

## WE SUPPORT ISRAEL . . .

. . . **because Israel is the most frequently-mentioned subject in the Bible next to the Lord Himself!** It is amazing how few ‘Christians’ read the Bible’s account and teachings concerning the Nation of Israel. The word “Israel” appears 2566 times in the Bible!

. . . **because God has chosen Israel out of all nations!** You may not like this fact, but make sure you understand it before you criticize it!

📖 Deuteronomy 7:6: “For you are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your **God has chosen you** out of all the peoples on the face of the earth to be his people, his treasured possession.”

📖 Isaiah 41:8: But as for you, Israel my servant, **Jacob my chosen one**, descended from Abraham my friend,

📖 Isaiah 43:1: But now, O Jacob, listen to the LORD who created you. O Israel, the one who formed you says, “Do not be afraid, for I have ransomed you. **I have called you by name**; you are mine.

📖 Isaiah 44:1: But now, listen to me, Jacob my servant, **Israel my chosen one**.

📖 Isaiah 45:4: And why have I called you for this work? Why did I call you by name when you did not know me? It is for the sake of Jacob my servant, **Israel my chosen one**.

. . . **because God has identified Himself with Israel!** The Bible refers to the “LORD God of Israel” 108 times; to the words “the God of Israel” 203 times; to the phrase “the Holy One of Israel” 31 times (25 in Isaiah alone!) The Bible never identifies God with any other nation except Israel!

. . . **because God has a special love for Israel!**

📖 Deuteronomy 7:8: “the Lord loved you.”

📖 Isaiah 63:7: “I will tell of the Lord’s unfailing love. I will praise the Lord for all He has done. I will rejoice in His great goodness to Israel, which He has granted **according to His mercy and love**.”

📖 Jeremiah 31:3: Long ago the Lord said to Israel: **I have loved you, my people, with an everlasting love**. With unfailing love I have drawn you to myself.

. . . **because God has given her land that He calls His own land!** With all the political arguments about the Land of Israel, it is often ignored, forgotten, or purposely denied, that the LORD GOD of Israel has given to the physical descendants of Abram, Isaac, and Jacob, a special land, whose dimensions were laid out in Genesis 15:18 and a land that God calls His own in Leviticus 25:2,23.  
📖 Genesis 17:7, 8: I will confirm my covenant with you and your descendants after you, from generation to generation. This is the everlasting covenant: I will always be your God and the God of your descendants after you. And I will give the entire land of Canaan, where you now live as a foreigner, to you and your descendants. **It will be their possession forever, and I will be their God.**”

📖 Psalm 105:8-11: He always stands by his covenant—the commitment he made to a thousand generations. This is the covenant he made with Abraham and the oath he swore to Isaac. He confirmed it to Jacob as a decree, and to the people of Israel as a **never-ending covenant**: “I will give you the land of Canaan as your special possession.”

. . . **because God will never forsake Israel!** This clear promise of God is NOT dependent upon their performance. It is based clearly on the immutability of **His** promise. He will be faithful to them even though they are unfaithful to Him!

📖 Isaiah 49:13-16: Sing for joy, O heavens! Rejoice, O earth! Burst into song, O mountains! For the Lord has comforted his people and will have compassion on them in their suffering. Yet Jerusalem says, “The Lord has deserted us; the Lord has forgotten us. “Never! Can a mother forget her nursing child? Can she feel no love for the child she has borne? But even if that were possible, **I would not forget you!** See, I have written your name on the palms of my hands. Always in my mind is a picture of Jerusalem’s walls in ruins.

📖 Isaiah 54:5-8: For your Creator will be your husband; the Lord of Heaven’s Armies is his name! He is your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel, the God of all the earth. For the Lord has called you back from your grief—as though you were a young wife abandoned by her husband” says your God. “For a brief moment I abandoned you, but with

**great compassion I will take you back.** In a burst of anger I turned my face away for a little while. But **with everlasting love I will have compassion on you,**" says the Lord, your Redeemer.

