How you walk it

Eph. 4:1 I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called.

Preface from *The Authority of the Believer* by John A. MacMillan:

The rapidly approaching end of the age is witnessing a tremendous increase in the activity of the powers of darkness....
[He lists several reasons for this that he saw.]

To meet the situation, the Church of Christ needs *a new conception of prayer*. The urgent call is for men and women, wholly yielded to the Lord, whose eyes have been enlightened to see **the ministry in the heavenlies** to which they have been called.

Such believers ... may in union with the great Head of the Body, exercise an *authority to which the powers of the air **must** give place wherever challenged*.

We have a “ministry in the heavenlies.”

E. Ephesians 1:17 begins a prayer for “an inner spiritual understanding conferred through the enlightenment of the Spirit.”

F. The authority of the believer revealed.

Our ministry in the heavenlies.

See MacMillan *Authority of the Believer*

K. E. Hagin: *The Believer's Authority*

B. Brim: *The Authority of the Believer and How to Use It*

Types, Psalms, and Prophecies by David Baron

“Jesus stands in relation to us as our Covenant Head (Col 1:8)...When He arose it was as though every member of His body, great and small had risen along with Him...and therefore are seated with Him...sharing spiritual sovereignty with God.”

Talmud *Sotah* 41b

No man may sit in the Temple courtyard except for kings from the House of David.

G. Read verses 2:11-18

There is now one new man – The Body of Christ

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II. The Church — The Bride of Christ

A. The Jews are the Bride of the Father

Isaiah 62:1-4

¹ For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until the righteousness thereof go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof as a lamp that burneth.

² And the Gentiles shall see thy righteousness, and all kings thy glory: and thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the Lord shall name.

³ Thou shalt also be a crown of glory in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of thy God.

⁴ Thou shalt no more be termed Forsaken; neither shall thy land any more be termed Desolate: but thou shalt be called Hephzibah, and thy land Beulah: for the Lord delighteth in thee, and thy land shall be married.

B. The Glorious Church – The Bride of Christ

Eph. 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;

Eph. 5:26 That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,

Eph. 5:27 That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

Eph. 5:28 So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself.

Eph. 5:29 For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church:

Eph. 5:30 For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones.

Eph. 5:31 For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh.

Eph. 5:32 This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church.

Rom. 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.

C. Her Future:

1. The Rapture of the Church

1 Thessalonians 4:13-17

¹³ But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.

¹⁴ For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.

¹⁵ For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.

¹⁶ For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

¹⁷ Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

Philippians 3:20-21

²⁰ For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:

²¹ Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

1 Corinthians 15:51-53

⁵¹ Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,

⁵² In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

⁵³ For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

1 Thessalonians 5:1-9

¹ But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you.

² For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.

³ For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.

⁴ But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.

⁵ Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.

⁶ Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober.

⁷ For they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night.

⁸ But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation.

⁹ **For God hath not appointed us to wrath**, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ

2. The Judgment Seat of Christ

2 Corinthians 5:10

¹⁰ For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.

This is a judgment of reward.

Hebrews 11:32-35

³² And what shall I more say? for the time would fail me to tell of Gedeon, and of Barak, and of Samson, and of Jephthae; of David also, and Samuel, and of the prophets:

³³ Who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions.

³⁴ Quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens.

³⁵ Women received their dead raised to life again: and others were tortured, not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection

There is a reward for what you do.

John 5:22-24

²² **For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son:**

²³ **That all *men* should honour the Son, even as they honour the Father. He that honoureth not the Son honoureth not the Father which hath sent him.**

²⁴ **Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation [Greek: judgment, same word as in verse 22]; but is passed from death unto life.**

1 Corinthians 3:9-15

Judgment of works; rewards

B. Presentation Day: Presentation of the Bride

Eph. 5:27 That he might present it [her] to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

2 Cor. 11:2 For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may **present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.**

Col. 1:22 In the body of his flesh through death, **to present you holy and unblameable and unproveable in his sight.**

Col. 1:25 Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to fulfil the word of God;

Col. 1:26 *Even* the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints:

Col. 1:27 To whom God would make known what *is* the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:

Col. 1:28 Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; **that we may present every man** perfect in Christ Jesus:

2 Cor. 4:14 Knowing that he which raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also by Jesus, and shall present *us* with you.

Jude 24 Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy.

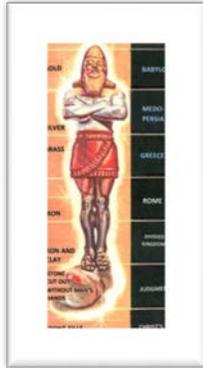
Eph. 1:22 And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church,

Eph. 1:23 Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.

C. Daniel's 70th Week

The Tribulation Period on Earth

Daniel 9:1-1-4,7,12,16-18,20-23



Appendix 11:
Nebuchadnezzar's
Dream



Appendix 2: The Seven Days

Daniel 9:24-27

²⁴ Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.

²⁵ Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.

²⁶ And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

²⁷ And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

70 weeks of years have been determined for the Jews. (490 years).
Until Messiah the Prince is cut off is 69 "weeks of years" (483 years).
That leaves 1 "week of years" (7 years).

That, according to Jeremiah, is "the time of Jacob's trouble."

The following are notes from *The Numerical Bible, A Revised Translation of the Holy Scriptures with Expository Notes* (by F.W. Grant in 1902, and

Samuel Ridout, before that date), Published by Loizeaux Brothers, Neptune, New Jersey, copyrighted in 1932. Volume *Hebrews to Revelation*.

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We must not merge Israel and the Church or forget even the purposes of God as to the earth, in higher and heavenly ones. The true revelation to interpret prophecy can only be found therefore, not in self-imagined canons, but by having before one the great promises of God, remembering how He challenges every thought of their undoing, especially with regard to Israel, His people (Jeremiah 31:35,36), and that, even as to the new heaven and the new earth (Isaiah 66:22). Thus, an interpretation of Revelation which practically, if not theoretically, leaves Israel out, cannot have the needed largeness, cannot give us the mind of God...

(Some interpretations of the Book of Revelation thus)... fall, each by itself deficient in its narrowness of vision....

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...Thus, the Jews are manifestly before us in all this....

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...The future before the world is largely, alas, made up of judgment, although it is true that the judgment is for a blessing which lies beyond it, and which is as bright as God can make it. Yet the judgment is emphatically a judgment of the world as it is, a judgment in which the whole present fashion of it passes away; and how important that we should know *why* it should pass away, and now to apprehend the mind of God with regard to that which He is going to judge! In this way prophecy is of the most practical nature, and a grand help to real holiness; that is, to a separation from evil which necessarily is found in fellowship with Him. If there are things with which finally it will be seen that he cannot allow to go on, than how clearly this must enter into our present estimate of them!...

...God's moral ways...the end will perfectly bring them out....

(Daniel's seventy weeks)... shows us, in the plainest way, how God is keeping Israel before Him, can never forget her, and that the time of final blessing is one in which that interest in His earthly people will be most manifestly shown.....

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...the Church, Christ's body, is complete; and that all true Christians have been caught up to Christ and are then with Him...that the Lord is now taking up again for blessing Israel and the earth; and we are again in the line of Old Testament prophecy, and going on to the fulfillment of Old Testament promises.

Matt. 24:15 When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

Matt. 24:16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:

Matt. 24:17 Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house:

Matt. 24:18 Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.

Matt. 24:19 And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!

Matt. 24:20 But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day:

Matt. 24:21 For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

Matt. 24:22 And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

Rev. 6:17 For **the great day of his wrath** is come; and who shall be able to stand?

Rev. 16:1 And I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels, Go your ways, and pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth.

D. The Bride is not appointed to wrath

Rom. 5:8 But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

Rom. 5:9 Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

1 Thess. 1:10 And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, *even* Jesus, which delivered us from the wrath to come.

1 Thess. 5:9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,

III. The Marriage Supper of the Lamb

Revelation 19:6-1

IV. The Place of the Bride

The New Jerusalem

Revelation 21:9-10

Hebraisms

Matthew 3:5

Matthew 23:37

V. Throughout All Eternity—throughout the ages to come

... there will be a recognizable body which we know as the Church, the Assembly, the Body of Christ, giving God glory.

Eph. 3:20 Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,

Eph. 3:21 Unto him *be* glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

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PAROUSIA

Matthew 24:3 ESV

As he sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately, saying, “Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign of your **coming** and of the end of the age?”

Companion Bible on Matthew 24:3 (Bullinger Notes)

coming = presence. Gr. *parousia*. This is the first of twenty-four occurrences of this important word (Matt 24:3, 27, 37, 39. 1 Cor. 15:23; 16:7. 2 Cor. 7:6; 10:10. Phil. 1:26; 2:12. 1 Thess 2:19; 3:13; 4:15; 5:23. 2 Thess 2:1, 8, 9. James 5:7, 8. 2 Peter 1:16; 3:4, 12. 1 John 2:28.)

The *Papyri* show that “from the Ptolemaic period down to the second century A.D. the word traced in the East as a technical expression for the arrival or the visit of the king or the emperor”, also of other persons in authority, or of troops (See *Deissmann’s *Light, &c.*, pp. 372-8, 441-5). It is not therefore a N.T. word, as some have supposed.

***Light from the Ancient East** by Adolf Deissmann. Translated by Lionel R. M. Strachan. London: Hodder and Stoughton, 1910. Public domain.

This invaluable study of non-literary Greek and Latin texts from the period leading up to and contemporary with the rise and early development of Christianity is once again available after being out of print for nearly a decade. Available from [Amazon](#). The 1910 edition is also available for [free viewing and downloading](#).

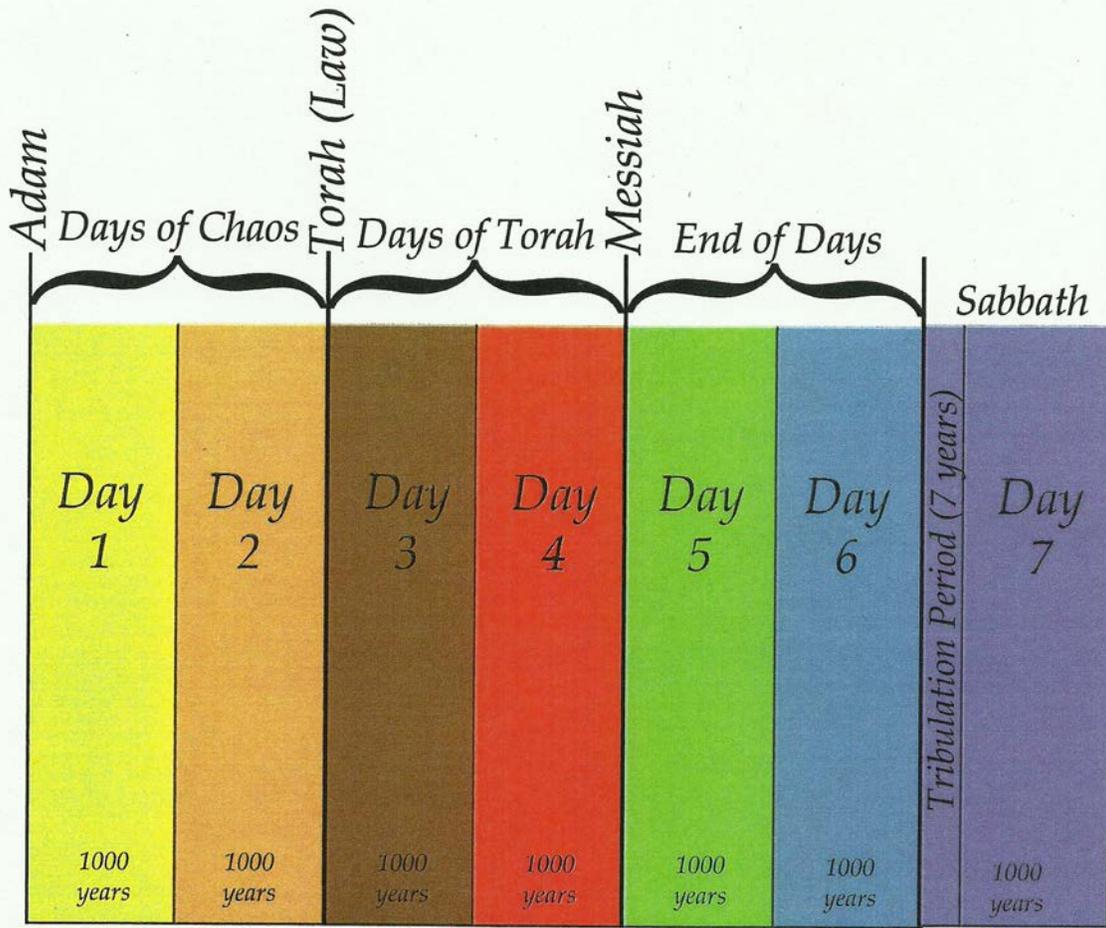
What is papyrus?- Ancient Egypt

When the **Egyptians** began to write, about **3000 BC**, they wrote from the beginning in ink, on papyrus (pah-PIE-russ). Papyrus is a plant that grows wild all over the **Nile river valley**, so it is very common in **Egypt**. You can cut the long papyrus stalks and soak them in **water** until they rot a little, and then you lay a lot of these stalks next to each other, and a lot of other stalks on top, crossways to the first ones, and then you pound them flat, until all the stalks get mashed into all the other ones, and you have something a lot like **paper**.

At first papyrus was only used in **Egypt**, but by about **1000 BC** people all over **West Asia** began buying papyrus from Egypt and using it, since it was much more convenient than **clay tablets** (less breakable, and not as heavy!). People made papyrus in small sheets and then glued the sheets together to make big pieces.

By Carr, K.E. What is papyrus? – Ancient Egypt. Quatr.us Study Guides, June 17, 2017. Web. December 3, 2018.

