



"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!*

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### "HOW JUDAH DEFEATED ISRAEL"

by Pastor Don Elmore

#### INTRODUCTION

It was in the early days of the kings of the Kingdom of Israel and the Kingdom of Judah. Rehoboam, King of Judah, had just died. His son, Abijah, had taken the throne. Jeroboam was the king of Israel. And there was war between Abijah and Jeroboam.

Abijah was outnumbered 2—1: 800,000 to 400,000 valiant men of war. But this fact that he was out numbered did not deter this man of God. He stood up upon Mount Zemaraim, which is in the hill country of Ephraim and said:

"Hear me, thou Jeroboam, and all Israel. Ought ye not to know that the LORD God of Israel gave the kingdom over Israel to David forever; even to him and to his sons by a covenant of salt?" (2 Chronicles 13:4b,5)

Abijah begins his pronouncement to Israel with the extension of the Davidic covenant. He goes back a few generations to the days of David, his great-grandfather: Rehoboam—Solomon—David. He repeats to his listeners the covenant that God had made with David that he and his seed would be the rulers over Israel.

"Yet Jeroboam, the son of Nebat, the servant of Solomon, the son of David, is risen up, and hath rebelled against his lord.

And there are gathered unto him worthless men, base fellows, and have strengthened themselves against Rehoboam, the son of Solomon, when Rehoboam was young and tenderhearted, and could not withstand them." (2 Chron. 13:6-7).

Abijah continues his story of the rebellion against King David. Jeroboam, a servant of Solomon, was the leader and worthless and base fellows were his followers.

"And now ye think to withstand the kingdom of the LORD in the hand of the sons of David; and ye are a great multitude, and there are with you golden calves, which Jeroboam made you for gods.

Have ye not cast out the priests of the LORD, the sons of Aaron, and the Levites, and have appointed priests after the manner of the nations of other lands? So that whosoever cometh to consecrate himself with a young bullock and seven rams, the same may be a priest of them that are no gods." (2 Chron 13:8-9).

Abijah traces the story of the rebellion. He tells of how one becomes a priest in the Kingdom of Israel. Jeroboam had kicked out of his kingdom all the Levites from being priests to God. Most of them returned to Jerusalem in the days of his father.

There is also a hint of the total annihilation of the Hebrew religion by King Jeroboam. For without the proper

priests and royalty, Israel was a nation who had forsaken their LORD.

"But as for us, the LORD is our GOD, and we have not forsaken him; and the priests, who minister unto the LORD, are the sons of Aaron, and the Levites wait upon their business.

And they burn unto the LORD every morning and every evening burnt sacrifices and sweet incense; the showbread, also, set they in order upon the pure table; and the lamp stand of gold with its lamps, to burn every evening; for we keep the charge of the LORD our GOD, but ye have forsaken him." (2 Chron 13:10,11).

Abijah tells of the work of the priests: i.e. the sons of Aaron and the Levites in his Kingdom of Judah. His description of their work in the temple of God proves that it is Judah that keeps the charge of the LORD and that they have certainly not forsaken him.

"And, behold, God himself is with us for our captain, and his priests with sounding trumpets to cry alarm against you. O children of Israel, fight ye not against the LORD God of your fathers; for ye shall not prosper" (2 Chron 13:12).

Abijah concludes his speech with the statement that Israel is fighting against the God of their fathers. And it would be the sons of Aaron and the Levites who would sound the alarm against them. And God would hear and provide victory against them.

Well, what happened after the speech? But before we continue on—let us think about the situation. Israel had

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split into two kingdoms. The vast majority went to the north and agreed with the king to worship other gods. Those who objected—mainly Levites—had to move to the southern kingdom of Judah. [just like today, many also agree with the “king” to worship other gods, called pluralism and multiculturalism, while Christianity is forbidden!]

“And the priests and the Levites who were in all Israel resorted to him out of all their borders. For the Levites left their suburban lands and their possession, and came to Judah and Jerusalem; for Jeroboam and his sons had cast them off from executing the priest’s office unto the LORD; And he appointed for himself priests for the high places, and for the he-goats, and for the calves which he had made. And after them, out of all the tribes of Israel, such as set their heart to seek the LORD God of Israel came to Jerusalem, to sacrifice unto the LORD God of their fathers. So they strengthened the kingdom of Judah, and made Rehoboam, the son of Solomon, strong, three years; for three years they walked in the way of David and Solomon” (2 Chron 11:13-17).

Abijah touched on mainly the priesthood and the royalty. But the rebellion was more than this. For they actually forsook the law of the LORD.

“And it came to pass, when Rehoboam had established the kingdom, and had strengthened himself, he forsook the law of the LORD, and all Israel with him” (2 Chron 12:1).

The kingdom of Israel became a total rejection of God and his ways. They had a different king, different priests, different laws, different temples, and different gods—very much like the way the present United States has become.

“But Jeroboam set an ambush to come about behind them; so they were before Judah, and the ambush was behind them. And when Judah looked back, and behold, the battle was before and behind; and they cried unto the LORD, and the priests sounded with the trumpets” (2 Chron 13:13-14).

Jeroboam and his army ignored the speech. They laid the ambush and attacked the army of the kingdom of Judah. But as they had Judah outnumbered 800,000 to 400,000—it didn’t matter.

For as Judah cried out unto the LORD, the priests sounded with the trumpets. These sons of Aaron and the Levites, who worked in the temple of God were the ones who sounded with the trumpets. Did the LORD God hear the sound of these trumpets?

“Then the men of Judah gave a shout; and as the men of Judah shouted, it came to pass that God smote Jeroboam and all Israel before Abijah and Judah. And the children of Israel fled before Judah, and God delivered them into their hand. And Abijah and his people slew them with a great slaughter; so there fell down slain of Israel five hundred thousand chosen men” (2 Chron 13:15-17).

Four hundred thousand killed five hundred thousand men. Over 62½% of the soldiers of the kingdom of Israel were killed in this great battle. And why was it that the kingdom of Judah prevailed?

“Thus the children of Israel were subdued at that time, and the children of Judah prevailed, because they relied

upon the LORD God of their fathers. And Abijah pursued after Jeroboam, and took cities from him, Bethel with its towns, and Jeshanah, with its towns, and Ephraim, with its towns. neither did Jeroboam recover strength again in the days of Abijah; and the LORD struck him, and he died” (2 Chron 13:18-20).

The kingdom of Judah won this battle because they relied upon the LORD God of their fathers. They had not forsaken their God. They had the right king, they had the right priests, and they kept the right laws, they had the right temple, and they told the kingdom of Israel that they had forsaken the LORD God of their fathers.

Jeroboam and his army ignored this great speech and suffered its consequences. King Jeroboam never recovered from this battle and the LORD struck him, and he died.

“King Abijah became mighty...” (2 Chron 13:21a). And the kingdom of Judah became strengthened with this major victory over the house of Israel.

This victory shows the importance of doing the right thing in the right way. Having the right king, the right priests, the right temple, the right laws were all important. Relying upon the LORD God of our fathers was the decimating fact in this story.

It should inspire us to follow in the way of King Abijah of Judah. Know what the right way of the LORD God of our fathers is, and follow it completely to victory.

Courtesy New Covenant Messenger PO Box 321, Union KY 41091

I received the following from “Catch the Fire Ministries” written by Danny Nalliah, and is included for your interest. I would not recommend any type of support or cooperation with this group, because of their support for the state is Israel.

**CHRISTIANS  
DECEIVED—RUDD/NEL-  
SON???**

This article is written for all those who have the fortitude to

face up to what we as Aussie Christians have brought upon ourselves. It is not for those who cry, “Take me off the mailing list” because they cannot see/hear the truth!

It is certainly time for battle in the Spiritual realm as never before! The fact that some people cannot see what is happening right now makes me ask, “What will it take?” Are we about to see our Christian heritage dissolve and our children’s future impaired and damaged by a government which has so many anti-Christian stances on the important issues of life? I believe so. This has already begun. How much more ground will slip away under our feet? “We are all infected and impure with sin. When we display our righteous deeds (good works), they are nothing but filthy rags.” [Isaiah 64:6] “Godliness (Righteousness) makes a nation great, but sin is a disgrace to any people.” [Proverbs 14:34-NLT]

By now you will be aware that I am prepared to stand with the remnant, as I draw my strength from the Lord, not looking for craving favor from man. Yes, I am prepared to call far and wide, taking the battle head-on. We must face reality and stop “pussy-footing around.” When will we, as an effective Body of Christ, begin to unite over God’s Word—instead of saying things which people like to hear -

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and start challenging these new laws that are placed before us?

I cannot understand how Christians compromise on issues pertaining to, and directly involving, the Word of God. Sorry, it does not work looking for the lowest possible common denominator to strike a deal by compromising our (Judeo)-Christian values. The Western world is seeing so many turn to Islam and other such religions which do not compromise.

PM Kevin Rudd (and the Labor Party) very cleverly presented to the Christian community that he was a Christian. Unfortunately many, possibly looking for some sort of financial benefit, voted them into power thinking Mr. Rudd was “fair-dinkum” and they received the whole package of a Labor government. Unfortunately, many pastors and leaders believing that Labor would compare equally well on moral issues to the Coalition, influenced their flocks toward what they considered to be ‘a better way.’ {CIM: I think that many of the clergy who are Lesbian/homosexual, wanted Labor because it supports them!}. So quickly we are beginning to reap what we have sown. Let the fruit from Kevin Rudd’s tree tell the story.

