



"Blessed be the LORD God of *Israel*; For He hath visited and redeemed *His* people, And hath raised up an horn of salvation for *us* in the house of his servant David; as he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, which have been since the world began; That *we* should be saved from *our* enemies and from the hand of all that hate *us*; to perform the mercy promised to *our* fathers and to remember his holy covenant; The oath which he swore to *our* father Abraham, That he would grant unto *us*, that *we* being delivered out of the hand of *our* enemies might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of *our* lives." Luke 1:68-75; the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic-Germanic-Scandinavian people are *ISRAEL!* They are God's **EXCLUSIVE** people.

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HAVE YOU BEEN CHOSEN?

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Have You Been Chosen?

God chose Adam and made a covenant with him.

God Chose Noah and made a covenant with him.

God chose Abraham and made a covenant with him.

God chose Isaac and Jacob and made a covenant with them.

God chose the 12 tribes of Israel and made a covenant with them through Moses.

God chose _____ and made a covenant with them through Jesus Christ.

Who would you put in the blank space above?

The most common answer is "anyone" who believes in Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Saviour. What is *your* answer? Does that include *you*? Your answer will depend upon whether you identify yourself as one of the chosen covenant people of God.

GOD CHOOSES

No one chooses to become one of God's covenant people! Only God chooses whom He wants to be His people. That is why He is God. He alone creates and chooses.

Did Adam create himself and choose God? No.

Then God said, "Let Us make man [Adam] in Our image, according to Our likeness ... God blessed them; and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth." - Genesis 1:26,28.

Did Noah choose God and save himself from the Flood that destroyed Adamkind? No.

"Then the Lord said to Noah, 'Enter the ark, you and all your household, for you alone I have seen to be righteous before Me in this time.'" - Genesis 7:1

Did Abraham choose? No.

"Now when Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram and said to him, 'I am God Almighty; walk before Me, and be blameless. I will establish My covenant between Me and you, and I will multiply you exceedingly.'" - Genesis 17:1-2.

Did Abraham's son, Isaac, or his grandson Jacob choose God? No

"The Lord appeared to [Isaac] the same night and said, 'I am the God of your father Abraham; do not fear, for I am with you. I will bless you, and multiply your descendants, for the sake of My servant Abraham.'" - Genesis 26:24.

"God said to him, 'Your name is Jacob; you shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel shall be your name,' Thus He called him Israel. God also said to him, 'I am God Almighty; be fruitful and multiply; a nation and a company of nations shall come from you, and kings shall come forth from you.'" - Genesis 35:10-11.

Did God's descendants (the 12 tribes of Israel) choose God? No.

"The Lord did not set His love on you [Israel] nor choose you because you were more in number than any of the peoples, for you were the fewest of all peoples, but because the Lord loved you and kept the oath which He swore to your forefathers...." - Deuteronomy 7:7-8.

Notice that all these whom God had chosen had two things in common:

1. They were all specific people of **Adam's Descendants** (see Genesis chapters 5, 10-11), and
2. They were all specific people **with whom God had made a covenant.**

As God clearly said to Abraham, one of Adam's descendants:

"I will establish My covenant between Me and you and your descendants after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your descendants after you. - Genesis 17:7

Abraham and his descendants did not choose God or make a covenant with Him. God chose them and made an "everlasting covenant" with them!

THE NEW COVENANT

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So, if the consistent pattern was that God chose and made covenants with only certain people of Adam's race, then **why do most people answer that "anybody" can choose God and make a covenant with Him through Jesus Christ?** Even Jesus Himself declared to His disciples:

"You did not choose Me but I chose you ..." -John 15:16

And what about the New Covenant through Jesus Christ? Is it for anyone, or just certain people? The prophet Jeremiah gives us the answer:

"Behold, days are coming," declares the LORD, "When **I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah...**" - Jeremiah 31:31.

With whom did the Lord make a "new covenant"? **The New Covenant was made with the house of Israel and the house of Judah**, who represented the northern and southern kingdom of the nation of Israel.

These are the *same people* that God had chosen and with whom He made a covenant through Moses. This is the same consistent family line of Adam's race through Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

The New Covenant was made through the shedding of the blood of Jesus Christ on the cross, as He proclaimed to his disciples at the last supper the night before His death:

"And in the same way He took the cup after they had eaten, saying, **'This cup which is poured out for you is the new covenant in My blood.'**" - Luke 22:20

This was the New Covenant that God Himself made with the people of Israel. If this is true, then it cannot be correct to say that anybody can choose God, or that God chooses just anyone. The God of the Bible chooses and makes a covenant with only those whom He has ordained by His own will and for His own purpose.

And, If God is "the same yesterday and today and forever" (Hebrews 13:8), He is still faithful to make a covenant with the same family of Adam's race. What a great honour, privilege, and blessing it is to be among those chosen by God! Does that include *you*?

To answer that question, you need to know a little history that identifies the people whom God has still chosen and with whom He has made a covenant. In other words, if you are a descendant of Biblical Israel (the house of Israel or the house of Judah), then you are among the chosen of God with whom He has made a covenant through Jesus Christ.

WHO ISRAEL IS NOT

It is commonly believed that those who call themselves "Jews" today are the descendants of Biblical Israel. but despite the insistence of those who teach that they are God's covenant people, the Jews' own authorities tell us **they are not the Israelites or the Hebrews of the Bible.** Here are just a few of many examples:

"Strictly speaking, it is incorrect to call an ancient Israelite a 'Jew' or to call a contemporary Jew an 'Israelite' or a 'Hebrew.'" - *The Jewish Almanac*, compiled and edited by Richard Siegel and Carl Rheins, New York, NY: Bantam Books, 1980, p.3.

"... Genetically they [today's Jews] are more closely related to the Hun, Uigur and Magyar tribes than to the seed of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob." - *The Thirteenth Tribe* by Arthur Koestler, New York, NY: Random House,

1976, p.17 (#396 @ \$17.00).

"The American people have been led to believe that Jews are "God's chosen people." This myth was started by a small group of Jews." - *The Life of an American Jew in Racist Marxist Israel* by Jack Bernstein, Costa Mesa, CA: The Noontide Press, 1984, p.6

Abundant evidence shows that today's Jews are descended from a group of people known as the Khazars who adopted Judaism in the 8th century for political reasons. Racially, they are not related by blood to the Israelites or the Hebrews of the Bible. (For more information, see Resources at the end of this article).

WHO ISRAEL IS TODAY BY NAME

So, if the Jews are not the descendants of Biblical Israel, who is? The only people in the world that have ever matched Israel's identity today are the Anglo-Celto-Saxon-Scandinavian-Germanic and racially kindred peoples. Let's call them by a familiar name - the Caucasian people.

The Caucasian people are often referred to by another name - Saxons. Historians have concluded that **the name "Saxon" is derived from Isaac.** Famed historian, Sharon Turner, in his work *The History of the Anglo-Saxons*, stated:

"...Sakai-suna, or the sons of the **Sakai**, abbreviated into **Saksun**, which is the same sound as **Saxon**, seems a reasonable etymology of the word, Saxon Ptolemy [Roman geographer] mentions a Scythian people, sprung from the Sakai, by the name **Saxones**.- *The History of the Anglo-Saxons*, Philadelphia: Cary and hart, 1820, Book II, chapter 1, p.82.

Historical researcher Adam Rutherford further explains:

"The old Anglo-Saxon root "sun" is "son" in modern English, Hence "Saxon" (Sak-son) is simply a contraction of "(I)saac-sun" or Saac-sun," the pronunciation being practically the same." - *Anglo-Saxon Israel*, London: Adam Rutherford, 1939, p.13

In other words, the "Sakai-suna" or Saac-sun" or **Saxons were the "sons of Isaac."** Remarkably, the name "Saxon" identifies those of whom God had told Abraham, **"through Isaac your descendants shall be named"** (Genesis 21:12), that is, "Isaac's sons" - Saxons!

WHO ISRAEL IS TODAY BY HISTORICAL MIGRATION

Israel can also be identified as the Anglo-Saxons today, as confirmed by their historical migrations into Northwestern Europe. In the history text book, **The Making of America**, author W. Cleon Skousen wrote this about the Anglo-Saxon people:

"Even today, English historian Sharon Turner ... is still considered a leading authority on these amazing people who came from around the Black Sea in the first century BC and spread all across Northern Europe. In fact, they were the best organised, best governed people in their day ... they intermarried with royal families of every northern European country ... their institutes of constitutional government were **almost identical with those of ancient Israel ... they were organized and governed by principles similar to those of Moses.**" -p.54.