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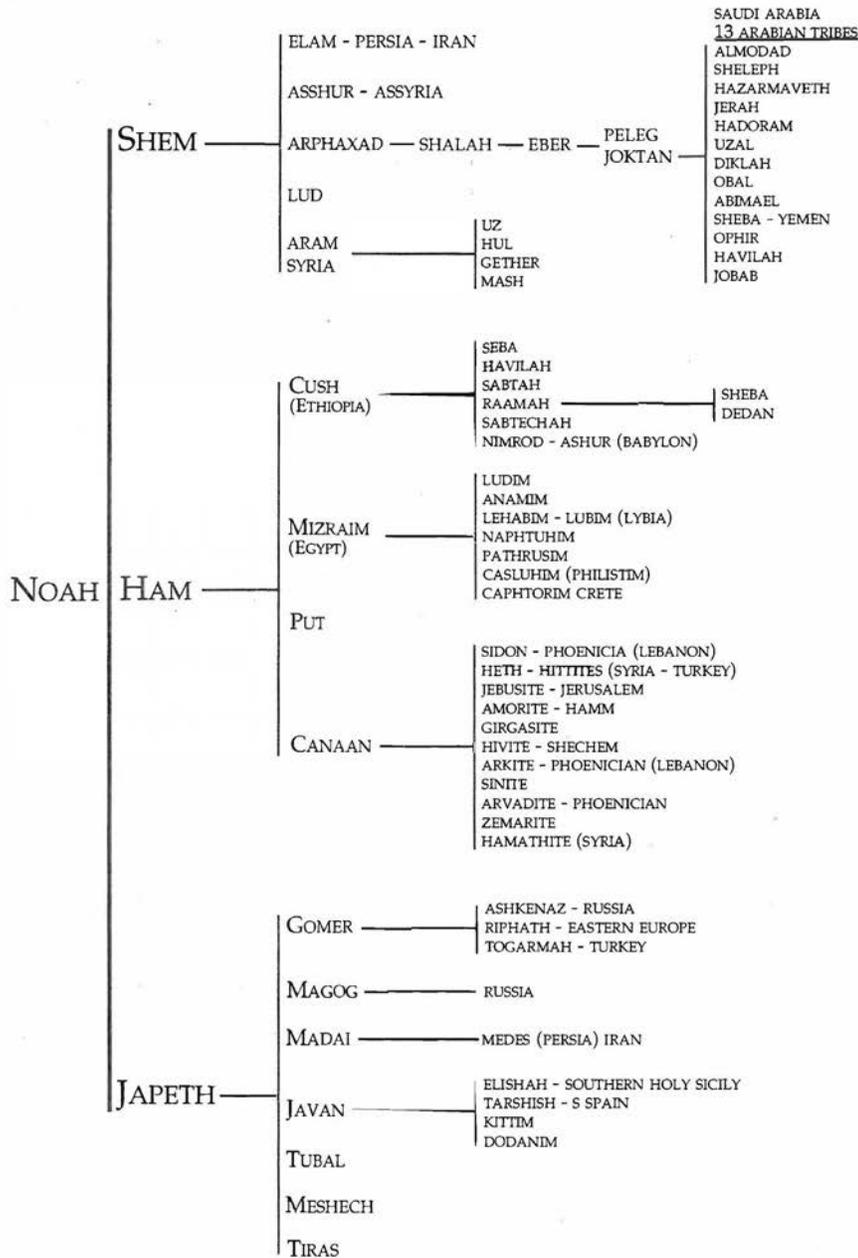
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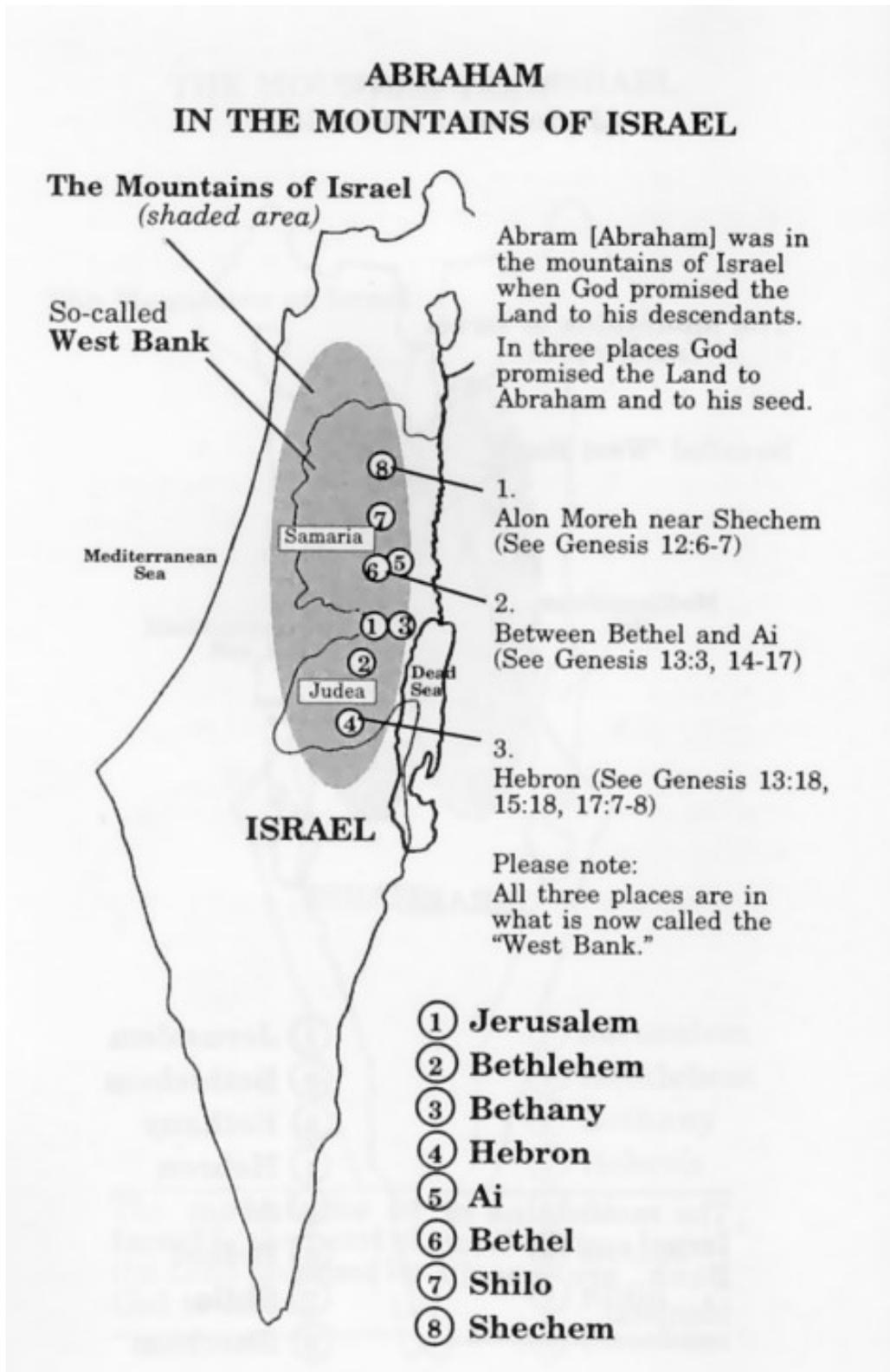
**THE TABLE OF THE NATIONS
ACCORDING TO GENESIS 10**

FROM THE 3 SONS OF NOAH: SHEM, HAM, AND JAPETH



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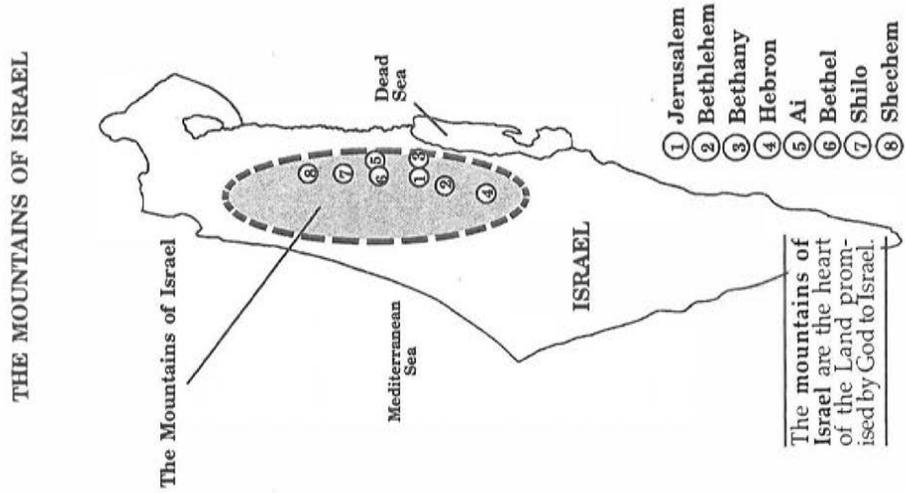
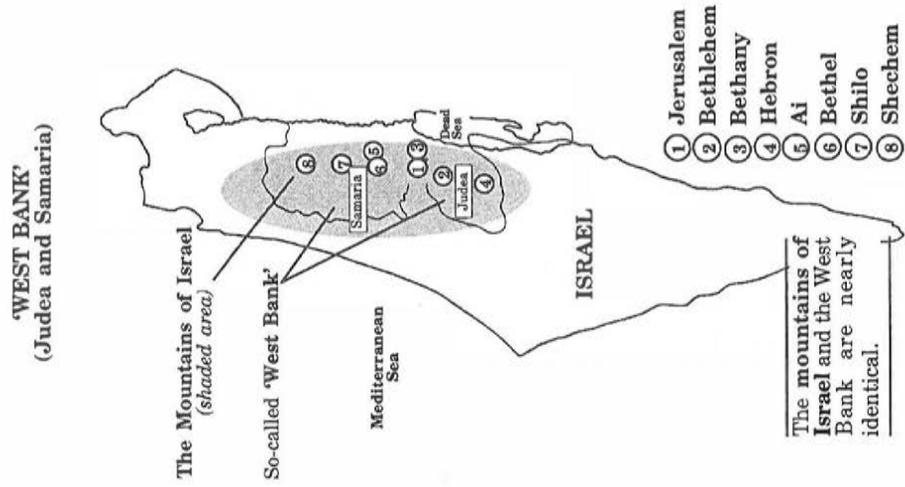
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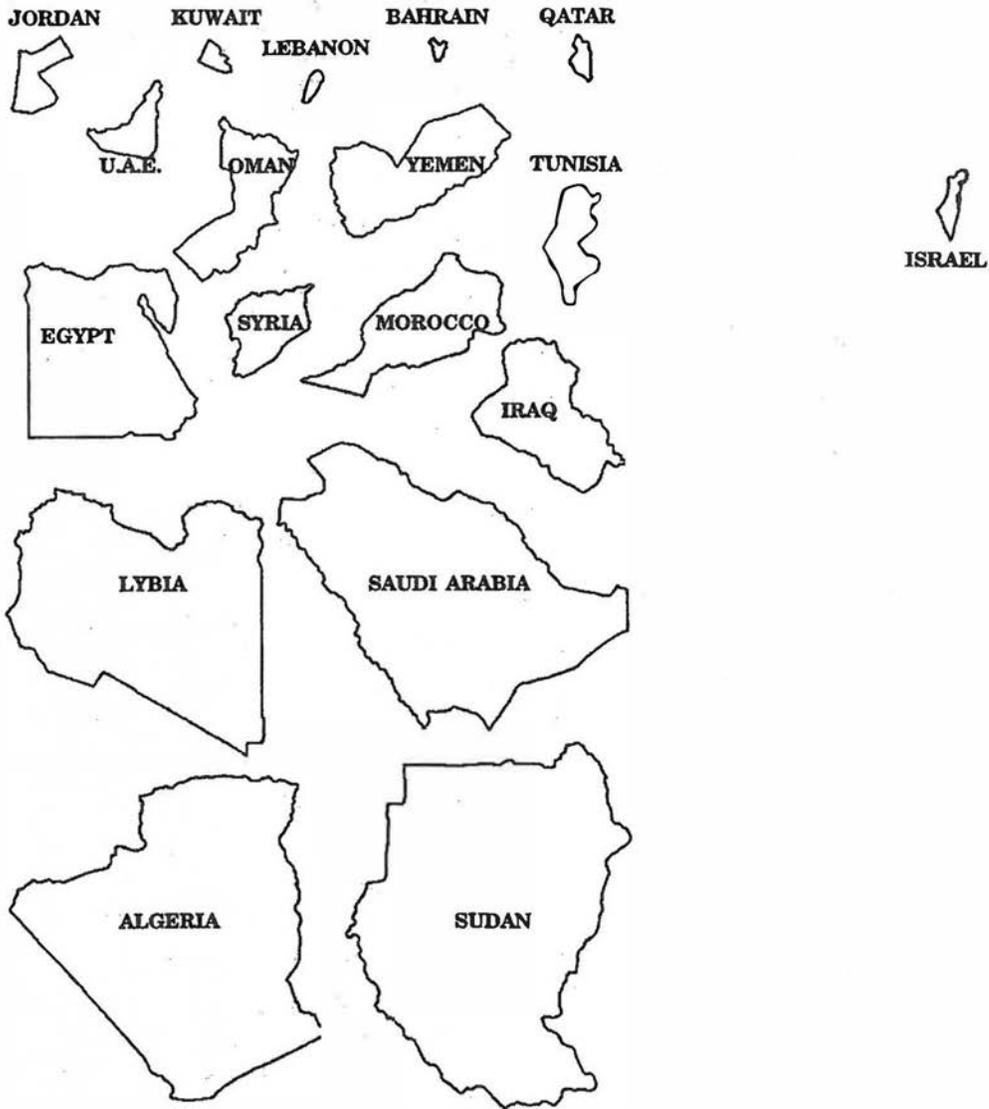
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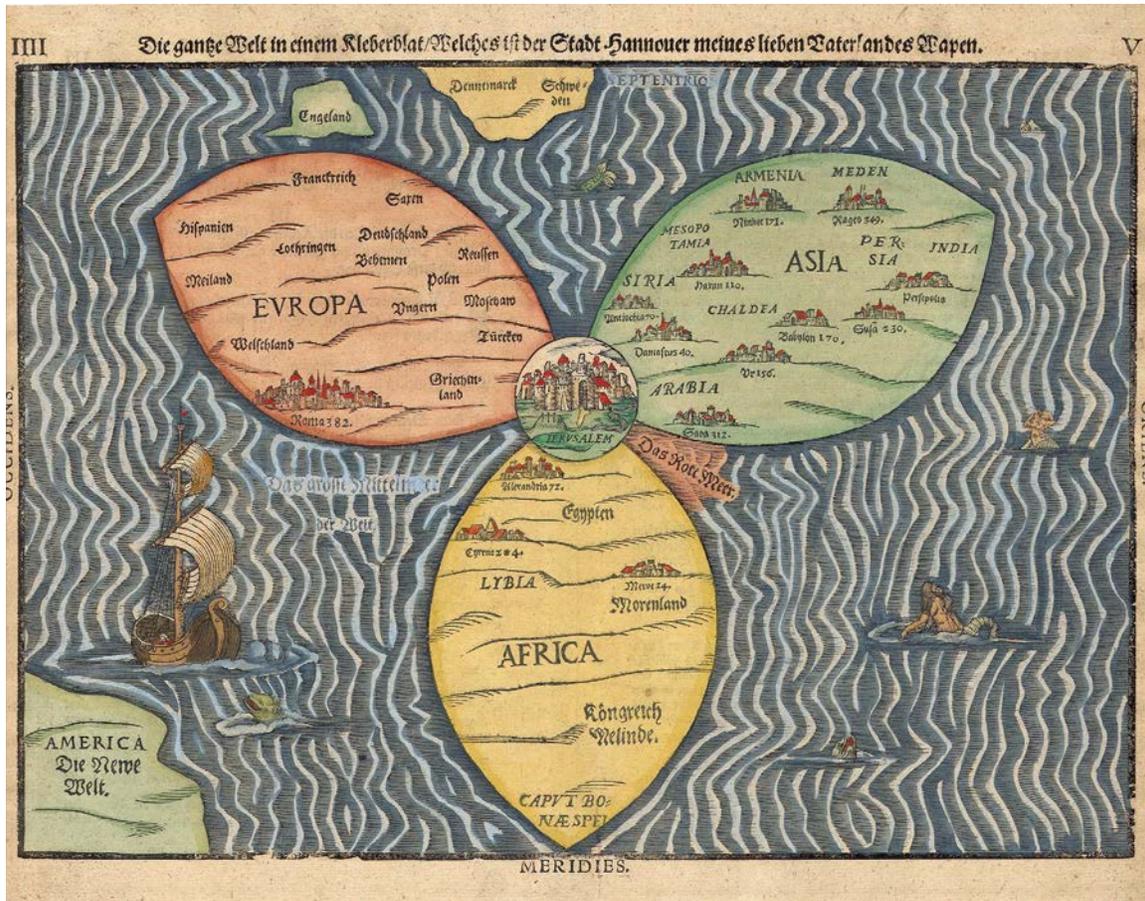
ARABIC STATES

