

To the Jew First?

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Over the previous weeks we reviewed some fundamental concepts in the Covenant journey.

For decades I have been speaking to people like myself. People raised in the Christian Church, with a general understanding of the Scriptures, at least some of the highlights.

Over the years though, it is becoming abundantly clear that we have a younger generation that is, in large part, devoid of any spiritual understanding of truth.

Instead of growing up in Sunday School, or even watching Veggie Tales bible videos, we have a generation raised by Disney, Hollywood, PlayStation, Nintendo and InstaGram, to name a few.

We can no longer assume that people know even the basics, like: "In the beginning, Elohim created man in His own image."

People are living and dying without any understanding of why they were created, or what the future holds.

That is truly sad, and yet we have answers for a world in confusion. It is critical that we tell the world that man did not evolve from slime.

Instead, man was specially designed, and unique from all creation. He was filled with the breath of YHWH, with a purpose and a destiny.

Did you know that the very DNA of man carries the signature of YHWH?

DNA is the building block for life. It is the code that directs the manufacture, repair and reproduction of living beings.

DNA stands for Deoxyribonucleic acid, which is a polymer composed of two polynucleotide chains that coil around each other to form a double helix.

Each strand of a DNA molecule is composed of a long chain of monomer nucleotides. The nucleotides of DNA consist of a deoxyribose sugar molecule to which is attached a phosphate group and one of four nitrogenous bases: two purines (adenine and guanine) and two pyrimidines (cytosine and thymine). The nucleotides are joined together by covalent bonds between the phosphate of one nucleotide and the sugar of the next, forming a phosphate-sugar backbone from which the nitrogenous bases protrude. One strand is held to another by hydrogen bonds between the bases; the sequencing of this bonding is specific—i.e., adenine bonds only with thymine, and cytosine only with guanine. (Britannica.com)

The complexity and existence of DNA is a clear indication that life was specifically designed by an Intelligent Powerful Being. Not some

alien species from another planet, but rather the Creator of everything.

Just like authors put their names on books and painters sign their works of art, so too, the designer of mankind also signed His masterpiece.

You see, just as the sequencing of the bonding is specific, the bridges between the DNA strands also follow a specific repeating mathematical pattern: 10-5-6-5. This pattern repeats over and over in the DNA strands of man.

Well, just like the number 153 gets lost to those unfamiliar with the Hebrew language, so does this “signal” embedded within, and resounding from, our DNA.

Remember from last week the fact that the number 153 equals “Benei Elohim”- The Sons of Elohim. We know this because every Hebrew character has an ordinal numeric value. Hebrew does not have a numeral set separate and apart from an alphabet. The characters are also numbers.

The Hebrew character with the value of 10 is “yud” (י). The Hebrew character with the value of 5 is “hey,” (ה) and the Hebrew character with the value of 6 is “waw” (ו).

So, if we display the pattern found within our DNA in the Hebrew language, we see YHWH (יהוה) – the Name of Elohim Most High.

That’s part of what it means to be made in the image of Elohim. Your Creator actually placed His Name, as well as His breath, inside of you.

That is why we are seeing so much emphasis on mRNA technology and genetics.

We know that the fallen Sons of Elohim have been stirring up rebellion, even to the point where they are profaning the order of creation. Their goal has been to establish their own race of beings known as the Nephilim.

These fallen ones were behind the rebellion on mankind before, and after the flood. The rebellion at the Tower of Babel resulted in mankind being divided into different nations and languages. Rarely is anyone ever taught the significance of this event.

After the creation of nations and languages, the Scriptures focus on a man named Abram. YHWH chose Abram to reveal His plan to restore mankind.

Abram needed to leave Babylon, and go to a specific Land in order to enter into a covenant.

Here is the promise given to him before he finally crossed over the Euphrates, and entered into the Promised Land.