"...The Anglo-Saxons ... came from the territory of the Black Sea (where the Ten Tribes disappeared)..." - *The making of America: The Substance and Meaning of the Constitution*, W. Cleon Skousen, Washington, DC: The National Center for Constitutional Studies, 1986, p.55

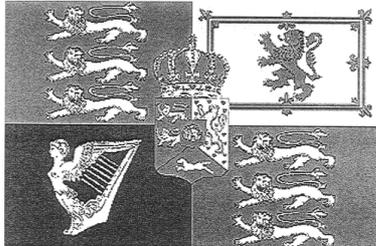


WHO ISRAEL IS TODAY BY EMBLEM

That the Saxon or Caucasian people today are the descendants of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob is further evidenced by the amazing similarity between the tribal emblems of ancient Israel and those of the Saxon nations. For example, the emblem of the tribe of Judah is the Lion:

"Judah is a lion's whelp
... He couches, he lies down
as a lion." - Genesis 49:9

The emblem of the lion is on the Royal Standard of the United Kingdom of Great Britain.



And in the arms of the Netherlands.

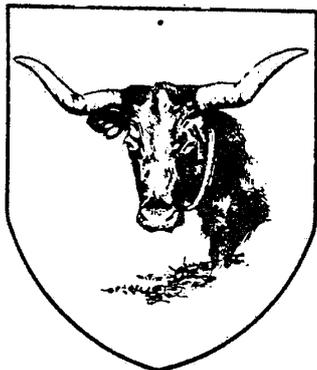


The tribe of Ephraim is symbolized by the bull or the unicorn:

"[Ephraim's] glory is like the firstling of his **bullock**, and his horns are like the horns of **unicorns** ..." - Deuteronomy 33:17.

The unicorn is seen in the Scottish Royal Arms:

Both the emblems of Judah (lion) and Ephraim (unicorn) are depicted in the British Royal Arms:



As a matter of fact, a survey of all the symbols or emblems of the Saxon nations today reveals that they include **all the emblems** given to each tribe of Israel in the Bible.

W.H. Bennett, who painstakingly researched the heraldry of all the Saxon nations for over 30 years, made this learned statement:

"If there were two, this could be a coincidence, but the fact that there are more than thirty of Israel's emblems in the heraldry of Britain and the United States alone....." - *Symbols of Our Celto-Saxon Heritage*, Windsor, Ontario, Canada: Herald Press Limited, 1976, p.7

Are you a descendant of Ireland, Scotland, Norway, Denmark, Australia, France, England, Netherlands, or Germany or one of the other many Saxon nations? Go back and discover your heritage through your ancestors' national coat of arms or family crests. Most likely, you will find an ancient symbol of one or more of the tribes of Israel.

WHO ISRAEL IS TODAY BY LANGUAGE

There is also a distinct similarity between the Hebrew language spoken by ancient Israel and the languages of the Saxon people. Biblical archeologist, E. Raymond Capt (MA, AIA, FSA Scot), commented:

"All etymologists know that the Greek, latin, German, Icelandic, Norse, Danish, Dutch and several other languages figure in the structure and vocabulary of the present Anglo-Saxon (English) language ... over 75 per cent of English words come direct from Hebrew words or their roots. - *Missing Links Discovered in Assyrian Tablets*, Thousand Oaks, CA: Artisan Sales, 1985, p.187

Danish language scholar, Louis Hjelmslev likewise stated that the **"genetic relationship between the two languages [European and Semitic which includes Hebrew] ... can be accounted for only on the assumption that the two languages have a common origin"** (*Language, an Introduction*, Madison, WI: University of Wisconsin Press, 1970, p.127).

Well-known translator of the Bible into the English language, William Tyndale, emphatically stated:

"The properties of the Hebrew tongue agreeth one thousand times more with the English than with the Latin or the Greek. The manner of speaking is in both

one, so that, in a thousand places, there needest not be but to translate the Hebrew word for word." -

quoted from *Uncovering the Mysteries of Your Hidden Inheritance* by Robert Alan Balaicius, Mountain City, TN: Sacred truth Ministries, 2001, p.178 (#326 @ \$26.00 posted from CIM)

The affinities between the Hebrew and Saxon languages are evident and help identify the true Israelite people today.

ISRAEL TODAY AS A MULTITUDE OF PEOPLE

One of the promises that God made to Abraham by covenant was that his descendants (through Isaac and Jacob) would become a multitude of people. In Genesis 15:5, God took him outside at night and said:

"Now look to the heavens, and count the stars, if you are able to count them." And He said to him, "So shall your descendants be."

The Saxon people number about 1.5 billion today. Jews, however, who are *assumed* by many to be the descendants of biblical Israel, are relatively small in number. Author Israel Cohen, in his book *Jewish Life in Modern Times*, stated:

The total number of Jews in the world at the present day [1914] amounts approximately to 13,500,000. This is the **highest figure that they have ever reached in their history**, and yet it forms only about a hundred and twentieth

of the entire population of the globe. - *Jewish Life in Modern Times* by Israel Cohen, New York, NY: Dodd, Mead and Company, 1914, p.5.

The Jewish Virtual Library claims that the total world population of Jews "today is a little more than 13 million" (source: World Jewish Congress). The world Jewish population has remained about the same throughout the 20th century. The 1987-88 *Jewish Almanac* claims the number of Jews in the





world is 14,527, 150. Hence, they have never been considered a large population compared to the Saxon race, for example.

The Saxon or Caucasian world population is significantly more numerous. These are Abraham's descendants, through Isaac and Jacob, that have become a multitude of people as God has promised.

ISRAEL TODAY AS MANY NATIONS

Another promise that God made to Abraham by covenant was that his descendants (through Isaac and Jacob) would become many nations. God spoke to Abraham saying:

"As for Me, behold, My covenant is with you, **and you will be the father of a multitude of nations.**" - Genesis 17:4

The Jews have never become a "multitude of nations" but instead represent many different kinds of races of the same religion. The Caucasian or Saxon peoples representing one race, however, have become many nations represented by Britain, Ireland, Scotland, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Norway, Iceland, Belgium, Netherlands, Austria, Germany, France, Denmark, Sweden, Russia ("White Russians"), Lithuania, the United States of America and more.

ISRAEL TODAY AS HISTORICALLY CHRISTIAN

One of the most outstanding marks of true Israel today is recognized as the people who have received the gospel of the New Covenant, thus becoming the Christian people. God promised to Israel that, through the New Covenant, that He would put His "Law within them and on their heart" He would "write it" (Jeremiah 31:33). What race of people today historically reflects the reception of the gospel and the law of God on their hearts? Only the Saxon nations.

One of the most respected authorities on American law, James Kent, wrote of the common document among Saxon nations called the *Law of Nations*, mentioned also in the *Constitution for the United States of America* (Article I, section 8). In his *Commentaries on American Law*, he stated"

"The law of nations is a complex system ... of general principles of right and justice ...

...The Christian nations of Europe, and their descendants ... have established a law of nations peculiar to themselves. They form together a community of nations, united by religion, manners, morals, humanity, and science. - Vol. I, Lecture 1, "Of the Foundation and History of the Law of nations," New York: O. Halsted, 1826, pgs. 3-4.

What Mr Kent was saying was that the Christian nations of the world were only the Saxon nations of Europe and their descendants. There has never been another race of people that has ever been comprised of Christian nations and a common understanding of "general principles of right and justice" or the law of God upon their hearts reflected in their unwritten common law.

Unfortunately, many of the Saxon nations have, for the most part, forsaken their Christian heritage. But, they are still the people of the New Covenant and God is still not finished with them yet. The Jews have never been known for their "Christian" way of life. In fact, they themselves proclaim and demonstrate that they are enemies of Christianity.

Jewish author Bernard Lazare, in his book, *Antisemitism: Its History and Causes* (New York, NY: The International Library Publishing Company, 1903; Vol. II, pgs. 164-165), made this open admission of his own people:

"... They [the Jews] are enemies of God and Jesus Christ ... in their daily prayers they curse the Saviour under the name of the nazarene; they build new synagogues as if to insult the Christian religion ... In brief, there is no wickedness in the world which Jews are not guilty of, so that they seem to aim at nothing but the Christians' ruin."