JEWISH STATE



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This stylized world map was created by German pastor Heinrich Bünting. Published in 1581, the map depicts Jerusalem as the center of the world. The caption in German is translated: "The entire world in the shape of a clover-leaf, which is the emblem of the city of Hannover, my beloved homeland." The cloverleaf was part of the coat of arms of his home town of Hanover, which includes a three-leaf clover.

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Foundation of the World

This Is Appendix 146 From The Companion Bible.

To arrive at the true meaning of this expression, we must note that there are two words translated "foundation" in the New Testament: (1) *themelios*, and (2) *katabolē*.

The Noun, *themelios*, occurs in Luke 6:48-49, 14:29, Acts 16:26, Romans 15:20, 1Corinthians 3:10-12, Ephesians 2:20, 1Timothy 6:19, 2Timothy 2:19, Hebrews 6:1, 11:10, Revelation 21:14,19. It is never used of the world (*kosmos*) or the earth (*gē*). The corresponding Verb (*themelioō*) occurs in Matthew 7:25, Luke 6:48, Ephesians 3:17, Colossians 1:23, Hebrews 1:10 and 1Peter 5:10. The verb is only once used of the earth (*gē*). Hebrews 1:10.

A comparison of all these passages will show that these are proper and regular terms for the English words "to found", and "foundation".

The Noun, *katabolē*, occurs in Matthew 13:35, 25:34, Luke 11:50, John 17:24, Ephesians 1:4, Hebrews 4:3, 9:26, 11:11, 1Peter 1:20, Revelation 13:8, 17:8 and the corresponding Verb (*kataballō*) occurs in 2Corinthians 4:9, Hebrews 6:1 and Revelation 12:10.

A comparison of all these passages (especially 2Corinthians 4:9 and Revelation 12:10) will show that *kataballō* and *katabolē* are not the proper terms for founding and foundation, but the correct meaning is *casting down*, or *overthrow*.

Consistency, therefore, calls for the same translation in Hebrews 6:1, where, instead of "not laying again", the rendering should be "not casting down". That is to say, the foundation already laid, of repentance, etc., was not to be cast down or overthrown, but was to be *left* and progress made unto the perfection.

Accordingly, the Noun *katabolē*, derived from, and cognate with the Verb, ought to be translated "disruption", or "ruin".

The remarkable thing is that in all occurrences (except Hebrews

11:11) the word is connected with "the world" (Greek *kosmos*. Appendix 129.1), and therefore the expression should be rendered "the disruption (or ruin) of the world", clearly referring to the condition indicated in Genesis 1:2, and described in 2Peter 3:5-6. For the earth was not created *tohū* (Isaiah 45:18) but *became* so, as stated in the Hebrew of Genesis 1:2 and confirmed by 2Peter 3:6, where "the world that then was by the word of God" (Genesis 1:1), perished and "the heavens and the earth which are now, by the same word" were created (Genesis 2:4), and are "kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment" (2Peter 3:7) which shall usher in the "new heavens and the new earth" of 2Peter 3:13.

"The disruption of the world" is an event forming a great dividing line in the dispensations of the ages. In Genesis 1:1 we have the *founding* of the world (Hebrews 1:10 = themelioō), but in Genesis 1:2 we have its *overthrow*.

This is confirmed by a further remarkable fact, that the phrase, which occurs ten times, is associated with the Preposition *apo* = from (Appendix 104. iv) seven times, and with *pro* = before (Appendix 104. xiv) three times. The former refers to the *kingdom*, and is connected with the "counsels" of God; the latter refers to the Mystery (or Secret; See Appendix 193) and is connected with the "purpose" of God (see John 17:24, Ephesians 1:4, 1Peter 1:20).

Ample New Testament testimony is thus given to the profoundly significant fact recorded in Genesis 1:2, that "the earth became *tohū* and *bohū* (i.e. waste end desolate); and darkness was on the face of the deep", before the creation of "the heavens and the earth which are now" (2Peter 3:7).

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שפה עברית

The Hebrew Language

A compilation by
Dr. Billye Brim

TEACH YOURSELF THE HEBREW ALPHABET — consonants

Orthography — few principles:

א ב ג ד ה ו ז ח ט י כ ל
←

- from right to left.
- round letters — mostly clockwise.
- separate letters — not joined.
- in hebrew writing we use only "script".
- in hebrew there are no letters for vowels.
- You will learn the vocalization system in class.
- "final" letter — at the end of a word only.

SCRIPT FORM	NAME OF LETTER	PRINT FORM	SOUND
	Aleph	א	A . 1
	Bet	ב	B . 2
	Gimel	ג	G . 3
	Dalet	ד	D . 4
	Hay	ה	H . 5
	Vav	ו	V . 6
	Zayin	ז	Z . 7
	Chet	ח	CH . 8
	Tet	ט	T . 9
	Yod	י	Y . 10
	Kaf	כ	K . 11
	Final Kaf	ך	
	Lamed	ל	L . 12

It would be to the advantage of any "beginner" to learn to write the Hebrew Alphabet (script) before starting a course at **Ulpan Akiva**.

"A LETTER A DAY TAKES YOU A LONG WAY"

	SCRIPT FORM	NAME OF LETTER	PRINT FORM	SOUND
	Mem	Mem	מ	M .13
	Final Mem	Final Mem	ם	
	Nun	Nun	נ	N .14
	Final Nun	Final Nun	ן	
	Sameh	Sameh	ס	S .15
	Ayin	Ayin	ע	A .16
	Pay	Pay	פ	P .17
	Final Pay	Final Pay	ף	
	Tzadee	Tzadee	צ	TS .18
	Final Tzadee	Final Tzadee	ץ	
	Kof	Kof	ק	K,Q .19
	Resh	Resh	ר	R .20
	Shin	Shin	ש	SH .21
	Tav	Tav	ת	T .22

Teach Yourself the Hebrew Alphabet

*from right to left

* separate letters- not joined

*in Hebrew writing, we use only "script"

*sofit- end only	Letter Name	Book Print	Pronunciation	Block	Script	Number Represented
1	Aleph	א	Silent Letter	א	א	1
2	Bet	ב	B as in B all	ב	ב	2
	Vet	ב	V as in V eil	ב	ב	
3	Gimel	ג	G as in G ate	ג	ג	3
4	Dalet	ד	D as in D og	ד	ד	4
5	Heh	ה	H as in H eart	ה	ה	5
6	Vav	ו	V as in V eil	ו	ו	6
7	Zayin	ז	Z as in Z oo	ז	ז	7
8	Chet	ח	CH as in BaCH	ח	ח	8
9	Tet	ט	T as in T oy	ט	ט	9
10	Yod	י	Y as in Y olk	י	י	10
11	Kaf	כ	K as in K ite	כ	כ	20
	Khaf	כ	CH as in BaCH	כ	כ	
	Khaf sofit	ך	CH as in BaCH	ך	ך	
12	Lamed	ל	L as in L eg	ל	ל	30
13	Mem	מ	M as in M ap	מ	מ	40
	Mem sofit	ם	M as in M ap	ם	ם	
14	Nun	נ	N as in N ose	נ	נ	50
	Nun sofit	ן	N as in N ose	ן	ן	
15	Samech	ס	S as in S un	ס	ס	60
16	Ayin	ע	Silent Letter	ע	ע	70
17	Pay	פ	P as in P an	פ	פ	80
	Fay	פ	F as in F lag	פ	פ	
	Fay sofit	ף	F as in F lag	ף	ף	
18	Tsade	צ	TS as in caTS	צ	צ	90
	Tsade sofit	ץ	TS as in caTS	ץ	ץ	
19	Koof	ק	K as in K ite	ק	ק	100
20	Resh	ר	R as in R ouge	ר	ר	200
21	Shin	ש	SH as in SH ip	ש	ש	300
	Sin	ש	S as in S un	ש	ש	
22	Tav	ת	T as in T oy	ת	ת	400

Counting in Hebrew		
1	achat	אחת
2	shtayim	שת"מ
3	shalosh	שלוש
4	arba	ארבא
5	chamesh	חמש
6	shesh	שש
7	sheva	שבא
8	shmoneh	שמונה
9	tesha	תשא
10	eser	אשר

ספר בראשית

THE BOOK OF GENESIS

—CHAPTER 1—

NASB

¹ In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

² The earth was formless and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was moving over the surface of the waters.

³ Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light.

⁴ God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness.

⁵ God called the light day, and the darkness He called night. And there was evening and there was morning, one day.

⁶ Then God said, “Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.”

⁷ God made the expanse, and separated the waters which were below the expanse from the waters which were above the expanse; and it was so.

⁸ God called the expanse heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, a second day.

⁹ Then God said, “Let the waters below the heavens be gathered into one place, and let the dry land appear”; and it was so.

בְּרֵאשִׁית בָּרָא אֱלֹהִים אֶת הַשָּׁמַיִם וְאֶת
הָאָרֶץ:

וְהָאָרֶץ הִיְתָה תְהוֹ וְכָהוּ וְחָשֶׁךְ עַל־פְּנֵי
תְהוֹם וְרוּחַ אֱלֹהִים מְרַחֶפֶת עַל־פְּנֵי הַמַּיִם:

וַיֹּאמֶר אֱלֹהִים יְהִי אֹר וַיְהִי־אֹר:

וַיַּרְא אֱלֹהִים אֶת־הָאֹר כִּי־טוֹב וַיַּבְדֵּל
אֱלֹהִים בֵּין הָאֹר וּבֵין הַחָשֶׁךְ:

וַיִּקְרָא אֱלֹהִים לְאֹר יוֹם וְלַחָשֶׁךְ לַיְלָה
וַיְהִי־עֶרֶב וַיְהִי־בֹקֶר יוֹם אֶחָד: פ

וַיֹּאמֶר אֱלֹהִים יְהִי רְקִיעַ בְּתוֹךְ הַמַּיִם וַיְהִי
מַבְדִּיל בֵּין מַיִם לְמַיִם:

וַיַּעַשׂ אֱלֹהִים אֶת־הַרְקִיעַ וַיַּבְדֵּל בֵּין הַמַּיִם
אֲשֶׁר מִתַּחַת לְרְקִיעַ וּבֵין הַמַּיִם אֲשֶׁר מֵעַל
לְרְקִיעַ וַיְהִי־כֵן:

וַיִּקְרָא אֱלֹהִים לְרְקִיעַ שָׁמַיִם וַיְהִי־עֶרֶב
וַיְהִי־בֹקֶר יוֹם שֵׁנִי: פ

וַיֹּאמֶר אֱלֹהִים יִקְוּ הַמַּיִם מִתַּחַת הַשָּׁמַיִם
אֶל־מְקוֹם אֶחָד וַתֵּרָאָה הַיַּבֵּשָׁה וַיְהִי־כֵן:

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Chapter 3
The Hebrew Root has Three Consonants—usually

We now come to the central theme of all word building in Hebrew; it is the central rhythm of the whole, vast, far-flung structure of the Hebrew language.

