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The Scripture instructs: "*Is any sick among you? ... anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: ... and the Lord shall raise him up*" (*James 5:14-15*). Treatments and medicines are valuable tools given by God but our trust is in Him for their wise use.

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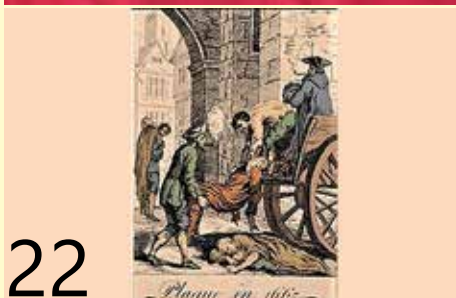
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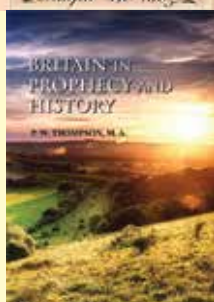
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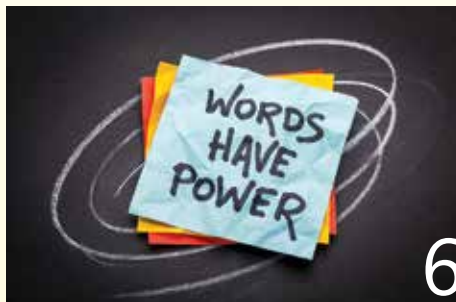


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*Judges 5:17*



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## EDITORIAL

# CHAOS AND CONFUSION RULE AS RUSSIA AND CHINA PREPARE FOR CONFRONTATION

(see *Psalms* 83:2-5)

**W**e are now in the very end of days bringing God's correcting punishment to the covenant nations for our gross national sin (*Jeremiah* 30:11). In our article "**Russia makes her move for control of the top of the earth**" (*The Covenant Nations* Vol. 1, No. 4, 2008) it was said:

"There is the startling reference in this context provided by the prophet Ezekiel – in what is known as the Russian chapters – to Gog who comes **“against the Mountains of Israel that were a continuous waste ... to attack a land of unwalled villages ... to plunder and loot ... against a People collected from the heathen, practising commerce and trade, and residing on the top of the earth.”** (*Ezekiel* 38:8, 11-12 Ferrar Fenton). This would appear to be a clear pointer to the Arctic territory, where the covenant nations of Canada, the United States, Denmark and Norway reside."

Russia as the **hammer and sickle** (since 1917) has been used to cut down and destroy at the time of harvest in the Age-end. In prophetic reality it constitutes God's "**battle-axe and weapons of war**" (*Jeremiah* 51:20); the meaning of 'battle-axe' here is of a brutal **hammer** or maul, which significantly is what Ferrar Fenton renders in his translation. We should not forget that Russia destroyed no less than 80 percent of the German Nazi armies in World War II. In contrast, the Israel armies are only "a sharp threshing instrument" (*Isaiah* 41:15).

The will of 'The Biden-Harris

**Administration'** (*as the White House website now revealingly styles itself*) is being tested. Suddenly, from 21 March, 2021,\* the Russians filmed three of their nuclear submarines simultaneously breaking through five feet thick of Arctic ice. In the weeks following Russian armed forces have been mobilized in open aggressive stance. President Putin, a long-term strategist, began moving two vast armies across Russia assembling next to the Ukraine. Why would he bring more than 100,000 Russian troops and military hardware from as far away as the Estonian border and Siberia to achieve mere 'sabre-rattling'?

After a year of experiencing the effects of the global pandemic, Putin sees America as being in greater decline than ever before. The same goes for China (where the pandemic started) with its growing military power and presence being established in the South China Sea. Australia with the Five Eyes Military Alliance is deeply concerned, apart from New Zealand's 'woke' leadership!

The passing on 9 April of **The Prince Philip of Greece and Denmark**, the nation's longest serving consort, took place 2 x 31 days (Deity doubled) short of his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on 10 June, 2021. This unique event in our history appears to be marked in significance for the warships of the Royal Navy and the Commonwealth (plus America). **There is a remarkable link to Prince Philip's family that reveals the continuity of the tribe of Dan and their descendants remaining**

**in ships upon the oceans of the world.**

It was on 5 December, 1969, that Prince Philip's mother, Princess Andrew of Greece and Denmark, passed away at Buckingham Palace. **Fifty years later exactly – the Jubilee number – from Princess Andrew's death, on 4-5 December 2019, Britain's two new aircraft carriers the *Queen Elizabeth* and the *Prince of Wales* docked side by side in Portsmouth for the first time.** The Lesson for 5 December in the 1662 *Book of Common Prayer* is *Isaiah* 28 where the "covenant with death" is "**disannulled**" or overthrown in judgment (v. 17-18).

The link to the sea and the tribe of Dan for Prince Philip of Greece and Denmark as a mark of Dan, who did "**remain in ships,**" thus became evident as a witness that **the time had arrived for Britain to resume her global vision and role** after 47 years of displacement of **The Queen being 'deceived in her grant' – that is, the Realm betrayed at law by her Ministers to be subsumed by the pagan European Union.**

Our deepest thoughts and prayers have been communicated to The Queen at this time that, in the days and months ahead, she will be given the strength and comfort of the Lord our God in the sure hope of the soon gathering together of His Elect (*Matthew* 24:31).

\*In Divine Time Measure terms this date fell exactly 100 displacement cycles from the birth of U.S. President Joe Biden (the legality of whose election is yet to be fully established).

# WORDS, WORDS, WORDS ...

## *Only the Word of God can Heal*

In *Genesis* 1 we're told that God spoke the universe into being. Verse 3: "And God said..."; v. 6: "And God said..."; v. 9: "And God said..."; v. 11: "Then God said..."; v. 14: "And God said..."; v. 20: "And God said..."; v. 24: "And God said..."; v. 26: "Then God said..." and verse 29: "Then God said..." So we see nine references in one chapter, the first in the Bible, to the mighty creative power unleashed by the spoken word of God. *Hebrews* 11:3 and *Psalms* 33:6 both confirm this interpretation of *Genesis* 1. Scripture is its own interpreter.

Then *John's* Gospel commences: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning." So we have the Lord Jesus identified both as creator and as 'the Word.'

Matthew Henry expands on *John* 1 by reminding us that "the plainest reason why the Son of God is called the Word, seems to be, that as our words explain our minds to others, so was the Son of God sent in order to reveal his Father's mind to the world."

These quotations tell us that words are important to God. With the help of the Holy Spirit, explanation and revelation in the human heart lead to salvation.

If Jesus as the Word of Jehovah reveals the Father's mind to the world, ought we not to have an elevated view of the importance of words? And what implication does that have for how we as Christians use language? The Bible certainly has something to say on the subject. *Matthew* 15:8 reads: "What comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this defiles a person." *Proverbs* too is full of references to the danger of thoughtless words.

Consideration of the words used in the interview of Meghan and Harry by Oprah Winfrey and in the avalanche of comments thereafter in the press, television and in social media initiated a critical examination of how words are routinely used in the postmodern world.

The first lesson is that there is no longer such a thing in modern thinking as objective, absolute truth. At the beginning of the interview

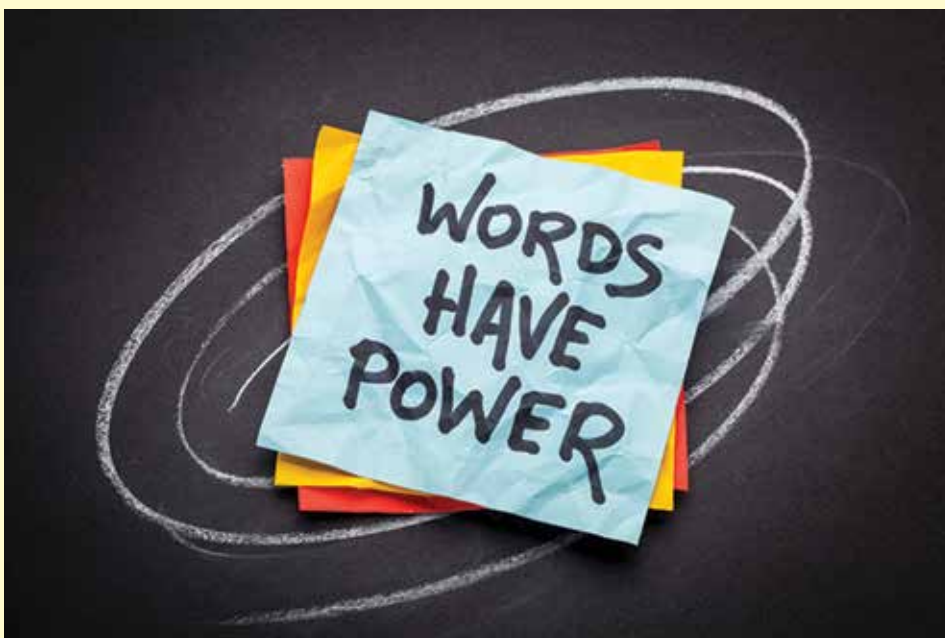
broadcast on 7 March, 2021, Oprah invited Meghan Markle to speak *her* truth. What this really implies is that she was being asked to give an account of her *feelings*. She was neither expected to, nor did she, state precisely what she had observed, as she would be required to do if a witness in a court of law, omitting what she *felt* about it.

Note that this precludes a reasoned challenge – in fact it makes it impossible. No one can say definitively what another person *feels*. What this kind of interview does do, however, is validate the feelings to elicit a particular reaction in those who are listening. Encapsulated, this translates to "it may or may not be objectively true, but I sympathise with this speaker because she *feels like this*."

George M Philp, in *It's a Hard Life*, a dissertation on the book of *Ecclesiastes*, writes on page 18: "When you try to think your way through life, detached from God, it is indeed an unhappy business. People don't like thinking, because it is too painful, and the result is that they try desperately, as an alternative, to manufacture 'mood'."

So even though what a person feels may not be reasonable or true, he/she may well not be conscious of deliberately telling an untruth because he or she has manufactured 'mood' as an alternative to painful thought.

Of course, feelings are notoriously unreliable. All of us harbour feelings that originate with our perception of past events and relationships. However, another universal rule operates: words and actions have consequences. So if someone in the public eye expresses her feelings on



a widely-hyped television show, in full knowledge of the likely reaction, then those feelings are the catalyst for (a) people to take sides, (b) those to whom 'blame' is attributed to 'feel' obliged to make a conciliatory response, and (c) confirmation of pre-existing prejudices, used as a lever for change.