☞ Psalm 89:30-37: *But if his descendants forsake my instructions and fail to obey my regulations, if they do not obey my decrees and fail to keep my commands, then I will punish their sin with the rod, and their disobedience with beating. But **I will never stop loving him nor fail to keep my promise to him.** No, I will not break my covenant; I will not take back a single word I said. I have sworn an oath to David, and in my holiness I cannot lie: His dynasty will go on forever; his kingdom will endure as the sun. It will be as eternal as the moon, my faithful witness in the sky!"*

☞ Leviticus 26:44: *"But despite all this, I will not utterly reject or despise them while they are in exile in the land of their enemies. **I will not cancel my covenant** with them by wiping them out, for I am the Lord their God.*

☞ Jeremiah 31:27,28: *"The day is coming," says the Lord, "when I will greatly increase the human population and the number of animals here in Israel and Judah. In the past I deliberately uprooted and tore down this nation. I overthrew it, destroyed it, and brought disaster upon it. But **in the future I will just as deliberately plant it and build it up.** I, the Lord, have spoken!"*

☞ Jeremiah 31:36: **"I am as likely to reject my people Israel as I am to abolish the laws of nature!"**

☞ Romans 11:1, 2: *I ask, then, has God rejected his own people, the nation of Israel? **Of course not!** I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham and a member of the tribe of Benjamin. No, God has not rejected his own people, whom he chose from the very beginning.*

**. . . because God will destroy all nations who attack Israel!** If there was ever a reason why the nations of the world should support Israel this is it!

☞ Isaiah 41:11,12: *See, all your angry enemies lie there, confused and humiliated. Anyone who opposes you will die and come to nothing. You will look in vain for those who tried to conquer you. **Those who attack you will come to nothing.***

☞ Isaiah 63:4-6: *For the time has come for me to avenge my people, to ransom them from their oppressors. I was amazed to see that no one intervened to help the oppressed. **So I myself stepped in to save them** with my strong arm, and my wrath sustained me. **I crushed the nations in my anger** and made them stagger and fall to the ground, spilling their blood upon the earth."*

☞ Isaiah 66:12-16: *This is what the Lord says: "I will give Jerusalem a river of peace and prosperity. The wealth of the nations will flow to her. Her children will be nursed at her breasts, carried in her arms, and held on her lap. I will comfort you there in Jerusalem as a mother comforts her child." When you see these things, your heart will rejoice. You will flourish like the grass! Everyone will see the Lord's hand of blessing on his servants— **and his anger against his enemies.** See, the Lord is coming with fire, and his swift chariots roar like a whirlwind. He will bring punishment with the fury of his anger and the flaming fire of his hot rebuke. The Lord will punish the world by fire and by his sword. He will judge the earth, and many will be killed by him.*

☞ Zechariah 12:9: *For on that day I will begin to **destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem.***

☞ Zechariah 14:3: *Then the Lord will go out to fight against those nations, as he has fought in times past.*

☞ Revelation 19:15: *From his mouth came a sharp sword to strike down the nations. He will rule them with an iron rod. He will release the fierce wrath of God, the Almighty, like juice flowing from a winepress.*

The battle of Armageddon, the final battle of human history as we now know it, will bring the Messiah of Israel to destroy all the nations of the world that have gathered to attack Israel.

**. . . because God will restore Israel to her promised land!** God is not through with Israel!

☞ Deuteronomy 30:5: *The Lord your God will return you to the land that belonged to your ancestors, and you will possess that land again.*

☞ Isaiah 35:10: *Those who have been ransomed by the Lord **will return.***

☞ Isaiah 43:6: *I will say to the north and south, 'Bring my sons and daughters **back to Israel** from the distant corners of the earth.*

☞ Jeremiah 30:3: *For the time is coming when I will restore the fortunes of my people of Israel and Judah. **I will bring them home to this land that I gave to their ancestors, and they will possess it again.** I, the Lord, have spoken!"*

☞ Ezekiel 36:24: *For I will gather you up from all the nations and **bring you home again to your land***

☞ Amos 9:13,14: "The time will come," says the Lord, "when the grain and grapes will grow faster than they can be harvested. Then the terraced vineyards on the hills of Israel will drip with sweet wine! **I will bring my exiled people of Israel back from distant lands**, and they will rebuild their ruined cities and live in them again. They will plant vineyards and gardens; they will eat their crops and drink their wine.