This is it:

Practically all words in Hebrew go back to a root—and this root must have in it three consonants. You can do anything you want to the root: you can use it in any verb form or tense, you can turn it into any one of ten or twenty or more nouns. You can make it an adjective, adverb, preposition, or what you will.... *No matter what you do you will always see staring you in the face the three consonants of the root. You can never escape them.*

And equally important:

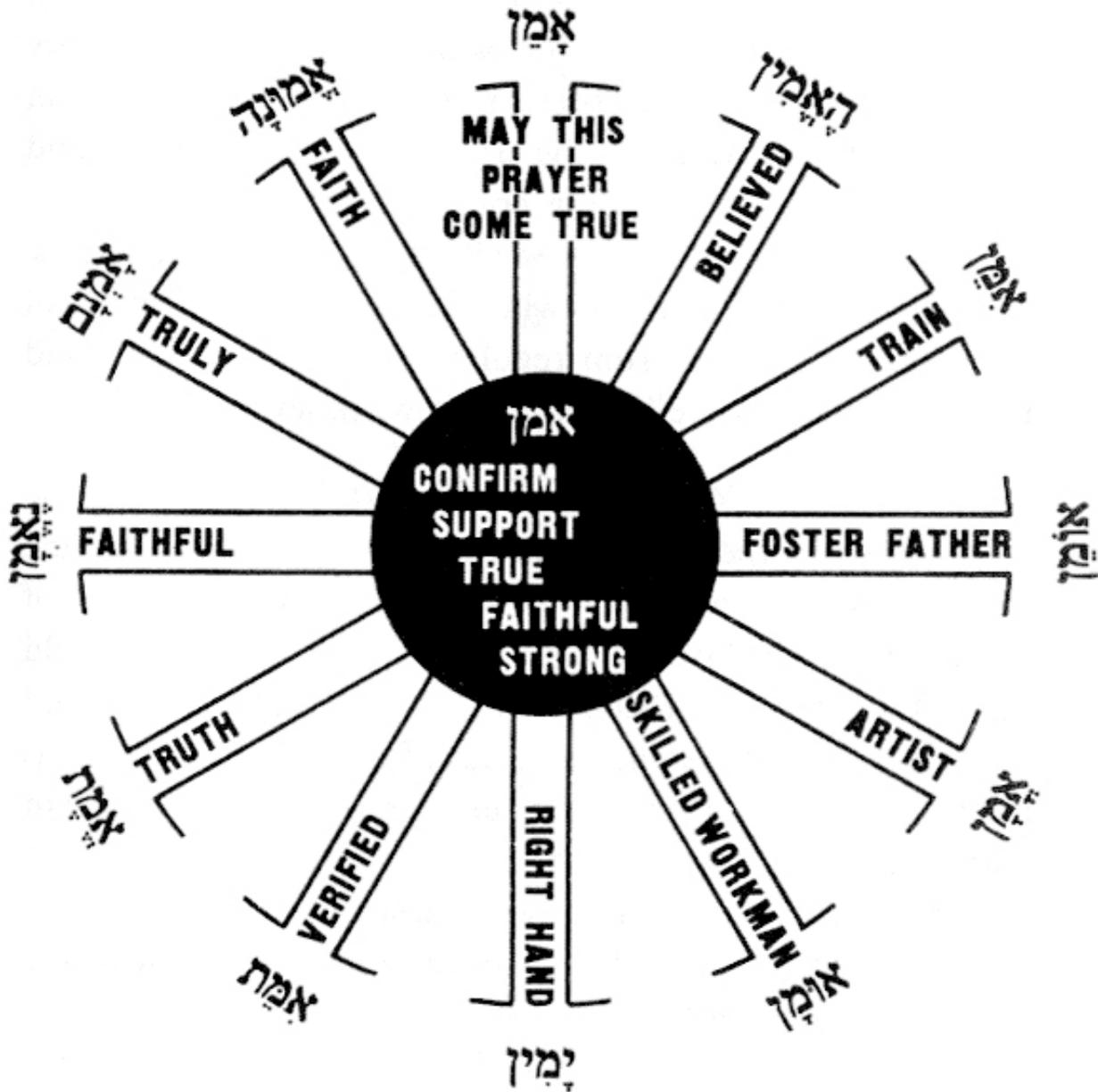
No matter what you do with the root, no matter into what word you turn it—that word must carry in it something of the meaning of the root. This is the irresistible logic of all word-building in Hebrew. It is by far the most important and most fundamental law of the Hebrew language.

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The Amen Wheel

The following chart illustrates how the three-letter root אמן (amen) serves as the hub of a family of words (pictured as spokes on a wheel). All words in the אמן family have the root meaning confirm, support, true, faithful, or strong.



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Chapter 4
 Some Interesting Hebrew Roots

שָׁלֵם—BE WHOLE, COMPLETE

It probably never occurred to you and it may faintly amuse you to know that when someone says to you inquiringly “שָׁלוֹם לְךָ?”—he is actually asking you whether you are whole, complete, in one piece. They want assurance that no part of you—fingers, toes, legs, arms, etc.—is missing or broken. The root meaning of our familiar greeting word שָׁלוֹם is שָׁלֵם whole, complete. If you’re whole, you’re probably well and at peace.

הִשְׁתַּלֵּם — the reflexive, means to perfect oneself.

שָׁלַם — to pay for something, carries the meaning, to restore or make whole again. By paying a person for what you took from him you fill the gap you created in his possessions when you first took it.

שְׁלֵמוֹת — entirety

תְּשֻׁלֹּם — payment; שְׁלֵמוֹן — payment, may mean “bribe.”

הִשְׁלִים — the hifil causative pattern could mean either “made peace” or “made whole,” the word going back to either שָׁלוֹם or שָׁלֵם.

It is interesting to note that the English greeting “Hail” has the same meaning as שָׁלוֹם, namely “being whole.” When someone says, “Hail,” he is wishing that you are whole. “Hale” in the expression “hale and hearty” is from the same word as “hail.” The Hebrew word שָׁלוֹם has given rise to a number of English words. There is Salem, a town in Massachusetts. “Salaam” is the cry of greeting spoken to a ruler or prince; it is usually accompanied by deep bows. Scholars say the English word of farewell “so-long” comes from “salaam.”

ISAIAH 53:1-10

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¹ Who would have believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the LORD revealed?

² For he grew up before Him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he had no form nor comeliness, that we should look at him, and no countenance, that we should desire him.

³ He was despised and rejected of men; a man of **pains**, and acquainted with **sickness** and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

⁴ But in truth he has **borne our sicknesses** and **endured out pains**; yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

⁵ But he was wounded because of our transgressions, bruised because of our iniquities: his sufferings were that we might have **peace**, and **by his injury we are healed**.

⁶ All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD has caused the iniquity of us all to fall upon him.

⁷ He was oppressed, but he humbled himself and opened not his mouth: as a lamb which is brought to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he did not open his mouth.

⁸ By oppression and false judgement was he taken away; and of his generation who considered? For he was cut off out of the land of the living, for the transgression of the people to whom the stroke was due.

⁹ For they made his grave among the wicked, and his tomb among the rich; because he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth.

¹⁰ But **it pleased the LORD to crush him by disease**: if his soul shall consider it a recompense for guilt, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the purpose of the Lord shall prosper in his hand.

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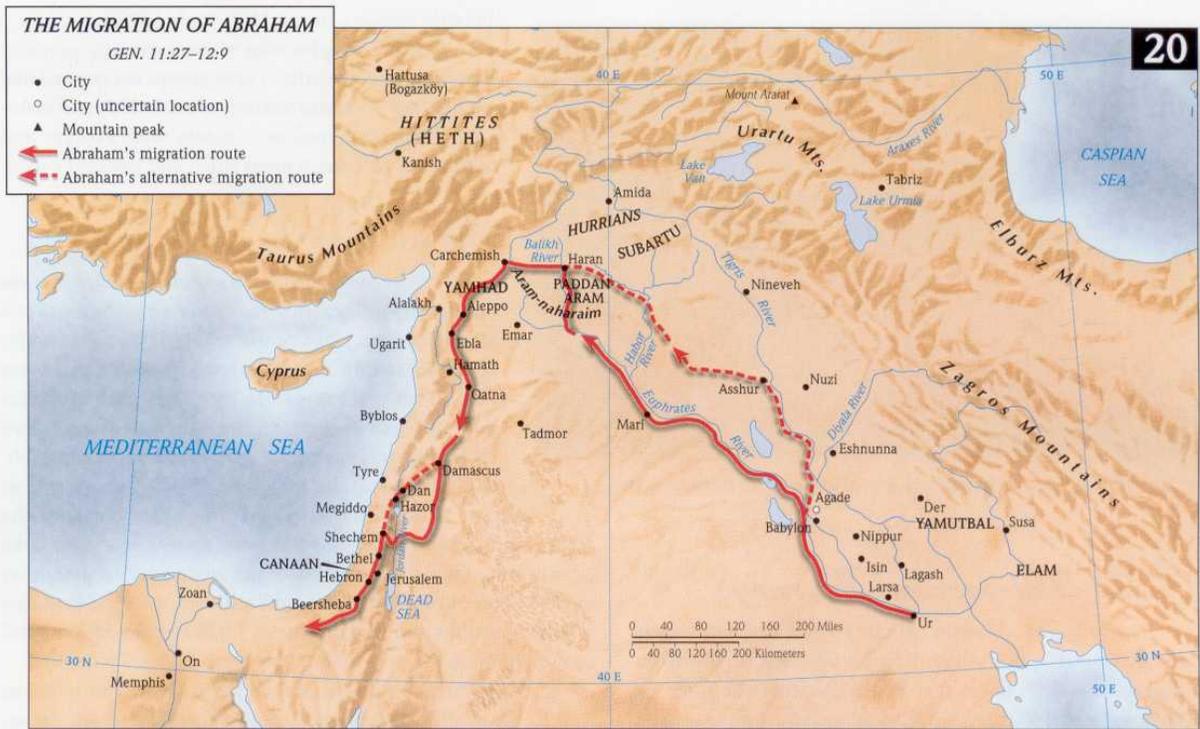
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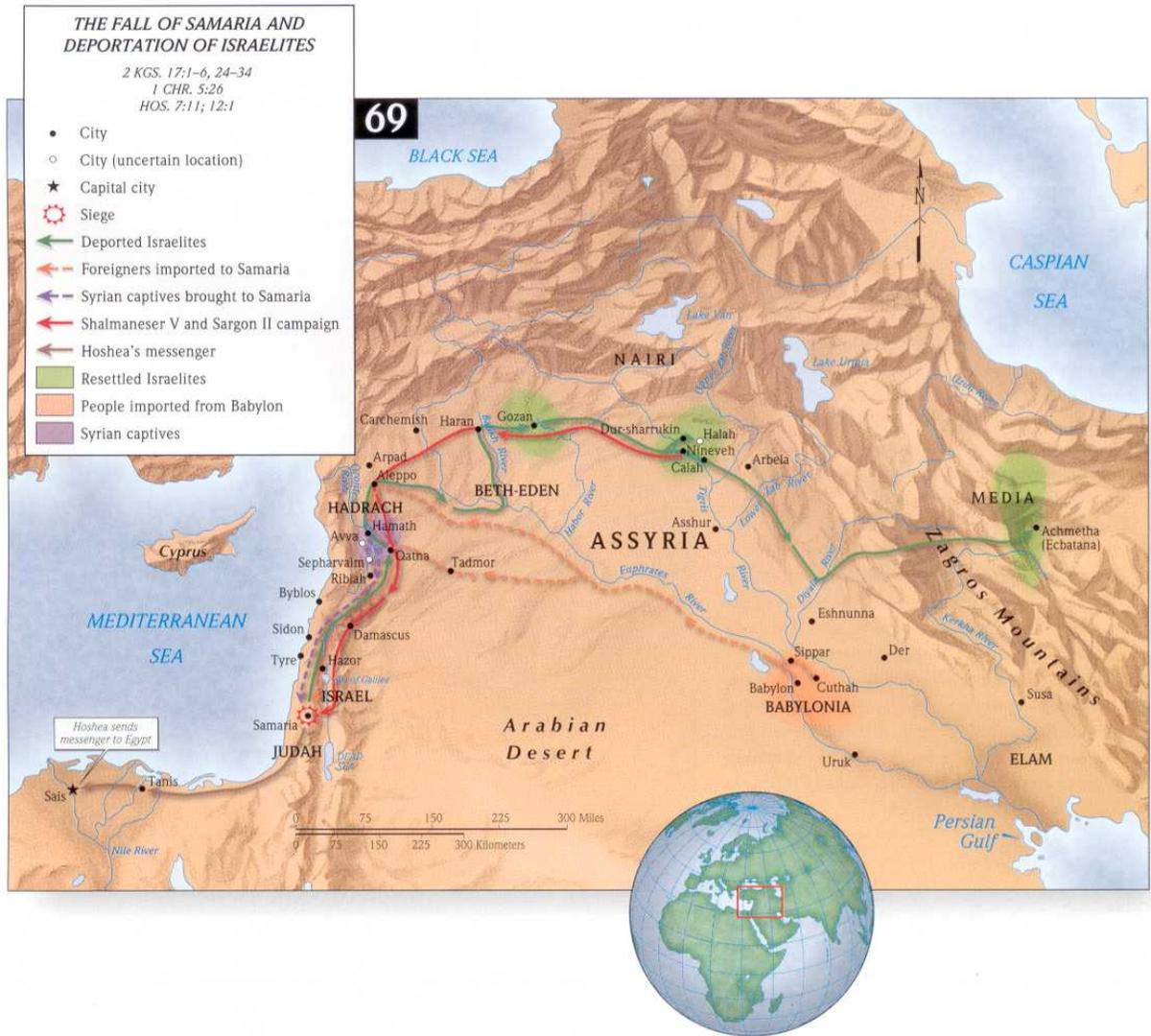
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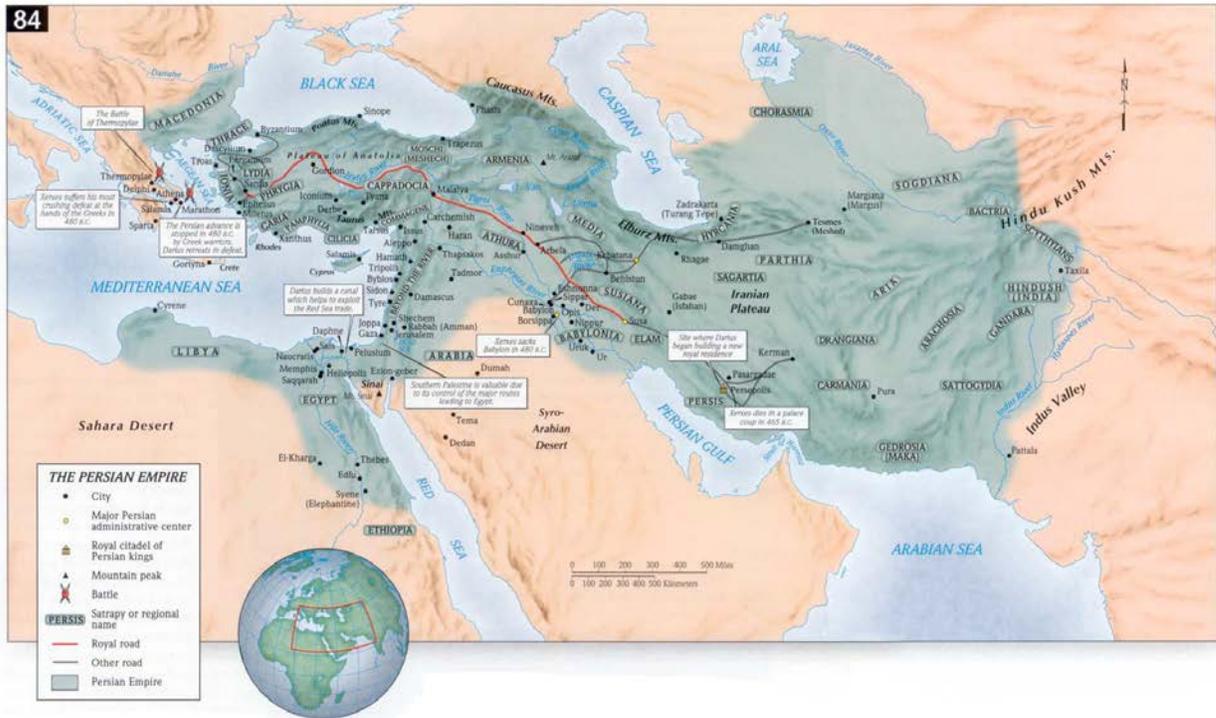
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GENESIS