And all arising from 'words'! Truly *"the human tongue is physically small, but what tremendous effects it can boast of! ... It can poison the whole body, it can make the whole of life a blazing hell"* (J.B. Phillips *New Testament* – translation of *James 3*).

In the immediate aftermath of the televising of the interview, the welter of words has been overwhelming. As Christians we should resist the temptation to join in with the natural desire vehemently to defend the target(s) of the 'feelings' expressed therein. But we observe the covert attack on the Crown – *"touch not the Lord's anointed"* (*Psalms 105:15*). However, as words are the vehicle by which we testify to the grace of God as conveyed to us through the sacrifice of Christ Jesus, the Living Word, the arguments in the press and social media can give an insight into the important obstacles we encounter in our endeavours to do so.

### The Heart of the Issue

The most toxic subject matter in the fall-out from the interview is that of race, and it is here that we discover that we are pulled into an 'Alice in Wonderland' experience if we try to get to the bottom of what is being propounded by those commenting:

"When I use a word," Humpty Dumpty said in rather a scornful tone, "it means just what I choose it to mean — neither more nor less." "The question is," said Alice, "whether you can make words mean so many different things." "The question is," said Humpty Dumpty,

'which is to be master — that's all'."

Indeed. And as Christians we have only one Master.

Here is an exchange that took place on Facebook and that gives us some hint of the attitudes and worldview of so many, particularly in the younger age groups:

A: How does it come that in the case of both Barack Obama and Meghan Markle, both are mixed race but identify as black? How they see themselves is significant, indicating, as it may, that much more capital is to be made out of that identity than a white or mixed race one.

B: They identify themselves as black ethnicity because they have black ethnicity you simpleton. [Note: A is a law graduate].

A: I bow to your superior knowledge. Now you could maybe explain to simpleton me why black 'ethnicity' overrides white 'ethnicity' to the extent of completely obliterating it????

B: It doesn't override at all. Black people have been oppressed for hundreds of years – unlike white people, it's not superior knowledge it's common sense.

The 'Black Lives Matter' movement in the USA has created a favoured elite who are deemed worthy of having their voices heard, while so many other genuinely persecuted people, both historically and currently, are ignored. Why should this be? What distinguishes black Americans (even allowing for the moment that their historical claims are accurate) from the people of all colours ensnared in modern slavery? Or from North Korean or Chinese Christians who are victims of their governments' Communist dogma? Or Nigerian Christians kidnapped and murdered by Boko Haram? Is there no sense of common cause with these oppressed peoples?

We are now getting to the nub of

things. These brothers and sisters of ours are expendable, because their sufferings do not contribute to the political propaganda that furthers the aims of the people who propound it. Nor does support for persecuted Christians fulfil a primary objective of those whom we can identify, for want of a better term, as 'cultural Marxists': the dismemberment of western society.

Christians generally find the vehemence, cohesion and seeming numerical strength of this faction daunting. Yet God has called us to be His witnesses at such a time as this. How do we prayerfully adjust our thinking so as to be of kingdom use at this critical juncture in world history?

*Firstly*, we need to understand that the 'cultural Marxists' actually are genuinely oppressed people. They are oppressed by the lies of the evil one. Here is what George M Philp writes on page 10 of *It's a Hard Life*: "Some people, when feeling frustrated, say, 'What is wrong with me? I seem to be going round and round in circles and getting nowhere.' Exactly! That is worldly life. There is neither hope nor fulfilment in it. Through the whole of *Ecclesiastes* the preacher presses home this truth, almost ruthlessly. To worldly men and women he says, 'Face up to it; you are trapped'."

It is easy to fall into an attitude of hatred for the people who are pulling apart most of the familiar features of society that we have grown up with, understand and with which we are comfortable. Get rid of that approach now! These folk are 'trapped,' and they are being used by powers of which they are largely completely ignorant. For them God is 'non-existent.' If you operate in a 'closed system' (*i.e.* all there is is what you see around you in the world and there is no outside agency to reach into that and help you), despair is the default. Jesus is

our Rescuer. If there were nothing to rescue us from, He didn't need to die on the Cross.

So how do we witness to them? That is the tough question. From many exchanges on social media, I have come to the conclusion that unless you can introduce the Gospel, don't even try. Only the blazing light of the Word of God can cut through the darkness and illogicality of the comments they contribute. Furthermore, if you engage with them on their terms you are finished, because remember: *there is no objective truth!* There are only 'feelings.'

*Hebrews 4:12* tells us: "*For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.*" Isn't it wonderful to know that God's word does the surgical work for us? It's God's word, so it's always going to be effective. Don't rely on your own abilities – rely on the infallible word of God.

*Secondly*, the one thing that is totally absent from the comments they write is forgiveness. They have rejected God's standards, but there is a complete failure to establish on what basis they are seizing the moral high ground. What standards are they employing to adjudicate on what is right and what is wrong? In addition, most of them will have grown to adulthood never having been introduced to the concept of sin. Therefore what we Christians understand by forgiveness is unknown territory.

What they know they believe in is evolution, because they'll have been immersed in that paradigm throughout their education – and if they take it to its natural conclusion, they believe in the concept of survival of the fittest. The fact that Darwin also believed that

the dark-skinned races were less developed than the white does not seem to feature in their thinking. So anything goes: they are the fittest, and they will survive, even if it means ignoring all objective truth and throwing everything but the kitchen sink at you.

“In the beginning was  
the Word ...”

*John 1:1*

However, we cannot throw up our hands and say that witnessing to these folk is hopeless. The imperative of scripture is expressed in *Mark 16:15*: “[Jesus] said to them, ‘Go into the world and preach the good news to all creation’.” Social media give us the opportunity to ‘go into the world’ electronically, and we should use them to proclaim Christ Jesus. We're also told, “*But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.*” The Holy Spirit is going to be with us – how amazing is that? So WE are the fittest: fitted by the Lord for His work.

How do we go about this witnessing? First last and always we pray, because we need to claim the power of the Holy Spirit, and rely on him for every word. We also have to see these unlovable people as those for whom Christ died, and we have to ask the Holy Spirit to open our hearts to them.

More, Jesus tells us that HE is the Way, the Truth and the Life – the order is progressive. When everything else is a muddle and a mess, we point to Jesus. *Ecclesiastes* helps us understand that ‘all is vanity,’ and that people's days on earth are limited. Deep down, everyone knows that. Without the

hope that Jesus gives, that is the grim reality of life. So this is where we have to start to engage with the woke generation to bring healing.

The Bible tells us of a Saviour who really knew what persecution was: “*Jesus replied, ‘Foxes have dens and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head’*” (*Matthew 8:20*). Homeless, and constantly pursued by the scholars and leaders of Judaism who wanted to argue with him (sound familiar?), he never lost his temper or devised put-downs but constantly reminded them of his own identity, the accuracy of the Old Testament prophecies concerning him and what God required of them in response. This should be our model.

Of course it also bears saying that no-one was ever subjected to persecution such as was borne by the Lord Jesus at the end of His short life on earth. Even secular sources attest to the facts of His life and death. *Isaiah 52* recounts the physical damage done by His barbaric execution, but it also wonderfully reminds us that Jesus is the great overcomer. And amazingly, He grants us, His unworthy disciples, the blessing of being overcomers in His name:

*“Behold, My Servant will prosper; He will be raised and lifted up and highly exalted. Just as many were appalled at Him; His appearance was disfigured beyond that of any man, and His form was marred beyond human likeness: so He will sprinkle many nations Kings will shut their mouths because of Him. For they will see what they have not been told, and they will understand what they have not heard”* (*Isaiah 52:13-15*).

Keep trusting – He is a mighty Saviour! The coming King of kings!

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# THE MEDALLION

*Readers are invited to help the author solve his question about the origin and history of this medallion.*

I would be pleased for any assistance from your readership regarding this medallion. It measures 25.75mm x 36.3 mm and weighs 10.1 g; it is silver and has a maker's mark. It is in a good condition and I do not know any value. I am aware of three other identical medallions which were both sold in Israel in 2018. Two were silver and the other gold which sold for 677 dollars. The sale details provide only a description and no information about its meaning or purpose.

I purchased it about 30 years ago at an antique medal/coin stall in York as I was intrigued by it. Since then it has been kept in a wooden box and forgotten about. Only recently have I wondered what it may be and no one so far has been able to give a definitive explanation.

There are, however, various opinions such as it may be related to a nineteenth century Jewish Friendly Society, Jewish Masonic Lodge, perhaps a British Palestine Military Award but the main opinion is that it is connected somehow to the British Israel Organisation (sic). One view is that it may be from a British Israel congregation and may be one of the ornaments which had been attached to the case of a Torah Scroll to honour the scriptures.

**The front** is the British Royal Coat of Arms and I am told it is post 1837. I was informed that Queen Victoria and King George

VI supported the view of the British Israel Organisation with regard to the royal lineage.

The Hebrew writing on the front says ... KADOSH ISRAEL MALKEINU ... (The) HOLY (one of) ISRAEL OUR (is our) KING. This may imply



that the real King is God rather than some earthly monarch. It may be from *Psalm 89:18*.

**The reverse** is the Star of David. An opinion is that the line of King David continued and the British monarchy are descendants, hence linking the Star of David with the British Royal Coat of Arms.

The Hebrew writing on the reverse states ... ATEM EDAI ... YOU (plural) ARE MY WITNESSES. This may be from *Isaiah 43:10*, relating to the people of Israel as God's witnesses.

As I have researched this medallion it has stirred quite some interest as to what it actually might be, what was it used for, who had it produced and why, how many others are there, what was its purpose etc. As the general opinion is that it is somehow connected with the British Israel Organisation I am interested to know if any members have the same medallion and if anyone knows anything about it.

If it is connected to this organisation I would be interested to return it to where it belongs as part of its history and story.

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# IN THIS DAY AND AT THIS HOUR

It is beyond question that the integrity of the United Kingdom and the great company of covenant nations in all their aspects have been undermined during the past seven decades. What has happened by neglect and deliberate action is unacceptable and the voice of the People must now be heard. In the Western World we are a people in crisis, desperately looking for positive guidance and **leadership** that will remove us from the deepening quagmire of destruction in a spiritual vacuum.