By now you would be aware of the article which appeared in ‘THE AUSTRALIAN’ regarding the findings of John Black. Attached is a part of this article:

Why Labor Won the Federal Election. On a swing and a prayer—Christopher Pearson/March 08, 2008 - Australian

John Black is a former Labor senator from Queensland. These days he leads a demographic research and marketing group called Australian Development Strategies.

Across the political class he’s regarded as one of the most astute observers of electoral politics and his analysis of federal elections are awaited with keen interest by the secretariats of the main parties.

He’s just produced his profile of the 2007 Australian Election. The most surprising of his findings is that the religious affiliation of swinging voters played a more decisive role in determining the outcome than any other single factor. This cannot conceivably have been true in any other federal election since the Menzies era and the heyday of the Democratic Labor Party in campaigns fought over the state aid to church schools and communist infiltration of the trade union movement and the ALP. Plainly commentators who’ve blithely assumed that religion is an increasing irrelevance in Australian politics will have to think again.

Black says: “The strongest correlate of the swing to Kevin Rudd’s new Labor Party was Pentecostal churchgoers, alongside Baptists, Jehovah’s Witnesses, Mormons, Lutherans, Salvos, Seventh-Day Adventists and the Uniting Church.” Check out the following link to keep reading the article: [www.theaustralian.news.com.au/story/0.25197.23336628-5014047.00.html](http://www.theaustralian.news.com.au/story/0.25197.23336628-5014047.00.html)

In the months leading up to the election I released many emails and spoke loudly and clearly through the media that a Labor government would erode our Christian heritage, but this only brought rebuke and criticism by many for what they called, a ‘negative report.’ It is just over 3 months since Labor was elected as the federal government and already we are beginning to see an entirely different drum beat to the one played before the election. Let’s check whether Mr Rudd and the ALP are truly concerned about our Christian values based on the Bible, the

Word of God:

(1) At the opening of Parliament in February 2008, a majority of Labor MPs offered an ‘affirmation’ rather than taking an oath on the Bible. Only four members of the Labor frontbench took the oath on the Bible (Kevin Rudd, Peter Garrett, Simon Crean, and Martin Ferguson). In contrast, all the members of the Coalition shadow frontbench took an oath on the Bible - with some bringing their own Bibles. At: [www.theaustralia.news.com.au/story/0.25197.23205381-5013871.00.html](http://www.theaustralia.news.com.au/story/0.25197.23205381-5013871.00.html)

(2) Within days of winning the election PM Kevin Rudd was reported as saying he would seek advice from public servants rather than God. At: [www.news.com.au/dailytelegraph/story/0.22049.22847361-5001028.00.html](http://www.news.com.au/dailytelegraph/story/0.22049.22847361-5001028.00.html)

(3) Mr Rudd said he would not overrule the ACT Civil Partnerships Bill for homosexual couples. Former PM John Howard, vetoed this bill (or told the ACT government he would) three times during 2006/2007. Mr Rudd has also said he supports state-based relationships registers. At: [www.theage.com.au/news/national/rudd-gives-states-gay-rights/2007/12/06/11968129222344.html](http://www.theage.com.au/news/national/rudd-gives-states-gay-rights/2007/12/06/11968129222344.html)

(4) Deputy Prime Minister Julia Gillard announced during the last month that the faith-based chaplaincy program in schools introduced by a former PM John Howard (where some 90% of chaplains were Christians) was not good and that once the current contracts finished she would expand the program to include secular counselors. At: [www.news.com.au/heraldsun/story/0.21985.23047448-662.00.html](http://www.news.com.au/heraldsun/story/0.21985.23047448-662.00.html)

(5) DPM, Julia Gillard appointed Professor Barry McGaw as the head of the National Curriculum Board. Last month he stated that Christian schools were causing division in the community as they taught the following: (1) Creation rather than Evolution, (2) Sex

education - total abstinence until marriage, he criticised the funding model for promoting the growth of such schools. At: [www.theage.com.au/news/investigations/faith-school-boom-creates-division/2008/02/24/1203788146680.html](http://www.theage.com.au/news/investigations/faith-school-boom-creates-division/2008/02/24/1203788146680.html)

(6) Providing support for “sexual and reproductive health” in East, Southeast Asia, and the Pacific, as announced by Federal MP Bob McMullan. This might sound good, but the funding is for ‘crisis situations’ and ‘reproductive health,’ which can sometimes mean ‘abortion.’ The Rudd government is ‘partnering’ with Planned Parenthood and the Australian Reproductive Health Alliance in Page 2. This project-these organisations openly promote abortion and some of them perform abortions around the world. At: [www.ausaid.gov.au/media/release.cfm?BC=Latest&ID=1711\\_6538\\_8819\\_8412\\_904](http://www.ausaid.gov.au/media/release.cfm?BC=Latest&ID=1711_6538_8819_8412_904)

{CIM: Maybe Christians need to re-evaluate their opposition to abortion. God-fearing people do not have them. This may be God’s way of keeping their numbers down. Without that, how many ungodly would there be to oppose the godly? listen to Kenny Anderson on **CD-C-131, Between Egypt and Canaan. \$5**)

(7) Rudd officially sent a letter of support to the Melbourne midsummer (homosexual) pride march in February 2008 saying his government would “continue to march towards tolerance, respect and diversity.” A spokesman for the homosexuals stated - that it was the first time they had received such an endorsement by a Prime Minister of Australia. At: <http://mcv.e-p.net.au/featured-stories/pride-attracts-50-000.html> and Herald Sun: [www.news.com.au/heraldsun/story/0.21985.23154334-2862.00.html](http://www.news.com.au/heraldsun/story/0.21985.23154334-2862.00.html)

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Mr Rudd also sent a letter of support to the '2008 Sydney gay and lesbian mardi gras.' In contrast, Mr Howard had steadfastly refused to send such messages. Message of support at: <http://e-p.net.au/publications/displayimage.php?album=286&pos=8>

(8) The apology to the aboriginal people was perhaps a good move, but with it came the pagan rituals in Parliament possible for the very first time. I am sure you saw on TV the Indigenous people inviting Ancestral spirits in to parliament and blessing Kevin Rudd with the message stick. If you are not a praying person, possibly this will mean nothing to you. But for us this is a big mistake.

Also correct me if I am wrong, I did not see the Indigenous community reciprocate with forgiveness. I thought it was a two-way street? In order for an apology to be effective, the recipients need to forgive - without that, the situation is even worse if they use the apology to claim compensation (which they are doing!)

(9) Mr Rudd was asked at the footy finals by a spectator, 'Is Jesus the Son of God?' After trying to avoid the question, Mr Rudd responded, 'I go to church regularly.' At: [http://blogs.news.com.au/heraldsun/andrebolt/index.php/heraldsun/comments/oops\\_forgot\\_to\\_test\\_god\\_with\\_the\\_focus\\_groups/P30/](http://blogs.news.com.au/heraldsun/andrebolt/index.php/heraldsun/comments/oops_forgot_to_test_god_with_the_focus_groups/P30/)

Well unfortunately, many Christians who voted Labor will still possibly try to defend the Labor Party. [these are the same sort of people who would have voted to stay slaves in Egypt, and supported Pharaoh - and even would have returned to Egypt from Mount Sinai, CIM] It's not about a party-it is about the future of our nation and God's Word. Why not repent for what we have allowed..? Read Jeremiah 36, 37 and 38!

Can anyone tell me of one positive thing or speech Labor has given *to promote Christian values* since coming to power????? Recently someone asked me, "What do you think about Brendan Nelson?" "Very frankly," I responded, "I fear he has lost the plot." At this point of time the Coalition seems no better than Labor. However there are many in the Coalition who have very good Christian moral values (CIM: That's probably debateable!)

Like it or not, we have the current government for at least the next 3 years or maybe even 6 years. This is reality. It is likely a lot of ground will be lost, but will we learn from this very difficult lesson? [No! CIM]

Many Christians have told me, "Do not worry Danny, God will do what He has to do anyway." I would like to encourage you to read Jeremiah 18:7-10, NLT:

*"If I announce that a certain nation or kingdom is to be uprooted, torn down, and destroyed, but then that nation renounces its evil ways, I will not destroy it as I had planned. And if I announce that I will build up and plant a certain nation or kingdom, making it strong and great, but that nation turns to evil and refuses to obey Me, I will not bless that nation as I said I would."*

There is always a part that man has to play for God to fulfill His purposes on earth.

So, are we backing off?? NO WAY!! If we, as Bible-believing God-fearing Christians, really love our nation, we must be ready for a long and hard fight to take back what evil adversaries have stolen from us corporately and generationally! We are counting on you true soldiers of the Cross of Christ to stand firm and not lose heart as Australia belongs to Jesus! Let us rise up together in the supreme

authority of His Word and the supernatural power of His Resurrection to possess our rightful inheritance, this Great South Land of Holy Spirit!