Genesis 12:1-7

¹ Now Jehovah said unto **Abram**, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, **unto the land that I will show thee:** ² and I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and be thou a blessing: ³ and I will bless them that bless thee, and him that curseth thee will I curse: and in thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed. ⁴ So Abram went, as Jehovah had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram was seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran. ⁵ And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their substance that they had gathered, and the souls that they had gotten in Haran; and they went forth to go into the land of Canaan; and into the land of Canaan they came. ⁶ And Abram passed

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through the land unto the place of Shechem, unto the oak of Moreh. And the Canaanite was then in the land. ⁷ **And Jehovah appeared unto Abram, and said, Unto thy seed will I give this land:** and there builded he an altar unto Jehovah, who appeared unto him.

Genesis 13:14-15

¹⁴ And Jehovah said unto Abram, after that Lot was separated from him, Lift up now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou art, northward and southward and eastward and westward: ¹⁵ **for all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed for ever.**

Genesis 13:17

Arise, walk through the land in the length of it and in the breadth of it; **for unto thee will I give it.**

Genesis 15:7-10 NASB

⁷ And He said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans, **to give you this land to possess it.**" ⁸ He said, "O Lord GOD, how may I know that I

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will possess it?" ⁹ So He said to him, "Bring Me a three year old heifer, and a three year old female goat, and a three year old ram, and a turtledove, and a young pigeon." ¹⁰ Then he brought all these to Him and cut them in two, and laid each half opposite the other; but he did not cut the birds.

Genesis 15:17-21 NASB

¹⁷ It came about when the sun had set, that it was very dark, and behold, there appeared a smoking oven and a flaming torch which passed between these pieces. ¹⁸ On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying,

"To your descendants I have given this land, From the river of Egypt as far as the great river, the river Euphrates:

¹⁹ the Kenite and the Kenizzite and the Kadmonite ²⁰ and the Hittite and the Perizzite and the Rephaim ²¹ and the Amorite and the Canaanite and the Girgashite and the Jebusite."

Genesis 25:5-6

⁵ **And Abraham gave all that he had unto Isaac.** ⁶ But unto the sons of the concubines, that Abraham had, Abraham gave gifts; and he sent them away from Isaac his son, while he

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yet lived, eastward, unto the east country.

Genesis 26:1-6 NASB

¹ Now there was a famine in the land, besides the previous famine that had occurred in the days of Abraham. So Isaac went to Gerar, [Gaza]....

² The LORD appeared to him and said, "Do not go down to Egypt; stay in the land of which I shall tell you. ³ Sojourn in this land and I will be with you and bless you, for to you and to your descendants I will give all these lands, and I will establish the oath which I swore to your father Abraham. ⁴ I will multiply your descendants as the stars of heaven, and will give your descendants all these lands; and by your descendants all the nations of the earth shall be blessed; ⁵ because Abraham obeyed Me and kept My charge, My commandments, My statutes and My laws."

⁶ So Isaac lived in Gerar [Gaza].

Genesis 28:10-13 NASB

¹⁰ Then Jacob departed from Beersheba and went toward Haran. ¹¹ He came to a certain place and spent the night there, because the

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sun had set; and he took one of the stones of the place and put it under his head, and lay down in that place. ¹² He had a dream, and behold, a ladder was set on the earth with its top reaching to heaven; and behold, the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. ¹³ And behold, the LORD stood above it and said, "I am the LORD, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie, I will give it to you and to your descendants."

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EXODUS

Exodus 3:8

And I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey; unto the place of the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Amorite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite.

Exodus 3:17

And I have said, I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt unto the land of the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Amorite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite, unto a land flowing with milk and honey.

Exodus 6:2-4

² And God spake unto Moses, and said unto him, I am Jehovah: ³ and I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, as God Almighty; but by my name Jehovah I was not known to them. ⁴ And I have also

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established my covenant with them, to give them the land of Canaan, the land of their sojournings, wherein they sojourned.

Exodus 6:6-8 NASB

⁶ "Say, therefore, to the sons of Israel, 'I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians....' ⁷ Then I will take you for My people, and I will be your God; and you shall know that I am the LORD your God, who brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. ⁸ I will bring you to the land which I swore to give to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and I will give it to you *for* a possession; I am the LORD.'"

Exodus 13:3, 5

³ And Moses said unto the people, Remember this day, in which ye came out from Egypt, out of the house of bondage; for by strength of hand Jehovah brought you out from this place: there shall no leavened bread be eaten.

⁵ And it shall be, when Jehovah shall bring thee into the land of the Canaanite, and

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the Hittite, and the Amorite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite, **which he swore unto thy fathers to give thee**, a land flowing with milk and honey, that thou shalt keep this service in this month.

Exodus 13:11

And it shall be, when Jehovah shall bring thee into the land of the Canaanite, as he swore unto thee and to thy fathers, and shall give it thee.

Exodus 20:12

Honor thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long **in the land which Jehovah thy God giveth thee.**

Exodus 23:23 NASB

For My angel will go before you and **bring you in to the land** of the Amorites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Canaanites, the Hivites and the Jebusites; and I will completely destroy them.

Exodus 23:30-31 NASB

"I will drive them out before you little by little, until you become fruitful **and take possession of the land. I will fix your**

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boundary from the Red Sea to the sea of the Philistines, and from the wilderness to the River *Euphrates*; for I will deliver the inhabitants of the land into your hand, and you will drive them out before you."

Exodus 23:33

They shall not dwell in **thy land**, lest they make thee sin against me; for *if* thou serve their gods, it will surely be a snare unto thee.

Exodus 32:11, 13

¹¹ And Moses besought Jehovah his God, and said.... ¹³ Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, thy servants, **to whom thou swarest by thine own self**, and saidst unto them, I will multiply your seed as the stars of heaven, **and all this land that I have spoken of will I give unto your seed, and they shall inherit it for ever.**

Exodus 33:1 NASB

Then the LORD spoke to Moses, "Depart, go up from here, you and the people whom you have brought up from the land of Egypt, **to the land of which I swore to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, saying, 'To your descendants I will give it.'**"

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LEVITICUS

Leviticus 14:34

When ye are come into **the land of Canaan, which I give to you for a possession....**

Leviticus 20:24 NASB

Hence I have said to you, "**You are to possess their land, and I Myself will give it to you to possess it**, a land flowing with milk and honey." I am the LORD your God, who has separated you from the peoples.

Leviticus 25:2

Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye come **into the land which I give you**, then shall the land keep a sabbath unto Jehovah.

Leviticus 25:23 NASB

The land, moreover, shall not be sold permanently, **for the land is Mine**; for you are but aliens and sojourners with Me.

Leviticus 25:38

I am Jehovah your God, **who brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, to give**

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you the land of Canaan, and to be your God.

Leviticus 26:42

Then will I remember my covenant with Jacob; and also my covenant with Isaac, and also my covenant with Abraham will I remember; and I will remember the land.

Leviticus 26:44-45

⁴⁴ And yet for all that, when they are in the land of their enemies, **I will not reject them**, neither will I abhor them, to destroy them utterly, and to break my covenant with them; for I am Jehovah their God; ⁴⁵ **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 nations, that I might be their God: I am Jehovah.

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NUMBERS

Numbers 13:2 NASB

Send out for yourself men so that they may **spy out the land of Canaan, which I am going to give to the sons of Israel**; you shall send a man from each of their fathers' tribes, every one a leader among them.

Numbers 14:23-24

²³ Surely they shall not see **the land which I swear unto their fathers**, neither shall any of them that despised me see it: ²⁴ but my servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and hath followed me fully, **him will I bring into the land** whereinto he went; and **his seed shall possess it**.

Numbers 14:30-31

³⁰ Surely ye shall not come into **the land, concerning which I swear that I would make you dwell therein**, save Caleb the son of Jephunneh, and Joshua the son of Nun. ³¹ But your little ones, that ye said should be a prey, **them will I bring in, and they shall know the land** which ye have rejected.

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Numbers 15:2

Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, **When ye are come into the land of your habitations, which I give unto you**.

Numbers 26:53

Unto these **the land shall be divided for an inheritance** according to the number of names.

Numbers 26:55 NASB

But the land shall be divided by lot. **They shall receive their inheritance** according to the names of the tribes of their fathers.

Numbers 27:12

And Jehovah said unto Moses, Get thee up into this mountain of Abarim, and behold **the land which I have given unto the children of Israel**.

Numbers 32:11

Surely none of the men that came up out of Egypt, from twenty years old and upward, shall see **the land which I swear unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob**; because they have not wholly followed me.

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Numbers 33:51

Speak unto **the children of Israel**, and say unto them, When ye pass over the Jordan into the land of Canaan,

Numbers 33:53-54

⁵³ And ye shall take possession of the land, and dwell therein; for unto you have I given the land to possess it. ⁵⁴ And ye shall inherit the land by lot according to your families.

Numbers 34:2

Command the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye come into **the land of Canaan (this is the land that shall fall unto you for an inheritance**, even the land of Canaan according to the borders thereof).

Numbers 34:12-13

¹² And the border shall go down to the Jordan, and the goings out thereof shall be at the Salt Sea. **This shall be your land according to the borders thereof round about.**

¹³ And Moses commanded the children of Israel, saying, **This is the land which ye shall inherit by lot.**

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Numbers 34:17

These are the names of the men that shall **divide the land unto you for inheritance**: Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun.

Numbers 34:29 NASB

These are those whom the LORD commanded to **apportion the inheritance to the sons of Israel in the land of Canaan.**

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DEUTERONOMY

Deuteronomy 1:8

Behold, I have set the land before you: **go in and possess the land which Jehovah sware unto your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give unto them and to their seed after them.**

Deuteronomy 1:21

Behold, Jehovah thy God hath set the land before thee: **go up, take possession, as Jehovah, the God of thy fathers, hath spoken unto thee.**

Deuteronomy 1:35-36

³⁵ Surely there shall not one of these men of this evil generation see **the good land, which I sware to give unto your fathers.** ³⁶ save Caleb the son of Jephunneh; he shall see it; and **to him will I give the land that he hath trodden upon,** and to his children, because he hath wholly followed Jehovah.

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Deuteronomy 2:31 NASB

The LORD said to me, "**See, I have begun to deliver Sihon and his land over to you. Begin to occupy, that you may possess his land.**"

Deuteronomy 3:18

And I commanded you at that time, saying, **Jehovah your God hath given you this land to possess it:** ye shall pass over armed before your brethren the children of Israel, all the men of valor.

Deuteronomy 3:20

Until Jehovah give rest unto your brethren, as unto you, and **they also possess the land which Jehovah your God giveth them beyond the Jordan:** then shall ye return every man unto his possession, which I have given you.

Deuteronomy 3:28

But charge **Joshua**, and encourage him, and strengthen him; for he shall go over before this people, and **he shall cause them to inherit the land which thou shalt see.**

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Deuteronomy 4:1

And now, O **Israel**, hearken unto the statutes and unto the ordinances, which I teach you, to do them; that ye may live, and **go in and possess the land which Jehovah, the God of your fathers, giveth you.**

Deuteronomy 4:5

Behold, I have taught you statutes and ordinances, even as Jehovah my God commanded me, that ye should do so **in the midst of the land whither ye go in to possess it.**

Deuteronomy 4:14

And Jehovah commanded me at that time to teach you statutes and ordinances, that ye might do them **in the land whither ye go over to possess it.**

Deuteronomy 4:21

Furthermore Jehovah was angry with me for your sakes, and sware that I should not go over the Jordan, and that I should not go in unto **that good land, which Jehovah thy God giveth thee for an inheritance.**

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Deuteronomy 4:38

To drive out nations from before thee greater and mightier than thou, to bring thee in, **to give thee their land for an inheritance,** as at this day.

Deuteronomy 4:40

And thou shalt keep his statutes, and his commandments, which I command thee this day, that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee, and that thou mayest prolong thy days in **the land, which Jehovah thy God giveth thee, for ever.**

Deuteronomy 6:10 NASB

Then it shall come about when the Lord your God brings you into **the land which He swore to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, to give you, great and splendid cities which you did not build.**

Deuteronomy 6:18

And thou shalt do that which is right and good in the sight of Jehovah; that it may be well with thee, and that thou mayest **go in and possess the good land which Jehovah sware unto thy fathers.**

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Deuteronomy 6:23

And he brought us out from thence, that he might bring us in, **to give us the land which he swore unto our fathers.'**

Deuteronomy 7:1

When Jehovah thy God shall bring thee into the land whither thou goest to possess it, and shall cast out many nations before thee, the Hittite, and the Girgashite, and the Amorite, and the Canaanite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite, seven nations greater and mightier than thou.