“² I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name great; and you shall be a blessing. ³ I will bless those who bless you, and I will curse him who curses you; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.” Genesis 12:2-3

This was a promise to Abram, who was leaving Babylon and entering into a land filled with giants. It must have been encouraging to know the YHWH was going to deal with the people he encountered with “divine justice” involving blessings and curses. This was an unconditional promise that we saw in operation with Pharaoh and Abimelech.

Interestingly, that promise is now being altered and repackaged by some as follows: “God will bless those who bless the Jewish people.”

That’s not what the text says.

Remember that Abraham was not a Jew. He was called a Hebrew. (Genesis 14:13)

The term “Hebrew” used to mean one who “crossed over.” The Hebrews crossed over from the east, as they ventured to the west. They were sojourners, just like we are sojourners.

His promised son Isaac was not a Jew. Also, Jacob was not a Jew, Joseph was not a Jew, Moses was not a Jew, and Joshua was not a Jew. In fact, they were all Hebrews. (see Exodus 2 and Deuteronomy 15:12)

The word Jew weakly derives from the Hebrew words “Yahudah” and “Yudea,” but that does not really hold water.

The name Yahudah was given to the fourth child born by Leah. She named him Yahudah based upon her statement, now I will praise YHWH. (Genesis 29:35) The name actually contains the entire name of YHWH, surrounding a “dalet,” which represents a door.

This was prophetic that through this tribe, YHWH would provide a way to YHWH. Of course He sent His Son to renew the Covenant, through the Tribe of Yahudah.

The problem is that the English word “Jew” has no etymological connection the Name of YHWH, just like Jesus has none with Yahushua.

The Nations, along with their languages and religions, repeatedly attempt to suppress the Name of YHWH from the world.

So while you can possibly make an argument to use Jew to refer to a “Judean” or one Tribe of Yisrael, because of common usage, you can possibly apply the word as a blanket replacement for the word Hebrew or Yisrael, for that matter.

That is why the Zionists used Israel for the name of the modern State of Israel. It was an all-out attempt to hijack the Biblical narrative, along with the promises of the Covenant.

While Abraham and Isaac were Hebrews, they were not Yisraelites.

Yisrael was the Covenant Assembly of people who came from Abraham and Sarah, then through Isaac and Rebekah, and ultimately through Jacob, who was later named Yisrael.

Yisrael was chosen to be a light to the nations, and that is why when they were finally brought into the Land from Egypt, they brought the Nations with them through “the mixed multitude.” (Exodus 12:38)

Once they took possession of the Land, they were supposed to shine as a light to the surrounding peoples.

“Listen to Me, My people; and give ear to Me, O My nation: For Torah will proceed from Me, and I will make My justice rest as a light of the peoples.” Isaiah 51:4

Through blessings or curses the Yisraelites would be an example. A witness for YHWH.

Through the Temple service they would demonstrate YHWH's plan for deliverance. Sadly, Yisrael lost sight of their purpose. They failed to obey, they rebelled and fell away from YHWH.

As a result, they were punished by, and scattered into, the nations they were supposed to be teaching. Instead of Yisrael teaching the Nations a lesson, the Nations would be teaching Yisrael a lesson.

In the end, the plan of YHWH for mankind would still be accomplished. Yisrael would be a witness, either through blessings or curses.

The Messiah came in furtherance of this objective to restore the nations to YHWH. He came from the Tribe of Yahudah, bearing the Name Yahushua, which means "YHWH saves."

When speaking to the Yahudim in Jerusalem, He specifically stated "My sheep are not of this fold."

"And other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they will hear My voice; and there will be one flock and one shepherd." John 10:16

What on earth did He mean by that?

Didn't he come from the Jews, for the Jews? Wasn't He speaking to Jews?

Didn't Paul say that the Jews were first?

Here is a common English translation from the letter to the Romans.

"⁹ tribulation and anguish, on every soul of man who does evil, of the Jew first and also of the Greek; ¹⁰ but glory, honor, and peace to

everyone who works what is good, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.” Romans 2:9-10

I was raised to believe that the Jews were the chosen people, and they had a special position in the eyes of God. After all, aren't the Jewish people "*the apple of His eye?*" (Deuteronomy 32:10)

Well, actually, that is referring to the Nation of Yisrael, that consisted of Twelve Tribes currently scattered among the Nations.

