

# Understanding Israel

*the Mystery of the Gospel*



## Study Plan – Part 2

- God's purpose for raising up the Kingdom of Israel
- Why it is imperative that the kingdom be restored
- Biblical and historical proof that Israel and Judah have not been joined back together

# Part 2

## Israel's Purpose



# Prophetic Theme in the TNAKH

- Israel was called for a purpose – to be a witness of God's grace
- Israel will be disobedient to that calling
- God will scatter them throughout the nations, but
- When they come to their senses, God will, in grace, call them back to fulfill their purpose.

**NKJ Deuteronomy 4:5-8** "Surely I have taught you statutes and judgments, just as the LORD my God commanded me, that you should act according *to them* in the land which you go to possess. <sup>6</sup> "Therefore be careful to observe *them*; for this *is* your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples who will hear all these statutes, and say, 'Surely this great nation *is* a wise and understanding people.' <sup>7</sup> "For what great nation *is there* that has God so near to it, as the LORD our God *is* to us, for whatever *reason* we may call upon Him? <sup>8</sup> "And what great nation *is there* that has *such* statutes and righteous judgments as are in all this law which I set before you this day?

**NKJ Deuteronomy 29:22-28** "... the coming generation of your children who rise up after you, and the foreigner who comes from a far land, would say, when they see the plagues of that land and the sicknesses which the LORD has laid on it: ... <sup>24</sup> "... 'Why has the LORD done so to this land? What does the heat of this great anger mean?' <sup>25</sup> "Then people would say: 'Because they have forsaken the covenant of the LORD God of their fathers ... <sup>26</sup> 'for they went and served other Gods and worshiped them, Gods that they did not know and that He had not given to them ...

... <sup>27</sup> 'Then the anger of the LORD was aroused against this land, to bring on it every curse that is written in this book. <sup>28</sup> 'And the LORD uprooted them from their land in anger, in wrath, and in great indignation, and cast them into another land, *as it is this day.*'

**NKJ Deuteronomy 30:1-4** "Now it shall come to pass, when all these things come upon you, the blessing and the curse which I have set before you, and you call *them* to mind among all the nations where the LORD your God drives you, <sup>2</sup> "and you return to the LORD your God and obey His voice, according to all that I command you today, you and your children, with all your heart and with all your soul, <sup>3</sup> "that the LORD your God will bring you back from captivity, and have compassion on you, and gather you again from all the nations where the LORD your God has scattered you. <sup>4</sup> "If *any* of you are driven out to the farthest *parts* under heaven, from there the LORD your God will gather you, and from there He will bring you.

**NKJ 1 Kings 8:46-50** " When they (the Israelites) sin against You (for *there is* no one who does not sin), and You become angry with them and deliver them to the enemy, and they take them captive to the land of the enemy, far or near; <sup>47</sup> "yet when they come to themselves in the land where they were carried captive, and repent, and make supplication to You in the land of those who took them captive, saying, 'We have sinned and done wrong, we have committed wickedness' ...

NKJ **1 Kings 8:46-50** "...<sup>48</sup> "and *when* they return to You with all their heart and with all their soul in the land of their enemies who led them away captive, and pray to You toward their land which You gave to their fathers, the city which You have chosen and the temple which I have built for Your name: <sup>49</sup> "then hear in heaven Your dwelling place their prayer and their supplication, and maintain their cause, <sup>50</sup> "and forgive Your people who have sinned against You, and all their transgressions which they have transgressed against You; and grant them compassion before those who took them captive, that they may have compassion on them ..."

NKJ **Jeremiah 16:14-15** " Therefore behold, the days are coming," says the LORD, "that it shall no more be said, 'The LORD lives who brought up the children of Israel from the land of Egypt,' <sup>15</sup> **but,** 'The LORD lives who brought up the children of Israel from the land of the north and from all the lands where He had driven them.' **For I will bring them back into their land which I gave to their fathers.**

NKJ **Amos 9:8-9** "Behold, the eyes of the Lord God *are* on the sinful kingdom, And I will destroy it from the face of the earth; Yet I will not utterly destroy the house of Jacob," Says the LORD. <sup>9</sup> "For surely I will command, And will sift the house of Israel among all nations, *As grain* is sifted in a sieve; Yet not the smallest grain shall fall to the ground.