Is there a way out of the present impasse? What will change prevailing conditions and bring to the forefront leaders of spiritual stature and righteous convictions, joined by a people who are willing and ready to face every contingency that may suddenly confront us? The answer lies in the acknowledgement of **our origin and destiny** and, as a consequence, our responsibility as God's servant people. When we grasp this truth, we will be struck with the awe-inspiring fact that Divine Providence has intimately overshadowed our people in their continuing **birthright** development into a family of covenant nations.

When the knowledge of our origin causes us to become aware of our destiny as witnesses for God as His People, we will gain the spiritual strength that will enable us to overcome all obstacles in the way of the attainment of the goal set before us. When, finally, we are awakened to the full acceptance of our governmental responsibilities, the propensity to compromise and appease will give way to firm determination born of courage and confidence. This will enable our governing officials to implement to the fullest extent the establishment of justice, equity and peace within our national borders.

The British people are a '**company of nations**' in the Western World from which a God-ordered civilization sprung. The flow of this many-branched river dried up with the onset of a false vision that we had '*lost an empire and had not yet found a role.*' It is our assertion that the Kingdom of God upon earth is still Divinely-controlled and, under righteous rulers administering the affairs of state, the prophecy of Daniel will ultimately come fully to pass:

*"And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him"*  
(Daniel 7:27).

It is our conviction as believers in the Kingdom teaching that the Christian Western World constitutes the literal descendants of **both** Houses of ancient Israel. Also, that the dogma of Replacement Theology – the claim that ‘the Church’ has replaced Israel as the Kingdom of God upon earth – is false, having emanated from Roman Catholic dogma.

There is also the position of the Jewish State of Israel which is at the centre of a fatal siege as ‘a Masada state.’ It bears none of the marks that could identify it as true Israel, that of being “*a name and a praise among all people of the earth*” (*Zephaniah 3:20*). Those Protestants who reject Replacement Theology yet see the Jewish State in Palestine as ‘Israel,’ a name meaning ‘ruling with God,’ are now caught between two untenable positions.

In view of the increasing worldwide chaos and the wave of terror generated by the evil-inspired ‘unclean spirits’ in our midst, plus the escalating economic debt crisis, we consider it our duty to call upon the Protestant Church to awaken to the Israel Kingdom vision. It needs to find the prophetic vision and voice that has been missing for the past seventy years. **The Church is the nation** – for it is the Kingdom that is the greatest *continuing* order confirming the plan of God for the world. There is clear failure to provide the necessary guidance and leadership for the covenant nations at this hour of greatest need. Thus do we say **in this day and at this hour, let us lift a Standard in the sight of the People**, for as the prophet Isaiah declared:

*“According to their deeds, accordingly he will repay, fury to his adversaries, recompence to his enemies; to the islands he will repay recompence. So shall they fear the name of the LORD from the west, and his glory from the rising of the sun. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall lift up a standard against him”*

*(Isaiah 59: 18-19).*

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# THE HEALING POWER OF THE HEM

## *How Jesus Restored the Woman*

**M**any that lived in the days of Jesus had heard of His healing power. So when Jesus came to town this often created quite a stir. Townsfolk would pour out of their houses and come in from the fields in an attempt to catch a glimpse of Him, to hear Him speak, and perhaps to seek healing themselves.

What happened on the day that Jesus entered a small town in Galilee where a bleeding woman pressed through a surging crowd of people in order to grab hold of the hem of His garment, and was miraculously healed? Key Passages: *Mark 5:25-34; Matthew 9:20.*

How can taking hold of someone's garment heal you of a disease? To our modern ears this all sounds very strange.

### **The Hem of The Garment**

In the first century the hem of your

garment made an important social statement. Its width, embroidered patterns, colour and tassels all said something about you – who you were, to which tribe and family you belonged, and your social standing within it. Each person's hem was so unique that it could be pressed into soft clay and be accepted as a signature. It described the wearer's identity.

### **Did She Only Touch the Hem of The Garment?**

The biblical account tells us that the woman 'touched' the hem of Jesus' garment. The word touch here is the Greek 'ἅπτομαι' (haptomai) which literally means "the securing together of two things so that they become one and stay one." It is an attachment by which one is altered or changed.

The touch of the woman was not merely a passive passing contact as a result of the pressing crowd, it was

a deliberate action on her part – she had heard of Him, actively sought Him and then made her way through the crowd in order to reach Him, after which she took hold of the hem of His garment which represents His identity, and thereby expressed a desire to come into a state of oneness with Him, a oneness in which darkness and disease has no place.

But she did not just grab the hem randomly. She specifically grabbed the part of the hem known as the 'κράσπεδον' (kraspedon) which is the tassel, or the corner of His garment.

### **What is Special about the Corner of The Garment?**

Now there is something special about the corner of a first century garment. In Hebrew these corners are known as the 'קַנָּף' (kānāp), a word which literally illustrates the wings of a bird. Bird wings have two functions: firstly, they aid in



flight and, secondly, they are used to protect and strengthen the young.

The Hebrew *kānāp* describes the hiding and enclosing function of a bird's wings, as something that strengthens and protects – a great illustration of what a garment does. To these corners the Israelites were commanded to attach tassels for the purpose of reminding them of the source of their protection and strength, namely the Law of God. *“And it shall be a tassel for you to look at and remember all the commandments of the LORD, to do them...”* (Numbers 15:39).

So by attaching herself securely to the *kraspedon* of Jesus' hem the woman was expressing her desire to seek refuge in Jesus, under His protective wings. She desired to be secured to His identity as embodied by His Holy Law, as she believed that it was in Him and in His Word, that life, strength and healing was to be found.

### **Virtue and Wisdom**

As the woman took hold of the hem the effect was instant, and both Jesus and the woman “knew” that something of great significance had happened. The woman was instantly healed, whilst Jesus felt that virtue had left His body. What is this virtue?

We know that it is something that left His body so therefore it must be connected to His identity, which is defined by the Torah – a most wonderful word that encompasses the Law of God, His Word, but also the concepts of teaching, instruction, and “a guide to life.”

The Book of *Proverbs* shows us that virtue and the Torah are connected to wisdom – those who seek wisdom will find life, whilst those who reject her are walking along byways of death.

### **The Restoration of Wisdom**

Man rejected wisdom when he ate of the forbidden fruit in the Garden of Eden. Wisdom seeks to dwell with man, yet man continues to reject her and as a result wisdom is unable to enter into the heart of man. In the Book of *Enoch* we read: *“Wisdom found no place where she could dwell, and her dwelling was in heaven. Wisdom went out, in order to dwell with the sons of men, but did not find a dwelling; wisdom returned to her place, and took her seat in the midst of angels”* (Enoch 42:1-2).

Through seeking Jesus and His Torah we express a desire to come under His protection, recognising that our strength and life originate in Him. This process opens our heart to receiving the wisdom which was rejected so many years ago in the garden. *“To you, O men, I [wisdom] call; and my cry is to the children of man... I delight in the children of man... for whoever finds me finds life...”* (Proverbs 8:4, 31, 35).

Just as virtue, or wisdom, flowed out of the body of Jesus and healed the bleeding woman, so we will also experience oneness with Jesus, our Lord, when our heart is opened to His Torah – He will enter in and restore our condition of brokenness completely, turning it from sickness to health, from darkness to light.

### **Your Faith has made you Whole**

Jesus described the action of the woman as an act of faith. She had come to the end of herself, she had spent all that she had, she was defeated as all her efforts only made her situation worse. From this low point she turned away from all that she knew, the wisdom of man, and sought the One who was greater, realising that only He could save.

This required faith. It was her act of faith in Jesus that initiated

the healing. She actively took hold of His garment – she sought to identify herself with Him, to become one with Him. As a result of this action the woman was made whole. This word ‘whole,’ *σώζω* (*sózó*), is interesting as it literally means ‘to save.’ This word is part of a cluster of words which all carry the meaning of wholeness and soundness. Another word in this cluster is the word *σοφία* (*sophia*) meaning wisdom.

So it is by faith in Jesus that we are saved, and by acting on this faith that we are healed. As we come into union with Jesus, as we become one, His wisdom can flow freely into our being, changing our condition of brokenness into wholeness.

### **An Encouragement for Today**

Let us be encouraged by this story. Let us identify with the woman in it. Let us not only recognise Jesus as our Saviour, but act on this faith and recognise Him as our King.

Let us grab hold of Him, secure ourselves to Him so that His Virtue restores our brokenness – so that His Virtue, His Identity once again finds a dwelling place in our bodies. Then in turn we will be able to fulfil our destiny as Israelites for the healing of the nations as foretold by the prophet Zechariah: *“Thus says the LORD of hosts: In those days ten men from the nations of every tongue shall take hold of the robe [kānāp] of a Judahite saying, Let us go with you, for we have heard that God is with you”* (Zechariah 8:23).

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# CAN THE COVENANT NATIONS SURVIVE?

## *Trusting Spiritual Revival in Jesus' Redeeming Love*

**Y**es, they can make it! The answer is in Holy Scripture where Almighty God gives it. I am constantly encouraged and thankful to Almighty God for the Holy Spirit's guidance of the discernment in each editorial. From the previous issue<sup>1</sup> I honour the insights quoting Dr. Coggan who argued: "Economic regeneration had to be accompanied by moral regeneration."

Before this liberal, post-modern existential neo-tolerant relativistic evil age, biblical truth was revered. I am reminded of some scriptural truths encouraging the spiritual welfare of a nation. "*Where there is no revelation, the people cast off restraint; but blessed is he who keeps the law.*" (Proverbs 29:18).

Our Lord Jesus speaks of the truth of the end of the age: "*Jesus answered: Watch out that no one deceives you. For many will come in my name, claiming 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many*" (Matthew 24:4-5).

Are covenant nations Britain (Ephraim) and America (Manasseh) going to **wake up and be strong and courageous as Churchill stood firm honouring Almighty God in 1939-1945?** Are we all becoming **worthless and soft?** The Apostle Paul recorded: "*As it is written: There is no one righteous, not even one; there is no one who understands, no one who seeks God*" (Romans 3:10-11). Our forefathers were faithful to Almighty God and stood firm against all evil!

Further, quoted also in the Editorial, Dr. Coggan said: "Many are realizing that a materialistic answer is no real answer at all. There are moral and spiritual issues at stake. The truth is that we in Britain are without anchors. We are drifting towards chaos. A common enemy in two world wars drew us together in united action – and we defeated him. Another enemy is at the gates today, and we keep silence.... It is time we spoke plainly."