Deuteronomy 7:13

And he will love thee, and bless thee, and multiply thee ... in the land which he swore unto thy fathers to give thee.

Deuteronomy 8:1

All the commandment which I command thee this day shall ye observe to do, that ye may live, and multiply, and go in and possess the **land which Jehovah swore unto your fathers.**

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Deuteronomy 8:10

And thou shalt eat and be full, and thou shalt bless Jehovah thy God **for the good land which he hath given thee.**

Deuteronomy 9:5 NASB

It is not for your righteousness or for the uprightness of your heart that you are going to possess their land, but it is because of the wickedness of these nations that the **LORD your God is driving them out before you, in order to confirm the oath which the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.**

Deuteronomy 9:23

And when Jehovah sent you from Kadesh-barnea, saying, **Go up and possess the land which I have given you;** then ye rebelled....

Deuteronomy 9:28

Lest the land whence thou broughtest us out say, Because Jehovah was not able to bring them into **the land which he promised unto them....**

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Deuteronomy 10:11

And Jehovah said unto me, Arise, take thy journey before the people; and they shall go in and possess the land, which I swear unto their fathers to give unto them.

Deuteronomy 11:8-9

⁸ Therefore shall ye keep all the commandment which I command thee this day, that ye may be strong, and go in and possess the land, whither ye go over to possess it; ⁹ and that ye may prolong your days in the land, which Jehovah swore unto your fathers to give unto them and to their seed, a land flowing with milk and honey.

Deuteronomy 11:21

That your days may be multiplied, and the days of your children, in the land which Jehovah swore unto your fathers to give them, as the days of the heavens above the earth.

Deuteronomy 11:31

For you are about to cross the Jordan to go in to possess the land which the LORD your God is giving you, and you shall possess it and live in it.

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Deuteronomy 12:1

These are the statutes and the ordinances which ye shall observe to do in the land which Jehovah, the God of thy fathers, hath given thee to possess it, all the days that ye live upon the earth.

Deuteronomy 12:10

But when ye go over the Jordan, and dwell in the land which Jehovah your God causeth you to inherit....

Deuteronomy 16:20

Justice, and only justice, you shall pursue, that you may live and possess the land which the LORD your God is giving you.

Deuteronomy 17:14

When thou art come unto the land which Jehovah thy God giveth thee, and shalt possess it....

Deuteronomy 18:9

When thou art come into the land which Jehovah thy God giveth thee....

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Deuteronomy 19:1-3

¹ When the LORD your God cuts off the nations, whose land the LORD your God gives you, and you dispossess them and settle in their cities and in their houses, ² you shall set aside three cities for yourself in the midst of your land, which the LORD your God gives you to possess. ³ You shall prepare the roads for yourself, and divide into three parts the territory of your land which the LORD your God will give you as a possession, so that any manslayer may flee there.

Deuteronomy 19:14 NASB

You shall not move your neighbor's boundary mark, which the ancestors have set, **in your inheritance which you will inherit in the land that the LORD your God gives you to possess.**

Deuteronomy 21:1

If one be found slain **in the land which Jehovah thy God giveth thee to possess** it, lying in the field, and it be not known who hath smitten him.

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Deuteronomy 21:23

His body shall not remain all night upon the tree, but thou shalt surely bury him the same day; for he that is hanged is accursed of God; that thou defile not **thy land which Jehovah thy God giveth thee for an inheritance.**

Deuteronomy 24:4 NASB

And you shall not bring sin on **the land which the LORD your God gives you as an inheritance.**

Deuteronomy 25:15

A perfect and just weight shalt thou have; a perfect and just measure shalt thou have: that thy days may be long **in the land which Jehovah thy God giveth thee.**

Deuteronomy 25:19

Therefore it shall be, when Jehovah thy God hath given thee rest from all thine enemies round about, **in the land which Jehovah thy God giveth thee for an inheritance to possess it**, that thou shalt blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven; thou shalt not forget.

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Deuteronomy 26:1-3

¹ And it shall be, **when thou art come in unto the land which Jehovah thy God giveth thee for an inheritance**, and possessest it, and dwellest therein, ² that thou shalt take of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which thou shalt bring in from **thy land that Jehovah thy God giveth thee**; and thou shalt put it in a basket, and shalt go unto the place which Jehovah thy God shall choose, to cause his name to dwell there. ³ And thou shalt come unto the priest that shall be in those days, and say unto him, I profess this day unto Jehovah thy God, that **I am come unto the land which Jehovah sware unto our fathers to give us.**

Deuteronomy 26:9-10

⁹ **and he hath brought us into this place, and hath given us this land**, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰ And now, behold, I have brought the first of the fruit of the ground, which thou, O Jehovah, hast given me. And thou shalt set it down before Jehovah thy God, and worship before Jehovah thy God.

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Deuteronomy 26:15

Look down from thy holy habitation, from heaven, and bless thy people Israel, and **the ground which thou hast given us, as thou swarest unto our fathers.**

Deuteronomy 27:2-3

² And it shall be on the day when ye shall pass over the Jordan **unto the land which Jehovah thy God giveth thee**, that thou shalt set thee up great stones, and plaster them with plaster: ³ and thou shalt write upon them all the words of this law, when thou art passed over; that thou mayest **go in unto the land which Jehovah thy God giveth thee, a land flowing with milk and honey, as Jehovah, the God of thy fathers, hath promised thee.**

Deuteronomy 28:11

And Jehovah will make thee plenteous for good, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, **in the land which Jehovah sware unto thy fathers to give thee.**

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Deuteronomy 28:52

And they shall besiege thee in all thy gates throughout all thy land, which Jehovah thy God hath given thee.

Deuteronomy 30:3-9

³ then the LORD your God will restore you from captivity, and have compassion on you, and will gather you again from all the peoples where the LORD your God has scattered you. ⁴ If your outcasts are at the ends of the earth, from there the LORD your God will gather you, and from there He will bring you back. ⁵ The LORD your God will bring you into the land which your fathers possessed, and you shall possess it; and He will prosper you and multiply you more than your fathers.

⁶ Moreover the LORD your God will circumcise your heart and the heart of your descendants, to love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, so that you may live. ⁷ The LORD your God will inflict all these curses on your enemies and on those who hate you, who persecuted you. ⁸ And you shall again obey the LORD, and observe all His commandments which I com-

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mand you today. ⁹ Then the LORD your God will prosper you abundantly in all the work of your hand, in the offspring of your body and in the offspring of your cattle and in the produce of your ground, for the LORD will again rejoice over you for good, just as He rejoiced over your fathers.

Deuteronomy 30:20

To love Jehovah thy God, to obey his voice, and to cleave unto him; for he is thy life, and the length of thy days; that thou mayest dwell in **the land which Jehovah sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.**

Deuteronomy 31:21

That this song shall testify before them as a witness; for it shall not be forgotten out of the mouths of their seed: for I know their imagination which they frame this day, **before I have brought them into the land which I sware.**

Deuteronomy 31:23

And he gave Joshua the son of Nun a charge, and said, Be strong and of good courage; for

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thou shalt bring the children of Israel into **the land which I swear unto them**: and I will be with thee.

Deuteronomy 32:43 NASB

Rejoice, O nations, *with His people*;
For He will avenge the blood of His servants,
And will render vengeance on His adversaries,
And will atone for His land and His people.

Deuteronomy 32:49

Get thee up into this mountain of Abarim, unto mount Nebo, which is in the land of Moab, that is over against Jericho; and behold **the land of Canaan, which I give unto the children of Israel for a possession.**

Deuteronomy 32:52

For thou shalt see the land before thee; but thou shalt not go thither into **the land which I give the children of Israel.**

Deuteronomy 34:1-2

¹ And Moses went up from the plains of Moab unto mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, that is over against Jericho. And Jehovah showed him all the land of Gilead, unto Dan, ² and

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all Naphtali, and the land of Ephraim and Manassch, and all the land of Judah, unto the hinder sea.

Deuteronomy 34:4

And Jehovah said unto him, **This is the land which I swear unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, saying, I will give it unto thy seed**: I have caused thee to see it with thine eyes, but thou shalt not go over thither.

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JOSHUA

Joshua 1:2-4

² Moses my servant is dead; now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, thou, and all this people, **unto the land which I do give to them, even to the children of Israel.**

³ Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, **to you have I given it, as I spake unto Moses.** ⁴ **From the wilderness, and this Lebanon, even unto the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, and unto the great sea toward the going down of the sun, shall be your border.**

Joshua 1:6

Be strong and of good courage; for thou shalt cause this people to inherit **the land which I swear unto their fathers to give them.**

Joshua 1:11

Pass through the midst of the camp, and command the people, saying, Prepare you victuals; for within three days ye are to pass over this Jordan, **to go in to possess the land,**

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which Jehovah your God giveth you to possess it.

Joshua 1:15 NASB

Until the LORD gives your brothers rest, as He gives you, and they also possess **the land which the LORD your God is giving them....**

Joshua 2:9

And she [Rahab] said unto the men, **I know that Jehovah hath given you the land,** and that the fear of you is fallen upon us, and that all the inhabitants of the land melt away before you.

Joshua 2:14

And the men said unto her, Our life for yours, if ye utter not this our business; and it shall be, **when Jehovah giveth us the land,** that we will deal kindly and truly with thee.

Joshua 2:24

And they said unto Joshua, **Truly Jehovah hath delivered into our hands all the land;** and moreover all the inhabitants of the land do melt away before us.

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Joshua 13:1

Now Joshua was old and well stricken in years; and **Jehovah said unto him**, Thou art old and well stricken in years, and **there remaineth yet very much land to be possessed.**

Joshua 14:9 NASB

So Moses swore on that day, saying, "Surely the land on which your foot has trodden will be an inheritance to you [Caleb] and to your children forever, because you have followed the LORD my God fully."

(Brim note: This land promised to Caleb forever is now on what the world calls the West Bank.)

Joshua 18:1-3

¹ And the whole congregation of the children of Israel assembled themselves together at Shiloh, and set up the tent of meeting there: and the land was subdued before them. ² And there remained among the children of Israel seven tribes, which had not yet divided their inheritance. ³ And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, How long are ye slack to go in to possess the land, which Jehovah, the

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God of your fathers, hath given you?

Joshua 18:10

And Joshua cast lots for them in Shiloh before Jehovah: and there Joshua divided the land unto the children of Israel according to their divisions.

Joshua 19:51 NASB

These are the inheritances which Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the heads of the households of the tribes of the sons of Israel distributed by lot in Shiloh before the LORD at the doorway of the tent of meeting. So they finished dividing the land.

Joshua 21:43 NASB

So the LORD gave Israel all the land which He had sworn to give to their fathers, and they possessed it and lived in it.

Joshua 23:5

And Jehovah your God, he will thrust them out from before you, and drive them from out of your sight; and ye shall possess their land, as Jehovah your God spake unto you.

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Joshua 24:3

And I took your father Abraham from beyond the River, and led him throughout all the land of Canaan, and multiplied his seed, and gave him Isaac.

Joshua 24:8

And I brought you into the land of the Amorites, that dwelt beyond the Jordan: and they fought with you; and I gave them into your hand, and ye possessed their land; and I destroyed them from before you.

Joshua 24:13 NASB

I gave you a land on which you had not labored, and cities which you had not built, and you have lived in them; you are eating of vineyards and olive groves which you did not plant.

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JUDGES

Judges 2:1

And the angel of Jehovah came up from Gilgal to Bochim. And he said, I made you to go up out of Egypt, and **have brought you unto the land which I swore unto your fathers; and I said, I will never break my covenant with you.**

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FIRST KINGS

1 Kings 8:22

And Solomon stood before the altar of Jehovah in the presence of all the assembly of Israel, and spread forth his hands toward heaven.

1 Kings 8:33-34 NASB

³³ When Your people Israel are defeated before an enemy, because they have sinned against You, if they turn to You again and confess Your name and pray and make supplication to You in this house, ³⁴ then hear in heaven, and forgive the sin of Your people Israel, and **bring them back to the land which You gave to their fathers.**

1 Kings 8:36

Then hear thou in heaven, and forgive the sin of thy servants, and of thy people Israel, when thou teachest them the good way wherein they should walk; and send rain upon **thy land, which thou hast given to thy people for an inheritance.**

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1 Kings 8:40

That they may fear thee all the days that they live in **the land which thou gavest unto our fathers.**

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SECOND KINGS

2 Kings 21:8 NASB

And I will not make the feet of Israel wander anymore from **the land which I gave their fathers**, if only they will observe to do according to all that I have commanded them, and according to all the law that My servant Moses commanded them.

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FIRST CHRONICLES

1 Chronicles 16:13-18

- ¹³ O seed of Israel His servant,
Sons of Jacob, His chosen ones!
¹⁴ He is the Lord our God;
His judgments are in all the earth.
¹⁵ **Remember His covenant forever,**
The word which He commanded to a
thousand generations,
¹⁶ **The covenant which He made with
Abraham,**
And His oath to Isaac.
¹⁷ **He also confirmed it to Jacob for a
statute,**
To Israel as an everlasting covenant,
¹⁸ **Saying, "To you I will give the land of
Canaan,**
As the portion of your inheritance?"

(Brim note: This is "The Everlasting Covenant." In part, it is because they broke "The Everlasting Covenant," that earth will know judgment. See Isaiah 24:5.)

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SECOND CHRONICLES

2 Chronicles 6:25

then hear thou from heaven, and forgive the sin of thy people Israel, and **bring them again unto the land which thou gavest to them and to their fathers.**

2 Chronicles 6:27

Then hear thou in heaven, and forgive the sin of thy servants, and of thy people Israel, when thou teachest them the good way wherein they should walk; and send rain upon **thy land, which thou hast given to thy people for an inheritance.**

2 Chronicles 6:38

If they return unto thee with all their heart and with all their soul in the land of their captivity, whither they have carried them captive, and pray toward **their land, which thou gavest unto their fathers**, and the city which thou hast chosen, and toward the house which I have built for thy name.