# David Unites the Kingdom



NKJ **1 Timothy 2:1-4** Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, *and* giving of thanks be made for all men, <sup>2</sup> for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all Godliness and reverence. <sup>3</sup> For this *is* good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, <sup>4</sup> who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

**NKJ Deuteronomy 28:1** "Now it shall come to pass, if you diligently obey the voice of the LORD your God, to observe carefully all His commandments which I command you today, that the LORD your God will set you high above all nations of the earth. <sup>2</sup> "And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, because you obey the voice of the LORD your God:

**NKJ 1 Kings 10:6-9** Then (*the queen of Sheba*) said to the king: "It was a true report which I heard in my own land about your words and your wisdom. <sup>7</sup> "However I did not believe the words until I came and saw with my own eyes; and indeed the half was not told me. Your wisdom and prosperity exceed the fame of which I heard. ... <sup>9</sup> "Blessed be the LORD your God, who delighted in you, setting you on the throne of Israel!"

**NKJ 2 Samuel 5:1** Then all the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron and spoke, saying, "Indeed we *are* your bone and your flesh. <sup>2</sup> "Also, in time past, when Saul was king over us, you were the one who led Israel out and brought them in; and the LORD said to you, 'You shall shepherd My people Israel, and be ruler over Israel.' " <sup>3</sup> Therefore all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the LORD. And they anointed David king over Israel. <sup>4</sup> David was thirty years old when he began to reign, *and* he

# Israel and Judah – Still Divided



**NKJ 2 Kings 17:23 . . . the LORD removed Israel out of His sight, as He had said by all His servants the prophets. So Israel was carried away from their own land to Assyria, as it is to this day.**



Fig. 3

**ESV Daniel 9:7 & 11** To you, O Lord, belongs righteousness, but to us open shame, as at this day, to the men of Judah, to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and to all Israel, those who are near and those who are far away, in all the lands to which you have driven them, because of the treachery that they have committed against you . . . <sup>7</sup> "Yes, all Israel has transgressed Your law, and has departed so as not to obey Your voice; therefore the curse and the oath written in the Law of Moses the servant of God have been poured out on us, because we have sinned against Him.

**NKJ Leviticus 26:33** I will scatter you among the nations and draw out a sword after you; your land shall be desolate and your cities waste.

**NKJ Deuteronomy 28:64** " Then the LORD will scatter you among all peoples, from one end of the earth to the other, and there you shall serve other Gods, which neither you nor your fathers have known -- wood and stone."



**2 Maccabees 1:27** Gather those together that are scattered from us, deliver them that serve among the heathen, look upon them that are despised and abhorred, and let the heathen know that thou art our God.

**JOE Ant 11:133** . . . there are but two (Jewish) tribes in Asia and Europe subject to the Romans, while the ten tribes are beyond Euphrates till now, and are an immense multitude, and not to be estimated by numbers.

**JOE Jwr 2:388** “Where then are those people whom you are to have for your auxiliaries? Must they come from the parts of the world that are uninhabited? for all that are in the habitable earth are [under the] Romans. Unless any of you extend his hopes as far as beyond the Euphrates, and suppose that those of your own nation that dwell in Adiabene will come to your assistance?”



Fig. 4

"I was not sent except to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."

**NKJ Matthew 15:24**

**ESV John 11:49-50** ... "You know nothing at all.  
<sup>50</sup> Nor do you understand that it is better for you  
that one man should die for the people, not that  
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**ESV John 11:51-52** ... He did not say this of his  
own accord, but being high priest that year he  
prophesied that Jesus would die for the nation,  
<sup>52</sup> and not for the nation only, but also to gather  
into one the children of God who are scattered  
abroad.

**YLT Genesis 48:19** And his father refuseth, and saith, 'I have known, my son, I have known; he also becometh a people, and he also is great, and yet, his young brother is greater than he, and his seed is the fullness of the nations;'



**NKJ Acts 1:6 . . . "Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?"**



Fig. 5

**NKJ James 1:1** James, a bondservant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, To the twelve tribes which are scattered abroad: **Greetings.**