Marxist deconstructionism, discrimination and political correctness is silencing free speech. Remember what Churchill said in his book *The River War*<sup>2</sup>. I pray that you may be able to find a copy of Volume II. Volumes I and II have been condensed into one book and the above reference has been deleted. Why?

The insights of that Editorial are dynamite! Hence the comment: "**Where are the shepherds to lead our national flock?**" I have preached on many occasions on what Almighty God said to Ezekiel: "*The word of the LORD came to me: Son of man, will you judge her? Will you judge this city of bloodshed? Then confront her with all her detestable practices and say: This is what the Sovereign LORD says: O city that brings on herself doom...*" (Ezekiel 22:1-3).

It is all about the 'shepherds': "*The word of the LORD came to me: Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel; prophesy and say to them: This is what the Sovereign*

*LORD says: Woe to the shepherds of Israel who only take care of themselves!*" (Ezekiel 34:1-2).

And: "*This is what the Sovereign LORD says: I am against the shepherds and will hold them accountable for my flock.*" (Ezekiel 34:10).

When I remember the Seven Days of Prayer King George VI requested of the Empire during WW II I am amazed that the following comment has fallen on deaf ears: "The experience of the 2020 'pandemic' for the covenant nations has been one of severe testing as the economic effects have deepened. Repeated requests have been made to the Prime Minister for a **National Day of Prayer**, all of which failed."

Their ears are deaf! Jesus often taught about **listening and hearing**. On one occasion when He did, it involved all of our eternal futures – from *Luke*: "*There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores and longing to eat what fell from the rich man's table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores. The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried. In hell, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side ... He said to him: **If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead***" (Luke 16:19-31).

**They did not listen. Are our covenant nations listening?** The Editorial, in another quote, has clearly defined the weakness: "...The Anglican hierarchy would rather talk progressive politics."

Over the past 400 years, until the 1950s, Britain was truly evangelically faithful to Almighty God; faithful to Jesus' call: "*Then Jesus came to them and said, All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit...*" (Matthew 28:18-19).

Britain was ordained by Almighty God **and put first** as Holy Scripture teaches: "*When Joseph saw his father placing his right hand on Ephraim's head he was displeased; so he took hold of his father's hand to move it from Ephraim's head to Manasseh's head. Joseph said to him, No, my father, this one is the firstborn; put your right hand on his head. But his father refused and said, I know, my son, I know. He too will become a people, and he too will become great. Nevertheless, his younger brother will be greater than he, and his descendants will become a group of nations*" (Genesis 48:17-19).

I believe the "group of nations" above in this type/shadow comparison represents the current covenant nations, especially highlighting the FELEG<sup>3</sup> group defined in an earlier issue. And we remember Moses receiving Almighty God's commands: "*Then Moses went up to God, and the Lord called to him from the mountain and said, This is what you are to say to the house of Jacob and what you are to tell the people of Israel: ... So, Moses went back and summoned the elders of the people and set before them all the words the Lord had commanded him to speak. The people all responded together, We*

*will do everything the Lord has said...*" (Exodus 19:3-8).

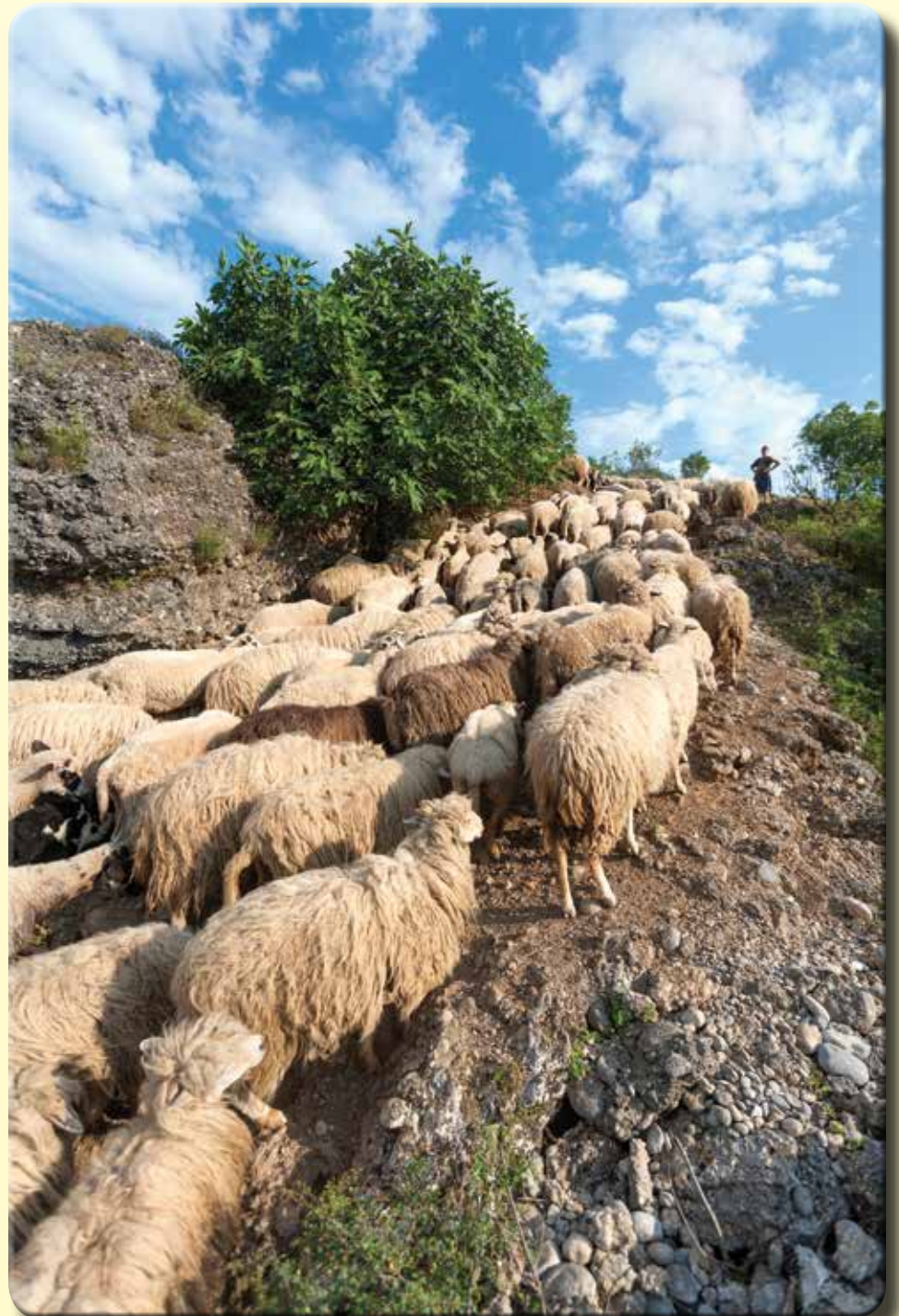
But as today, the people did not, and FELEG nations today **definitely are not obedient to Almighty God.** Psalm 130:7-8 is so encouraging: "*O Israel, put your hope in the Lord, for with the Lord is unfailing love and with him is full redemption. He himself will redeem Israel from all their sins.*"

However, Scripture reminds us of rebellion: "*Almighty God said: Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, to a rebellious nation that has*

*rebelled against me; they and their fathers have been in revolt against me to this very day*" (Ezekiel 2:3).

In the New Covenant Almighty God would send another "Son of Man" – His Son Jesus as we will see. The people did not listen: "*But the children rebelled against me: They did not follow my decrees ... So I said I would pour out my wrath on them...*" (Ezekiel 20:21).

The Lord has mercy on the remnant, the truly faithful, giving them a greater knowledge of Him: "*I will give them a heart to know me, that*



*I am the Lord. They will be my people, and I will be their God, for they will return to me with all their heart” (Jeremiah 24:7).*

Also: *“I have surely heard Ephraim’s moaning: You disciplined me like an unruly calf, and I have been disciplined. Restore me, and I will return, because you are the Lord my God. After I strayed, I repented; after I came to understand, I beat my breast. I was ashamed and humiliated because I bore the disgrace of my youth” (Jeremiah 31:18-19).*

From the truth in *Jeremiah* above, is this type/shadow comparison going to be taken on board today by Britain and America – indeed all covenant nations and territories? Jesus, the Son of Man, came *“to seek and save what was lost” (Luke 19:10)*. Concerning the truth and blessing of “knowing,” Jesus taught a wonderful truth on the day before Good Friday, as He was about to complete His mission of saving the elect: *“After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed:*

*Father, the time has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him ... And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began” (John 17:1-5).*

For all our covenant nations today, there is forgiveness. Jesus said: *“His sheep **listen to His voice.**”* Please read *John 10:3-4*. Jesus reminds us all: *“He told them, The secret of the kingdom of God has been given to you. But to those on the outside everything is said in parables so that, they may be ever seeing but never perceiving, and ever hearing but never understanding; otherwise, they might turn and be forgiven!” (Mark 4:11-12).*

The remnant of the Old Covenant and true believers of the New Covenant **are forgiven**. The Apostle Paul reveals our Covenant Nations eternal hope: *“Again, I ask: Did they stumble so as to fall beyond recovery? ... But if their*

*transgression means riches for the world, and their loss means riches for the Gentiles, how much greater riches will their fullness bring!” (Romans 11:11-12).*

And: *“Consider therefore the kindness and sternness of God: sternness to those who fell, but kindness to you, provided that you continue in his kindness. ... Israel has experienced a hardening in part until the full number of the Gentiles has come in. And so, all Israel will be saved, ...” (Romans 11:22-26).*

We continue to pray for spiritual revival for all covenant nations and territories.

Blessings

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## PAUSE FOR THOUGHT

**Fear** fills our lands; seeping into our very hearts and minds, filling us with a nameless undercurrent of dread and apprehension.

**Fear** of an invisible disease striking at random and threatening to overwhelm us. **Fear** of death. **Fear** of illness and incapacity. **Fear** of the destruction of the way of life we lived before. **Fear** of each other. **Fear** of what might happen next.

How have the leaders in Church and State responded? Have we had a National Day of Prayer? – **No**. Are we encouraged to put our hope in Almighty God? – **No**. Are we reassured that the situation is under control? – **No**.

There are many, many words of comfort in the Scriptures which we can share amongst us but hear the words of our Lord:

**“In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world” (John 16:33).**

# THE APOLOGY

We recently read an article that was sent to us, which told of an apology made by Jen Hatmaker, an evangelical author and speaker, following a prayer that she prayed publicly which she said made her uncomfortable. Hatmaker had joined a group of ‘progressive’ interfaith leaders on the occasion of the National Prayer Service on 21 January 2021 in honour of Joe Biden’s inauguration on January 20 and had offered the final liturgical prayer.