Again, Mr. Lazare states:

"The Jew ... is not content merely to destroy Christianity, but he preaches the gospel of Judaism ... He is engaged in his historic mission, **the annihilation of the religion of Christ.**"

Professor Israel Shahak, in his best-known book, *Jewish History, Jewish Religion*, revealed:

"Judaism is imbued with a very deep hatred toward Christianity ... The very name Jesus was for Jews a symbol of all that is abominable..." - Jewish History, Jewish Religion, by Israel Shahak, Boulder, Colorado, Pluto Press, 1994, pgs. 97-98. (#772 @ \$10.20 posted)

Today, we see Jews who head up organizations like the Anti-Defamation League, American Jewish Congress, the American Civil Liberties Union, and the Southern Poverty Law Center who

are determined to remove anything "Christian" from public schools, such as prayer and the Bible [Christmas displays, and crosses on State emblems]. Of course, there is more evidence like this that testifies that the Jews do not have nor have ever had, the law of God written in their hearts. They are not God's covenant people!

OTHER MARKS OF ISRAEL

There are many other markers of biblical Israel that identify them as the Saxon people and nations today. Here are just three of many

1. Israel was to have a new home apart from Old Palestine [2 Sam 7:10].

2. Israel was to colonize and spread abroad to the West, East, North and South [Genesis 28:14; Isaiah 43:5-6; 54:2-3]

Evidence shows that the tribes of Israel migrated northwest from the Palestine area into Britain, Europe, and eventually into other lands such as Canada, the United States of America, Australia, South Africa and New Zealand.

3. Israel would have great agricultural wealth (Deuteronomy 33:13-14).

There is no other race that has ever matched the farming production of the Saxon people. If you are a descendant of Western European ancestors, then you are among those who are chosen of God - the Israel of God.

IS GOD UNFAIR?

The most common question that arises is this: If God has made a covenant with only one race of people, what about the other races? What happens to them? Isn't God



unfair to exclude them?

A message that God has only entered into a covenant relationship with one race of people is offensive to most Saxon people in particular. There are a couple of reasons why this exclusive idea causes offense. First, we live in a time when many have been persuaded by the teaching of "tolerance" and "diversity." The thought that everyone of any race or religion should not be included as equals in just about every aspect of government, business, school, and church life is almost unthinkable. And therefore, to consider the teaching that God would not include all people in a covenant relationship with Him is highly objectionable.

Second, many have come to believe that the God of the Bible loves everyone no matter what race. All are equal in His sight, it is said. "*For God so loved the world ...*" (John 3:16) is the Bible verse often quoted.

So our view of the "world," and of God, is habitually conditioned by what is persistently taught and what the majority now believes. The teaching we are exposed to determines, in large part, what we consider to be the truth. Many, therefore, believe that the God revealed in the Bible could not possibly exclude anyone from His covenants.

But if we stop to think about this exclusive idea for a minute, we would see that there is no aspect of life that is inclusive of everyone. A covenant is like a contract. There are certain terms of the contract, as well as certain parties to the contract. Others not named in the contract are not a part of the contract. For example, if you make a contract to purchase a home from another person, you and that other person are obligated to perform in good faith according to the contract. No one else can enter into that contract that is not named as a party to the contract. It is **exclusive**.

Take the husband and wife relationship, for example. When they stand at the altar and repeat their vows to one another before God and other witnesses, they enter into a marriage covenant. It becomes a sacred union by covenant that is **exclusive** to everyone else. No other man or woman may join that marriage union. It is **exclusive** to the husband and wife alone.

Truthfully, there is no area of life that includes everyone, no matter how strongly others may want you to think that way. Why should it be such a surprise to us that God has made an exclusive covenant with one people - the Saxon race? After all, the Bible reveals that God was in a marriage covenant with His people Israel under the Old Covenant:

"For your husband is your Maker, whose name is the Lord of hosts; and your Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel..." Isa. 54:5

And the prophecy looking toward the New Covenant was that God would marry Israel again. He promised:

"I will betroth you to Me forever; yes, I will betroth you to Me in righteousness and in justice, in lovingkindness and compassion..." -Hosea 2:19.

Now, under the New Covenant, God has once again become the Husband to Israel, His wife. There are no other parties to that marriage relationship. It is exclusive.

What about the other races then? Well, the Bible simply does not tell us, because the Bible is the story of the physical descendants of Adam's race and none other. As

Genesis 5:1 says:

"This is the book of the generations of Adam." Gen. 5:1

The Bible is the historical account of Adam's race - today's Saxon people.

HOW TO ENTER INTO A COVENANT RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

If you are a descendant of the Saxon or Caucasian people, and therefore of Biblical Israel, you have been chosen of God (His doing, not yours) to enter into a covenant relationship with Him. God, the Father, has made that covenant possible through the shedding of the blood of Jesus Christ on the cross and by His resurrection from the dead. Remember what Jesus said the night before He died on the cross: "This cup which is poured out for you is **the new covenant in My blood.**"

Why did Jesus have to die to bring in the New Covenant? Because that was the only way God could accept Israel back as His people and as His wife. Why? Because Israel had broken the first or Old Covenant by transgressing His Laws. The Bible says, "*sin is the transgression of the Law*" (1 John 3:4). Israel sinned against God.

But Jesus died on a cross for the sins or transgressions of Israel. As God said through the prophet Isaiah concerning Israel:

"He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities..." - Isa. 53:5.

According to God's Law, those who sin or transgress the Law had to receive His righteous judgment and wrath. Otherwise God would not be holy and just. So, God the Father sent His only Son to die on the cross to take our deserved judgment for our sins. Otherwise, God would not be the God of love.

"He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so we might become the righteousness of God in Him." - II Corinthians 5:21

Only the blood of Jesus can make you in right standing before God the Father.

*"... God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been **justified by His blood** we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him"* - Romans 5:8-9

Apart from being justified, or made in right standing before God by the blood of Jesus, you remain condemned and eternally separated from the fellowship of your Creator. You must be forgiven and washed clean from all your sins.

"Come now, and let us reason together," says the LORD, 'Though your sins are as scarlet, they will be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they will be like wool.'" - Isa. 1:18

Jesus took your sins and your judgment, thus providing the way for you to be restored to the God of your fathers.

"Jesus said: 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.'" - John 14:6

Not only must you be forgiven and cleansed of your sins, but you must also repent or turn away from every sinful life-style.

"Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its lusts, and do not go on presenting the members of your body to sin as instruments of unrighteousness."

New Book

The Mystery of THE GENTILES Who Are They and Where are They Now? by Ted Weiland

The apostle Paul identified the Corinthians to whom he wrote in his first epistle as descendants of the Israelites who departed Egypt and traversed the wilderness with Moses: "Moreover, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all OUR FATHERS WERE UNDER THE CLOUD, AND ALL PASSED THROUGH THE SEA..." (1 Cor 10:1) He also identified the same PEOPLE AS GENTILES: "Ye know that YE WERE GENTILES, carried away unto these dumb idols, even as ye were led." (1 Cor 12:2)

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teousness; but **present yourselves to God** as those alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God." - Romans 6:12-13

When you come for cleansing from sin, God requires that you no longer live in sin.

"Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; **neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals, nor thieves, nor the covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, will inherit the kingdom of God.**" - I Corinthians 6:9-10

To enter into the New Covenant relationship with God through Jesus Christ, you must humble yourself, repent of all your sins, receive His forgiveness and cleansing, and obey Him as Lord of your life. Perhaps a prayer to God like this one would express the desire of your life:

Heavenly Father, I thank you for sending Your Son, Jesus Christ to suffer and die on the cross for my sins and the sins of all Your people. Thank you for taking our deserved judgment. I believe that Jesus rose from the dead and has won the victory over sin. I ask You to forgive and cleanse me from all my sins and guilt. And before You, I now forsake every life-style of sin. I choose to follow You and obey your Laws. Thank you for choosing me, as one of Your beloved people, to be in this New Covenant relationship with You. Amen!

WHAT'S NEXT?

If, with all your heart, you have sincerely responded to God in order to enter into a New Covenant relationship with Him, **it is important that you now take a few necessary steps of obedience.**

A new relationship with God is not just a personal affair, but it also means that you have become a part of other Saxons who have also believed, been forgiven, and have entered into this New Covenant fellowship with God through Jesus Christ. God has chosen you not only to have eternal fellowship with Him, but also to **be in fellowship with others like yourself.**

That is why, since the beginning of New Covenant Christianity in the first century, **God established local churches for His people to gather together.** It is in His churches that we learn and practice what God has commanded us in the Bible, pray together, and learn to love each other.