The Jewish people will return to the land in the end times and become a nation in one day (May 14, 1948) and retake the old city of Jerusalem (June, 1967), experience spectacular agricultural development (trees, fruit, flowers, etc.) and be hated and pressured by all nations of the world. God is fulfilling His Word, and nothing we say or do will stop it!

**. . . because God will come and dwell in the midst of Israel!** One of the unique passages about the end times is found in the visions of the future that Zechariah the prophet gave us:

☞ Zechariah 2:10-12 "Shout and be glad, O Daughter of Zion. For I am coming, and **I will live among you**," declares the LORD. "Many nations will be joined with the LORD in that day and will become my people. I will live among you and you will know that the LORD Almighty has sent me to you. The LORD will inherit Judah as his portion in the holy land and will again choose Jerusalem."

**. . . because God will bring salvation to the whole world through the Messiah of Israel!**

Yeshua said that salvation is "of the Jews." Christian faith and belief is rooted in the promises of God given to the Nation of Israel. Christianity is not a pagan religion nor did its original ideas come from the idolatrous beliefs of past empires! Christianity is based on Jewish roots and the promises of God to Israel!

☞ Isaiah 11:10: In that day the heir to David's throne will be a banner of **salvation to all the world**. The nations will rally to him, and the land where he lives will be a glorious place.

☞ Isaiah 42:6: "I, the LORD, have called you to demonstrate my righteousness. I will take you by the hand and guard you, and I will give you to my people, Israel, as a symbol of my covenant with them. And you will be **a light to guide the nations**.

☞ Isaiah 44:21,22: "Pay attention, O Jacob, for you are my servant, O Israel. I, the LORD, made you, and I will not forget you. I have swept away your sins like a cloud. I have scattered your offenses like the morning mist. Oh, return to me, **for I have paid the price to set you free.**"

☞ Isaiah 45:17,22,23; But the LORD will save the people of Israel with eternal salvation. Throughout everlasting ages, they will never again be humiliated and disgraced. Let **all the world look to me for salvation!** For I am God; there is no other. I have sworn by my own name; I have spoken the truth, and I will never go back on my word: Every knee will bend to me, and every tongue will confess allegiance to me.

☞ Isaiah 49:6: He says, "You will do more than restore the people of Israel to me. I will make you a light to the Gentiles, and you will bring **my salvation to the ends of the earth.**"

☞ Isaiah 60:3: All nations will come to your light; mighty kings will come to see your radiance.

☞ Isaiah 62:11,12: The LORD has sent this message to every land: "Tell the people of Israel, 'Look, **your Savior is coming**. See, he brings his reward with him as he comes.'" They will be called "The Holy People" and "The People Redeemed by the LORD." And Jerusalem will be known as "The Desirable Place" and "The City No Longer Forsaken."

☞ Jeremiah 23:5,6: "For the time is coming," says the LORD, "when I will raise up a **righteous descendant from King David's line. He will be a King who rules with wisdom**. He will do what is just and right throughout the land. And this will be his name: 'The LORD Is Our Righteousness.' In that day Judah will be saved, and Israel will live in safety.

☞ Romans 11:25-27: I want you to understand this mystery, dear brothers and sisters, so that you will not feel proud about yourselves. Some of the people of Israel have hard hearts, but this will last only until the full number of Gentiles comes to Christ. And so all Israel will be saved. As the Scriptures say, "The one who rescues will come from Jerusalem, and he will turn Israel away from ungodliness. And this is my covenant with them, that **I will take away their sins.**"