Courtesy: Catch The Fire Ministries Inc. PO Box 7427, Dandenong Vic 3175. - (CIM: note the INC.!)  
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## SUE ROCKS FORUM by Ray Smyth

They've Taken Your Freedom - Queensland No Longer Part of Australia

Sue Maynes, a diminutive farmer's wife and researcher with the group Envirowild, rocked the Inverell conference with her lucid, precise and informative presentation. You could hear a pin drop as the audience sat open-mouthed while she explained how successive politicians had, with malice aforethought, brought us to a position where we no longer owned the ground we walked on or the clothes on our backs.

She explained how the Governor of Queensland had become a Parliamentary Secretary under the dictates of the Queensland premier and how the Queensland Government no longer recognised the Australian Constitution. Hence, Queensland was no longer part of the Commonwealth. But she showed how Western Australia and NSW were in a similar position.

She intimated that a High Court Case was being fought at this moment and the results will either mean that the Queensland Government will be pulled into line, or the people of Queensland will be made slaves, and that this would eventually apply to all Australians. The Brigalow Corporation, which now

acts as the Queensland Government, needed assets to borrow money, and consequently appropriated all property in Queensland to be used as collateral.

There were many there who did not believe that such a thing could happen, but after her talk there were no doubters. She wondered at Kevin Rudd as a representative of a state which no longer recognised the Australian Constitution becoming Prime Minister of the very country he had divorced himself from. It was no wonder he did not take the Oath of Allegiance to the Queen. (CIM: It's called Calvin Ball, and its a game, where they make and change the rules as they go along, you can never win - but they always do!)

The State Governors still have the Seal of State, but only act as rubber stamps for the foreign-owned political parties and no longer fill the role for which they were established. They are now part of the legislative government and have become mere party functionaries. All the old freedoms we enjoyed under the Monarchy have been destroyed, as was our Common Law. We are now guilty until proven innocent and only free at the whim of Government. You may enjoy your property until someone in government has a need of it, or casts an envious eye on it.

Only ignorance and the inability to understand, or sheer apathy, will allow this situation to continue.

Sue is willing to undertake a tour of Queensland if costs and accommodation can be arranged. Anyone wishing to arrange for a meeting in their area please contact Ray Smyth, *The Australian Beacon*, PO Box 642, Nanango Qld 4615. **THIS AFFECTS YOU!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

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**THE MOST SUCCESSFUL FRAUD IN AMERICAN HISTORY**

by Gary North

Before I identify what has to be the most successful fraud in the United States, I should first define my terms.

**FRAUD:** A deliberate attempt to deceive a targeted victim, so as to obtain something of value from him that would have been difficult to obtain, had the victim known the truth.

**SUCCESS:** Securing an advantage for yourself and your heirs that is almost impossible to lose, even under competitive conditions.

I offer the following as a criteria of characteristics of a successful fraud.

First: The perpetrator who first designs the fraud and then executes it is subsequently hailed by the victims as a hero, a genius, and indispensable to their own well-being.

Second: The perpetrators must be bound by an oath of non-disclosure, which all of them keep till they die, yet which leaves no trail of paper for historians to discuss.

Third: The nature of the fraud is well-known by critics, who tell their story in full public view at the time the fraud is committed, but a majority of the victims reject this story.

Fourth: The critics negative assessment is forgotten over time, leaving the victims' heirs convinced that the original fraud was a great idea and well worth defending.

Fifth: Anyone who discovers the true nature of the fraud, cannot gain a hearing because the heirs of the victims dismiss him as a crackpot, either in general or else regarding this specific issue.

Sixth: The heirs of the perpetrators extract a growing percentage of the wealth of the heirs of the victims.

Seventh: The fraud must have a slogan, preferably very short, easily memorized, universally accepted, and devoid of context, just in case someone should try and sue the perpetrator and his heirs for the commission of a crime.

Eighth: The heirs of the victims then consent to the heirs of the perpetrators to extend the original fraud, whether by additional fraud or by force, to new groups of victims, whose ancestors were not parties to the original fraudulent transaction.

Ninth: The heirs of the original victims pay all the costs of this extension of the original fraud to a new generation of victims.

Tenth: The new generation of victims is then persuaded to bear a growing percentage of the costs of extending the fraud to more victims.

Eleventh: The bulk of the net return on the extension of the fraud continues to flow to the heirs of the original perpetrators.

Twelfth: The process must go on for more than a century; two centuries are better.

There may be additional features of a successful fraud, but I think that the presence of this dozen constitutes a highly successful fraud.

Can you think of a fraud in American History that has these twelve, or even more? If so, you should draw up your case in writing and submit it for consideration to this site's editor, who loves a good fraud story better than silver. Tie it

to a conspiracy, and he loves it more than gold. Get the government involved, and he cannot resist.

But you cannot match mine, for mine tops them all.

**AND THE WINNER IS.....**

James Madison and his Unindicted Co-conspirators.

First: The perpetrator who first designs the fraud and then executes it is subsequently hailed by the victims as a hero, a genius, and indispensable to their own well-being.

Madison is universally heralded as the father of the Constitution. This is an accurate assessment of his role. From the Annapolis Convention of 1786, which called for the Constitutional Convention of 1787, which (1) closed its doors to the public and press, (2) did not amend but replaced the Articles, in specific violation of the instructions officially given by several state legislatures to their attendees; (3) unconstitutionally (Articles of Confederation) ratify the illegal document in 1787-1788. Madison was there, running the show. Everyone knew it at the time.

Second: The perpetrators must be bound by an oath of non-disclosure, which all of them keep till they die, yet which leaves no trail of paper for historians to discuss.

No member of the Convention ever revealed what went on behind those closed doors. This included the opponents of the Constitution. Luther Martin of Maryland, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, opposed the Constitution's plan within days of his participation. He kept notes of the debates, but his notes were not published until 1838, two years after Madison's death—the last member of the Convention to die. Martin's notes were published along with Robert Yates' notes, who also attended and opposed what had gone on there: **Secret Proceedings and Debates of the Constitutional Convention, 1787.** Today, this book is unread by most graduate students of the era, let alone the general public. I cannot find it on-line in text form—just offers to sell copies of the book. When a document of this level of historical importance is not on-line

for free, the memory hole is still operating.

Madison turned over his notes to George Washington, who took them back to Mt Vernon. Madison knew that no one would or could force Washington to surrender them. His notes were not published until 1845.

What could have kept opponents like Martin and Yates from publishing? One explanation is obvious, yet rarely mentioned by historians: The members took a vow of secrecy. That was an era when vows were taken seriously.

Third: The nature of the fraud is well known by critics, who tell their story in full public view at the time the fraud is committed, but a majority of the victims reject this story.

The anti-Federalists published numerous criticisms of the secret Convention and the proposed Constitution. Yet in every state ratifying convention, the Federalists won. Madison was a consummate political organizer. More than this: He is arguably the most organizationally successful political theorist in man's recorded history.

He even took notes of the Convention and revised them just before he died—the very records that would shape what historians would record. Solon and Lycurgus left no body of theoretical works. Madison did. So, only Lenin comes close to Madison in this regard. But the product of Lenin's conspiratorial revolution only lasted for three-quar-

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ters of a century.

Fourth: The critics negative assessment is forgotten over time, leaving the victim's heirs convinced that the original fraud was a great idea and well worth defending.

The first complete collection of the anti-Federalist papers was edited by Herbert Storing and published in an expensive collection aimed at university libraries by the University of Chicago Press in 1981. You can find these products on the Web today, but in 1981, the Web did not exist.

Typical of the attitudes of twentieth-century historians is the title of one of the most well-known articles in the graduate school days of the 1960s, Cecelia Kenyon's "Men of Little Faith: The Anti-Federalists on the Nature of Representative Government (1955). She was selected by the editors at Bobbs-Merrill to edit the collection of Anti-Federalist papers that grad students in my day read, or were supposed to have read, before their Ph.D. exams in colonial American History.

Fifth: Anyone who discovers the true nature of the fraud, cannot gain a hearing because the heirs of the victims dismiss him as a crackpot, either in general or else regarding this specific issue.

I offer as evidence my book on the Constitution, *Conspiracy in Philadelphia (2004)*. I have posted it free on-line. I wrote the original as Part three of my 1989 book, *Political Polytheism*. This may be the least popular book I ever wrote, even among my most targeted audience. I can recall one dedicated lady, a stalwart in the independent Christian day school movement, who told her son, "Why did he have to write that?"

Sixth: The heirs of the perpetrators extract a growing percentage of the wealth of the heirs of the victims.

Consider the United States government's budget, its annual deficit, its on-budget debt, and its off-budget debt. If you don't know where to begin, start here: M. W. Hodges' *Grandfather's Economic Report*.

Seventh: The fraud must have a slogan, preferably very short, easily memorized, universally accepted, and devoid of context, just in case someone should try and sue the perpetrator and his heirs for the commission of a crime.

"We the people." Want to try to match that one!

Eighth: The heirs of the victims then consent to the heirs of the perpetrators to extend the original fraud, whether by additional fraud or by force, to new groups of victims, whose ancestors were not parties to the original fraudulent transaction.