Becoming a member of a church means that you first must be baptized with water. This is a public act by which you acknowledge before God and other people your New Covenant relationship with God through Jesus Christ. (or, if you were previously baptized, make a public profession of faith, CIM)

If you would like to know more about this New Covenant relationship with the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, please contact the church listed on this booklet. May God Himself lead you as you seek Him with all your heart.

"For I know the plans that I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans for welfare and not calamity to give you a future and a hope. **Then you will call upon Me and come and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. You will seek Me and find Me when you search for Me with all your heart.**" - Jeremiah 29:11-13

THE BIGGER PICTURE

The objective of God reconciling His people back to Himself is not only because He cares about each individual personally, but He is also reconciling His people in order to

advance His Kingdom in our families, neighborhoods, towns, and nations. Specifically, God is calling His people, the Saxon people, **to follow Jesus Christ as their King and establish His Laws** once again as the law of the land.

It has been the historical pattern of Israel as a nation to rebel against their God and forsake His Laws. As a result, God has let them go their own way and suffer oppression by allowing their enemies to deceive and rule over them.

The time that we live in now is no different. God's covenant people in their nations have turned their back on Him and gone their own way. And we are experiencing an increasingly chaotic world characterized by wars, unjust enforcement of unrighteous laws, economic hardship and debt, sickness, family breakdown, and terror. All the things that God said would happen to His people if they chose to disobey Him are happening to us today (Read Deuteronomy 28:15-67).

But God has always promised that if His people forsook their own ways and returned to Him, He would deliver them from their enemies and heal their land.

"If my people, which are called by my name (or more correctly - Upon whom my name is called - Num. 6:23-

27), shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." - II Chron. 7:14.

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**TUBAL LIGATION, VASECTOMY
AND THE CHRISTIAN**

by Thea Spitz

Recently I received an e-mail that raised the following questions:

Do you believe all women are wrong to tie their tubes? I do not, and I have considered having it done my own self, and I have NO problem in my conscience. I'm not against having children. I'm just against ME having MORE children.

The comment came from a serious Christian who has given herself to a life of prayer and has seen the hand of the Lord move in many areas of her life. In searching the net for information I might pass on to this sister, I discovered there was very little information available relating scripture to the topic. It is also a subject avoided by most ministers in fear of offending those who sit in the pews. In the following paragraphs I will attempt to explore the Biblical view of children and contrast that with situational attitudes that we have picked up with interaction with the world's view; but before moving on to the meat, here are some other relative questions typical of our generation:

- What about health problems or a troubled marriage?
- It causes a lot of anxiety to be engaged in sex with your spouse when you know you don't want to have any more children and birth control methods are not 100% guaranteed or they just don't work for you.
- Yes, children are a gift from God, but not everyone should have that gift and not everyone who does have them should keep on getting them. I know my limit and "birth control" just seems the wise thing to do.
- I agree it is wrong to become infertile if it's done out of rebellion. However, it is better a person have NO children that to have abortions, or to have children and not love them and care for them right.
- I'm against abortion but I don't believe the same with a man or a woman having their tubes tied. One is prevention and the other is murder.

These are all relative comments and important things to be addressed. Most of these issues are addressed in considering God's original intent for mankind which is in direct and violent collision with the pressures and standards of the society we live in. Because we are Christians, we are to be obedient to God's point of view, so let's examine some relevant scriptures:

IN THE BEGINNING

"And God said, let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. so God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful and multiply, and replenish the

earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth." Gen. 1:26-28.

Our original parents were commanded to be so fruitful that they would replenish the entire earth and subdue it. This command was given to them before the fall into sin and since God declared that everything He had created was "very good" - it is a safe assumption that having many children was His perfect will for His highest creation.

Nowhere in the Bible has God rescinded his command to be fruitful and replenish the earth. The fruit of each generation populates the earth for the subsequent generation.

THE BIBLICAL ATTITUDE TOWARD CHILDREN

Throughout the Bible (both testaments), childlessness was considered a reproach to man, and sometimes even a punishment of God. There are numerous accounts of women in Scripture, beseeching God for a son. Consider, Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel, and Hannah to name just a few. Michal, the daughter of Saul and wife of King David was rendered childless because she valued royal dignity more than worship of God.

"Then David returned to bless his household. And Michal the daughter of saul came out to meet david, and said, How glorious was the king of Israel to day, who uncovered himself to day in the eyes of the handmaids of his servants, as one of the vain fellows shamelessly uncovereth himself! ... Therefore Michal the daughter of Saul had no child until the day of her death." - 2 Sam. 6:20,23

The Law of Moses states that a childless condition was part of God's judgment for very sinful acts. For example:

*"And if a man shall lie with his uncle's wife, he hath uncovered his uncle's nakedness: they shall bear their sin; they shall die **childless**. And if a man shall take his brother's wife, it is an unclean thing: he hath uncovered his brother's nakedness; they shall be **childless**."* Lev. 20:20-21

THE GIFT OF A CHILD CONSIDERED A REWARD

The Shunammite woman, who materially blessed the prophet Elisha was empowered to conceive a child as a reward for her service to the kingdom of God.

"And it fell on a day, that Elisha passed to Shunem, where was a great woman; and she constrained him to eat bread. And so it was, that as oft as he passed by, he turned thither to eat bread. And she said unto her husband, Behold now, I perceive that this is an holy man of God, which passeth by us continually. Let us make a little chamber, I pray thee, on the wall; and let us set for him there a bed, and a table, and a stool, and a candlestick: and it shall be, when he cometh to us, that he shall turn in thither. And it fell on a day, that he came thither, and he turned into the chamber, and lay there. And he said to Gehazi his servant, Call this Shunammite. And when he had called her, she stood before him. And he said unto him, say now unto her, Behold, thou hast been careful for us with all this care; what is to be done for thee? wouldest thou be spoken for to the king, or to the captain of the host? And she answered, I dwell among mine own people. And he said, What then is to be done for her? And Gehazi answered, Verily she hath no child, and her husband is old. And he said, Call her. And when he had called her, she stood in the door. And he said, About this season, according to the time of life, thou shalt embrace a son. And she said, Nay, my lord, thou man of God, do not lie unto thine handmaid. And the woman con-

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ceived, and bare a son at that season that Elisha had said unto her, according to the time of life." - 2 Kings 4:8-17

Shortly before he passed into eternity, the patriarch Jacob pronounced a prophetic blessing upon each of his sons. He blessed his favourite son Joseph, with the blessings of heaven above and of the deep below, and blessings of the womb. Gen. 49:22. There was never an indication of the remotest thought in the mind of any that the number of children born to a family should be limited.

A MIRACULOUS MOVE OF GOD - PRODUCES THE CHILD OF PROMISE

God moves miraculously in some cases to bless unlikely recipients with a child of promise. Consider Abraham who was called the "friend of God." He was financially and spiritually blessed, but without a child, his death would mean the end of the family line.

"After these things the word of the LORD came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward. And Abram said, Lord GOD, what wilt thou give me, seeing I go childless, and the steward of my house is this Eliezer of Damascus? And Abram said, Behold, to me thou hast given no seed: and, lo, one born in my house is mine heir. And, behold, the word of the LORD came unto him, saying, This shall not be thine heir; but he that shall come forth out of thine own bowels shall be thine heir. And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, So shall thy seed be. And he believed the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness." Genesis 15:1-6

Those of you who are familiar with the Scriptures may remember that Abraham fathered a son named Ishmael through Hagar, a secondary wife, given him by Sarah when she did not conceive according to her own timetable. When God spoke with the elderly patriarch, Abraham expressed a thought that those who believe they have enough children can relate to. Here's the story:

"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. And I will make my covenant between me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly. And Abraham fell on his face: and God talked with him, saying, As for me, behold, my covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of many nations. Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee. And I will make thee exceedingly fruitful, and I will make nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee. And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee, and to thy seed after thee And God said unto Abraham, As for Sarai thy wife, thou shalt not call her name Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name be. And I will bless her, and give thee a son also of her: yea, I will bless her, and she shall be a mother of nations; kings of people shall be of her. Then Abraham fell upon his face, and laughed, and said in his heart, Shall a child be born unto him that is an hundred years old? and shall Sarah, that is ninety years old, bear? And Abraham said unto God, O that Ishmael might live before thee!" - Genesis 17:15-18

It is apparent that the fleshly wisdom of Abraham

kicked in here. He saw no reason why all the promises made to him could not be fulfilled through the son he already had. Legally, Ishmael was considered Sarah's since she was mistress of the household. "O that Ishmael might live before thee" is Abraham's intellectual evaluation that he and Sarah were just too old to deal with a baby. But God had a different view of the situation!