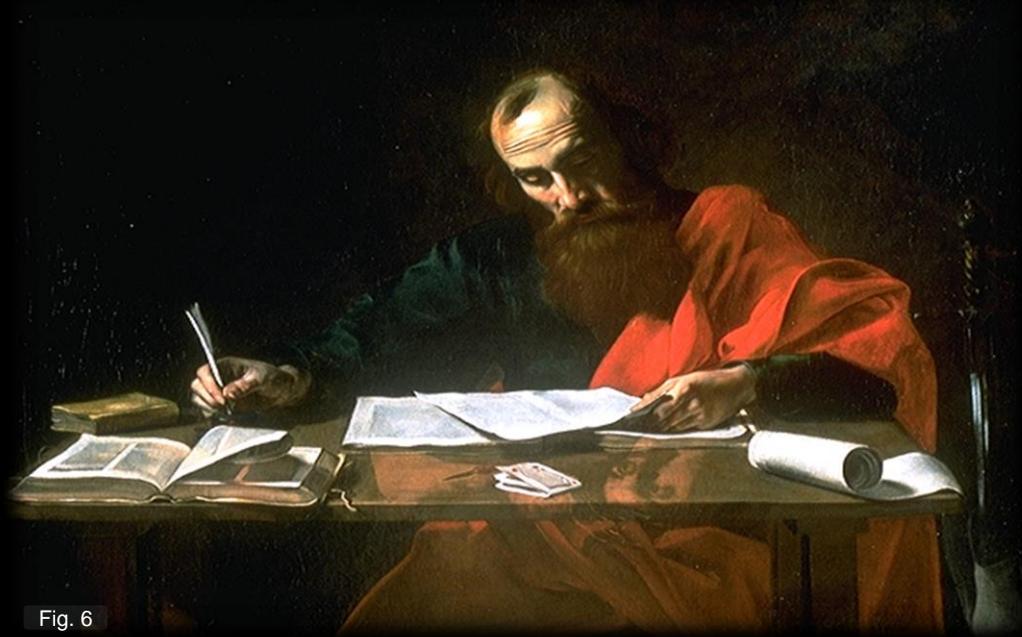


Fig. 6

**ESV 1 Peter 1:1** Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who are elect exiles of the dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cap-padocia, Asia, and Bithynia . . .



**ESV 1 Peter 2:9** But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

**NKJ 1 Peter 2:10** ... who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.

"And now I stand and am judged for the hope of the promise made by God to our fathers. <sup>7</sup> "To this promise our twelve tribes, earnestly serving God night and day, hope to attain ..."

**NKJ Acts 26:6-7**

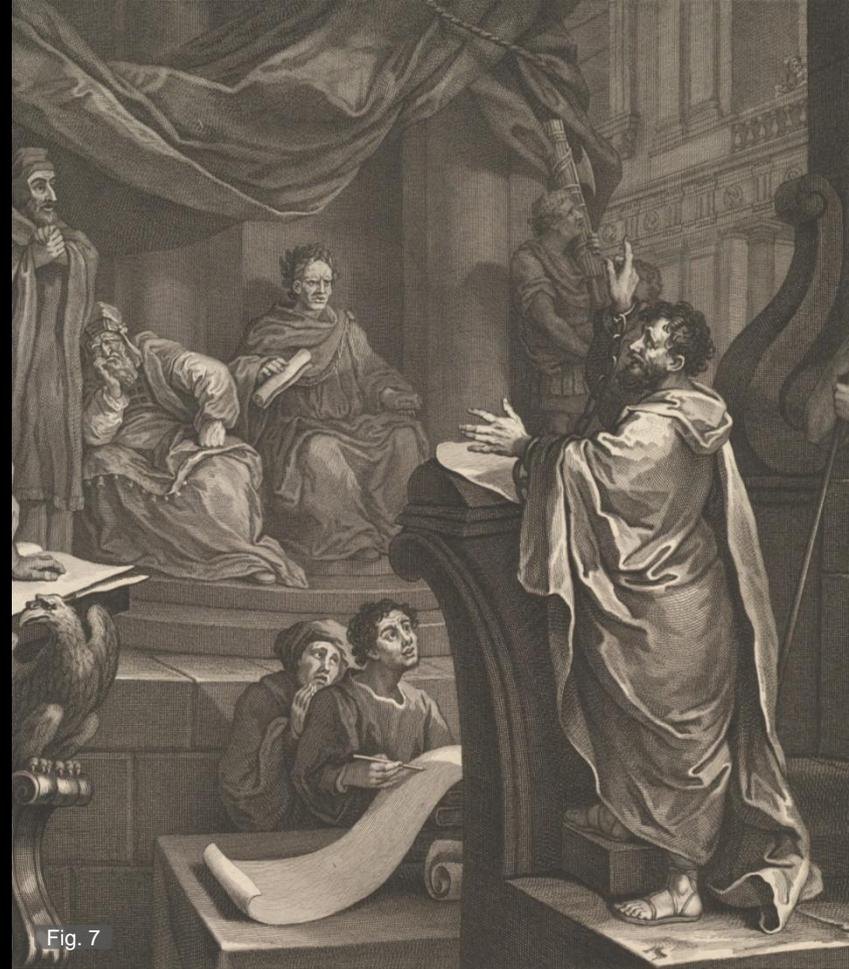


Fig. 7

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