I offer as evidence the Spanish American War, World War I, WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Panama, Desert Storm, Afghanistan, Iraq. Then there are these: Foreign aid, the State Department, and the innumerable CIA coups.

Ninth: The heirs of the original victims pay all the costs of this extension of the original fraud to a new generation of victims.

What are these costs? Read the collection of essays compiled by John Denson, *The Cost of War: America's Pyrrhic Victories*. If that costs too much, then at least read David Gordon's *Review*.

Tenth: The new generation of victims is then persuaded to bear a growing percentage of the costs of extending the fraud to more victims.

The acronym NATO comes to mind. More recently, the Bush Administration's assertion that Iraq's oil revenues would pay for the reconstruction of the war-devastated country. There were actually people who believed this. John Kerry's entire campaign position on the Iraq War was

grounded on the assumption that the Administration should have sought allies, who would have then shared the costs. Desert Storm was his model. He promised that, if elected, he would line up such cost-sharers.

Eleventh: The bulk of the net return on the extension of the fraud continues to flow to the heirs of the original perpetrators.

If you want to read one book on this—well three—read Philip Burch's three volume work, *Elites in American History (1981)*. The complete set is out of print, and it was published by an obscure publishing company. You probably never heard of it. I bought two sets, just in case.

Twelfth: The process must go on for more than a century; two centuries are better.

This has gone on since 1788.

## CONCLUSION

The most accurate assessment of this incomparably successful fraud was Patrick Henry's. When asked why he did not attend the Constitutional Convention, he replied, "I smelt a rat in Philadelphia."

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WHAT HAPPENED IN AMERICA WHEN THE ARTICLES OF CONFEDERATION WERE DROPPED AND THE CONSTITUTION WAS RATIFIED?

Have you ever thought about this question? God's Law is a perfect law—one that needs no amendments or changes. It was given to Israel, and ONLY Israel (exclusively), over three thousand five hundred years ago.

This Law covers all areas of kingdom life: Political, economic, agricultural, educational, medicinal, etc. It hasn't changed since the day that it was given. Israel very seldom obeyed this law and as a consequence has received the curses that God promised for being a disobedient people; rather than the blessings that were reserved for obedience. (Lev. 26, and Deut 28)

When the United States was formed it was governed by the thirteen states and its Articles of Confederation. Who were the Presidents of this Confederation? How long did the Articles last? What major laws were passed under the Articles?

When the Constitutional Convention was first organized it was to enact laws that would strengthen the Articles—but it was changed to organize a new type of government. Who won? THE BANKERS!

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## DO-GOODERS OF DORRIGO by Gareth Kimberley

Shown on ABC1 on March 21 under the title "A *Small Town Welcome*," this pathetic attempt by 'your' ABC to promote multiculturalism was more likely to have had the opposite effect. This "dopey-doco" centered around a group of holier-than-thou Christian in the small NSW town of Dorrigo who wanted to show that they were more charitable than the racist town of Tamworth. To prove it, they applied to have a Sudanese refugee family allocated to them in Dorrigo.

After nine long months, their Sudanese family finally arrived and was given a hero's welcome. The family of eight was set up in a house, but as they could speak little English, the do-gooders had to wait on them night and day for the first few months to enable them to cope with even the most basic requirements of life in an Australian environment. The husband, who declared that he wanted another two wives as soon as he could get some money,



was put into the local school so he could learn English, but the ABC producers saw no incongruity in a black Sudanese man sitting in classes with white school children. The Utopian dream didn't last long. The wife found a job working six days a week with a group of Sudanese in another town, while the eldest daughter was left to run the home. The man who now complained that his family was losing its Sudanese culture did nothing around the house because his Sudanese culture prevented him from doing house-work. By now fed-up and concerned about the workload on the No. 1 daughter, the do-gooders ordered the man and his wife to attend a meeting to discuss the situation, but the woman was too busy with her workmates in the other town and the man was busy watching a football match on TV, so the do-gooders ended up at the meeting on their own, the results of which we were not told.

At the final interview when the man boldly declared he would not be staying in Dorrigo, credits suddenly started scrolling up the screen, and I realized the doco was over. Either the producers had suddenly run out of money or they were beginning to realize their doco was not going to have the ending they wanted. We now have no idea what happened to the members of this family, other than they were expecting to be granted Australian citizenship. So much for the do-gooders of Dorrigo!

Courtesy The Australian Beacon, address above.

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## LOCALISATION: COULD IT BE THE ANSWER?

With people losing their homes, financial meltdowns, enormous debts, stock market dives and a general unease in the monetary scene, it is time we turned our attention to and learned lessons from a society where these troubles are not known. Can there be such a society? Well, yes there is and they are called the Amish.

This society does not work for wages; they don't drive cars back and forth to the office each day; they have a cohesive society because they all have similar beliefs and they are all of the one race! Their economy does not depend on the local multinational, nor do they look to the local factory for work. They are self-sufficient. They farm their own food, they make their own clothes and when one of them marries they all come together and build him a house. Financial crises pass them by. They come together on Sundays to worship and to regulate their own society which is peaceful, law abiding and prosperous. So prosperous that elected governments leave them alone, as they bring in such a huge tourist dollar they could not afford to upset them.

I am not sure exactly what the Amish believe, but I know they are Christian based and that their beliefs are manifested in their life-styles and their neat, productive farms, which are such a contrast to the chaos of our wage-slave society.

Globalisation is the tool of the New World Order which seeks to make us all slaves, but maybe that evil plan can be derailed if we managed to pull together like the Amish. Change will not come from the top; it can only come from the bottom. If we could, in our local areas, organise to such an extent as to adopt a local farmer and have him produce the food for your area, it would be healthier, cheaper and self-sustaining. Gather together in groups and find out the skills available to the group and put them to work. Form a local church and pray together. Raise finance by tithing to the group, use a local money system and establish your own markets. Keep it small. Establish a welfare fund and a

legal arm, well-based in Biblical Law; network with other groups and educate your own children.

If we had thousands of small groups dotted all over Australia, acting in such a manner, our established governments would have a hard job enforcing globalist policies on us.

Instead, we look to multinationals like Woolworths and Coles for our food; we look to multinationals for our wages so we can have money to buy from the multinationals like Woolworths or Coles. We are totally dependent on the man-made system which can so easily be manipulated by the huge financial conglomerates. Farmers send all their produce to the capital cities, where the price is doubled, and sent back to the farmers. At the local Woolworths where he goes to buy his food for the week, sometimes that food could be up to six months old and nutritionally bankrupt.

Small country towns are totally dependent on the haulage trucks which take the farmers produce away and bring the produce for the local stores. As the cost of petrol and diesel rises, the price of food rises exponentially. To preserve our freedom we may have to forgo the luxury of plasma screens and imported goods, but is it all a dream? Someone once said, "*Where there is no vision, the people perish.*" [but he who keeps the Law, happy is he-Prov 29:18]

Courtesy The Australian Beacon

## NEW TESTAMENT ISRAEL by pastor Sheldon Emry

According to the Bible, the descendants of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob were to take the light of God's Word to the ends of the earth. World Christian missions have been carried out primarily by the so-called Gentile races of Europe and North America. Is it possible that these people of Europe and of America are fulfilling other prophecies about Israel also?

I am going to demonstrate that the New Testament, which Christians accept as a divinely-inspired part of the Bible, is addressed to these same descendants of Abraham, that we've been reading about in the Old Testament (see **The Old Testament Christians, #224 @ \$2.15**). It

is rather common today in theological circles to divide the Bible into two parts, and take the first part, that portion written before the Christ, and say, *Oh, that was all written to the Jews*; and the take the second part, that portion written after the death and resurrection of Jesus, and say, *That is addressed to Gentile Christians*.

However, many ministers and most Bible students, do recognize that the writers of the New Testament continually refer to the Old Testament as the basis for their New Testament doctrines, and in fact quoted Old Testament prophecies scores of times; in their explanation of Jesus the Christ, and their own prophecies of events to come. The New Testament foundation is the Old Testament. The confusion lies, not so much in dividing the Bible into two books, but in totally separating them, and not making it plain to the people that the latter part is really a continuation of the first part, and that the New Testament is written to, and written about the same people: the people called Israel!

One gets little argument, when one points out that the Old Testament was written by Israelites, that it is a record of the history of Israel, that God made the covenants with Israel; that the Law was given to Israel; and that when it speaks of future events, those events are things which were



to come to pass in and to the Israel people. One still gets agreement when one points out that the New Testament was also written by Israelites, that it is a record of the history of Jesus Christ, as He came to Israel [note that Israel and Jew are *not* synonymous]. That the New Testament refers to a New Covenant to be made with the House of Israel and the House of Judah. And that there is much in the New Testament writings about the prophetic future of the Israel people. However, these same clergymen who will agree with you so far on that, will then proceed to enter their pulpits, or speak on the radio, and will speak over and over about the New Testament being for the Christians, and the Old Testament being for the Jews.

So I propose to point you to a number of passages in the New Testament which should make it plain that the New Testament is as much of an Israelitish book or message from God to Israel, as is the Old. And further, that you Christians may see that God is actually identifying you as Israelites, children of Abraham, the inheritors of the Covenants and the promises written in the Old Testament.