"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. And as for Ishmael, I have heard thee: Behold, I have blessed him, and will make him fruitful, ... But my covenant will I establish with Isaac, which Sarah shall bear unto thee at this set time in the next year." - Genesis 17:19-21.

All the promises made to the nation of Israel, including the birth of the Messiah Jesus, were fulfilled through the line of Isaac. Praise the Lord, that Abraham and Sarah were obedient to the Lord and did not decide that Ishmael was enough for them.

HOW GOD VIEWED THE SECOND SON BORN TO ABRAHAM

At the crowning moment in Abraham's life, when he was willing to offer his son in obedience to God on Mount Moriah, the Scripture shows how God viewed Isaac, the child of promise:

"And it came to pass after these things, that God did tempt Abraham, and said unto him, Abraham: and he said, Behold, here I am. And he said, take now thy son, thine only son Isaac, whom thou lovest, and get thee into the land of Moriah: and offer him there for a burnt offering upon one of the mountains which I will tell thee of." Gen. 22:1-2

The obvious response of the casual reader is that here is an error in the Bible. What about Israel? The answer is that Isaac is the son of the covenant, and as such, he is viewed by God as Abraham's only son. When we refuse God's blessing and prevent conception, not only are we being disobedient to the command to be fruitful and multiply, but we never know whether the refused child is the very source of fulfillment through which God's plan for us is to be accomplished. We are quick to say, "Let Ishmael live before you."

A BIBLE EXAMPLE OF BIRTH CONTROL MEETS WITH SWIFT JUDGMENT

Onan and the Levirate Marriage Law. Expanding a family through the birth of offspring was so important, God made provision for an Israelite man to have a family tree, even if he died before his time. The provision was called Levirate Marriage and works like this:

"If brethren dwell together, and one of them die, and have no child, the wife of the dead shall not marry without unto a stranger: her husband's brother shall go in unto her, and take her to him to wife, and perform the duty of an husband's brother unto her. And it shall be, that the firstborn which she beareth shall succeed in the name of his brother which is dead, that his name be not put out of Israel." Deut. 25:5-6.

There was a provision in the plan of the Levirate marriage for a brother who did not want to take his former sister-in-law as his wife. The brother would be considered socially incorrect, but was not forced into a union he found objectionable.

"And if the man like not to take his brother's wife, then



let his brother's wife go up to the gate unto the elders, and say, My husband's brother refuseth to raise up unto his brother a name in Israel, he will not perform the duty of my husband's brother. Then the elders of his city shall call him, and speak unto him: and if he stand to it, and say, I like not to take her; Then shall his brother's wife come unto him in the presence of the elders, and loose his shoe from off his foot, and spit in his face, and shall answer and say, So shall it be done unto that man that will not build up his brother's house. And his name shall be called in Israel, The house of him that hath his shoe loosed." Deut 25:7-10

There is a scripture that has been used to support the concept that God does not approve of birth control since the time of the early church fathers. It was also the accepted view among Hebrew scholars until this past century when many doctrines got the "liberal" treatment. The scripture in question is found in Genesis 38 and references a son of Judah who was to perform the duty of the Levirate marriage to Tamar, his brother's widow. Some have attempted

to refute this scripture saying it is not a judgment on birth control by saying that Onan's problem was not that he refused to father a child, but that the child would be considered the son of his deceased older brother. If that were the case, it is logical that Onan would have declined to marry his brother's widow at all. The penalty for that infraction was the acquisition of a nickname, "the Unshod." Onan had no problem having sex with her, he just did not want the child, period, since it would not be credited to his account.

"And Judah said unto Onan, Go in unto thy brother's wife and marry her, and raise up seed to thy brother. And Onan knew that the seed should not be his; and it came to pass, when he went in unto his brother's wife, that he spilled it on the ground, lest that he should give seed to his brother. And the thing which he did displeased the LORD: wherefore he slew him also." Gen 38:8-10. [Tamar was obviously from a suitable lineage for marriage within Israel - and God, in his plan, saw to it that she was not polluted with the Canaanite (forbidden) seed from Judah's Canaanite children which he had by Shuah, and forced Judah into a position where he produced the offspring by Tamar]

Had he refused the marriage, Onan might have suffered some social consequences, but God's opinion of the matter was quickly demonstrated in a more permanent fashion. The saga of Onan is the only example of refusing the gift of a child recorded in the scriptures. The only other negative comments about bearing children refer to times of great judgment. Jesus spoke a word that referred to the invasion that was to come upon Jerusalem. The constraint of caring for an infant during the ruthless attack of Rome in 70AD easily explains this reference.

"But Jesus turning unto them said, Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children. For, behold, the days are coming, in which they shall say, Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bare, and the paps which never gave suck. Then shall they begin to say to the mountains, Fall on us; and to the hills, Cover us." Luke 23:28-30

A similar event is prophesied in the Olivet discourse in which Jesus spoke of events of the last days. Many believe this is yet to be fulfilled.

"And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days! But pray that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day: For them shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. And except those

days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved (alive): but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened." Matt 24:19-22 [Many believe this was 70 AD!]

Although caring for a child under these circumstances would be difficult, there is no suggestion that steps be taken not to conceive.

BIBLE FACTS OF LIFE:

How Does the Scripture Tell us That Pregnancy Actually Occurs? Eve's concept:

"And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD." Gen 4:1

Our concept that the intellectual ability of our ancestors was severely limited has been formed by negative pictures of cavemen dragging their unwilling mates into some dark region in order to procreate. Actually they were pretty smart folks. Consider Adam who named all of creation and Noah who built the ark with very sketchy ?? blue prints - no small feat even for the engineers of today. Eve was smarter

than we give her credit for. She correctly understood the source of her children.

The Lord Closed up the Wombs of the Subjects of Abimelech.

Abraham, the man of faith, was not always a sterling example of perfect trust in God, but had to grow into this distinction. Early in his life he lied to the king concerning his wife Sarah. Because of Sarah's beauty, Abraham feared for his life and so he told Abimelech that Sarah was his sister.

This was a half truth. Sarah was taken

and put into the King's harem, but God protected her by closing the wombs of all the women in the kingdom. When the truth was revealed, Abraham was used by God to reverse the curse.

"So Abraham prayed unto God: and God healed Abimelech, and his wife, and his maidservants; and they bare children. For the LORD had fast closed up all the wombs of the house of Abimelech, because of Sarah Abraham's wife." Gen. 20:17-18

Isaac, Abraham and Sarah's miracle child of promise, knew where babies came from:

"And Isaac intreated the LORD for his wife, because she was barren: and the LORD was intreated of him, and Rebekah his wife conceived." Gen 25:21

Leah may have been the ugly older sister, but God favoured her with many sons. Leah had four sons in rapid succession, and then there came a time when she stopped bearing.

"And when the LORD saw that Leah was hated, he opened her womb: but Rachel was barren. And Leah conceived, and bare a son, and she called his name Reuben: for she said, Surely the LORD hath looked upon my affliction; now therefore my husband will love me. And she conceived again, and bare a son; and said, Because the LORD hath heard that I was hated, he hath therefore given me this son also: and she called his name Simeon. And she conceived again, and bare a son; and said, Now this time will my husband be joined unto me, because I have borne him three sons: therefore was his name called Levi. And she conceived again, and bare a son: and she said, Now I will praise the LORD: therefore she called his name Judah; and left bearing." Gen 29:31-35

And so began the "Baby Derby" in Jacob's household. Leah stopped bearing but asked the Lord to fix that problem for her.