The prayer began with the words, “Almighty God, You have given us this good land as our heritage.” Normally, and in a sane world, this would not have made anyone uncomfortable. It is a patriotic sentiment that has been shared by our people since the founding of these United States of America, and is similar to what is found in the *Book of Common Prayer*. But in this insane world of politically correct revisionists and anti-American, anti-Christian activism, this historical fact is now somehow disturbing to some, even many. Today we are supposed to feel bad that God loves us and delights in giving us good gifts.

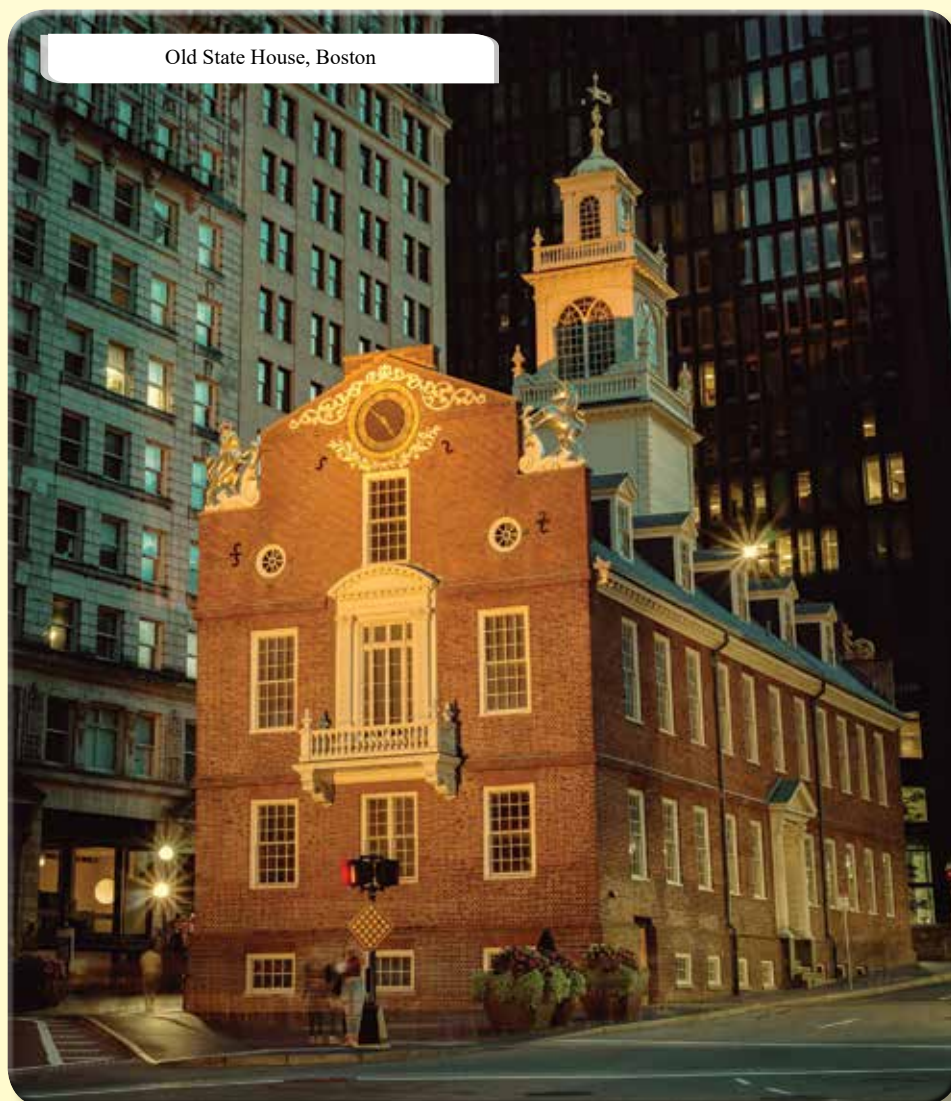
Shortly after the event she wrote, “I was proud to offer the final liturgical prayer which was written by the organizers to serve as an anchor. I have one regret and thus apology. The very first sentence thanked God for giving us this land as our heritage. He didn’t. He didn’t give us this land; we took this land by force and trauma. It wasn’t an innocent divine transaction in which God bestowed an empty continent to colonizers. This is a shiny version of our actual history. If God gave this land to anyone, it was to the Native community who always lived here.”

She then went on to explain that as soon as she read that first line from the prayer she began to regret it. “I panicked and froze and then just kept going. I am so sorry, community. Primarily sorry to my Native friends. It **matters** to me that we reckon with our history of white supremacy and the lies we surrounded it with, and I am filled with regret that I offered yet another hazy, exceptional rendition of the origin story of colonization. Ugh,” she lamented. “I can’t go on without apologizing. My stomach hurt all day.”

Be assured the writer’s stomach also hurts just from having repeated this story to you! Here is yet another White person, trashing her own race! She was, of course, widely praised for her remorse by the

enemies of this country, and those who have been programmed to think like her. The truth of the matter is that God did indeed give this land to our forefathers. We desired a place where we could live free and worship God as we saw fit, without government approval or regulation, and God heard the cry of our heart and gave us this wonderful land.

Our forefathers often made mention of God’s providence in giving us this great land, and they were humbly grateful to the Almighty for this great and marvellous gift. In an Election Sermon, preached before John Hancock, Samuel Adams and the Council, Senate and House of Representatives of Massachusetts on 26 May, 1790, the Rev. Daniel Foster declared, “True it is, God



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has done great things for us; He has delivered us from war, and invited us by the dawn of peace, to lay aside the dread artillery of death; He has given us a land that flows with milk and honey . . .”

In a message delivered on 5 April, 1810 in Andover, Massachusetts, the Rev. John Hubbard declared, “When the Israelites groaned in Egyptian bondage, He led them forth by the right hand of Moses, with His glorious arm, dividing the water before them, to make himself an everlasting name. And He afterwards led them into Canaan, and gave them the lands of the heathen; that they might observe His statutes, and keep His laws. These words may be properly applied to the first settlement of New England. God gave our fathers possession of this land, that they might observe His statutes, and keep His laws: or, in other words, that they might promote the pure religion of the gospel. That this was the design of our ancestors in settling in this land, is evident.”

In a sermon preached before the General Assembly of the State of Connecticut on 12 May, 1785, the Rev. Samuel Wales declared, “The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad. He hath given us a very extensive country abounding with the richest gifts of nature. With sufficient ease do we procure all the necessaries, together with most of the conveniences and delicacies of life. Could we procure them with more ease or in greater plenty, we should not be in so desirable a situation as we are now. A proper view of all our various blessings will lead us to conclude that we are indeed the most highly favoured people under heaven. God hath not dealt so with any other nation.”

Patrick Henry wrote, “Were my soul trembling on the wing of eternity, were this hand freezing to death, were my voice choking with the last

struggle, I would still, with the last gasp of that voice, implore you to remember the truth: God has given America [for us] to be free.”

But, you may ask, is it truly in keeping with God’s character to take a land from one people and give it to another? Would He really do such a thing? Absolutely — when that people is His people Israel! Israel is now, and has always been, His priority, His love.

*“Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: ask thy father, and he will shew thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee. When the most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when he separated the sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel. For the Lord’s portion is his people; Jacob is the lot of his inheritance”* (Deuteronomy 32:7-9).

When God sets the boundaries of the peoples of the earth, He does so according to the number of the children of Israel. Even so, we read in the Scriptures that whenever God gave a territory to His people, they had to go in and take the land from someone else. There are far too many passages to list here, but below are just a few of the Scriptures which show clearly that when God gave land to His beloved people Israel, He always displaced another people to do it.

*“And he brought forth his people with joy, and his chosen with gladness: and gave them the lands of the heathen: and they inherited the labour of the people; that they might observe his statutes, and keep his laws. Praise ye the Lord”* (Psalm 105:43-45).

*“He cast out the heathen also before them, and divided them an inheritance by line, and made the tribes of Israel to dwell in their tents”* (Psalm 78:55).

*“Thou hast brought a vine out of Egypt: thou hast cast out the heathen, and planted it. Thou preparedst room before it, and didst cause it to take deep root, and it filled the land”* (Psalm 80:8-9).

When God gave the land of Canaan to the Israelites, He told them to go in and destroy the people who were already living there. He was giving the land to His people, and wanted there to be peace in the land — and that could only be realized by eliminating the former inhabitants.

*“When the Lord thy God shall bring thee into the land whither thou goest to possess it, and hath cast out many nations before thee, the Hittites, ... seven nations greater and mightier than thou; And when the Lord thy God shall deliver them before thee; thou shalt smite them, and utterly destroy them; thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor shew mercy unto them: neither shalt thou make marriages with them; ... For they will turn away thy son from following me, that they may serve other gods: so will the anger of the Lord be kindled against you, and destroy thee suddenly. But thus shall ye deal with them; ye shall destroy their altars, and break down their images. For thou art an holy people unto the Lord thy God: the Lord thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth”* (Deuteronomy 7:1-6).

If only they had followed these instructions to the letter, things would have gone much better for them in the new land.

Now, the Bible says that God does not change. He remains the same always. Why, then, would God have done things differently when He gave the American continent to us? Is it even reasonable to think that He might have, or should have done things differently? If God gave the ancient Israelites the lands of the

heathen, why would He not also do the same for modern day Israel? Remember, we read it above — when God moves the peoples of the earth from one place to another, or even if He wipes out a people, He does so based upon His love for His people Israel.

It's not that He hates all other people. They have their purpose. But Israel is the apple of God's eye — His love — and just as a man loves his own wife above all other women, so God loves us above all others. It is only right that it be so. We also should love Him above all others.

Hatmaker's apology is the result of wrong thinking — wrong education that has been in place in the US for at least a generation. White children have been taught since the 1960s to be ashamed of who they are. In fact, our people are now the most hated group of people in the world. Even our own people hate us, because they have been programmed to hate themselves. It would not be incorrect to say that never before in the history of the world has a people been so ashamed for being who they are, and for no good reason. It truly defies all imagination.

Ms. Hatmaker actually wrote that she wishes she would have added to her prayer, "God, may we continue to be a people who reckon with our violent history, repent from the unjust systems we built, denounce white supremacy in all its forms past and present, and continue to work together to form a more perfect union."