When I first announced the availability of our movie (**Heirs of the Promise, #CI-01 @ \$20 posted**), I read Galatians 3:29 an often quoted verse from the New Testament. *“And if ye {be} Christ’s, then are ye Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise.”* (KJV)

I said this then, and it bears repeating: Millions of people in Europe and America attend Christian churches and claim to be Christians. In effect they say they are Christ’s. But if you were to ask them, how that makes them Abraham’s seed, and what are the promises which they are to inherit, very few would be able to give you a cogent answer.

In our movie HEIRS OF THE PROMISE, which I narrate, I read the promises in the Bible, that God made to Abraham; and I point out that we, yes, we Christians have been blessed as God kept those promises to us; that those promises have been kept in and among the Christian peoples of Europe, North America, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa. Usually, with most of our people not even realizing that God is blessing us, because of what He promised He would do with Abraham’s seed

In my own city of Phoenix, Arizona, I often hear ministers quote Isaiah 35:1 about how the desert of Israel would blossom as the rose. Then they refer to the Jews irrigating several hundred thousand acres of desert in Palestine. They apparently forgot - or never knew - that we have more land under irrigation in our county, yes, in Maricopa County in Arizona than do the Jews in all of Palestine. In addition, Christian in many lands, especially in North America, have irrigated millions of acres of desert land. Christian from Europe have been the organizers and sponsors of great irrigation works in North Africa, the Middle East, Australia and the sub-continent of Asia. The desert blossomed as the rose under Christian hands not in a few thousand acres, but in tens of millions of acres across the earth.

Isaiah 35:1 seems to have had a greater fulfillment in those people claiming they are Christ’s and therefore Abraham’s seed, than in people who claim to be Abraham’s seed, but who reject Jesus Christ. But I am getting ahead of

my story. Take your Bible and follow with me, and I use the KJV. Just a few of the many passages to prove the New Testament is an Israelite book. First verse in the New Testament, Matt. 1:1 identifies it as “the book of the generations of Jesus Christ, the son of David the son of Abraham.” So Matthew is writing a book about Jesus, who was descended in His humanity from father Abraham (Heb. 2:17).

Then are listed His human ancestry, every one of them an Israelite, except of course, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Those three are not Israelites. They can be called Hebrews, since their ancestor was Heber, but only those following Jacob, whose name was changed to Israel, can really be called Israelites.

I’ve heard some call Abraham a Jew, when in point of fact, Abraham was not even an Israelite! No-one in the Bible is even called by the name ‘Jew’ until 2 Kings 16:6, which was 900 years after Abraham was dead (and the ‘Jews’ were at war with Israel). Anyway, the New Testament begins by tracing Jesus back to Abraham. Matthew 2:6, the wise men tell Herod that Jesus was come to rule over Israel. After Jesus began to preach, He chose twelve disciples, all Israelites; and we read in Matt 10:6 that He commanded them to go *“to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.”*

The gospel of Mark begins in chapter 1:1-2 by telling us that Jesus came as it is written in the prophets. Those prophets of course, were Israelites. Luke begins his narrative with some family background of John the Baptist and Jesus, and in verse 17 of Chapt 1, he records that the angel said of John, *“And he shall go before him in the spirit and power of Elias, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.”* (Luk. 1:17)

Now who were the people John would prepare for the Lord, or for Jesus Christ? Well, the verse just before tells us, vs 16: *“And many of the children of Israel shall he turn to the Lord their God.”*

Now taking that in the context of the rest of the New Testament, the angel certainly meant that many Israelites would believe in Jesus Christ and would become Christians. When? Sometime in the future? No! Back at the time when Jesus came to walk on the earth. That same chapter quotes a long prophecy by John’s father about Jesus Christ, why Jesus came, and what Jesus would accomplish. Now you folks who think that the New Testament is not addressed to Israel, you listen to this. In vs 68 of Luke 1, it says: Zecharias was filled with the Holy Ghost, and prophesied, saying, *“Blessed {be} the Lord God of Israel; for he hath visited and redeemed his people.”*

Now, who are God’s people? Well, the Israelites, of course! vs 69: *“And hath raised up an horn of salvation for us (and remember Zacharias was an Israelite - for US ISRAELITES) in the house of his servant David; As spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, which have been since the world began: That we (ISRAELITES) 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 sware to our father Abraham.”*

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Now notice Zacharias, who was a priest in Israel, is saying that the coming of Jesus Christ was directly related to God's promise, to keep His covenant that He had sworn to father Abraham. Now if you believe Galatians 3:29 makes you as a Christian an inheritor of those promises to Abraham, listen to what that promise or covenant Zacharias was referring to was: *"That he would grant unto us (Israelites), that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies might serve Him without fear, in holiness (separation) and righteousness before Him, all the days of our life."* (Luk 1:75).

How about that, this great prophecy of Jesus Christ says that He came to keep the promise of delivering Abraham's descendants **from the hand of their enemies**, that they might serve God. Oh, I thought Jesus came so that when we died, we might go to heaven? and live happily ever after. At least that is what the evangelicals and the theologians tell us all the time. And yet, here, a priest in Israel connects Jesus Christ to God's promises to Abraham, that Abraham's descendants would be delivered from their enemies. It doesn't say a thing about delivering any so-called gentiles to heaven, but delivering **Israel** (that's the true descendants, and not the country by that name!) from her enemies.

The last verse in Luke 1 verifies that John the Baptist came to Israelites, to prepare the way of Jesus Christ. *"And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, and was in the deserts till the day of his shewing unto Israel."* (Luk 1:80).

In Luke 2, after Jesus was born, he was taken by His parents to the temple to be dedicated according to the Mosaic Law; you can read that in vs 22-24, and while there, a man named Simeon appeared at the temple, vs 25-26, *"And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name {was} Simeon; and the same man {was} just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy Ghost was upon him. And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Anointed."*

Now 'Christ' means 'anointed' (Messiah) or redeemer. In Luke 1:68, Zacharias said that God had visited and redeemed His people. Now here is Simeon identifying Jesus Christ as that redeemer, Israel's 'Christ' or Anointed. vs 27-32, *"And he came by the spirit into the temple: and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him after the custom of the law. Then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said, Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word: For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel."*

The word 'gentiles' in vs 32 comes from the Greek word 'Ethnos' it means 'nations.' so Simeon was saying that Jesus was to be a light to *"lighten the nations, the glory of thy people Israel."* And Christians from Europe and North America have printed and carried the gospel of Jesus Christ to every nation on earth in the last centuries. It is through them, these so-called *gentile* Christians that Jesus has been a light to lighten the nations.

That same verse 32 in Luke 2, says that Jesus would be *"the glory of thy people Israel."* The fulfillment of that phrase is also found in Christendom. Jesus Christ is the glory of the Christian peoples of Europe, America, Australia,

South Africa and New Zealand. Another promise or prophecy to Israel fulfilled in Christians. Can they be Israel?

Let us go on in our study proving the New Testament is addressed to Israel. Jesus continually referred to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in His teachings, often quoting passages from the Old Testament as He taught. In the last chapter of Luke, after His resurrection, Jesus appeared to the men on the road to Emmaus. They did not recognize Him. When He asked them why they were sad they replied, about the Jesus whom they now thought to be dead, vs 21 of Luke 24: *"But we trusted that it had been he which should have redeemed Israel: and beside all this, to day is the third day since these things were done."*

Their statement is proof they thought of Jesus as the redeemer of Israel, which of course He is called many times. In vs 44, after Jesus revealed Himself to the rest of the men, He made it plain to them that He, Jesus, was the fulfillment of prophecies made to Israel. vs 44, *"And he said unto them, These {are} the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the Law of Moses, and {in} the prophets, and in the Psalms, concerning Me."* Jesus then speaks of the future and of the mission His Israelite disciples were to accomplish: *"And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And ye are witnesses of these things. And behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high."* (Luk 24:46-49).

So in the little that we have read, the gospel of Luke tells us that Jesus Christ came to Israel. That he came as a result of prophecies to Israel. That he came to keep promises and covenants that God had made with Abraham and with Israel. That Jesus Christ would then be preached to all (Israel) nations. In Acts 1, Jesus said to these same Israelite disciples, vs 8: *"But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth."*

In Mark 16:15, These Israelite disciples were told, *"Go ye into all the world (Kosmos=orderly arrangement, inhabited areas - not the whole planet), and preach the gospel to every creature."* (to those with ears to hear, not like Francis of Assisi who preached to the birds). Now these prophecies have all come to pass. They have been accomplished by Christian Europeans and Americans. They not only claimed the Bible, both Old and New Testaments as the book of their religious faith. They have translated it into almost every known tongue. They have printed tens of millions of copies of it (and still do), and have taken it to all nations and tribes of the earth, even to the uttermost parts of the earth. Yet we are told by the clergy, that these Europeans and Americans are not Israelites. **Did God make a mistake** in addressing these prophecies to Israel? Was Jesus Christ a failure in His mission to Israel? Did His commands get obeyed only by the inadvertent happenstance of another race doing what Jesus had instructed Israel to do? OR are these people what Galatians 3:29 said they are: *Abraham's seed and heirs according to the promise?*

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## THE MORMONS & THE JEWISH PEOPLE

by Elder LeGrand Richards, JCLDS

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*This tract states that the Mormons teach that they (the Mormons) are Joseph and the Jews are Judah, and the Jews will unite with the Mormons for "the building of the Kingdom of God on the earth." Those who read this will realize that such a doctrine EXCLUDES Christians!*

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We are comparing the history of the Christian people of Europe and North America, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa with the Bible prophecies about the descendants of Abraham. God told Abraham in Genesis 17:4, "As for me, behold, my covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a father of **many nations**."