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2 Chronicles 7:20

Then will I pluck them up by the roots out of **my land which I have given them....**

2 Chronicles 33:8

Neither will I any more remove the foot of Israel from off **the land which I have appointed for your fathers**, if only they will observe to do all that I have commanded them, even all the law and the statutes and the ordinances given by Moses.

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NEHEMIAH

Nehemiah 9:5 NASB

Then the Levites...said, "Arise, bless the LORD your God forever and ever!..."

Nehemiah 9:7-8 NASB

⁷ "You are the Lord God,
Who chose Abram
And brought him out from Ur of the
Chaldees,
And gave him the name Abraham.
⁸ "You found his heart faithful before You,
And made a covenant with him
To give him the land of the
Canaanite,
Of the Hittite and the Amorite,
Of the Perizzite, the Jebusite and
the Girgashite—
To give it to his descendants.
And You have fulfilled Your
promise,
For You are righteous.

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Nehemiah 9:15 NASB

You provided bread from heaven for them for
their hunger,
You brought forth water from a rock for them
for their thirst,
And You told them to enter in order to
possess,

The land which You swore to give them.

Nehemiah 9:36

Behold, we are servants this day, and as for
**the land that thou gavest unto our
fathers** to eat the fruit thereof and the good
thereof, behold, we are servants in it.

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PSALMS

Psalm 44:1-3 NASB

- ¹ O God, we have heard with our ears,
Our fathers have told us
The work that You did in their days,
In the days of old.
- ² You with Your own hand drove out the
nations;
Then **You planted them**...
- ³ For by their own sword they did not possess
the land,
And their own arm did not save them,
But Your right hand and Your arm and
the light of Your presence,
For **You favored them**.

Psalm 105:8-11

- ⁸ **He hath remembered his covenant for
ever,**
The word which he commanded to
a thousand generations,
- ⁹ *The covenant* which he made with
Abraham,
And his oath unto Isaac,
- ¹⁰ And confirmed the same unto Jacob for a

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statute,

**To Israel for an everlasting
covenant,**

- ¹¹ **Saying, Unto thee will I give the land
of Canaan,
The lot of your inheritance.**

(Brim note: This is "The Everlasting
Covenant." In part, it is because they broke
"The Everlasting Covenant," that earth will
know judgment. See Isaiah 24:5.)

Psalm 135:10

Who smote many nations,
And slew mighty kings.

Psalm 135:12

**And gave their land for a heritage,
A heritage unto Israel his people.**

Psalm 136:21-22

- ²¹ **And gave their land for a heritage;**
For his lovingkindness endureth for ever;
- ²² **Even a heritage unto Israel his servant;**
For his lovingkindness endureth for ever.

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ISAIAH

Isaiah 14:1-2 NASB

¹ When the LORD will have compassion on Jacob and again choose Israel, and settle them in their own land, then strangers will join them and attach themselves to the house of Jacob. ² The peoples will take them along and bring them to their place, and the house of Israel will possess them as an inheritance in the land of the LORD as male servants and female servants; and they will take their captors captive and will rule over their oppressors.

Isaiah 49:8 NASB

Thus says the LORD,
 "In a favorable time I have answered You,
 And in a day of salvation I have helped You;
 And I will keep You and give You for a covenant of the people,
To restore the land, to make them inherit the desolate heritages."

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Isaiah 49:12 NASB

Behold, these will come from afar;
 And lo, these *will come* from the north and from the west,
 And these from the land of Sinim [China].

Isaiah 60:18 NASB

Violence will not be heard again in your land,
 Nor devastation or destruction within your borders;
 But you will call your walls salvation, and your gates praise."

Isaiah 60:21 NASB

Then all your people *will be* righteous;
**They will possess the land forever,
 The branch of My planting,
 The work of My hands,
 That I may be glorified.**

Isaiah 61:4 NASB

Then they will rebuild the ancient ruins,
 They will raise up the former devastations;
 And they will repair the ruined cities,
 The desolations of many generations.

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Isaiah 61:7 NASB

Instead of your *shame* you will have a double
portion,
And *instead* of humiliation they will shout for
joy over their portion.
Therefore they will possess a double
portion in their land,
Everlasting joy will be theirs.

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JEREMIAH

Jeremiah 3:16-19 NASB

¹⁶ "It shall be in those days when you are multiplied and increased in the land," declares the LORD, "they will no longer say, 'The ark of the covenant of the LORD.' And it will not come to mind, nor will they remember it, nor will they miss it, nor will it be made again. ¹⁷ "At that time they will call Jerusalem 'The Throne of the LORD,' and all the nations will be gathered to it, to Jerusalem, for the name of the LORD; nor will they walk anymore after the stubbornness of their evil heart. ¹⁸ "In those days the house of Judah will walk with the house of Israel, and they will come together from the land of the north to the land that I gave your fathers as an inheritance.

¹⁹ "Then I said,
'How I would set you among My sons
And give you a pleasant land,
The most beautiful inheritance of the
nations!'
And I said, 'You shall call Me, My Father,
And not turn away from following Me.'"

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Jeremiah 11:5

That I may establish **the oath which I swear unto your fathers, to give them a land** flowing with milk and honey, as at this day. Then answered I, and said, Amen, O Jehovah.

Jeremiah 12:14 NASB

Thus says the LORD concerning all My wicked neighbors who strike at **the inheritance with which I have endowed My people Israel....**

Jeremiah 16:14-15 NASB

¹⁴ "Therefore behold, days are coming," declares the LORD, "when it will no longer be said, 'As the LORD lives, who brought up the sons of Israel out of the land of Egypt,' ¹⁵ but, 'As the LORD lives, who brought up the sons of Israel from the land of the north and from all the countries where He had banished them.' **For I will restore them to their own land which I gave to their fathers.**"

Jeremiah 23:7-8 NASB

⁷ "Therefore behold, *the* days are coming," declares the LORD, "when they will no longer say, 'As the LORD lives, who brought up

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the sons of Israel from the land of Egypt,' ⁸ but, 'As the LORD lives, who brought up and led back the descendants of the household of Israel from the north land and from all the countries where I had driven them.' Then they will live on **their own soil [land].**"

Jeremiah 24:6 NASB

For I will set My eyes on them for good, and **I will bring them again to this land;** and I will build them up and not overthrow them, and I will plant them and not pluck them up.

Jeremiah 25:5 NASB

Saying, "Turn now everyone from his evil way and from the evil of your deeds, and dwell on **the land which the LORD has given to you and your forefathers forever and ever.**"

Jeremiah 30:3 NASB

"For behold, days are coming," declares the LORD, "when I will restore the fortunes of My people Israel and Judah." The LORD says, "**I will also bring them back to the land that I gave to their forefathers and they shall possess it.**"

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Jeremiah 32:22 NASB

And gave them this land, which You swore to their forefathers to give them, a land flowing with milk and honey.

Jeremiah 32:41

Yea, I will rejoice over them to do them good, and **I will plant them in this land** assuredly with my whole heart and with my whole soul.

Jeremiah 32:44 NASB

"Men will buy fields for money, sign and seal deeds, and call in witnesses in the land of Benjamin, in the environs of Jerusalem, in the cities of Judah, in the cities of the hill country, in the cities of the lowland and in the cities of the Negev; for **I will restore their fortunes,**" declares the LORD.

Jeremiah 33:11 NASB

The voice of joy and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom and the voice of the bride, the voice of those who say,

"Give thanks to the LORD of hosts,
For the LORD is good,
For His lovingkindness is everlasting;"

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and of those who bring a thank offering into the house of the LORD. For I will restore the fortunes of the land as they were at first,' says the LORD.

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EZEKIEL

Ezekiel 20:39-42 NASB

"As for you, O house of Israel," thus says the Lord GOD, "Go, serve everyone his idols; but later you will surely listen to Me, and My holy name you will profane no longer with your gifts and with your idols. For on My holy mountain, on the high mountain of Israel," declares the Lord GOD, "there the whole house of Israel [Northern and Southern Kingdoms], all of them, will serve Me in the land; there I will accept them and there I will seek your contributions and the choicest of your gifts, with all your holy things. As a soothing aroma I will accept you **when I bring you out from the peoples and gather you from the lands where you are scattered**; and I will prove Myself holy among you in the sight of the nations.

"And you will know that I am the LORD, **when I bring you into the land of Israel, into the land which I swore to give to your forefathers.**

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Ezekiel 28:25 NASB

Thus says the Lord GOD, "When I gather the house of Israel from the peoples among whom they are scattered, and will manifest My holiness in them in the sight of the nations, then **they will live in their land which I gave to My servant Jacob.**

Ezekiel 34:13

And I will bring them out from the peoples, and gather them from the countries, and **will bring them into their own land**; and I will feed them upon the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited places of the country.

(Read from Ezekiel 34:11-31.)

Ezekiel 36:6-12 NASB

⁶ Therefore **prophesy concerning the land of Israel** and say to the mountains and to the hills, to the ravines and to the valleys, "Thus says the Lord GOD, 'Behold, I have spoken in My jealousy and in My wrath because you have endured the insults of the nations.'
⁷ Therefore thus says the Lord GOD, 'I have sworn that surely the nations which are around you will themselves endure their insults.'
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you, **O mountains of Israel**, you will put forth your branches and bear your fruit for **My people Israel; for they will soon come.** ⁹ For, behold, I am for you, and I will turn to you, and you will be cultivated and sown. ¹⁰ I will multiply men on you, all the house of Israel, [Northern and Southern kingdoms] all of it; and the cities will be inhabited and the waste places will be rebuilt. ¹¹ I will multiply on you man and beast; and they will increase and be fruitful; and I will cause you to be inhabited as you were formerly and will treat you better than at the first. Thus you will know that I am the LORD. ¹² Yes, I will cause men—**My people Israel—to walk on you and possess you**, so that you will become their inheritance and never again bereave them of children.'

Ezekiel 36:24

For I will take you from among the nations, and gather you out of all the countries, and will bring you into your own land.

Ezekiel 36:28

And ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and ye shall be my people, and I will be your God.

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Ezekiel 37:3-4

³ And he said unto me, Son of man, can these bones live? And I answered, O Lord Jehovah, thou knowest. ⁴ Again he said unto me, Prophesy over these bones, and say unto them, O ye dry bones, hear the word of Jehovah.

Ezekiel 37:10-14

¹⁰ So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army.

¹¹ Then he said unto me, Son of man, **these bones are the whole house of Israel**: behold, they say, Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off. ¹² Therefore prophesy, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord Jehovah: Behold, I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves, **O my people; and I will bring you into the land of Israel.** ¹³ And ye shall know that I am Jehovah, when I have opened your graves, and caused you to come up out of your graves, **O my people.** ¹⁴ And I will put my Spirit in you, and ye shall live, and I will place you in your own land: and ye shall know that I, Jehovah, have spoken it and performed it, saith Jehovah.

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Ezekiel 37:21-22

²¹ And say unto them, Thus saith the Lord Jehovah: Behold, I will take the children of Israel from among the nations, whither they are gone, **and will gather them on every side, and bring them into their own land:** ²² **and I will make them one nation in the land, upon the mountains of Israel;** and one king shall be king to them all; and they shall be no more two nations, neither shall they be divided into two kingdoms any more at all.

Ezekiel 37:25

And they shall dwell in the land that I have given unto Jacob my servant, wherein your fathers dwelt; and they shall dwell therein, they, and their children, and their children's children, for ever: and David my servant shall be their prince for ever.

Ezekiel 39:26 NASB

They will forget their disgrace and all their treachery which they perpetrated against Me, **when they live securely on their own land** with no one to make *them* afraid.

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Ezekiel 39:28

And they shall know that I am Jehovah their God, in that I caused them to go into captivity among the nations, **and have gathered them unto their own land;** and I will leave none of them any more there.

[Brim note: Millennial Division of Israel]

Ezekiel 45:1

Moreover, **when ye shall divide by lot the land for inheritance,** ye shall offer an oblation unto Jehovah, a holy portion of the land; the length shall be the length of five and twenty thousand reeds, and the breadth shall be ten thousand: it shall be holy in all the border thereof round about.

Ezekiel 47:13-14 NASB

¹³ Thus says the Lord GOD, "This *shall be* the boundary by which you shall divide the land for an inheritance among the twelve tribes of Israel; Joseph *shall have* two portions. ¹⁴ You shall divide it for an inheritance, each one equally with the other; for I swore to give it to your forefathers, and this land shall fall to you as an inheritance.

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Ezekiel 47:21

So shall ye divide this land unto you according to the tribes of Israel.

Ezekiel 48:29

This is the land which ye shall divide by lot unto the tribes of Israel for inheritance, and these are their several portions, saith the Lord Jehovah.

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HOSEA

Hosea 2:15 NASB

Then I will give her her vineyards from there,
And the valley of Achor as a door of hope.
And she will sing there as in the days of her youth,
As in the day when she came up from the land of Egypt.

Hosea 2:20

I will even betroth thee unto me in faithfulness; and thou shalt know Jehovah.

Hosea 2:23 NASB

I will sow her for Myself in the land.
I will also have compassion on her who had not obtained compassion,
And I will say to those who were not My people,
"You are My people!"
And they will say, "You are my God!"

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JOEL

Joel 3:2 NASB

I will gather all the nations
 And bring them down to the valley of
 Jehoshaphat.
 Then I will enter into judgment with them
 there
 On behalf of **My people and My inheri-
 tance, Israel,**
 Whom they have scattered among the nations;
 And they **have divided up My land.**

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AMOS

Amos 9:14 NASB

Also I will restore the captivity of **My
 people Israel,**
 And they will rebuild the ruined cities and live
in them;
 They will also plant vineyards and drink
 their wine,
 And make gardens and eat their fruit.

Amos 9:15 NASB

**"I will also plant them on their land,
 And they will not again be rooted out
 from their land
 Which I have given them,"**
 Says the LORD your God.

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Judgment
of the
Nations
for how they treat
Israel

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FOREWORD

These Scriptures are provided as a quick reference guide regarding only one particular subject in God's Word regarding Israel.

The Nations of the earth are judged as to how they treat the chosen nation of Israel.