Ridiculous! Why should the most blessed people in the history of the world be ashamed of their blessings? Why would we denounce our God-given position? To what purpose would that denunciation be? Shall we find fault with God? Shall we say that He was not thinking clearly, or that He is racist for loving us above



"Thou hast brought a vine out of Egypt ... and it filled the land" Psalm 80:8-9

all others? Shall we condemn Him?

Preposterous! I am both thankful and humbled to be numbered among those whom God prizes as His Own treasure, and for whom He gave all to save by our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. It does not make me prideful — because I know I do not deserve this great blessing — it makes me love Him with all my heart, and fills my heart with thankfulness and gratefulness to God for this wonderful gift.

God truly did give us this land. He hath not dealt so with any other

nation. And we should see that we observe His statutes and judgements, and keep His laws and promote the pure religion of the gospel of Jesus Christ with great gladness and enthusiasm. And so will our benevolent Father in Heaven bless us with all good gifts.

May He make His people truly grateful for the great honour that has been given us, and may He help us to walk worthy of our position and calling always

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# FAKE INDEPENDENCE

*“Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder”*

Book of Common Prayer

We are familiar with the words of the prophet Jeremiah, chapter 30 verse 7, foretelling the day of Jacob’s trouble and the similar words of gloom from the prophet Daniel, chapter 12 verse 1, also regarding a “time of trouble such as never was.” British-Israel writers and speakers have, for much of my life-time, seen this in the many economic and political problems we have faced since the last war, that time of national fight for survival which virtually bankrupted the nation. Our subsequent enslavement in the European Union for 47 years was a further unique experience in our nation’s history and has weakened us materially and spiritually. This process has been exacerbated over the past twelve months, or more, by the Covid 19 pandemic, although we have not been alone in suffering its debilitating effects.

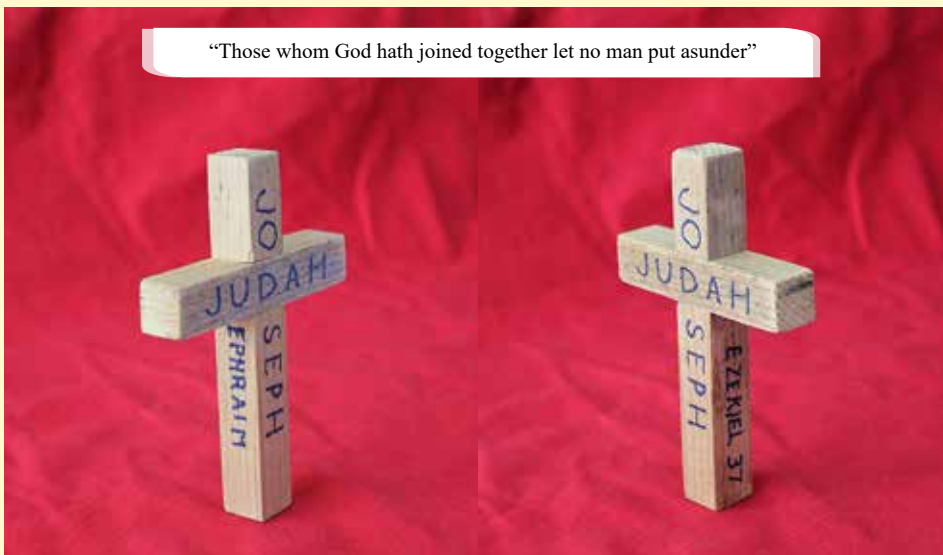
But other incidents in more recent years have sparked off further attacks on God’s Israel Kingdom, particularly on its Christian faith and heritage and, because of national blindness and a falling away in that faith, we have witnessed a further weakening in the spiritual life of our people. The result is that we have become powerless in our own

defence. We in BI rightly praise God for the fulfilment of His promises to our forefathers, that the nation and company of nations He promised for their posterity, has been fulfilled in the British Commonwealth of Nations. They were to be a blessing in the world and we believe that this has been so. But negative thinking and anti-God propaganda is, in these last days, pouring out invective on all the perceived evil of our pioneering ancestors, who did so much good, materially and spiritually, for other nations who were not so blessed with our beneficial skills and knowledge. We are continually bombarded with the evils of the slave trade, by which much of our national wealth was acquired. No mention is made of the fact that we were the first nation to make such trade unlawful; nor that other nations were also involved in such trade; nor that African Chiefs grew rich on the enslavement of their own people. Indeed, even further back in time, we find that the use of slave labour was an accepted way of life in the then known world.

It is weird that national symbols, traditions and institutions are now provoking indignation and outrage. They are things that are unremarkably good, things that we

share, that forge a common identity, and their goodness should not be contentious. But for a minority of nihilistic ideologues, they are icons that need to be destroyed. These evil and treacherous people have either taken over the decision-making positions of important organisations or intimidated others to the extent that powerful people have lost their confidence, their moral compass and ability to judge what is reasonable. In Pimlico Academy, in London, pupils led a strike against the head teacher over a ‘racist’ school uniform policy, a curriculum focused too much on ‘Caucasian’ kings and queens, and the fact that the Union flag flew on school premises. The flag was torn down and burned and a teacher was subjected to aggressive behaviour by a teenage pupil. Instead of standing up to such actions and taking corrective measures against such uncivilised behaviour, the school backed down and the Union Flag is no longer flown.

Satan, in his last throws of the dice, is winding up the propaganda machine to such a pitch that we in this ‘Appointed Place’ are being conditioned to feel such guilt for our past alleged misdeeds that we will believe almost anything said against our Anglo-Saxon and Celtic cultural roots. It is so sad that people in general seem to have forgotten the significance and meaning of our national emblem, the Union Jack. Some may just remember that it is comprised of the three crosses of the patron Saints of England, Scotland and Ireland. It began life as the red cross of St George on a white background, the national flag of England. In about 1605, following the Union of the Crowns of England and Scotland, the St Andrew’s cross was blended in with the St George’s, and the blue background replacing



the original white one. In 1801 the union of Ireland with Britain took place and the St Patrick's cross also blended in, giving us the Union Jack as we have it today. But the further significance it contains is the fact that the two crosses, diagonal and horizontal, represent the first and the last letters of the Hebrew alphabet, in its earliest form, the Aleph (X) and Tau (+). They are thus symbolic of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who said: *"I am alpha and omega, the first and the last..."* To have such a symbol flying over our public buildings and government offices is symbolic of our allegiance to our Lord, our Redeemer and coming King. To bow to such evil pressure, as that London school management did, was like that of the disciple Peter who denied the Lord three times. Denying the One Who's shed blood is signified by the Red colour on the flag and Whose pure and sinless nature is signified by the White of the crosses and the love of God for mankind by the blue background colour. What comfort and peace of mind people are missing without such knowledge.

While the peace and stability of the United Kingdom is under such threat from these subversive elements, the very unity of the kingdom is also under attack. Scottish nationalism has been a niggling thorn in the flesh of the kingdom for many years but now, in these days of greater confusion and diminished loyalties, it poses a serious threat to the Union which, until now, has been vigorously defended. So Nicola Sturgeon is pressing hard for Scottish Independence. But, when we examine more closely what she is really aiming for, we find that it is not real independence at all. Her avowed aim is to have Scotland admitted into the European Union and become a part of that modern Empire. That cannot truly be called 'independence,' for it is placing her country under the rule of the European Commission, an unelected body who dictates the rules and regulations for all member states.

What Ms. Sturgeon is doing is not giving her people independence but just a transfer of allegiance. Instead of being ruled from London, they will be ruled from Brussels. Instead of being ruled under English Common Law, based originally on the Ten Commandments, Scottish people will be ruled under Roman Law, which originated in ancient Babylon. Instead of being ruled by people of, mostly, common culture, ethnicity and ancestry the Scots will be ruled by those of an alien culture, ethnicity and ancestry.

**"I am Alpha and Omega, the  
beginning and the end"  
*Revelation 22:13***

Instead of a common language, they will be ruled by those speaking a foreign language. Instead of rule by a government bound by Statute to uphold the Protestant Christian faith and principles, the Scottish people will come under a government which is strongly influenced by the Roman Catholic faith, the very thing that Robert the Bruce politely but firmly rejected, back in 1320, with his Declaration of Independence. So, what Ms. Sturgeon is offering her people is a fake independence, for its terms and conditions are completely at odds with the principles of self-rule.

What is even worse is the intended breakup of this United Kingdom. Having such a desire to sever their link with their kinsmen of Israel is a denial of the Lord's sovereignty, another 'Peter' incident, 'cocking a snook' at that symbol of Divine authority, the Union Jack, which flies over Westminster. And, regardless of what they say to the contrary, it is a personal snub to Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth, who is our Queen-in-Parliament by official entitlement.

The kingdom has been split once before in its history. This was at the

end of Solomon's reign and, in that instance, it was God's own doing. But it had the purpose of future blessing, enabling the establishment of the foundations of the relocated kingdom, in accordance with God's promise, given in II *Samuel* 7:10, and known as 'the appointed place.' Here the exiled tribes regathered and, after a period of about 2,500 years, had all finally arrived, resolved their tribal differences and become a united kingdom by the Act of Union of 1707. A remnant of the kingdom of Judah, containing within it a branch of the royal house of Judah, returned from their captivity to Jerusalem. From that branch eventually came the Lord Jesus Christ, by His miraculous birth. His death at Calvary brought salvation to all mankind and redemption to His dishonourable kingdom. Thus, that former division of the kingdom served a dual purpose, to ensure its later national restoration and also the restoration of a fallen creation.

The reuniting of the two parts of the kingdom was foretold in the parable of the two sticks, given in the prophecy of Ezekiel in chapter 37. The prophet is told to take two sticks, label them as 'House of Israel' and 'House of Judah.' Then he had to join them together to form one stick. God then declared that He will likewise reunite the two parts of the kingdom, and we see this fulfilled in the Act of Union of 1707. Ireland became included in the Union in 1801. Thus we have the twelve tribes, so addressed in his letter by James in the New Testament Scriptures, reunited in the 'appointed place,' as was promised to them. A place of safety; a place in which *"no weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper."* So, we put our trust in the Lord and hold Him to these words of assurance in this time of trouble.

Therefore, I end as I began: "Those whom God hath joined together let no man [or woman] put asunder."