Is it possible the nations of Christendom which worship Abraham's God, are actually those nations promised to come of father Abraham? Earlier we read Gal. 3:29 - this verse seems to make a direct connection between those who claim to be Christians and the inheritance of something called here 'the promise.' During this study we will be examining both Old and New Testament passages to find out what that promise is. But first, I said I wanted to demonstrate from the New Testament which is that portion of the Scripture claimed by most Christian churches as their special religious book; that the New Testament is addressed to the descendants of Abraham, called Israelites, or the house of Israel. And from that, later, I will prove that whether they know it or not, those nations where Christianity is the predominant religion, are fulfilling prophecies made to the seed of Abraham. We read several passages including the long prophecy in Luke 1; which was made by the priest Zacharias.

Now if we as Christians, are heirs of these Abrahamic promises, and one of those promises is that we would be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us; then if God keeps promises, that would mean that the Christian peoples would be delivered from their enemies. Just consider the implications that has in relation to the present world situation (1979). Christendom is now on the defensive. In America we are constantly told that Russia will have adequate military power in a very few years to win any war between Russia and America. Those who tell us that, of course, take little stock in the Bible, or in God Almighty. Perhaps any future war will be a test of strength not between Russia and America, but between Russia and God. Think about that for a moment. But let's go on reading in the New Testament, to verify my claim that the New Testament is address to the Israel people.

You should get a copy of the "**Study into the meaning of 'Gentile' as used in the Bible**" #503 @ \$2.85) This is basic to understanding the New Testament. Millions of Christians are confused about many New Testament passages, because they have been taught the word 'gentile' means non-Israelite. Such is not the case. It is NOT an English word, it is a Latin word; which for some reason the KJV translators used for the Greek word 'ethnos' and also for the Greek word 'hellen.' 'Ethnos' means literally [1484, a race {as of the same habit} i.e. a tribe; spec. a foreign (non-Judean) one] *nations*, and in most cases if one reads Gentiles as nations it would make much more sense. However, it is a little more complicated than that, and you really should obtain that study #503. An example of the confusion is in John 7, where Jesus said to the Pharisees in vs 34, "Ye shall seek me and shall not find me: and where I am, [thither] ye cannot come." He was actually referring to His ascension into heaven, but they didn't understand that, and we read in the next verse, 35, "Then said the Jews among themselves, Whither will he go, that we shall not find him? Will he go unto the dispersed among the Gentiles, and

teach the Gentiles?" The word here is 'hellen' the ancient name for Greece. It is a misfortune it was translated into 'gentile' for what they were saying according to the original text is, "Will he go to the dispersed [Israelites] among the Greeks and teach the Greeks?"

We have religious groups in America which claim that Jesus came to the American Indians, while He was here on earth, and they quote this passage as part of their 'proof' that Jesus went "to the gentiles." No! The word is 'hellen' the ancient name for the land we today call Greece. You will receive a great benefit from this study on "Gentile" mentioned above.

We read a few passages from Mark and Luke which prove that Jesus Christ came to Israel. Now turn to John 1, vs 29-31 records the first meeting between Jesus and John the Baptist: "The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world [kosmos, not the planet]. This is he of whom I said, After me cometh a man which is preferred before me: for he was before me. And I knew him not: but

that he should be made manifest to Israel, therefore am I come baptizing with water." Manifest or made known [to Israel]. Not made know to all the world, or to non-Israelites. John knew Jesus was to be known "to Israel." Now those who say the 'Jews' are Israel, tell us this has never come to pass. That the Jews simply have not accepted Jesus. But strangely enough, another race of people of Europe, if they have any religion at all, profess Christianity, or faith in Jesus Christ. So Jesus has been made manifest, or made known, to this European race. Another prophecy about Israel fulfilled in these Europeans.

In vs 45, we read of an Israelite by the name of Philip saying to another Israelite, Nathanael, "we have found him of whom Moses in the law and the prophets did write."

In vs 49, Nathanael upon meeting Jesus, says to him, "Thou art king of Israel." That title 'King of Israel' is used for God in the Old Testament. In John 3, John the Baptist is questioned about Jesus Christ, and he says among other things, in vs 35, "The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand." That would corroborate Jesus' statement to His disciples in Matthew 28:18 which we read earlier, "And Jesus came and spake unto them saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth."

Then, tying in that doctrine that Jesus has all power (actually 'authority'), and that He is the King of Israel, with the doctrine that Jesus came to confirm the promises God had made to Abraham and to Israel, then we would naturally assume, that the keeping of God's promises to Israel has to be by and through Jesus the Christ.

Later, as we read the Abrahamic promises, we will see that this is what happened. In ch 5 of John, Jesus Himself says the Old Scriptures are written of Him, but He also says in effect, that one cannot understand and believe the New Scriptures unless one believes the Old! Turn to John 5, this is a long chapter, but we'll read only the part where Jesus referred to the Old Scriptures, or what we call the Old Testament. In verse 39, He says to the Jewish Pharisees: "Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me." Then He tells the Jews why they do not believe in Him, in vs 46-47: "For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he

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### **MARTIN LUTHER AND THE JEWS** edited by Bishop Martin Sasse, Eisenach.

[reprinters note: This brief statement is made to acquaint the reader with the following: *The Jews as Martin Luther showed in his writings are the enemies of Christ. They were the originators of Communism and have continually supported race-mixing, Communism, pornography, homosexuality, and other unnatural activities.*

*Although Martin Luther exposed the Jews for what they were, he never realized our racial connection with the Israel people of the Scriptures. Facts, supported by Biblical, historical and ethnological research prove that the bulk of the White people are indeed the racial descendants of Jacob-Israel, and not the Khazar-Edomite Jews.*

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wrote of me. But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?" Here Jesus states the vital importance of the Old Scripture, and refutes what many modern evangelists preach today. They say, they can lead people to believe in Jesus Christ using only the New Testament. Jesus says NO! If ye believe not the writings of Moses, you will not believe the words of Jesus.

Jesus verifies and emphasises this same point, in His parable of the rich man and Lazarus in Luke 16. Let's consider that for a moment. You know the story: The rich man is in 'hell' and he is speaking to father Abraham; to ask Abraham to send Lazarus to his 5 brethren, and Abraham refuses, saying, (Luk 16:29) "*They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.*" The rich man says: "*And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent.*"

In effect, the rich man says, No don't bother with the Old Scriptures, just send some man who has been resurrected from the dead to them and then they will repent. Abraham replies, and remember this is Jesus telling the story, so Jesus is putting these words in Abraham's mouth. Here is Abraham's reply: "*And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.*" (Luk 16:31)

So, we have Jesus teaching us twice. Once in John 5 and once in Luke 16 that men will not believe Jesus except they first believe Moses and the prophets. Not only does this refute the evangelists' claim, they can teach belief in Jesus using only the New Testament; it refutes the claim by the Jews that they can believe the Old Testament while not believing Jesus Christ! Jesus said to them in vs 46 of John 5, "*For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me.*" He is saying plainly, the reason you Jews don't believe Me, is that you don't believe Moses. So we are faced with a dilemma. If we believe Jesus in John 5 and Luke 16, then we must doubt the veracity of those who say they believe in Christ, but ignore the Old Scriptures. And if we believe Jesus' words in John 5 and Luke 16, then we cannot accept the claim of some that they can deny Christ, but believe the Old Testament. Jesus says, belief in one goes with belief in the other. This confirms my statement made earlier, that the Old Testament and Jesus Christ are inexorably connected. When we add that to what I am now proving, that the New Testament is written to and about Israel, then we find that we cannot separate Christendom from Israel. In the final analysis, Israel must be found in Christianity. Let's go on in John. Turn back to John 4, in vs 34 Jesus says: "*My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work.*" John 6:38, "*For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me.*"

Turn to John 7, in vs 14 we read that Jesus is teaching, then in vs 15: "*And the Jews marvelled, saying, How knoweth this man letters, having never learned?*" They thought a man had to go to their seminary or college for many years before he could teach. yet, here, Jesus who as far as they knew had never attended any of their religious schools, was teaching the people. Jesus answered by saying: "*My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me.*" In John 8:28 Jesus repeats: "*I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things. And he that*

*sent me is with me: the Father hath not left me alone; for I do always those things that please him.*"

Now before we read one, let's sum up a little about this Jesus we have heard so far. 1) Jesus came because of the holy covenant, the oath that God swore to father Abraham. 2) Jesus was to be made known in Israel. 3) Jesus was the King of Israel. 4) All authority was to be given to Jesus in heaven and on earth. 5) Belief in the Old Scriptures and belief in Jesus Christ can not be separated. 6) All things that Jesus taught, His doctrine, was the Father's doctrine. 7) Jesus came to do the will of the Father. 8) Jesus came to finish the work of the Father.