"And God hearkened unto Leah, and she conceived,

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and bare Jacob the fifth son. And Leah said, God hath given me my hire, because I have given my maiden to my husband: and she called his name Issachar. And Leah conceived again, and bare Jacob the sixth son. And Leah said, God hath endued me with a good dowry: now will my husband dwell with me, because I have born him six sons: and she called his name Zebulon. And afterwards she bare a daughter, and called her name Dinah." Gen. 30:17-21

Leah understood that it was the Lord that had blessed her and opened her womb. Rachel, on the other hand - prevented from conceiving - looked to her husband to remedy her barrenness. Rachel said to her husband, "give me children or I die." But Jacob knew what Leah knew - it was God that opened or closed the womb.

"And Jacob's anger was kindled against Rachel: and he said, Am I in God's stead, who hath withheld from thee the fruit of the womb?" Gen. 30:2

Rachel finally got the point - and the baby.

"And God remembered Rachel, and God hearkened to her; and opened her womb. And she conceived, and bare a son; and said, God hath taken away my reproach: And she called his name Joseph; and said, The LORD shall add to me another son." Gen. 30:22-24

Hannah, one of two wives of Elkanah, suffered torment at the hands of her rival. Hannah knew that it was the Lord who would open her womb. She asked God for the child and struck a bargain to return the child to the Lord.

"Wherefore it came to pass, when the time was come about after Hannah had conceived, that she bare a son, and called his name Samuel, saying, Because I have asked him of the LORD." 1 Sam. 1:20

And she fulfilled her part of the bargain, God blessed her multiple times.

"And the LORD visited Hannah, so that she conceived, and bare three sons and two daughters. And the child Samuel grew before the LORD." 1 Sam 2:21

A final pronouncement on the value of children is made in the Book of Psalms. It begins:

"Except the LORD build the house, they labour in vain that build it...." Psalm 127:1

The question of the legitimacy of refusing children from the Lord through birth control may well be answered in this one verse. We are quick to forget that it is the Lord that builds our households. Our frantic attempt to build it ourselves on material prosperity and social acceptability is futile, and may be the root cause of why so many of our households have crumbling foundations.

"Lo, children are an heritage of the LORD: and the fruit of the womb is his reward. As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so are children of the youth. Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them; they shall not be ashamed, but they shall speak with the enemies in the gate." Psalms 127:1,3-5

What We Know So Far:

- 1 - God has commanded us to be fruitful and multiply;
- 2 - It is God that opens a womb and allows conception, and closes a womb and prevents it;
- 3 - Children are to be considered a blessing and a gift from the Lord.

ARE THERE SCRIPTURAL WAYS TO PREVENT CONCEPTION?

Separate for a time of prayer and fasting

"Now concerning the things whereof ye wrote unto me: It is good for a man not to touch a woman. Nevertheless, to avoid fornication, let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have her own husband. Let the husband render unto the wife due benevolence: and likewise also the wife unto the husband. The wife hath not power of her own body, but the husband: and likewise also the husband hath not power of his own body, but the wife. Defraud ye not one the other, except it be with consent for a time, that ye may give yourselves to fasting and prayer; and come together again, that satan tempt you not for your incontinency." 1 Cor. 7:1-57

When Paul wrote the above, his statement of equality between a husband and a wife was considered revolutionary. He stated that each partner in the marriage owed a duty to the other, but there was a time when they could abstain from sexual contact by mutual agreement for a time of prayer and fasting. This appears to be the only scripture on the topic of abstinence for married couples. This quote is even a "stretch" in applying it to the purpose of preventing conception and I am not really confident that this is a correct application of this scripture. The purpose of prayer and fasting is quite different than removing oneself from the possibility of conception.

TAKING THE CONTROL AWAY FROM THE LORD

So far we have been discussing the concept of childlessness or the birth of children in an agrarian society where many sons meant much prosperity. Although some agree that being without children altogether is a grievous thing, they also cite the cost and responsibility of children in modern times as a reason for taking steps to limit conception. The problem for Christians arises when we seek to

take the control of conception away from the Lord.

The natural order of things dictates that when a marriage occurs, children will usually be produced. Medical discoveries of the last century allow individuals to circumvent the blessings of family and substitute our own logic for God's best. We can prevent conception to a reasonable degree of certainty, and even cause a conception to happen outside of the natural human environment. No matter what reasons we give, when we take matters into our own hands, we are still acting in rebellion to God's command to be fruitful and multiply and usurping His sovereignty over the child-bearing process (man playing at being God! CIM)

"Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts. Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God." James 4:3-4

Since the Bible records many who petitioned the Lord in order to conceive a child, and we are always to be honest before the Lord, why not ask the Lord to prevent conception? This still puts the couple in the position of submitting to the greater will of God.

I have been asked if I am against all types of birth control or just permanent methods like vasectomy and tubal ligation. If the Bible says children are to be considered a blessing and a gift from the Lord; and the Bible is wholly true all of the time; then (any) deliberate means of preventing conception is "*leaning on our own understanding*

New Book:

I must state up front that I have not read this book, as I am way behind on my reading. Companion booklet to **Women's Adornment** (#815) which was recommended by James Bruggeman.

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instead of leaning on the Word of God.”

“Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.” Proverbs 3:5-6

If God has commanded us (i.e. Christian Israel, CIM) to be fruitful and multiply, and it is He that opens a womb and allows conception, and closes a womb and prevents it, then whatever method we used to thwart that plan is **rebellion against Him!** We are choosing where and under what circumstances we will not acknowledge His Lordship.

NO WIGGLE ROOM

When a scripture doesn't say what we want it to say, the inclination of our flesh is to look for “Wiggle Room.” Wiggle room is a circumstance under which the scripture doesn't mean what it appears to be saying, and of course, those circumstances match our situation exactly. The problem is the overwhelming evidence is against wiggle room on the issue of preventing conception. God's Word is true all the time.

I think that the most difficult thing for a Christian is saying and meaning, “Nevertheless not my will but **Thy will** be done” especially when there are life long consequences. However, when we allow God to make the decision, we are assured that:

“... all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.” Rom. 8:28

If you are considering a tubal ligation or a vasectomy (or using any other form of contraception), please don't step off the cliff into this area of deception. If you have already had one, seek the Lord and ask Him what He would have you to do. Some of these procedures can be reversed.

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NINE REASONS FOR NOT USING PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Public schools (or as some like to say, government schools) have come upon hard times in the past several years. One would be hard-pressed to find a community where the public school system is not having serious problems. While gun-shootings get the most coverage (understandably), there are many, many other problems plaguing the 150-year-old experiment of government-run education. Budget crises, teacher shortages, facility problems, undisciplined youth, and now, more frequently, problem parents plague most school districts. In addition to these is the fundamental problem of poor education. Standardized test scores have fallen dramatically over the past few decades. Both college and business leaders lament how poorly high school students are educated.

I want to give nine reasons why the church today should cease using state-run schools. I also want to acknowledge up front that there are oftentimes circumstances why Christians believe they have to use the public schools. It is neither my place, nor anyone else's, I believe, to judge all situations from afar. I will say more on this later. But first, some background on the theological basis for arguing why the church should abandon public schooling.

Jesus said, *‘Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every Word that proceeds from the mouth of God’* (Matt 4:4). For the past several decades it appears that leaders of

our nation, particularly in the field of education, have systematically set out to demonstrate that Jesus didn't know what He was talking about. from the removal of the Ten Commandments in the classroom to denying prayer in school to forbidding any display of religious objects in public places (including a closed Bible on a teacher's desk), our nation has determined to become officially secular. No Word, just bread; no supernatural, just natural.

The fruit of this removal of Christianity from the public square is apparent to anyone who wants to see - a decrease in good things (honesty, morality, literacy, family coherence, etc.) and an increase in bad things (crime, sexual immorality, bankruptcies, business and government corruption, family breakdown, etc.).[of 1,000 college students polled, about 560 engaged in sexual intercourse, and about 288 were linked in a network sex ring, CIM]. Within a few short generations, our nation has been exchanging liberty for bondage (government dependency), free enterprise for socialism, creditor status for debtor status, community spirit for isolationism, honouring God for ignoring Him.

The seedbed for this change, I believe, more than any other place, has been the public school classroom. When the public/government school system began in the early non-religious secular education without warning. Theologian and educator Dr. A. A. Hodge, Princeton Theological Seminary, said:

“I am as sure as I am of Christ's reign that a comprehensive and centralized system of national education, separated from religion, as is now commonly proposed, will prove the most appalling engine for the propagation of anti-Christian and atheistic unbelief, and of anti-social nihilistic ethics, individual, social and political, which this sin-rent

world has ever seen”¹

Martin Luther said:

“I'm afraid that the schools will prove the very gates of hell, unless they diligently labour in explaining the Holy Scriptures and engraving them in the heart of youth.”