**ALFRED BROWN**

# EVERYTHING IS GOING WRONG JUST RIGHT

*“Why do the heathen rage ...?” (Psalm 2:1-5)*

As the “unclean spirit forces” begin their attack to bring down the western Covenant Nations and with the church bells silenced by the ancient cry of “bring out your dead,” fear and panic rests on our peoples as the Covid-19 virus begins its deadly death march. We have now learned that this Chinese virus is suspected to have been grown in a laboratory in the Chinese province of Wuhan; a matter that former US President Donald Trump and his Secretary of State, Mike Pompeo, have identified.

**“Washington:** The U.S. State Department says it has new information suggesting the Covid-19 pandemic could have emerged from a Chinese laboratory and *not* through contact with infected animals. This is the latest salvo in the Trump administration’s efforts to pressure Beijing over the virus’s origins.” (SMH 17 January 2021).

Is it any wonder then that Trump had to be silenced “by a well-funded cabal of powerful people” who came together to stop him winning the 2020 American election?

## Fake News

“*Fake News*” is false or misleading information presented as news. It often has the aim of damaging the reputation of a person

or entity, or making money through advertising revenue. Media scholar Nolan Higdon has offered a broader definition of fake news as “false or misleading content presented as news and communicated in formats spanning spoken, written, printed, electronic and digital communication.” (Wikipedia).

There is nothing new about *fake news*, repeated often by Trump during his presidential campaign. Frederick Burr Opper used it in his political cartoons to satirise

the rise of sensational journalism whilst working for the famous New York satirical magazine *Puck* in the late 1890s. Noteworthy was his term *fake news* that he used to politicise and satirise characters in his cartoons.



Reporters with various forms of ‘fake news’ from an 1894 illustration by Frederick Burr Opper

Collecting the dead for burial during the Great Plague of London 1665



Among Opper’s contributions for *Puck* were cartoons that satirised the rise of sensationalism in journalism. Noteworthy in these political cartoons was an early use of the term *fake news*. In addition, Opper drew influential political cartoons supporting Hearst’s campaign against the “trusts” with characters “Willie and Teddy,” depicting former US Presidents William McKinley and Theodore Roosevelt.

But “*as there is no new thing under the sun*” (*Ecclesiastes 1:9*) the spectre of Karl Marx and his evil entourage did not disappear after the fall of communist rule in the twentieth century. It went underground only to emerge again today



Karl Marx 1875

against the western covenant nations by using psychopolitics (brainwashing), a technique taken from Karl Marx's communist text book. The force of arms is not used, but the tongue and print are employed to suppress "freedom of speech" changing men's thoughts and beliefs today in an ideology used through the narrative of *fake news*.

The 1922 Mandate for Palestine highlights the inconsistencies in today's news world. For example – The Council of the League of Nations on 24 July 1922 stated that: "A national home for the Jewish people should be established without prejudicing the civil and religious rights of non-Jewish communities in Palestine." The forgotten factor in the Palestine question, where today's Israel was to be a **home not a state** for the Jewish people, highlights the ignorance of the modern Church and its teaching of divine prophecy. G.E. Atree Coley in her masterful booklet in 1947 states:

**"For the truth is that Palestine, unlike any other part of the earth's surface, is subject to conditions**

**imposed by the Almighty which men and nations can ignore only to their own hurt.** *It is God's revealed will concerning Palestine that is the forgotten factor.* It is blindness to God's claims that is the real issue. This is where the Church could usefully have served all concerned in this baffling problem.

"But the strange myopia which is creating confusion and inflicting damage upon all who concern themselves with Palestine, afflicts the Church as much as the rest of the community. The reason is not remote. **For at least a generation the majority of Church leaders have abandoned all belief in the inerrant authority of the Old Testament,** and now the course of history has brought a problem before the civilised world upon which only the Law and the Prophets can give light and direction, the Church, the appointed interpreter to the nation, knows nothing of it. **The Church for the most part has agreed to ignore Divine Law and to deride Divine prophecy.**"

*Fake news* and its twin brother *historical revisionism* are embedded in the psyche of those

wishing to destroy the freedoms enjoyed by our western Covenant Nations. But I have news for them! **Almighty God's plan for the ages** remains intact!

*Psalm 2:1-5: "Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together against the Lord, and against His anointed, saying, 'Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.' He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision. Then shall He speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure."*

For God to speak is for Him to act, for what **He** resolves **He** will do (*Genesis 1:3* and *Psalm 33:9*)

Finally, well might we say "everything is going wrong just right," so when Satan stands before Almighty God on that great Judgment Day, will Almighty God say, "I couldn't have done it without you"?

**PAUL L. OWENS JP**

With teacher/historian Bob Burton



# ISRAEL AND THE CHURCH IN THE BOOK OF REVELATION

The word “Israel” appears only three times in the Book of *Revelation* (2:14; 7:4; 21:12), and the word “church” only appears seven times, once for each of the seven churches (chapters 2 and 3).

The reference to Israel in *Revelation* 2:14 is part of the letter to the Church of Ephesus, and refers to the historical story of Balaam and Balak in *Numbers* chapters 22 to 24. *Revelation* 7:4 speaks of the sealing of the 144,000 of Israel, and *Revelation* 21:12 refers to the gates of New Jerusalem. If Israel in John’s prophecy actually refers to the Christian Church, wouldn’t the gates of New Jerusalem be labeled with the names of the twelve apostles of the New Testament, instead of the twelve tribes of Old Testament Israel? These “Israel” passages deserve a closer look, of which we can only give a glimpse here.

Is the word “church” in *Revelation* speaking strictly of non-Israelites? All of the seven churches of Revelation were in Asia Minor, on one of the main migration routes of the House of Israel after its escape from Assyria. As an early British-Israel writer, Ernest C. Hutton, commented, “It was not difficult to connect the ‘letters’ of Revelation with places where Israelites were then located.” (*Banner of Israel* BOI 33:123, 1909).

There were more than seven churches in Asia Minor, including Galatia, to which the Apostle Paul wrote his Epistle to the Galatians. Why

are only seven churches given? The number seven in biblical symbolism represents completion and symbolizes the whole. The seven selected exhibit seven different and distinctive kinds of traits found among the early Christians, as well as characterizing seven church periods since.

Of particular interest to us is *Revelation* 7:4 and the sealing of the 144,000, which has perhaps been the source of more controversy than any other verse in John’s prophetic book. Are these Israelites? Gentiles?

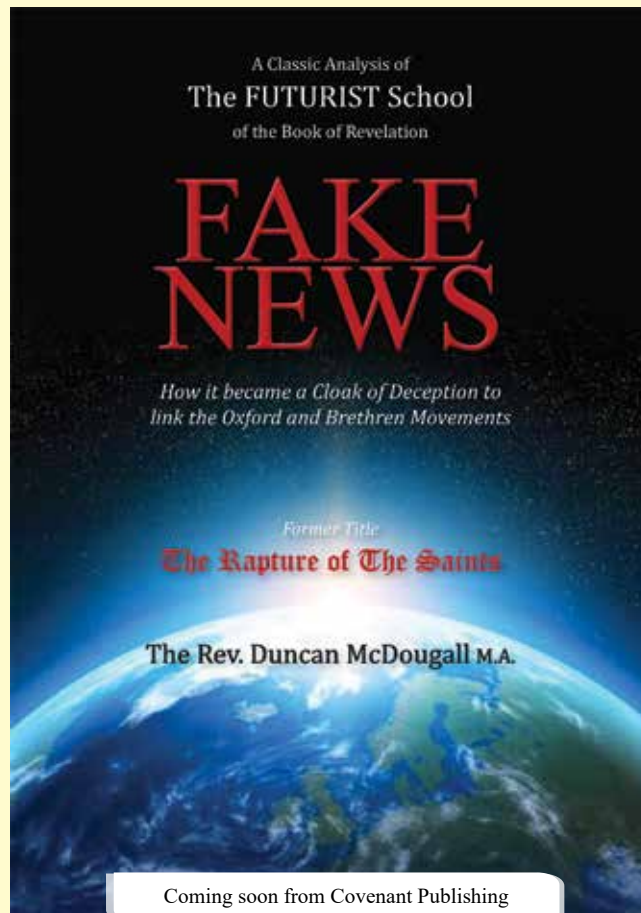
Augustine of Hippo, in his famous work *The City of God*, stated “Even in regard of details, [John’s] description of this body of the elect agrees most exactly with that of the symbolic visions under consideration. He speaks of them

not merely as elect Israelites, but specifically as God’s twelve tribes of Election out of Israel’s twelve professing tribes, and also of the constituency of the New Jerusalem. He asserts their inviolability as God’s sealed ones, from real injury by the Devil, or any of his instruments.” (Quoted from Elliott’s *Horae Apocalypticae*.)

What does this “sealing” entail? The late British-Israel writer, Augusta Cook, stated, “It signifies especially two things. First, it means protection. Those devastating winds of God’s judgments were ready to burst on the Roman Church. But in the south of Europe, where these punishments would be poured out, were many thousands of the literal people of Israel. These were not to be destroyed with the old Empire of Rome, and therefore God placed a Seal on their foreheads for protection.”

Miss Cook continued, “Secondly, the reason was one of obscurity, or hiding. When you seal a letter, you have hidden its contents. So Israel had to be hidden for a certain time. There are several passages in the Bible about the hiding of Israel. One of them is in *Ezekiel* 37, where Israel is stated to be buried out of sight—hidden in graves until the time comes for them to be found, when God says, ‘I will bring you out of your graves’—and they stand on their feet, ‘an exceeding great army.’” (*Light from Patmos: The Apocalypse*, pp. 42-43)

Rev. L.G.A. Roberts wrote, “Why then is Dan not sealed? Simply because the sealing



has to do with those of Israel who were in the Roman earth at the time of the vision being fulfilled. Dan, wholly as a tribe, had passed on into the place appointed (II *Samuel* 7:10; *Isaiah* 24:15). Dan never went into captivity (or shame). Search for him in I *Chronicles* chapters 2 to 9, but you will search in vain: he had left Palestine before Jeroboam II of Israel or Jotham of Judah, when the genealogy of the tribes was made (I *Chronicles* 5:17).” (*Israel in The Book of Revelation*, p. 45)

Theologians have all sorts of other reasons for the exclusion of Dan from the listing of the tribes in *Revelation* 7. Dr. Henry Alford claimed that Dan was missing “from the fact that this tribe had been long ago as good as extinct.” Yet Dan is listed first in the tribal list in Ezekiel’s “Latter Days” temple prophecy (*Ezekiel* 48:1), and Dan and Zebulon are both missing in the earlier genealogies found in I *Chronicles* chapters 4 to 7; both were Mediterranean coastal tribes suggesting that a significant number of them had sailed off to colonize other lands. Instead, Dispensational-Futurists imagine that Dan was simply too wicked a tribe to be listed! The *Cambridge Bible Commentary* disagrees saying, “The traditional view is, that Dan is omitted because Antichrist will come of that tribe: but the grounds for that opinion are very slight; it rests mainly on this omission itself, for no one would naturally understand *Genesis* 49:17 as implying that Dan would be an evil power.”