So, it can be stated without fear of contradiction that whatever it was that Jehovah-God promised, taught, or planned to do, in and to Israel, according to the Old Scriptures, should be exactly what Jesus, the Christ, intended to carry out, teach, or complete in Israel with that total power/authority that was given Him in heaven and on earth.

Now, that doesn't fit very well with what we are taught in the modern churches. The churches teach, in effect, 'Well, Jesus did come to Israel, but He just failed to convince them who He was, so He couldn't carry out that plan and purpose of God in those Israelites. So He and his disciples gave up and they went off looking to see if some other people might believe in Jesus; and luckily they did find some 'gentiles' there around the Mediterranean, and in Europe, and they were able to convince some of them. So God apparently settled for having His Bible taught by these gentiles, and being worshipped by them, instead of Israel. So He just stopped His prophetic timeclock, and quit causing any prophecies to come to pass, and has bided His time for the last 1900 years, waiting until these gentiles goof up, and then He'll step in and straighten things out and get back to His unfinished work among the Israelites.'

Meanwhile of course, for 1900 years, His Chosen People the Israelites have gone on defying Him, so as each generation of Israelites dies,

God snatches them on down to hell, where all of these Israelites will spend the centuries of eternity, screaming and crying in pain and torture. It's too bad, God did have this covenant with Abraham that would save these Israelite descendants of Abraham. But He just hasn't been able to do it, although He will try again, some time in the future and may save a handful of them for the Kingdom.

I guess Jesus didn't really mean it when He said He had "*all power/authority in heaven and on earth.*" What He must have meant was, He had some power in heaven, but not much on the earth. And that in a nutshell—perhaps I'm being a little facetious—is the Bible story as taught in most of Christendom today. Not very flattering to Jesus Christ, is it? And not very conducive to convincing our young people that Jesus Christ will do for them in the future, what we say He will; since in the past He seems to have been a total failure among the people He came to save. When we read Galatians 3:29 to our children, "*If ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.*" How can we ask them to believe they have any certain inheritance, when this God we ask them to trust has been so totally unable to perform His previous promises?

Has Jesus Christ really failed? Or is it possible that in our ignorance of just what these promises and prophecies about Israel were, that rather than having failed, Jesus has instead brought to pass just exactly what He prophesied He would. Is it possible that the descendants of Abraham, have

## SO YOU CALL YOURSELF A CHRISTIAN.....

**Robert Alan Balaicius**

*What makes a Christian, a Christian? What makes God, God? Did God ever abolish His Law? What moral standards does God require His people to follow? Does it matter what we eat? What did Peter's vision really mean? Can God ever change His Nature? Can God ever change His Word? Is a person really a Christian if he doesn't bear the fruit (i.e. live the life) Christ commanded? Did Christ change God's Law? Who are God's people? Does any NT passage contradict what God established in the OT?*

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been made into the many nations prophesied in Genesis 17? Is it possible that God has really blessed them, above all people upon the face of the earth, as He said he would do to Israel? Is it possible that we are looking at the wrong people for the fulfillment of the Israel prophecies. And that Israel, far from rejecting Jesus Christ, and being an unbelieving people for 1900 years, have instead believed on him by untold millions, and that even today very few of them worship any other God, but Jesus Christ. That is true of course, only if the Anglo-Saxon-Germanic-Scandinavian-Celtic and kindred people of Europe, America, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa, ARE THOSE ISRAELITES! For it is among those people and in no others, that the religion called Christianity has flourished. They and they alone, believe the God of Israel. When we see that, then and only then, can we look across the earth and make sense out of history and bible prophecy.

Let's go on in the New Testament to see how it tells us rather plainly that it was the descendants of Abraham, the Israelites, who would become Christian in this age.

In John 8:39, Jesus said to the Jewish Pharisees, "If ye were Abraham's children, ye would do the works of Abraham." All church-goers should know what Abraham's works were, Faith! Abraham believed God and it was counted unto him for righteousness, is both an Old Testament and a New Testament doctrine. Abraham's children would be children of the faith. In John 10 Jesus said in vs 14: "I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine." Verse 27: "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: and I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand." Israel is called 'God's sheep' in the Old Testament. Since Jesus came to do the will of the Father, it would follow that the sheep here must be Israel. This makes sense with what follows, the next verse:

"My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand." (Joh 10:29). So these sheep were in the Father's hand, they were then given into Jesus' hand, and none can take them away from either Jesus or the Father. Now the people we know as Jews, are NOT in Jesus' hand, they are not Christians, they have not followed this Good Shepherd, and yet Jesus said the sheep the Father had were given to Him and they would follow Him. That must mean the Jews were not the sheep, and that the present Christian people are those sheep. Those peoples that God had as His sheep prior to Jesus and gave to Jesus. Otherwise, this too, has failed and Jesus was wrong. The Book of Acts is a study in itself of this question as to which people became Christians. We know the disciples were Israelites, and it is certain that most, if not all, of Jesus' followers referred to in the gospels were Israelites. And in the beginning of the book of Acts, on the day of Pentecost, we hear Peter address that crowd in this manner, he calls them: "Ye men of Israel," (Acts 2:22). And in vs 41 we read: "Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls."

Before they were baptized, and after Peter called them Israelites, he told them in vs 38-39: "Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name

of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call." He said to these Israelites: Become Christians, for the promise is unto you and to your children. This indicates the promise was **racial**. It was to that generation of Israelites, and to the generations of Israelites that followed. Then we read of three thousand of these Israelites becoming Christians. In later passages in the book of Acts we read of thousands more becoming Christians. In Acts 3:12 Peter again calls his listeners, "Ye men of Israel" and in vs 25 he says to them: "Ye are the children of the prophets, and of the covenant which God made with our fathers." In vs 26 he says: "Jesus, was sent to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities." They believed, they repented and became Christians. As we read on in the book of Acts, more Israelites are converted. Five thousand are numbered. And other groups are not numbered, so the total would be much more. That was nineteen hundred years ago. Just the present day descendants of these few thousand Christian Israelites here,

not counting the Christian Israelites in Rome, Galatia, Corinth, Ephesus, and so on, would number in the millions today. Are we to believe that these descendants all left the Christian faith and joined the religion of Judaism, and that today none of the progeny of these Israelites are still Christian? That is nonsense! It is obviously more probable that they ARE Christians, and that they just do not know that they are descended from these ancient Israelite Christians, since they have gone under the name Christians for so many centuries in Europe, and those Christian nations who spread abroad from there.

in Acts 6:7 we find that conversions of the Israelites to the Christian faith was so great, that "a great number of the priests were obedient to the faith, and the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great

company of the priests were obedient to the faith." How many of us miss these passages and believe the ministers when they tell us, 'Oh the Israelite priests and the Israelite people in Jerusalem and in Judea just didn't accept Jesus and they turned away, and they are still not Christians today.' That is NOT true. Israelites were converted in great numbers in those first years, according to the book of Acts; and even men of the priesthood.

You should read all of the book of Acts with this in mind. In several places it is recorded that entire cities came to hear the stories of Jesus, and most if not all of them were converted and became Christians. By the time of the destruction of the city of Jerusalem in 70 AD, most of the people of Judea and Samaria were divided into two religions. Christianity and what was known as Phariseeism. Some of us are convinced by history and by Bible prophecy that all of the Israelites became Christian, and it was the non-Israelites who retained the religion of Phariseeism. Persecution of the Israelite Christians by the non-Israelite followers of Phariseeism was then responsible for driving out of the Israelites from Judea and Samaria in the years between 35 AD and 70AD. As they left Palestine they took the truth of the gospel of Jesus Christ with them. We read of this as early as chapter 8 of Acts, and it says in vs 4, "Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every

## CINDERELLA

### A Bible Story

by Sheldon Emry

*The story of the little girl with the glass slipper has been printed in numerous books in uncounted versions of the original story. It has been made into plays, movies, cartoons, and television productions; and still the magic of Cinderella lives on. Perhaps it is the hand of God, because you know, there really is a Cinderella, there really is a Prince, there really will be a wedding, and they really will live happily ever after!*

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where preaching the word.” (Acts 8:4). They scattered over the eastern end of the Mediterranean, into Greece, into Rome and other areas. That’s why Paul and the other apostles could travel and find Christian communities wherever they went, and those communities were Israelites. Not necessarily ‘gentile’ as we call so many Christians today. When we also find the word ‘gentile’ means ‘nation’ or ‘nations,’ then we can see that when Paul said he was going to the gentiles, he meant he was going to the nations of Israel. This is explained in some detail in the **“Gentile”** booklet mentioned earlier. Paul went to the nations of Israel, who had been dispersed by the Assyrians in the centuries before Jesus, and at the same time, the converted Israelites from Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria, were being driven out, so they also helped to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ rapidly into the Mediterranean area of Europe. We can verify that these Christian groups were Israelites by reading the epistles in the New Testament to see to whom they are addressed. The best known one on this of course, is James, which begins: *“James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad, greeting.”* (Jam 1:1).