The House of Yisrael was prophesied to even lose their identity with YHWH. (See Hosea 1:8-9)

That was the pattern previously revealed through Joseph, while he was exiled in Egypt. He was presumed dead by his father, while thriving in Egypt. He did not look like a Hebrew though. He looked like an Egyptian. That is why his brothers could not recognize him at first.

That is where we find ourselves now. We Yisraelites are scattered among the nations. We don't look like Hebrews. We look like Americans, Canadians, Costa Ricans, Panamanians, Nigerians, Kenyans, Scottish, Irish, Welsh, Chinese, Indians etc. You get the point. We look like the Nations that we are mixed within.

Someday, YHWH will give the Command to sift use from the Nations, and bring us home.

“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.” Amos 9:9

I grew up thinking that the Jews were special, and God would bless those who blessed the Jews. I was deceived, because I was not taught the plan of Elohim – even in Sunday School.

Instead, I inherited Jesuit infected doctrine and eschatology.

I was also taught these distinctions were based upon genetics.

Well, there are a lot of people who feel called by YHWH, and they want to be special too. If they can somehow find some paperwork establishing their Jewish lineage, or take a blood test, they can get “in the club.”

As a result, there are many Christians and Messianic Believers hoping that they can find some evidence of Jewish Ancestry to validate their longing to be within that supposed special group of people.

As I said, a lot of this thinking derives from Jesuit teaching, and especially Dispensationalism.

Dispensationalism teaches that Elohim “shifts gears” every so often in His plan, and moves His focus from on group to another, based upon what gear He is in.

This is what has resulted in the distinction between the idea that the Jews are physical Israel, while the Christian Church is spiritual Israel.

They attempt to apply the past and future promises to different groups, and different covenants. That is how they can justify the belief that the Jews are under the Law, while the Christians are under grace.

According to this theological framework, God is schizophrenic. He changes His mind, His people, and even His Covenants.

Well, only a person who does not know YHWH would think such a thing. To the contrary, YHWH is the Creator of an unimaginably complex creation, built upon rules of physics, and mathematical algorithms, all operating through invisible powers that keep everything moving.

He is an all-powerful Master designer, focused on precision, and technical principles. He does not change His mind, and He does not break His promises.

He obviously is not schizophrenic, but these concepts have taken root and allowed Christians to easily ignore all aspects of the Covenant involving obedience and the Promised Land.

“That is for the Jewish people, after all. The Christians are going to get raptured and go to heaven.”

I hope by now you can see the error in all of this.

Nevertheless, we now have groups like CUFI (Christians United for Israel) unequivocally supporting the modern State of Israel, a nation that is in many ways anti-Yahushua.

You also see Christians locking arms with Rabbis and others in Rabbinic Judaism based on their “shared Judeo-Christian values.” I find that kind of ironic, since the only “shared values” would be in the “Old Testament” and the Torah, that Christians generally find inapplicable to their lawless religion.

And how tragic that followers of Yahushua are joining with the descendants of the Pharisees who rejected Yahushua, and continue to reject the Covenant renewed by His blood.

What a mess that people find themselves in, due to the religions of man.

Now obviously, we are not called to hate, but to love.

At the same time, we are not supposed to be jumping in bed with people who reject Yahushua, and the renewed Covenant.

Many Evangelical Christians don't have a problem with this, because they have been duped into thinking that the modern State of Israel was a fulfillment of Isaiah 66:8, which is simply not the case.

Nevertheless, they mistakenly believe that if God has birthed this nation in one day, then He will also "Bless those who bless the Jewish people and the Jewish State."

Sadly, if they had any understanding of what Yahushua actually taught before His murder, their error would be obvious.

He came as a King, and He was rejected. He spoke the parable of the Fig Tree, which detailed His efforts to get the House of Yahudah to bear fruit.