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God's Promises of the Land to Israel

The Scattering and Ingathering of Israel

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JUDGMENT OF THE NATIONS FOR HOW THEY TREAT ISRAEL

The first mention of the nations (Heb: *goyim*) is in Genesis 10. After the flood, the chapter lists the sons of Noah's three sons: Shem, Ham, and Yapheth. Seventy foundational nations are listed. The Lord's will for them was, "Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth" (Gen. 9:1). Under Nimrod (Gen. 10:8-11), the nations rebelled at Babel (Gen. 11). Three hundred and forty years after the flood, they had not scattered, but were bunched up on the plain of Shinar (Babylon). The Babylonian System began with this rebellion.

The LORD judged them, confused their language, and scattered them throughout the earth. In Genesis 12, He introduced His separated nation, Israel. Israel was separated *from* the nations and *unto* God with the call of *revealing God to the nations*. In God's

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revelation to the church regarding Israel in Romans chapters 9, 10, and 11, He avers that He does not change His mind regarding this calling. "For the gifts and calling of God are without repentance" (Rom. 11:29). Nations, as nations, are judged, therefore, as to how they treat the chosen nation with the call to reveal God to them.

Deuteronomy 32:4

He is the Rock, his work is perfect: for all his ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he.

Quoting David Baron's book *Israel in the Plan of God*, page 36:

Another glorious characteristic of the 'Rock of Israel' is that: '*All His ways are judgment.*' This word *mish-pat* (judgment) stands in the Hebrew Bible not only for God's acts of judgment, but for His just and righteous decisions, as the Judge and Moral Governor of the Universe.

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THE SCRIPTURES

Remember to rightly divide the Word to see to whom a Scripture speaks: the Jews, the Nations, or the Church. (See 2 Tim. 2:15; 1 Cor. 10:32.)

This list of Scriptures regarding the judgment of nations as nations is by no means exhaustive.

Genesis 12:1-3

Now the LORD had said unto Abram, 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: **And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee:** and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

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Isaiah 49:25-26

But thus saith the LORD, Even the captives of the mighty shall be taken away, and the prey of the terrible shall be delivered: for I will contend with him that contendeth with thee, and I will save thy children. And I will feed them that oppress thee with their own flesh; and they shall be drunken with their own blood, as with sweet wine: and all flesh shall know that I the LORD am thy Saviour and thy Redeemer, the mighty One of Jacob.

Brim Note:

The Scriptures often refer to the physical offspring of Abraham as Jacob. Why not Abraham or Isaac? Abraham had other sons. Isaac had another son. But all 12 of Jacob's sons constituted the nation of Israel.

Brim Note:

Most people know half the following verse, but it is important to know all of it as evidence that many nations who persecuted Israel [Jacob] are even now gone, but Jacob is still here and is back home just as God said they would be.

Malachi 3:6

For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.

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CUP OF JUDGMENT

Quoting David Baron's book, *Zechariah: A Commentary on His Visions and Prophecies*, page 426:

The cup of reeling, or giddiness, is frequently used in Scripture as a symbol of the judgment of God which brings man into a condition of helplessness and misery like unto that of the staggering, intoxicated man who is unable to walk.

In Isaiah 51:17, 21-23 it is used of the cup drunk by Jerusalem and Israel, and then it will be given to those who mistreated His people.

Isaiah 51:17, 21-23

Awake, awake, stand up, O Jerusalem, which hast drunk at the hand of the LORD the cup of his fury; thou hast drunken the dregs of the cup of trembling, and wrung them out.

Therefore hear now this, thou afflicted, and drunken, but not with wine: Thus saith thy Lord the LORD, and thy God that pleadeth the

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cause of his people, **Behold, I have taken out of thine hand the cup of trembling, even the dregs of the cup of my fury; thou shalt no more drink it again: But I will put it into the hand of them that afflict thee;** which have said to thy soul, Bow down, that we may go over: and thou hast laid thy body as the ground, and as the street, to them that went over.

Psalm 75:8

For in the hand of the LORD *there* is a cup, and the wine is red; it is full of mixture; and he poureth out of the same: but the dregs thereof, all the wicked of the earth shall wring *them* out, and drink *them*.

Baron, Zechariah, page 426

In those passages, it is the *kos* (cup) that is spoken of; but in Zechariah 12 it is the *soph*, the *bowl*, or basin of reeling; the thought expressed in this instance is that of a vessel large enough for all nations to drink out of it, either together, or one after another in succession. And they shall all drink of this intoxicating cup of God's judgment and stagger and fall, not to rise again."

Zechariah 12:1-3

The burden of the word of the LORD for Israel, saith the LORD, which stretcheth forth the heavens, and layeth the foundation of the earth, and formeth the spirit of man within

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him. **Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all the people round about, when they shall be in the siege both against Judah and against Jerusalem.** And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it.

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JEREMIAH

Jeremiah 10:25

Pour out thy fury upon the heathen [*goyim* = *nations*] that know thee not, and upon the families that call not on thy name: for they have eaten up Jacob, and devoured him, and consumed him, and have made his habitation desolate.

Brim Note

God's Plan A for Israel was to live in the Land He promised them—which is a land bridge between three continents, Europe, Asia, and Africa—exhibiting to caravans and armies that would march through that Jehovah is the real God. (See Deuteronomy 28:1-14, note verses 9 and 10.)

Plan B was, if they did not obey Him, they would be scattered to the four corners of the earth. Then in the end of days He would bring them back to their Promised Land and this would be a **sign to the nations**, thereby

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Israel would still be operating in their call, *revealing God to the nations*. [Many Scriptures speak of this Ingathering. For example, see Isaiah 11:10-12; Isaiah 43:1, 5-12.]

God's will for their treatment in the dispersion was Jeremiah 29:4-7. When the nations mistreated them, the LORD was *sore displeased*. See Zechariah 1:15. And the word translated "heathen" here is *goyim*, nations.

Jeremiah 29:4-7

Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, unto all that are carried away captives, whom I have caused to be carried away from Jerusalem unto Babylon; Build ye houses, and dwell *in them*; and plant gardens, and eat the fruit of them; Take ye wives, and beget sons and daughters; and take wives for your sons, and give your daughters to husbands, that they may bear sons and daughters; that ye may be increased there, and not diminished. And seek the peace of the city whither I have caused you to be carried away captives, and pray unto the LORD for it: for in the peace thereof shall ye have peace.

Brim Note

I've wondered, how could the prophet Jeremiah have done what the Lord commanded in verse 15? For it involved taking the cup "to all the kingdoms of the world, which are upon the face of the earth"? The ancient sages say that when he spoke it, it was done.

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Jeremiah 25:15-17

For thus saith the LORD God of Israel unto me; Take the wine cup of this fury at my hand, and cause all **the nations**, to whom I send thee, to drink it. And they shall drink, and be moved, and be mad, because of the sword that I will send among them. Then took I the cup at the LORD's hand, and made all **the nations** to drink, unto whom the LORD had sent me:

Jeremiah 25:26-27

And all the kings of the north, far and near, one with another, and all the kingdoms of the world, which *are* upon the face of the earth: and the king of Sheshach shall drink after them. [*Sheshach is Babylon.*] Therefore thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Drink ye, and be drunken, and spew, and fall, and rise no more, because of the sword which I will send among you.

Jeremiah 25:31-32

A noise shall come *even* to the ends of the earth; for **the LORD hath a controversy with the nations**, he will plead with all flesh; he will give them *that are* wicked to the sword, saith the LORD. Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Behold, evil shall go forth from nation to nation, and a great whirlwind shall be raised up from the coasts of the earth.

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Brim Note

Jeremiah 30 and 31 is a Book within a Book, revealing God's Plan for Israel. You should read both chapters together. Following are some select verses according to our subject.

Jeremiah 30:3-4

For, lo, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will bring again the captivity of my people *Israel and Judah, saith the LORD: and I will cause them to return to the land that I gave to their fathers, and they shall possess it.

And these *are* the words that the LORD spake concerning Israel and concerning Judah.

Jeremiah 30:10-11

Therefore fear thou not, O my servant Jacob, saith the LORD; neither be dismayed, O Israel: for, lo, I will save thee from afar, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and shall be in rest, and be quiet, and none shall make *him* afraid. For I *am* with thee, saith the LORD, to save thee: **though I make a full end of all nations whither I have scattered thee, yet will I not make a full end of thee:** but I will correct thee in measure, and will not leave thee altogether unpunished.

Jeremiah 30:16

Therefore all they that devour thee shall be devoured; and all thine adversaries, every one of them, shall go into captivity; and they

that spoil thee shall be a spoil, and all that prey upon thee will I give for a prey.

Jeremiah 30:20

Their children also shall be as aforetime, and their congregation shall be established before me, **and I will punish all that oppress them.**

Jeremiah 50:4-7

In those days, and in that time, saith the LORD, the children of Israel* shall come, they and the children of Judah together, going and weeping: they shall go, and seek the LORD their God. They shall ask the way to Zion with their faces thitherward, *saying*, Come, and let us join ourselves to the LORD in a perpetual covenant that shall not be forgotten. My people hath been lost sheep: their shepherds have caused them to go astray, they have turned them away on the mountains: they have gone from mountain to hill, they have forgotten their restingplace. **All that found them have devoured them; and their adversaries said, We offend not, because they have sinned against the LORD,** the habitation of justice, even the LORD, the hope of their fathers.

**Israel here refers to the northern kingdom (the ten tribes); Judah refers to the southern kingdom (two tribes).*

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Jeremiah 50:10-11

And Chaldea shall be a spoil: all that spoil her shall be satisfied, saith the LORD. Because ye were glad, because ye rejoiced, O ye destroyers of ****mine heritage**, because ye are grown fat as the heifer at grass, and bellow as bulls.

****Deut. 32:9** For the LORD's portion is his people; Jacob is the lot of his inheritance.

Joel 3:1-2

For, behold, in those days, and in that time, when I shall bring again the captivity of Judah and Jerusalem, I will also gather all nations, and will bring them down into the valley of Jehoshaphat, and will plead with them there for my people and for my heritage Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations, and parted my land.

Joel 3:1-2 AMPC

FOR BEHOLD, in those days and at that time when I shall reverse the captivity and restore the fortunes of Judah and Jerusalem, I will gather all nations and will bring them down into the Valley of Jehoshaphat, and there will I deal with and execute judgment upon them for [their treatment of] My people and of My heritage Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations and [because] they have divided My land.

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Brim Note

Judgments are pronounced against various nations because of their treatment of Israel. See Ezekiel 25, for instance, noting verses 6 and 7, 10, 12, 14, 15.

Ezekiel 28:24-26 is inclusive of all around them who despised them.

Ezekiel 28:24-26

And there shall be no more a pricking brier unto the house of Israel, nor *any* grieving thorn of all **that are round about them, that despised them**; and they shall know that I *am* the Lord GOD. Thus saith the Lord GOD; When I shall have gathered the house of Israel from the people among whom they are scattered, and shall be sanctified in them in the sight of the heathen, then shall they dwell in their land that I have given to my servant Jacob. And they shall dwell safely therein, and shall build houses, and plant vineyards; yea, they shall dwell with confidence, **when I have executed judgments upon all those that despise them round about them**; and they shall know that I *am* the LORD their God.

Brim Note

For an in-depth study of Zechariah and its place in prophecy of the end of days, see David Baron's excellent commentary, *Zechariah: A Commentary on His Visions and Prophecies*, as mentioned earlier.

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Zechariah 1:15

And I am very sore displeased with the heathen *that are* at ease; for I was but a little displeased, and they helped forward the affliction.

Zechariah 2:8-9

For thus saith the LORD of hosts; After the glory hath he sent me unto the nations which spoiled you: for he that toucheth you toucheth the apple of his eye. For, behold, I will shake mine hand upon them, and they shall be a spoil to their servants: and ye shall know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me.

Zechariah 12:3

And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it.

Zechariah 14:2-3

For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city. Then shall the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle.

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Zechariah 14:12

And this shall be the plague wherewith the LORD will smite all the people that have fought against Jerusalem; Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and their eyes shall consume away in their holes, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth.

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JESUS AND THE JUDGMENT OF THE NATIONS AT THE END OF THE TRIBULATION PERIOD

Brim Note

Following the Marriage Supper of the Lamb, the Master leaves to go to earth and fight against those nations. Led by the Antichrist, they will make one last attempt to destroy Israel.

Zechariah 14:3-4

Then shall the LORD go forth, **and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle.** And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and *there shall be* a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south.

Brim Note

Then comes the judgment of the nations. This is when the Son of man comes in His glory. It is

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the nations, not the Jews and not the Church, that are before Him for judgment. These are the nations who were on earth during the tribulation. There is no mention of a resurrection of the dead here. This is a works judgment based on how they treated "His brethren," the Jews. Micah 5:2, 3, shown at the end of the Matthew portion below, calls Israel "His brethren."

Matthew 25:31-46

When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the 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 his sheep from the goats: And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: For I was an hungered, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me. Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungered, and fed *thee?* or thirsty, and gave *thee* drink? When saw we thee a stranger, and took *thee* in? or naked, and clothed *thee?* Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee? And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as

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ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done *it* unto me. Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels: For I was an hungered, and ye gave me no meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me no drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me not in: naked, and ye clothed me not: sick, and in prison, and ye visited me not. Then shall they also answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungered, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee? Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did *it* not to one of the least of these, ye did *it* not to me. And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

Micah 5:2-3

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. Therefore will he give them up, until the time that she which travaileth hath brought forth: then the remnant of **his brethren** shall return unto the children of Israel.

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JUDGMENT OF THE EARTH

Isaiah 24 prophesies of the judgment of the earth. Verse 5 gives three reasons why earth and *the haughty people of the earth* meet judgments as spoken of in the Book of Revelation.

Isaiah 24:4-6 ASV

The earth mourneth *and* fadeth away, the world languisheth *and* fadeth away, the lofty people of the earth do languish. The earth also is *polluted* under the inhabitants thereof; [1] because they have transgressed the laws, [2] violated the statutes, [3] **broken the everlasting covenant**. Therefore hath the curse devoured the earth, and they that dwell therein are found guilty.

The Bible defines “the everlasting covenant.”

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