Far from being extinct, Rev. Roberts explains, “His migrations are apparent to all in the names of the places to which he came and left his name behind, Danube, Dan’s swelling or expansion; Daneister, Dan’s hiding place; Dan-apris, now Daneiper, Dan’s villages; also the Don River, and right across Europe into the British Isles we trace his trail.” In Keating’s *History of Ireland*

(p.40) he says “The Dannans were a people of great learning, they had overmuch gold and silver...they left Greece after a battle with the Assyrians, and for fear of falling into the hands of the Assyrians came to Norway and Denmark (Dannemark) and thence passed over to Ireland.” From *Annals of Ireland by the Four Masters* (note p. 121): “The colony called Tuatha de-Danaan conquered the Firbolgs and became Masters of Ireland...were highly skilled in architecture and other arts from their long residence in Greece and intercourse with the Phoenicians.” (ibid. p. 48).

There are still other explanations for the missing tribe of Dan. Charles Jennings, author of *The Book of Revelation From An Israelite and Historicist Interpretation*, says, “An acceptable explanation is that a translator, translating from original manuscripts, accidentally inserted the tribe of Manasseh instead of the tribe of Dan...” (p.135). Indeed, one early biblical text has “Man,” which translators took to mean, “Manasseh”; yet it is possible that it was a transcription error for “Dan.” Even more interesting is that another early manuscript, the Memphitic Version, has “Dan” instead of “Man,” showing that in this text Dan was not eliminated at all. (BOI 26:393, 1902).

Dr. Harry Ironside commented, “The hundred and forty-four thousand are composed of twelve thousand from each tribe of the children of Israel. There is not a Gentile among them, nor is there confusion as to tribe. Whenever I meet people who tell me they belong to the hundred and forty-four thousand, I always ask them, “Which tribe, please?” They are invariably confused for lack of an answer.” The answer to his question is found in a well-researched book by historian Steven Collins, *Israel’s Tribes Today*, (available from CBIA) which details the modern locations of each of the twelve tribes. The

*Guzik Bible Commentary* asserts, “Their tribal affiliation is emphatic and known to God. Even if God only knows it, there is absolutely no reason to regard their tribal affiliation as symbolic, not literal.”

Lutheran theologian Dr. J. A. Seiss wrote: “Nor is there a vice or device of sacred hermeneutics, which so beclouds the Scriptures, and so unsettles the faith of men, as this constant attempt to read Church for Israel, and Christian people for Jewish [i.e. Israel] tribes. As I read the Bible, when God says “children of Israel,” I do not understand Him to mean any but people of [Hebrew] blood, be they Christians or not; and when He speaks of the twelve tribes of the sons of Jacob, and gives the names of the tribes, it is impossible for me to believe that He means the Gentiles, in any sense or degree, whether they be believers or not.” (J.A. Seiss, *The Apocalypse*, Zondervan, 1865, 1: 405-6).

Of course, this does not deny the fact that salvation is freely available to people of every race, tribe and nation. Yet Israel is not replaced by the Church under the New Covenant, nor are the Abrahamic promises and covenants negated under the New Covenant and transferred to the Church. Author Dr. John Walvoord, in *Commentary on Revelation*, explains, “But the language, if language means anything, must be understood in its normal usage. If we do not take it in its literal sense then there is no check on one’s imagination nor guide for the real meaning of the passage. As an illustration, some say these are the 144,000 Jehovah’s Witnesses, or they are Mormon elders, or they are symbolical for the church.”

No, God’s Israel will always remain His people and the inheritors of His covenants!

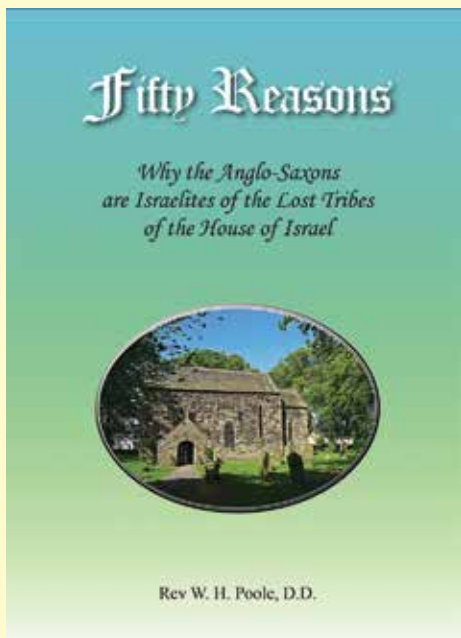
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# COVENANT PUBLISHING NEWS

When a book reaches its twenty-sixth edition readers can be assured that it has stood the test of time and that it is an important and valuable addition to their libraries. This latest edition has been revised and updated in parts but it remains essentially unchanged since the author was drawing on Scripture for his subject matter and not merely his own opinions. The first edition was published in 1879 and *Fifty Reasons Why the Anglo-Saxons are Israelites of the Lost Tribes of the House of Israel* by Reverend W.H. Poole provides a fascinating insight to the understanding of faithful Christians of that era.

It must be remembered that “He was writing nearly 40 years before the Deliverance of Jerusalem in 1917 – a wonderful fulfilment of Scripture recognized as such by Christians at that time. The subsequent turmoil of the twentieth century and the falling away under the ‘great and terrible day of the Lord’ was not foreseen. The interpretation of prophecy is always with our Lord’s advice ‘that when it has come to pass ...’” (Publisher’s Note on the Twenty-sixth Edition).



The author takes fifty topics which cover in an easily referenced form most of the key points of the Israel message. Each topic can be used as a starting point for further study so this book is an excellent starter for those who are interested in the teaching and who have questions to which they want answers in a short concise style.

The second book which is being re-published now is a far weightier tome, *Britain in Prophecy and History* by P.W. Thompson is more suited to those who wish to go much deeper into the Kingdom of God on earth. But it is not a heavy read: Mr. Thompson received many very favourable reviews of his First Edition in 1927 some of which are printed in the front of the book. One example says “This is one of the raciest books we have ever read. The long tale is brightly told. ... We have much enjoyed the sparkling style of the book.” *The Scots Observer*.

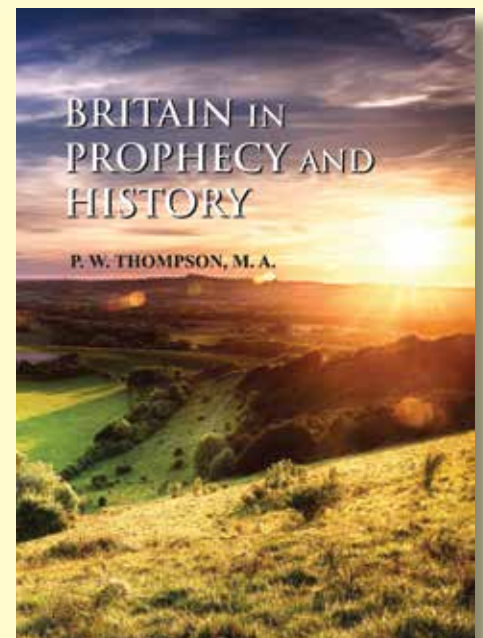
There is a whole chapter “devoted to the consideration of the great SEVEN TIMES of prophecy.” It is made very clear why a proper understanding of this is so important and it is linked to the words of Hosea: “*After two days will he revive us: in the third day he will raise us up, and we shall live in his sight*” (Hosea 6:2). The Pastor and Evangelist A.W. Pink wrote, “If it be true that during the last two thousand years of the Old Testament dispensation the spiritual blessings of God were largely confined to a single people, it is equally true that for the last five hundred years one section of the human race has been more signally favoured by heaven than all the other sections put together. **God’s dealings with the Anglo-Saxons have been as singular and sovereign as His dealings with the Hebrews of old.**”

(Quoted in *Suppose we are Israel*, a Truth in History publication; emphasis added).

The broad sweeping analysis of the history of Britain in this book shows how the Seven Times punishment was imposed upon the House of Israel and upon the House of Judah over a long period and how they both emerged from it over an equally long period. Their emergence from punishment is entwined with the ‘third day’ as it dawns and reaches its full height. What was happening to the people in the fifteen hundred years before the blessings of the five hundred years identified above? The quote from Mr. Pink does not reveal his thoughts but Mr Thompson in *Britain in Prophecy and History* provides the explanation.

There are many books available which provide an introduction to the Israel message and the basics of the teaching. This book is highly recommended for those who want to proceed to the next level and delve deeply into the subject.

Watch out in our next issue for the new book *Fake News* as shown on page 24.



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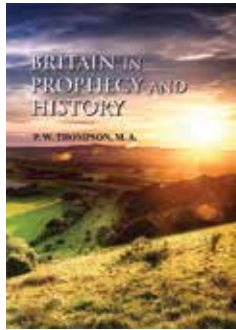
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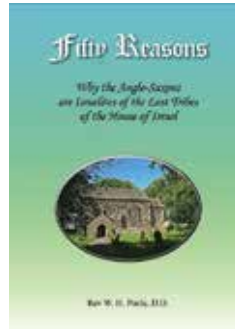
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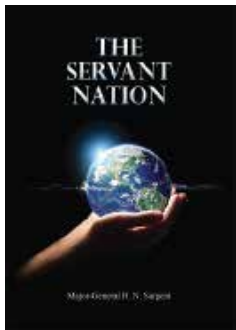
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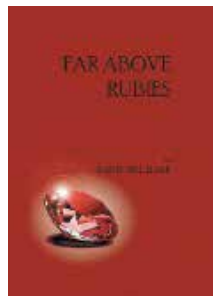
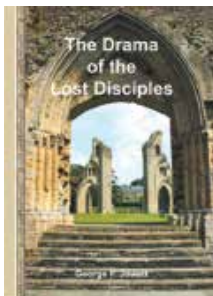
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