"⁶ He also spoke this parable: A certain man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. ⁷ Then he said to the keeper of his vineyard, Look, for three years I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree and find none. Cut it down; why does it use up the ground? ⁸ But he answered and said to him, Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and fertilize it. ⁹ And if it bears fruit, well. But if not, after that you can cut it down." Luke 13:6-9

The fig tree planted in the vineyard was specifically referring to the House of Yahudah planted in the Promised Land.

Yahushua even literally cursed a fig tree for not bearing fruit.

“¹² Now the next day, when they had come out from Bethany, He was hungry. ¹³ And seeing from afar a fig tree having leaves, He went to see if perhaps He would find something on it. When He came to it, He found nothing but leaves, for it was not the season for figs. ¹⁴ In response Yahushua said to it, ‘Let no one eat fruit from you ever again.’” Mark 11:12-14

He could not have made His point any clearer.

And it was pretty severe – *“Let no one eat from you ever again.”*

Again, the fig tree represented the House of Judah that was permitted to return to the Land after their Babylonian exile. (see Jeremiah 29)

Yahushua warned them to repent. He also prophesied that the corrupted Temple would be completely destroyed, and then raised up through His resurrection.

“¹⁸ So the Yahudim answered and said to Him, What sign do You show to us, since You do these things? ¹⁹ Yahushua answered and said to them, ‘Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.’” John 2:18-19

The Yahudim had allowed the Temple to become corrupted. YHWH was going to tear it all down and His Son Yahushua would rebuild a Temple through His Body.

Judgment was going to be a sign to that generation. That is why Yahushua later emphasized the need to “learn the parable of the fig tree” that He had already spoken.

“³² Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near. ³³ So you also, when you see all these things, know that it is near - at the doors! ³⁴ Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all these things take place. ³⁵ Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away.” Matthew 24:32-35

He was specifically speaking to the so-called “fig tree generation.” Not some future generation 2,000 years in the future. The context is crystal clear.

The Yahudim were allowed to return, and they blew it. They were going to be judged, and scattered again.

This time, they would not be returning, and they would not be bearing any fruit. The fruit would spring forth from the Lost Sheep of the House of Yisrael – the ones grafted into the vine. (see John 15)

Indeed, that is where the Torah is being discovered, and taught these days.

The Jews are still hiding the Name of YHWH, and the Torah. They conceal the scrolls in “arks” in synagogues, and adding to the Torah through their rabbinic laws and traditions.

I remember all of the Orthodox Jews who saw the Torah Scroll I displayed at Yisrael Connection in Panama. It drove them crazy. They actually offered to buy it, so that they could get it out of the public view.

This is because of their distorted notion that the Torah is only for the Jewish People. They even tell interested outsiders that they cannot obey the Torah. Only Jews can obey the Torah.

That is a lie straight from the nachash.

Sadly, most Christians have been influenced by these Rabbinic lies, along with Jesuit derived futurist teaching that places Yahushua's pronouncements of judgment on the Temple, and Jerusalem into our future. That is a mistake.

To be clear, Yahushua was prophesying judgment on that generation. The one that rejected Him.

So we saw "the fig tree generation" was in the past, leading up to the destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple by the Romans. It was the generation that Yahushua was trying to "fertilize," so that they would bear fruit.

They failed to receive the instruction, and were cut off, just as John had foretold.

"⁷ But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, 'Brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come?' ⁸ Therefore bear fruits worthy of repentance, ⁹ and do not think to say to yourselves, We have Abraham as our father.' For I say to you that Elohim is able to raise up children to Abraham from these stones. ¹⁰ And even now the ax is laid to the root of the trees. Therefore every tree which does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. ¹¹ I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Set Apart Spirit and fire. ¹² His winnowing fan is in His hand, and He will

thoroughly clean out His threshing floor, and gather His wheat into the barn; but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.”

Matthew 3:7-12

John wasn't kidding. This was serious business with devastating consequences. He spoke accurately. The fig tree was indeed cut down.