America's government-run education system has proven Luther right.

These men, and many others, gave us clear warnings about government-run, secular, no-Bible education. But the church pressed on. She bought the concept of ‘free’ education and surrendered her posterity to be raised by the state. Would that God had shown all parents the error of this as clearly as one parent from Iowa, who said:

“I don't want my children fed by the state. I don't want my children clothed by the state. But I would prefer either to their being educated by the state.”²

Education expert Samuel L. Blumenfeld stated:

“The plain, unvarnished truth is that public education is a shoddy, fraudulent piece of goods sold to the public at an astronomical price. It's time the American consumer knew the extent of the fraud which is victimizing millions of children each year.”³

Pastor and author Douglas Wilson captured the situation well when he noted:

“For over one hundred years, Americans have been running a gigantic experiment in government schools, trying to find out what a society looks like without God. Now we know.”⁴

Here are my nine reasons why Christians should no longer use public schools (and really never should have) from least to most important:

9. UNSAFE ENVIRONMENT

Surely, every parent in America has heard about the gun-shootings in more than a dozen public schools over the



past several years. What Mom hasn't worried as she watched her child go off to school wondering if today the tragedy might strike her family? But there are tens of thousands of students who go to their public school daily without ever being confronted with such violence. There are lesser-degree acts of violence (fights, sexual abuse, name calling, teasing, etc.) but these problems show up in private schools as well. Even drug and alcohol problems occur in Christian schools, but to a much lesser degree. Public schools are unsafe in many ways, but I believe this is last on the list of 'top nine' reasons for Christians not to enroll their children in them.

8. NEGATIVE MODELS

The Bible says, "Do not be deceived: Bad company corrupts good morals" (1 Cor. 15:33). An environment where the majority of people are not Christian is unquestionably going to produce a different ethic than will occur when nearly all are Christian (faculty and students). The value system, or worldview, of non-Christian teachers and students will produce a 'normal' environment that is hostile to Christianity. If we believe the Bible to be true, it simply cannot be any different.

Most students like to model their teachers, especially when they are viewed as 'cool.' However, the morals of Christian-family youth are being corrupted when the lifestyle of the teachers reflects such anti-Christian views as gay rights, abortion rights, and sex before marriage. Believing otherwise is already proof that the warning of this Scripture was ignored - you have been deceived.

7. REVERSE 'EVANGELISM'

Many Christian families state that a key reason for staying with the public school system is to be 'salt and light' to a pagan culture. I think this may be an excellent reason for an adult who is called to teach and to evangelism of the lost. There are many Christian teachers in public schools who choose their work for this reason and my hat goes off to them. They are undoubtedly facing in-your-face hostility to Christian principles and yet remain there to pray for the lost, be a witness for Christ, and give the best education they can to students. But the 'salt and light' concept ends there. I think it is unwise (dangerous?) to send little-trained or untrained youth to perhaps the key battleground of Humanists (the public school classroom) and expect them to be effective in winning over unbelievers, adult or student. That evangelism is working in reverse far too often as is evidenced by Christian-family youths adopting morals of their unbelieving friends.

6. GODLESS CURRICULUM

School is about learning and learning is about knowing truth. Fundamental to the Christian faith is the axiom that God is truth. God chose to reveal Himself in Word-form (the outworking of truth) in four primary ways:

- a. by His spoken Word 'Let there be,' creation came into existence, with order and purpose
- b. by inspiration, His written Word was given to us in the Scriptures for right living
- c. by incarnation, His Word was given to us in flesh (Jesus Christ) for our redemption
- d. by His final Word, all will be judged: "For all who have sinned without the Law will also perish without the Law, and all who have sinned under the Law will be judged by the Law." Rom. 5:12

When schools use a curriculum that is completely devoid of God's Word, how can we possibly expect students to be educated? How can we expect our children to be

blessed? To be successful? Peter Marshall said:

"Let us not fool ourselves - without Christianity, without Christian education, without the principles of Christ inculcated into young life, we are simply rearing pagans."

A godless curriculum will produce a godless people.

5. PUBLIC SCHOOLING IS NOT THOROUGH

Pick any subject taught in K-12 education, and if it has been taught apart from the knowledge revealed in Scripture, it is incomplete (and likely inaccurate). History, biology, mathematics, sociology, science, language, arts, economics, government—each are openly addressed in Scripture. In other words, the God who made all creation has also told us how to understand creation. Why would we want to go to the effort and expense of having our children educated for 12-16 years ignoring what the original Author has to say about the subjects we are teaching?

Take history for example. Schools teach world history, but do students in public schools learn the factual history of mankind: formations of people groups, nations, or why certain civilizations came and went? Or the origins of different languages? Do they learn of the individuals who were greatly used of God in shaping civilization? Noah? Abraham? Moses? David? Paul? Are they taught about some of the world's greatest events such as Creation, the Flood, the birth, death and resurrection of the Son of God, by whom the school's calendar is dated? Not likely.

4. POOR ACADEMIC RESULTS

It is secret to none: Public school students, to a large degree, are simply not well-educated. Much has been written about the 'dumbing down' of our public schools. There are exceptions of course. Some youth, because of their gifting and good homes, are excelling in public schools in spite of the overall deterioration of the system. But for the

great majority, even average to above average in intelligence, they are being badly educated. What a travesty this is. My friend, Rev. E. Ray Moore, Jr recently wrote:

"Abundant evidence, assembled from test scores and elsewhere, assures us that today's public school graduates do not have the mastery of basic subjects that earlier generations had. Students are leaving public high schools in record numbers without having acquired basic writing skills, reading comprehension or mathematical ability. They know little to nothing of this country's founding or its history. They cannot place major historical figures or events in the right century. They cannot walk up to wall maps and point out significant foreign countries. This intellectual deterioration has spread into public colleges and universities that have admitted more and more unprepared students into college level work."⁶

3. PUBLIC SCHOOLING BREEDS THE VIEW THAT SUCCESS CAN COME APART FROM GOD

If we throw out all the bad stuff found in public schools (shootings, rapes, stealing, fighting, cheating, etc.) and have a 'nice' school where no student is afraid, we are still left with an education system that is robbing youth of the most important aspect of being educated—to trust God. The supreme value being touted today for education is to be successful and have a good live. Students are told, 'You need a good education so you can get a good job so you can give your kids a good education so they can get a good job,' ad infinitum. Not only is this a horrible philosophy of life, it is grossly unbiblical. The Bible says, 'But you shall remember the LORD your God, for it is He who is giving

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you power to make wealth' (Deut 8:18). But this wealth is not simply for the sake of our being rich, for this verse continues, "that He may establish His covenant which He swore to your (Israelite, CIM) fathers, as it is this day."

Here is the purpose of being properly educated and successful—to establish God's covenant on earth. Public schools do not go this direction but rather promote materialism as a way of being successful. This is a formula for failure, the exact opposite of the stated purpose of public education.

2. PUBLIC SCHOOLING PRODUCES NO FEAR OF GOD

Education, in any subject, should create fear (reverence) of God for how His majesty is revealed in that area of life. Teaching should also instill a proper fear (fright) of going against God's order and purpose in each discipline of life. Sadly, our public schools teach subjects simply as if God does not exist.

1. PUBLIC SCHOOLING (SECULAR EDUCATION) IS DISOBEDIENCE TO GOD

Herein lies the primary reason why Christians should not use public schools any longer. Having been educated myself in public schooling through college, having become a Christian at age 33, and having put our five children through combinations of public and private Christian schools, I can only look back and confess that I was not always obedient in education. I wish every day I could relive some of those years and do it 'by the Book.'

But those days are gone. It is only the present in which we can decide to be obedient in this all-important field we call education. The Bible says, "Train up a child in the way he should go, even when he is old he will not depart from it" (Prov 22:6). There is simply no easy way around the fact that putting our children in an anti-Christian educational system is not training them up in the way they should go. Many parents want to say, 'But we are giving our children Bible training at home.' Really?? Are you going back to all subject matter your children are taking and giving them a Scripture-based education to correct wrong teaching? If so, you are in essence home-schooling them, so why continue to have them enrolled in the public school? If you mean that you are giving your children moral training, and letting the public school give them academic training, you are simply denying them a Christian worldview in all subjects at the local public school.