In Romans 1:6 Paul calls them *“the called of Jesus Christ:”* in vs 7 he calls them ‘Saints’ and in chapter 7 he identifies them by his words as Israelites. Rom 7:1, he writes *“Know ye not brethren [and the in parenthesis] (for I speak to them that know the law,)”* Now who of all the people of the earth would know the Law? *“He sheweth his word unto Jacob, his statutes and his judgments unto Israel. He hath not dealt so with any nation: and as for his judgments, they have not known them. Praise ye the Lord.”* (Psa 147:19-20). **ONLY ISRAELITES!** No others had the law. This and other passages verify that the Roman Christians were Israelites (see also Romans 9).

Turn to 1 Cor 10. In the first chapters Paul addresses them as believers. Then here we read in vs 1, *“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.”* He is referring to the Red Sea and the cloud of Glory with which God overshadowed Israel as they came out of Egypt. So he is writing to believers at Corinth, that is in Greece, and he says THEIR fathers passed through the Red Sea. That means the believers at Corinth had to be Israelites. Turn to Galatians. This is a little more confusing, partly because of the use of the word *gentiles*, from the Greek ‘ethnos’ where it really means ‘nations,’ but we still have in that letter evidence that the Galatian Christians were Israelites. *“But when the fullness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.”* (Gal 4:5). Who was under the Law? Only Israel (Ps 147:19-20). Who therefore was redeemed? Israelites! To receive what? The adoption (or placing as sons) as Israelites. So the Galatian Christians were Israelites by race. The next letter Ephesians is full of symbolic phrases which identify its subjects as Israelites. In chapter 1 they are called *“predestined,” “chosen”* the *“purchased possession”* and so on. Then in vs 1 of chapter 2 he says to them, speaking of Christ: *“And you hath He quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins;”* Again, the presence of the Law identifies them as Israelites, for in 1 John 3:4 we read that *“sin is transgression of the*

*law.”* And in Romans 4:15, *“for where no law is, there is no transgression.”* In order to be transgressors these Ephesians had to have the Law. Again, only Israel had the Law. In chapter 2 is also the passage about these people being reconciled to the household of God, by the blood of Christ. You would not use the term reconciled to anyone who had not once been a part of the group, [so much for “universal reconciliation”] had been alienated, and now bought back again or reconciled. Remember that at other times I’ve shown how Israel became God’s wife at Mount Sinai, then because of her adultery and worshipping other gods, she was divorced and cast off.

Now, Jesus, through his shed blood, has effected a reconciliation, between God and God’s divorced wife Israel. Israel is reconciled. We do not use the term reconcile to describe a first time marriage between two parties. The term is used only to describe a re-uniting after a separation. Throughout the New Testament, therefore, whenever the term ‘reconcile’ or ‘reconciliation’ is used, it can refer only to divorced and cast off Israel being brought back through the Christian faith. In addition, there is no prophecy that Christ in this age would convert a people or a nation of non-Israelites. But instead that He would convert the Israelites that is what was happening as the book of Acts and these letters testify.

The letters to the Philippians, Colossians, Thessalonians, Timothy and so on, do not have clear-cut passages which can be pointed to, and say see these are Israelites. But they follow the same pattern as the others, in using the names for Israel such as ‘saints,’ ‘brethren,’ ‘sons of God,’ ‘elect,’ ‘peculiar people,’ and so on. The letter to the Hebrews by its title and contents is addressed to Israelites. Then follows James: *“James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad, greeting.”* James not only identifies

them as Israelites, but as scattered tribes, or the dispersed tribes. Since James’ letter was written years before the dispersion of the Jews in 70AD, it is also proof that the dispersion of Israel had taken place prior to the dispersion of the Jews.

I think that is enough for now to prove that the New Testament is written to and about Israelites. I believe that you can see from what little we have covered here that the New Testament is a record of the conversion to Christianity of most of the Israelites who heard the Gospel. Then of their diligence in carrying that gospel on to other Israelites who were then converted. So that within a few decades of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, most of the Israelites in the eastern end of the Mediterranean had become Christians and were no longer called Israelites, Jews, or Judeans. I believe that process continued.

However, most ministers today try and tell us that all of the world’s Israelites are followers of a religion called Judaism, and that they number only a few millions of people. In order for that doctrine to be true, that would mean that in the centuries since the book of Acts and the New Testament were written, all of these Christian Israelites would have had to abandon Christianity, denounce Jesus Christ, turn back to the religion of Phariseism, and resist almost to a man reconversion back to Christianity. In that case, their quick and seemingly almost spontaneous acceptance of the gospel of Jesus Christ in their first century,

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hardly makes sense, either from rational or from a prophetic standpoint.

No! The only thing that makes sense is that these Israelites did become Christian, and they now number in the tens and hundreds of millions, in Europe, North America, South Africa, Australia and New Zealand. And that although millions are not diligent in their obedience to the Christian gospel [much of that due to being mis-taught by clergy], still they have not turned to religions such as Judaism which are in opposition to Jesus Christ.

You should read also in conjunction the companion article, available in small booklet, *The Old Testament Christians* (#224 @ \$2.15). You can read of the covenants God made with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Israel, and compare the history of these people of Christian Europe and Christian America to see if we have been fulfilling these prophecies about Israel. You get it and read it!

[This was Sheldon Emry's contribution to showing that the scriptures deal EXCLUSIVELY with Israel]

## THE HIGH COST OF IGNORING GOD'S LAWS

by William J. Cameron

"Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil. For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled. Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least of the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall teach men so, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven." (Matt 5:17-19).

"Do we then make void the law through faith? God forbid: yea, we establish the law." (Romans 3:31).

For forty days during the season of the year called Lent, multitudes of our fellow-citizens give special consideration to their moral responsibilities. Society as we know it is made possible only by a general agreement that certain individual attitudes are socially serviceable, and other socially harmful. From the lowest to the highest, our social codes are remarkably alike.

There are certain *minimum* terms on which people can live together and if these be broken, social stability is lost. They must be set up again if social stability is lost. They must be set up again if social life is to be resumed. The most comprehensive statement known to us of the *minimum terms on which society can be maintained is the Ten Commandments*. (Ex. 20., Deut 5., confirmed by Jesus Matt 5)

What are these terms? Well, beginning at the foot of that ladder, they are these: *don't envy* what your neighbour has; go out and get its equivalent for yourself if you really want it. *Don't use false words* to or about another; counterfeit words destroy social commerce as a flood of counterfeit money destroys trade. *Don't steal*; any sort of stealing endangers economic balance and damages the thief more than his victim (includes stealing by authorities, hiding behind fancy terms such as 'confiscation'!). These recognize, in the spoken word and in possessions earned by work, a sacred quality that forbids tampering. *Don't destroy life* (before or after the fact: birth control, or aborticide). *Don't adulterate life*, especially family life (don't mix your kind with another kind). *Honor those—your father and mother*—who were the links before you in the chain of life, as you will be the links of life to those who follow you. *Take notice of time*—give at least a part to nourish the moral man. To this Commandment we owe the almost incredible fact that the titanic activity of the world slows down for hundreds of millions of people one day in seven (when they should also remember to "not forsaking the

*assembling of yourselves together, as the manner of some is*" Heb 10:25). And then some *three Commandments* that safeguard the human mind from superstition when thinking of Deity.

This is the basic law on which all Anglo-Saxon laws are founded. Basic, because it is first written in the normal constitution of human nature. Commandments so-called, they simply state what right-minded people naturally do, and what no law can compel wrong-minded persons to do. Thus, they are more than commandments; they are the profound constitution of the good society. Analyze any of them and in it you will find an indispensable social necessity. No strong social structure has arisen where any of these elements has been lacking.

Take the Eighth Commandment—*Thou Shalt Not Steal*:—the economic complexion of the country would practically be changed by obedience to that. No one knows how much is stolen in this country every year; we only know the thefts that are detected and prosecuted. The value of the property involved in known thefts amounts to more than the cost of Federal, State, and Local Governments combined, in normal times. Much of this property never is restored. The Law of Moses, in whose name these Commandments have come to us, made *restoration a part of the penalty*. Under our system, a thief steals your overcoat; you lost your overcoat, the thief loses his liberty, and society loses his service while it supports him in jail! The Mosaic system would require the thief to work to restore the overcoat, and then work longer making other overcoats to teach him what a rent his misdeed had made in the social fabric.

With us, this violation involves not only the property stolen; there are also the costly things we must do to protect ourselves from thievery. Think of the costs of locks and bars, of watchmen and police, of burglary insurance and other forms of protection that would not be necessary in an honest society. When you figure the cost of our ordinary commercial or domestic defenses against thievery, and add it to the value of stuff stolen, the Eighth Commandment takes on real economic importance.

And it reaches into very high places. It is not the sneak thief or the robber with a gun that is the most costly thief. The embezzler, the perpetrator of postal frauds, the purveyor of false securities, the forger, the businessman who "fails" in false bankruptcy, the wholesale stealing of various gambling rackets—these are sufficiently important financially to compare with our total normal cost of government.

In the aggregate stealing costs us as individuals [an unbelievable amount of money each year]. A high tax to pay for dishonesty! It spells the difference between plenty and not enough. May it not be, as many insist, that part of our economic difficulty is moral? If we as a people were right in our behaviour in this respect, would not things begin to go right?

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