All the time that Yahushua was trying to fertilize that tree, He was also training up Yisraelites to fulfill the mission of Yisrael. That is why He chose twelve.

Their mission was to go out into the world and do what Yisrael was supposed to do in the first place – shine the light of truth to the Nations.

He warned them how to escape the coming judgment on the House of Yahudah. (Matthew 24:16, Mark 13:14 and Luke 21:21) He even equipped them with Good News to preach.

And what exactly was the Good news? It was the fact that YHWH had not forgotten His People. He sent His Son to renew the Covenant, and fulfill prophecy by gathering the outcasts, and restoring the Kingdom of Yisrael. That would ultimately result in filling the Kingdom of Heaven with Sons of Elohim.

Somehow, that message got lost and distorted through time, and through man-made religions.

We now have followers of a fictitious christ named Jesus, calling themselves Christians. They claim to be spiritual Israel, in a brand new covenant, separate and apart from the Covenant established through Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. There was a reason why YHWH

identified Himself as the Elohim of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. It was so that we would not lose sight of the source of the Covenant.

Nevertheless, Christians cling to a new covenant, that does not involve the Torah, despite the fact that Jeremiah prophesied that that the renewed Covenant was all about the Torah. (see Jeremiah 31:33)

Sadly, Christians are concerned with spreading a gospel that is completely separate from the original Good News of Yahushua. The Christian message is primarily focused on getting people to make a decision and say a prayer so that they can get saved, and go to heaven. That formula is not grounded in Scriptural truth, and they need to be warned!

At the same time, we see a group calling themselves the Jewish people who want to lay claim to the promises that Yahushua came to fulfill. They do not consider Yahushua to be the Messiah, but they asserts rights to the Covenant Land, that belong to the Son. Some even desire to rebuild the House of Elohim, in defiance of the Covenant renewed by the Son.

They want to get back to “business and usual” and start sacrifices, completely ignoring the words and deeds of Yahushua. It is despite the fact that He died and was resurrected, and the Yahudim were later exiled and the Temple was destroyed.

This was all in accordance with the 70 Week prophecy given to Daniel by Gabriel.

Those seventy weeks began with the command to rebuild Jerusalem, continued through to the rebuilding, the Messiah, the Messiah “confirming” (renewing) the Covenant, the Messiah being cut off, and the subsequent destruction of the City. (see Daniel 9:24-27)

The seventy weeks was completed in 70 CE.

There is no final week that has been floating out there for the past 2,000 years. Just like there is no 7-year tribulation period that will parallel the 70th week. This is all Jesuit futuristic eschatology that has led people to believe that the Temple must now be rebuilt, in order for Yahushua to return.

The amazing thing is that there are Christian's supporting the efforts to build what can only be described as the temple of the anti-christ.

Anyone with "eyes to see" can see the error in this path.

First of all, they are completely ignoring the clear prophetic fulfillments of the 3 1/2 years leading up to the destruction of the Abomination of Desolation in 70 CE.

Second, if they truly believed that the anti-christ was going to rule from a future Temple, why on earth would they help to build it?

They have truly lost sight of the Covenant path, and are floundering in a fog induced state of grace.

They need to get their focus back on Yahushua, and the opportunity He provided to join Yisrael through the Covenant renewed by His blood.

It is the Covenant Assembly of Yisrael that can become Sons of Elohim.

"³⁴ And Yahushua said to them, The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage, ³⁵ but those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and to the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are

given in marriage, ³⁶ for they cannot die anymore, because they are equal to angels and are Sons of Elohim, being sons of the resurrection.” Luke 20:34-36

You must be part of the resurrection made possible by Yahushua.

Yahushua was from the Tribe of Judah, and He specifically stated that His sheep were from another fold.

“¹¹ I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep. ¹² But a hireling, he who is not the shepherd, one who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees; and the wolf catches the sheep and scatters them. ¹³ The hireling flees because he is a hireling and does not care about the sheep. ¹⁴ I am the good shepherd; and I know My sheep, and am known by My own. ¹⁵ As the Father knows Me, even so I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep. ¹⁶ And other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they will hear My voice; and there will be one flock and one shepherd.” John 10:11-16

He came for the lost sheep of the Tribe of Yisrael.