At the beginning of this article, I acknowledged that there are Christians who sincerely believe that, for their situation, public schooling is what they need to use. In response I would say that if you have sought pastoral counsel, prayed, and are trusting Christ for this decision, and have peace that you are doing the right thing for your children, then walk in it. If you have not done these things, but are simply 'doing what everybody else in church is doing,' then I would like to challenge you to seek the Lord and get His mind on the matter of public schooling for your children.

Public, government-run schooling has been a bad experiment. It will not survive much longer. I strongly encourage Christians to use home-schooling or private Christian (Protestant) schools for good education and to avoid having your children become victims of an impending crash. On March 28, 2002, Christian family leader, Dr. James Dobson, on his Focus on the Family radio broadcast, stated, 'In the State of California, if I had a child there, I wouldn't put the youngster in a public school ... I think it is time to get our kids out...' The case really could be made in

the 49 other states (and in Australia! CIM)

We used to educate our own children, and did it much better than the state does now. Let's do it again**

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WILLIAM WALLACE

..... When Edward I declared war against Philip IV of France (June 24, 1294) and demanded military service from his vassals in Wales and Scotland, a resistance movement, led by twelve Scottish nobles, persuaded Balliol to defy the English king. The Bruce family,

however, had no inclination to serve Balliol's interests. So, when the competitor Bruce died (in 1295) his son and grandson remained loyal to Edward I, on whose side they were ranged as the wars of independence began. For this they were dispossessed of their lands by Balliol.

The Bruce families' choice of loyalty to the English king proved to be a wise one. In response to Balliol's resistance, Edward I invaded Scotland in 1296, capturing Berwick, Dunbar and Brechin. At Brechin, Edward I then summoned 2,000 Scottish nobles to Berwick castle and demanded, as a price for peace, they put their seals to the Ragman Rolls, as recognition of his control over their kingdom. The loyalty of Robert Bruce (2nd Earl of Carrick) to Edward I was rewarded by the restoration of the Earldom of Balliol had confiscated.

Out of this moment of national humiliation, a Scottish champion emerged - William Wallace of Elderslie, Renfrewshire. Wallace became involved in a brawl with some English soldiers in the market place at Lanark. He managed to escape arrest with the help of a girl who some say was his wife. The girl, however, was caught and put to death by the Sheriff of Lanark. Wallace was distressed by the Sheriff's action and that night killed the sheriff and became an outlaw.

Wallace's anti-English feelings turned into an organized revolt. With a band of desperate men that had been outlawed by the English, he continued the struggle for Scottish independence. He successfully led various attacks on English strongholds, each success bringing more men under his command. In a short time Wallace recovered almost all of the fortresses held by the English. Robert Bruce decided to join the Scottish rebels while his father, Lord of Annandale, maintained his support of the English. Bruce, himself, explained his political conversion in these words: "I must join my own people and the nation in which I was born." Little did Robert know he was destined to play an important role in the Scottish fight for independence.

Hearing that an English army (led by the Earl of Surrey) was marching northward, Wallace made a rapid march to Stirling in time to engage the English as they attempted to cross the bridge over the passage of the Forth. When about half of the English army had crossed the bridge, Wallace's men attacked with such fury that the English fled in all directions, in complete disorder. Many were slain by the sword or driven into the river to drown. Those on the south



side of the river were seized with panic and fled tumultuously, having first set fire to the bridge. The Scots, however, crossed by a ford and continue the pursuit of the English as far south as Berwick.

The results of the English defeat at Stirling caused the English to retreat everywhere from Scotland. To increase the alarm of the English, as well as to relieve the famine which then prevailed, Wallace organized a great raid into the northern parts of England. After devastating the country as far as the gates of Newcastle, Wallace returned to Scotland and was elected (or assumed) the title of Guardian of Scotland. While in this office, he set himself to reorganize the army and to regulate the affairs of his country. His measures were marked by wisdom and vigor and for a short time succeeded in securing order, even in the face of jealousy and opposition from many of the nobles.

Edward I was in Flanders when the news of this successful revolt reached him. He hastened home, and at the head of a great army entered Scotland in July 1298. Wallace slowly retreated before the English monarch, driving off all supplies and wasting the countryside. The Scottish nobles as usual, for the most part, deserted his standard. Meanwhile, Edward I compelled by famine, gave orders for the English army to retreat. However, before his orders could be carried out, news was received concerning desertions from Wallace's army as the retreated northward. Armed with this information, Edward I issued new orders for his soldiers to march against the Scots with all haste.

When the English army, then at Kirkliston, received their new orders, they hurried north and engaged the Scottish army (at Falkirk) the morning of July 22, 1298. After an obstinate fight, the Scots were overpowered and defeated with great loss of life. Wallace escaped capture and as he fled north with a remnant of his army, burned the town and castle of Stirling on his way. Wallace then resigned the office of Guardian of Scotland, but pursued predatory warfare against the English. He is known to have made one trip to France with the purpose of obtaining aid for his country from the French king. During this period in history, Robert Bruce appeared to support Edward I, but secretly sided with his countrymen. He is known to have entered into a bond of support for the Scottish cause with William Lamberton, Bishop of St. Andrews. Lamberton and Robert had been appointed by Edward I, as co-regents of Scotland in 1299 AD.

With Wallace in hiding, the fight for an independent Scotland seemed futile. So, if the end-product was simply to be the triumph of the Balliol family interests at the expense of his own, Robert decided to submit to the English. In return for his services, Edward I guaranteed "life and limb, lands and tenements" and granted a pardon (1302 AD). As if to cement his new bond with the English, Robert married Elizabeth de Buragh, daughter of Edward I's follower, the Earl of Ulster. This was Robert's second marriage. His first marriage was to Isabella, daughter of Donald, Earl of Mar. The union produced a daughter, Marjory, who in turn produced the first Stuart king.

In the meantime, Edwards I was eliminating all pockets of resistance. In the winter of 1303-1304 AD, Edward I asked for and received the submission of most Scottish nobles. Wallace was expressly excepted from all terms and a price was set upon his head. The English officials in Scotland were given orders to use every means to effect his capture.....

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Muslim Parents Urged to Keep Kids in anti-homophobia Classes

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The Ontario government is urging parents not to take their children out of classes that discuss same-sex marriages. The response comes after some Muslim parents asked that their children be excluded from anti-homophobia education at a downtown Toronto school. On Tuesday night, the Toronto District School Board rejected the parents' request, saying that allowing some students to be excluded from the class would violate the rights of children with same-sex parents (have do same-sex people have children?). But Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty said, "it's important that all our children have the opportunity to learn about those things that distinguish one of us from the other, and that they learn to respect those differences." (obviously, then, you can't teach them scriptural principles can you? CIM) Education Minister Gerard Kennedy echoed McGuinty's remarks, saying, "our public schools are there to engender respect, respect for people of different faiths (1st Commandment?), and different sexual orientations (Lev 20:13, Rom 1). " He said he didn't think "there's any harm done to parents who find their children exposed to ideas that are different than the ones they teach at home." The parents are upset that their children were shown videos during classes that depicted the feelings of children who get taunted at school because their own parents are homosexuals. The Muslim parents complained that the classes infringed on their religious beliefs.

<http://www.cbc.ca/story/canada/national/2004/11/17/muslim041117.html>

View Homosexual Film, or School Faces Lawsuit

If administrators of Kentucky's Boyd County School district can't find a way to force all students to attend sexual orientation and gender identity "tolerance training," the American Civil Liberties Union is threatening to take them to court - again. Ten months ago, the district settled a lawsuit with the ACLU over the right of a student group, the gay-Straight Alliance, to meet on campus. The year-long litigation strained relations in the conservative northeast portion of the state. In addition to allowing the group to meet on campus after school, district officials agreed that all students, staff and teachers would be required to receive "tolerance training." The agreement stipulated all would attend "mandatory anti-harassment workshops," including the viewing of an hour-long "training" video covering sexual orientation and gender identity issues for middle and high school students. But ten months on, one-third of Boyd County students have failed to see the video, and that has the ACLU threatening court action. "It sounds like the training can't possibly be done," James Esseks, litigation director for the ACLU's Lesbian and gay Rights project, tells the Louisville Courier-Journal. District figures show 105 of 730 middle school students opted out of the training video and 145 of 971 high school students did likewise. On the day scheduled for training, 324 students didn't show up for school. The current legal snag arises from the fact the original consent decree had no provision for parents exempting their children ...

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