“But He answered and said, I was not sent except to the lost sheep of the House of Yisrael.” Matthew 15:24

That is why as part of His disciples training He sent 12 out first, representing all Yisrael.

“¹ Then He called His twelve disciples together and gave them power and authority over all demons, and to cure diseases. ² He sent them to preach the kingdom of Elohim and to heal the sick. ³ And He said to them, Take nothing for the journey, neither staffs nor bag nor bread nor money; and do not have two tunics apiece. ⁴ Whatever house you enter, stay there, and from there depart. ⁵ And whoever will not

receive you, when you go out of that city, shake off the very dust from your feet as a testimony against them. ⁶ So they departed and went through the towns, preaching the gospel and healing everywhere.”
Luke 9:1-6

Then He sent out 70, representing the Nations.

“¹ After these things the MAster appointed seventy others also, and sent them two by two before His face into every city and place where He Himself was about to go. ² Then He said to them, The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few; therefore pray the Master of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest. ³ Go your way; behold, I send you out as lambs among wolves. ⁴ Carry neither money bag, knapsack, nor sandals; and greet no one along the road. ⁵ But whatever house you enter, first say, Peace to this house. ⁶ And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest on it; if not, it will return to you. ⁷ And remain in the same house, eating and drinking such things as they give, for the laborer is worthy of his wages. Do not go from house to house. ⁸ Whatever city you enter, and they receive you, eat such things as are set before you. ⁹ And heal the sick there, and say to them, The kingdom of Elohim has come near to you. ¹⁰ But whatever city you enter, and they do not receive you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹ The very dust of your city which clings to us we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of Elohim has come near you.’ ¹² But I say to you that it will be more tolerable in that Day for Sodom than for that city.” Luke 10:1-12

That was His mission, and that is our mandate! The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few. Our purpose is to join in the work of the harvest.

After His resurrection Yahushua found His disciples fishing, and provided them with the miracle of the 153 fish, representing the Sons of Elohim, scattered throughout the world.

They were fishing for fish when they were supposed to be fishing for the Sons of Elohim.

So the statement from Paul “to the Jew first, and then the Gentile” was not ordinal, it was geographical.

In other words, go to the ones in the Covenant, or the ones trying to walk according to the Covenant. Tell them the Good News that they have hopefully been waiting for, due to the prophecy given by Gabriel to Daniel.

Then start spreading out to gather the lost sheep, scattered throughout the nations.

As the net gets cast across the face of the Earth, YHWH will eventually draw in the Sons of Elohim.

Sadly, the statement made by Paul “to the Jew first” has left many people from the nations thinking that they are inferior in the plan of Elohim, when the opposite is actually the case.

I see people taking DNA tests to see if they are Jewish, secretly hoping they can claim some Jewish ancestry, so they can feel special too.

I blame a lot of this on Messianic Judaism. Many congregations still assert the distinction between “Jewish Believers,” and “Gentile Believers.” Some even require a “minion” of at least ten “Jewish” believers. The “Gentile Believers” have been relegated to second class citizens in the Kingdom. They should be ashamed of themselves.

As explained earlier, people were born with the signature of YHWH encoded in their genes. That is the only DNA test that you need.

So, I suggest that you don't worry about proving that you are Jewish, and stop trying to unite with the Pharisees, or the modern State of Israel. That is all a distraction, and a deception.

The Promised Son of Elohim came to the Yahudim first, and they bore no fruit. Someday soon, Yahushua will be returning for the chosen son of Yisrael named Joseph, and his firstborn son Ephraim. They represent the House of Yisrael.

That is where all of the excitement in the future plan of Elohim lies, and that is the harvest that will bear great fruit.

Therefore, I suggest that you go fishing for the Sons of Elohim, and focus on uniting with Yisrael through King Yahushua.